

Prindle 50th Year North Americans

Crystal Beach, TX

June 3-5, 2022

Texas City Dike Yacht Club & Bolivar Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2. ADVERTISING

2.1. No restrictions on competitor advertising.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1. The regatta is open to all Prindle manufactured boats.

3.1.1. Expected classes are Prindle 15, Prindle 16, Prindle 18, Prindle 18-2, Prindle 19, and Prindle 19MX as one-design classes.

3.1.2. Handicap spinnaker and handicap non-spinnaker classes.

3.2. Handicap classes shall race SCHRS.

3.3. All boats racing shall be scored under SCHRS for an overall fleet ranking.

4. REGISTRATION

4.1. Registration includes:

4.1.1. Regular regatta registration

4.1.2. Regatta shirt(s)

4.1.3. Skipper goodie bag

4.2. Late Registration includes:

4.2.1. Late Regatta registration

4.2.2. Regatta shirt(s)

4.2.3. Skipper goodie bag

4.3. Entries after the Late Registration deadline may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee with an additional fee.

4.3.1. Regatta shirts not guaranteed for entries after Late Registration.

4.4. Regatta information can be found on [Regatta Network](#)

4.5. Boats may be entered at: [REGISTRATION](#)

4.6. Refunds shall be given if requested before Late Registration Deadline minus a 10% administration fee.

4.7. No refunds after Late Registration Deadline.

5. FEES

5.1. Regular Registration:

5.1.1. The entry fee is \$100 for doublehanded entries.

5.1.2. The entry fee is \$80 for singlehanded entries.

5.2. Late Registration:

5.2.1. The entry fee shall be \$120 for all entries.

6. SCHEDULE

Friday, April 1	1700 hours	Registration Deadline
Friday, May 6	1700 hours	Late Registration Deadline
Friday, May 6	1700 hours	Classes are formed
Friday, June 3	1000 hours	Skipper's Meeting
Friday, June 3	1200 hours	Warning Signal first start
Friday, June 3	TBD	Social event
Saturday, June 4	1000 hours	Skipper's Meeting
Saturday, June 4	1200 hours	Warning Signal first start
Saturday, June 4	TBD	Social event
Sunday, June 5	1000 hours	Skipper's Meeting
Sunday, June 5	1200 hours	Warning Signal first start
Sunday, June 5	TBD	Awards Ceremony

6.1. Races

6.1.1. Distance races are anticipated to have one long race per day.

6.1.1.1. Distance races will count twice for scoring purposes

6.1.1.2. Course length will vary depending on weather and sea state, but the intent is to have a course length of 20-40 nautical miles.

6.1.2. Buoy races are anticipated to have multiple races per day.

6.1.2.1. Each buoy race shall count once for scoring purposes.

6.1.2.2. Course length will vary depending on weather and sea state, but the intent is for each leg to be 2-5 nautical miles in length.

7. MEASUREMENT

7.1. Stock boats shall be rated under published SCHRS handicap.

7.2. Modified boats shall be rated using the [SCHRS Rating Calculator](#) found online.

7.2.1. Entrants with modifications shall submit their custom SCHRS rating spreadsheet with documented sail dimensions and sail area to Regatta Chairman: Scott Tuma at TexasTuma@comcast.net upon registration.

7.2.2. Boat measurements may be verified by the Race Committee.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1. The sailing instructions will be available after Late Registration Deadline on at [SAILING INSTRUCTIONS](#)

8.2. The sailing instructions will consist of the standard Division VI Sailing Instructions and any supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the official notice board located at Regatta Network.

9. VENUE

9.1. The racing area shall be in the Gulf of Mexico off Bolivar Peninsula.

10. COURSES

10.1. Courses will be defined in the Sailing Instructions but are anticipated to consist of a triangle windward/leeward style and distance courses utilizing buoy and/or fixed marks.

10.2. Races are anticipated to start (a version of Le Mans style) and finish off the beach as well as traditional starts/finishes with a committee boat and pin.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty

11.2. Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

12. SCORING

12.1. The scoring system will be low point as stated in RRS 90.3.

12.2. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

12.3. A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.

12.4. No races will be excluded. This changes RRS A2.1

12.5. Distance races shall count double.

13. SUPPORT BOATS

13.1. Support boats shall be marked with an orange flag.

14. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

14.1. No haul out restrictions.

15. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

15.1. N/A

16. RADIO COMMUNICATION

16.1. Except in emergencies or to avoid collision a boat that is racing shall not communicate either by voice or data systems, information regarding wind, current, course, speed or any other information with any other boat to gain an unfair advantage.

16.2. Boats are encouraged to use [RaceQs](#) during the regatta, and a regatta replay will be available at the post-race social. AIS receivers and transceivers are also allowed. Tracking devices (e.g. SPOT, InReach) are allowed provided that the information communicated is available to all competitors and not used to gain an unfair advantage. It is encouraged to turn off live mode in these devices.

17. PRIZES

17.1. Prizes will be given as determined at Late Registration Deadline as follows:

- 3 Boats First place prize
- 6 Boats First place prize and second place prize
- 9 Boats First place prize, second place prize, and third place prize
- One additional prize for every three boats entered.

17.2. First, Second, and Third place trophies will be given for overall fleet results.

18. RISK STATEMENT

18.1. RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

19. SAFETY EQUIPMENT

19.1 Each participating boat shall carry one (1) operating VHF radio on board.

19.2 Each crew member of each participating boat shall carry and wear a USCG Personal Floatation Device.

19.3 It is highly recommended that each crew member of each participating boat carry a knife and/or multi-tool.

20. INSURANCE

20.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

21. FURTHER INFORMATION

21.1. For further information please contact **Scott Tuma at 281.705.3712** or **TexasTuma@Comcast.net**