

2023 Wednesday Night Club J22 Racing Series

Notice of Race & Sailing Instructions FOR ALL SERIES

THE FORT WORTH BOAT CLUB (FWBC) AS THE ORGANIZING AUTHORITY (OA) CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO THE 2023 WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLUB J22 RACING SERIES ON BEAUTIFUL EAGLE MOUNTAIN LAKE.

1. Rules

- 1.1. All series will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), and the US Sailing Prescriptions.
- 1.2 A boat may take a One (1)-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing both outside the Mark Zone and Inside the Mark Zone . This changes RRS 44.1.
- 1.3 By entering, all competitors agree to abide by and support the US Sailing Statement of Ethics and Code of Conduct.

2. Class

- 2.1 These series' will be sailed in the FWBC Club J/22s.
- 2.2 Privately owned J/22s are encouraged to participate.

3. Eligibility & Entry.

- 3.1 All series are open to FWBC members who have a sign-out card for the Club J/22s on file with the FWBC Harbor Master, and their guests.
- 3.2 Eligible members may register as skipper by completing the online registration form at Regatta Network for each series defined in this NOR. The QR codes in Attachment B provide direct access to each series host page.
- 3.3 Eligible members who are registered and wishing to race that week, may request a boat as skipper by completing the online registration form at https://j22.connerfullerton.com before 1800 on the Monday before the race.
- 3.4 Weekly boat assignments will be determined in a random manner electronically.
- 3.5 The boat assignments for the week's racing will be sent to registered skippers by 1800 on the Tuesday before racing.
- 3.6 If a skipper has to relinquish an allocated boat, notice must be sent to <u>j22@fwbc.com</u> and any members who have drawn out that week.
- 3.7 If there are more skippers than boats available at the end of registration, skippers that registered and did not get a boat for that week ("drew out") will be notified by the club. If there are fewer skippers than boats available after the drawing, then the remaining boats will be available on a first come first served basis.
- 3.8 Skippers that draw out shall not be drawn out of subsequent races in the same series unless all other skippers in that drawing have drawn out as many times as the skipper in question. Skippers in any given draw shall have priority over skippers who have drawn out less times. This shall reset at the beginning of each series.

3.9 Depending on Race Committee personnel availability, skippers may need to serve as Race Committee.

4. Fees

- 4.1 Skippers' FWBC club accounts will be charged a single entry fee of \$150.00 which will cover all series. If this option is chosen, the Skipper will automatically be entered for all series defined in this NOR in Regatta Network, no further action is required as in 3.2.
- 4.2 Skippers have the option to enter each of the series as defined in 5.1, the fee will be \$45.00 for each series. The skipper will have to enter each series in Regatta Networks as defined in 3.2.

5. Schedule

5.1 The schedule of racing will be as follows:

Orientation and Work Day	March 8 @1700
SPRING	March 15, 22, 29 April 5, 12, 19, 26
LATE SPRING	May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 June 7, 14
SUMMER	June 21, 28 July 5, 12,19, 26 August 2
FALL	August 9, 16, 23, 30 September 6, 13, 20

- 5.2 There may be as many as two (2) races held per day.
- 5.3 First Warning Signal:
 - 5.3.1 The first warning signal will be at 1800 for race days through April 5
 - 5.3.2 The first warning signal will be at 1830 for race days through August 30
 - 5.3.3 The first warning signal will be 1800 for race days beginning September 6 through the end of the final series.

6. Notices to Competitors

6.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the event website Regatta Networks J22 series Notice Board and circulated in the J22 group email.

7. Class Flag

7.1 No class flag will be used.

8. Scoring

- 8.1 Appendix A will be the base of scoring. A5.3 will apply for scoring and will replace A5.2.
- 8.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 8.3 A series may consist of as many as 14 races.

8.4 Scoring and allocation of worst score discards will be as follows:

Number of Races raced in that series	Worst Scores excluded
1 - 3	None (0)
4	One (1)
5 - 7	Two (2)
8 - 10	Three (3)
11 - 14	Four (4)

- 8.5 When a skipper registers and is not assigned a boat (i.e. "draws out"), that skipper shall be scored one more point than the total possible number of boats available that day.
- 8.6 When a skipper registers for a boat, and is assigned a boat and is a no show or fails to give sufficient notice for the boat to be re-allocated, that skipper will be scored DNC and be excluded from the draw to race the next week.

9. Trophies

- 9.1 Trophies will be awarded for First, Second and Third place boats for each series.
- 9.2 Awards will be held on the first race day of the following series.
- 9.3 The skipper with the highest number of Series Wins will move forward to the FWBC Race of Champions.
- 9.4 Skippers may nominate a crew member for the Crew of the Season award.
- 9.5 The Skipper with the most individual aggregate race wins of the season will be awarded the FWBC Club J22 Most Wins Trophy.

10. Racing Area

10.1 Attachment A shows the location of the racing area.

11. The Courses

- 11.1 The courses to be sailed will be windward-leeward courses of approximately .25nm .5nm in length per leg depending on conditions.
- 11.2 The course to be sailed will be posted on the race committee signal boat prior to the warning signal.

12. Marks

- 12.1 Marks will be permanent and/or temporary buoys.
- 12.2 Permanent buoys will be orange cylinders with a letter designation as shown in Attachment A.
- 12.3 Temporary buoys will be orange tetrahedrons or orange buoys and will be designated numbers as follows: 1 Windward Mark; 3 Leeward Mark
- 12.4 The race committee may change a leg of the course as per RRS 33: however, all sound and visual signaling requirements of RRS 33 are optional. This changes RRS 33.
- 12.5 The starting and finishing marks will be marks of the course as described above.

13. Areas that are obstructions.

13.1 The following areas are designated as obstructions: The Azle Pump Station and the restricted area surrounding the pump station designated by white navigational buoys.

14. The Start

- 14.1 Races will be started using Appendix U, Audible-Signal Racing System, of the US Sailing Prescriptions, as modified below:
- 14.1.1 Appendix U3. The starting sequence shall consist of the following sound signals made at the indicated times. These signals shall be timed from their commencement.

Signal	Sound	Time Before Start
Attention	Series of short sounds	Before the warning
Warning	5 long	5 minutes
Preparatory	4 long	4 minutes
	1 long	1 minute
Starting	1 long	0

- 14.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 14.3 U4 Individual recalls shall be signaled by hailing the sail number of each recalled boat. Flag X will not be displayed.

15. The Finish

15.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat and the course side of the finishing mark.

16. Protests and Requests for Redress

- 16.1 Protest forms are available upon request from the PRO. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.2 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the race committee boat docks after the last race of the day. The time of docking will be signaled by a sound.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses and the location of the hearings.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS61.1 (b).
- 16.5 Breaches of Sls 13.1, 14.1.1 (U3) 14.3 (U4) 17.2, 17.3 and 18 shall not be grounds for redress.

17. Safety Regulations

- 17.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 17.2 Personal flotation devices (PFDs) shall be worn by all competitors on boats with less than three (3) crew aboard at all times while afloat
- 17.3 Personal floatation devices (PFDs) shall be warn by all competitors on boats when the race committee boat is displaying the Y (Yankee) flag.

18. Disclaimer of Liability

18.1 Competitors participate in these events entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after these events.

19. Clean Regatta

19.1 This is a Clean Regatta; all competitors are strongly encouraged to use multi-use water bottles instead of disposable water bottles, and to recycle whenever possible.

20. Further Information

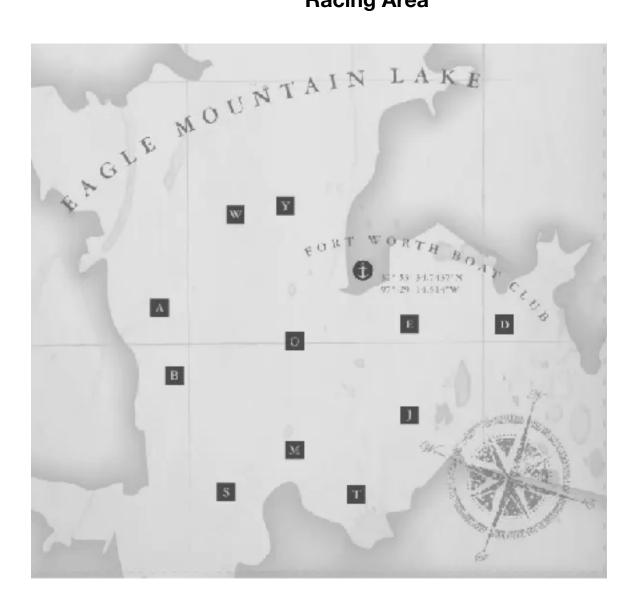
- 20.1 It is the responsibility of the Skipper to report any damage, missing items or maintenance issues to the checked out boat to the harbor master office via the sign out sheet and by using i22@fwbc.com after racing.
- 20.2 Skippers and crews are requested to leave the allocated boat in a clean and shipshape state after racing, removing all trash and hanging up lifejackets inside the boat to dry.
- 20.3 Sails to be returned to the sail store after racing and if wet, spinnakers hung up to dry.
- 20.4 For further information please contact the FWBC Office or the Race Committee. The FWBC office phone number is (817) 236-8393.

With thanks for generously sponsoring the fleet spinnakers.



ATTACHMENT A

Racing Area



ATTACHMENT B QR Codes for the Series Homepage in Regatta Networks

SPRING LATE SPRING SUMMER FALL

SPRING BACKET BACKE

We recommend setting up an account ay <u>myregattanetwork.com</u> to manage your racing program at Fort Worth Boat Club.