



Welcome to the 38th Annual Piñata Regatta!

Tucson Fleet 514, is proud to present the 2023 Piñata Regatta, and Division 2 Championship. For 38 years this regatta has provided the finest Hobie racing and the best parties- all enjoyed on the wonderful beaches, and in the beautiful warm waters, of the Sea of Cortez.

The weather looks good, sunny and mid 80's. We are hoping for a solid breeze both days and constant smiles on the sand and water. We're the Largest 2023 HCANA Regatta in North America.

Registration on Friday afternoon will be under the Tecate Tents - We are having a little Cheeseburger in Paradise Tribute to Jimmy Buffett. We will be eating cheeseburgers (of course), along with other snacks, and listening to the great music he left us before his recent passing.

Our famous Fleet 514 Dinner happens at 6pm on Saturday- Puesta del Sol will have a taco bar at the Tecate tent, with chicken, beef, and veggie options. **KEEP TRACK OF YOUR PURPLE WRISTBANDS.** They are your dinner ticket and your access to the Kegs. Additional Beer Cups and purple wristbands can be purchased at registration. Please try to re-use your beer cups all weekend and keep your wristbands - they are important!

Our raffle is awesome again this year! Buy as many tickets as you can for the best chances to win – This raffle is our primary fundraiser for the year. It is our raffle ticket sales and silent auctions that help us provide an extra special event, and allow us to keep coming back. Let's keep it going friends!!

Be sure to **Thank our volunteers** and support our generous sponsors who make this event possible. Our major sponsors are; The Ajo Visitors Center, Why Not Travel Store, Citizen Pictures and Oceano Properties. We couldn't have such a great weekend without their financial support- Big thanks to them all! An additional thanks goes out to Tecate for furnishing us with these nice shade tents, tables and chairs, as well as the discounted kegs of beer. Kudos Tecate!

Lastly, on your way out of the campground, **please make your \$20 camping spot reservation** for October 12-13, 2024. This is my final year as Commodore and Piñata Chairman, and thank you Tony for picking up the Fleet 514 reins again in 2024.

HAVE A HOBIE DAY

Barb Perlmutter

Piñata Chairperson/Commodore, Fleet 514



The following volunteers have all helped make this PIÑATA Regatta possible. THANK YOU!

Race Committee:

Deborah Ludford	Race Officer (RO) from Lake Arrowhead, CA Fleet 434 (& family help)
John Knipp	RC helper, HQ set up, Fleet 514 Equipment Storage & Transportation
Deborah Swanson	Race Committee Assistant
Sam Chavez	Race Committee Assistant (friend of the Reiners, Tucson, AZ)
Dave Martin	Panga Chase Boat Helper, from Las Vegas, NV Fleet 51
Stoney Douglas	Hobie Skiff Chase Boat driver, from Las Vegas, NV Fleet 51
Tim Twomey	Beach Captain, from San Diego, CA Fleet 4
Ellie Martin	Photographer, from Las Vegas, NV Fleet 51

Commodore/Board Member:

Barb Perlmutter	Commodore– Event Chairperson for 2023, Raffle/Sponsor Coordinator
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Other Fleet 514 Board Members:

Tony Krauss	Rear Commodore, Event Co-Chairman, Raffle Announcer, Transportation
Pete Krauss	Fleet Board Member (unable to attend)
Jeff Richards	On Site Treasurer, Registration, Raffle Ticket Sales
Pat Richter	Margarita Table Chairman, Transportation helper
Dean Zimmerman	Trophy builder, Novice Meeting, Protest Committee, Transportation

Fleet Members & Volunteers:

Jeff Perlmutter	Marks/Anchors, Race Headquarters Set-up, Radios, Transportation
Nancy Richards	Registration and Raffle Sales
Lani Krauss	Registration Helper, Goodie Bag Stuffer
Kate Richter	Margarita Table Manager
Gary & Wanda Lucht	Sunday Hot Dog Cookers, Keg tap watcher
Shawn Bates	Lunch Maker, Raffle Sponsor
John Lovegrove	Fleet Member, Registration Helper
Leslie Cox	Fleet Member
Diane Zimmerman	Supervisor at Playa Bonita Taco Cart, Goodie Bag Stuffer
Paul/Kathleen Guarino	First Aid Chairman, Dinner/Raffle helper
Mark Ashburn	Protest Committee, Fleet 51
Mike Montague	Protest Committee, Fleet 281
Radine Dempsey	Raffle Assistant, Event Helper
Ron Pacheco	Dinner Sales, Volunteer from SF, New Mexico, Fleet 48
April Williams	Friday Night Party Helper, Burgers & Grills
Crystal Clark	Friday Night Party Helper, Parrots, Fleet 66
Gay Potter	Friday Night Party Helper, Music, Fleet 66
Deb Grubbs	Saturday Night Music Helper, Fleet 51



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6th

08:30-5:30	PM	Fun Sail Day
5:30-7:00	PM	Registration at Tecate Tent (buy your raffle tickets too)
5:30-7:00	PM	Jimmy Buffett music with Cheese Burgers in Paradise at Tecate Tent

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7th

8:00 – 9:00	AM	Registration
9:05	AM	Skippers Meeting (at registration area)
9:30	AM	NOVICE MEETING (at registration area)
11:00	AM	First Race Warning Signal
6:00	PM	Dinner Party with Margaritas at Tecate Tent
7:00	PM	Regatta Dessert- last chance to purchase raffle tickets- stock up!
7:15	PM	Sponsor Appreciation Announcements
7:30	PM	Raffle

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8th

9:00	AM	Skippers Meeting
9:30	AM	Group Picture (On Boat Ramp) Wear your event shirt!
11:00	AM	First Race Warning Signal
4:00	PM	Trophy Presentation and Hot Dogs



2023 PIÑATA PRICING

Single Handed Registration (on site rate)	\$80.00
Double Handed Registration (on site rate)	\$105.00
HCANA Membership (required to get race scores, \$45/yr)	\$25.00
Event T-shirts, short sleeve	\$20.00
Extra Wristbands (dinner, cup for beverages)	\$15.00
Course Sticker	\$2.00
Signal Flag Sticker	\$4.00
Fleet 514 Bumper Sticker	\$3.00
<u>Raffle Tickets:</u>	
1 for	\$1.00
7 for	\$5.00
15 for	\$10.00
35 for	\$20.00
90 for	\$50.00
200 for	\$100.00



PIÑATA REGATTA 2023

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS!

SONORA

TECATE, Sonora

OCEANO PROPERTIES – Puerto Peñasco, Sonora

PLAYA BONITA HOTEL & RV PARK, Puerto Peñasco

LAS PALOMAS GOLF & SPA – Las Palomas Condo, Puerto Peñasco

OCEAN BLUE SPA - Sky Condo, Puerto Peñasco

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ONLY IN AJO VISITORS CENTER – Ajo, AZ

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GOLF CLUB AT DOVE MOUNTAIN – Tucson, AZ

HERM & OLGA BEECK – FLEET 514 – Tucson, AZ

HOBIE POLARIZED - Hauppauge, NY

KEN GERARD – Fleet 66 – Scottsdale, AZ

LMNT DRINK SUPPLEMENT – Naples, FL

MT. LEMMON SKI VALLEY – Tucson, AZ

MURRAYS MARINE – Carpinteria, CA

NOBLE HOPS – Oro Valley, AZ

PRESAILED PARTS – TurtleDave, Abq, New Mexico

ROCKY POINT SCOOTERS – April & Matt Williams

SAFEGUARD PROMOTION PRODUCTS – Tucson, AZ

START LINE SAILING/HOBIE FACTORY – Bristol, Rhode Island

STOHLQUIST WATER WARE – Carefree, AZ

TOTAL JOY RIDER TV – Joe Bennett – Lefkas, Greece

ANDREA HOPPER – Kayak Accessories – Tucson, AZ

TUCSON SAILING CLUB – Tucson, AZ



PIÑATA REGATTA, OCTOBER 7-8, 2023

HOBIE CLASS ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the 'Rules' as defined in the current edition of *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 The current Class Rules of the International Hobie Class Association will apply.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS & COMPETITORS' MEETING

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Regatta Headquarters under the Tecate tent.
- 2.2 There will be a competitors' meeting at the Regatta Headquarters on Saturday at 0900.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1000 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the top of the sailing ramp at Playa Bonita RV Park.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in race signal AP. *This changes Race Signal AP.*

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Racing will take place on Saturday and Sunday, October 7-8, 2023.
- 5.2 The objective is to hold 3-4 races each day, back-to-back. There is no maximum number of races that may be conducted.
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1100, wind permitting.
- 5.4 On the last day of the regatta, no warning signal will be made after 1400.

6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags and initial starting order each day shall be as follows:

Hobie 16 A	Red
Hobie 20, 18	Lime Green
Hobie 16 B, C, N	Turquoise
Hobie Wave	Pink
OPEN Class (incl H17s)	Black

7 RACING AREA

Racing will take place directly off the beach in front of Playa Bonita RV Park.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 Standard IHCA Courses shall be used, except any designated wind direction at the finish shall be ignored.
- 8.2 Note the addition of a Course 8. Reference Appendix A.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 'A' Mark and Gates will be orange inflatable marks. The WAVE 'A' mark is a large GREEN inflatable mark.
- 9.2 The pin end of the starting and finishing lines will be orange buoys. The boat end of the starting and finishing lines will be defined by a Yellow Fleet 514 flag flying from the Signal Boat

10 THE START

- 10.1 The starting line will be between the course side of the start pin and the flag staff on the signal boat, as described in instruction 9.2.
- 10.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10.3 A boat starting later than four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. *This changes RRS A4 and A5.*

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee shall move the original mark to a new position.
- 11.2 A single gate mark may be moved or adjusted without a signal.

12 THE FINISH

The finishing line shall be between the course side of the finish pin and the flag staff on the signal boat, as described in instruction 9.2.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

The Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty, including one tack and one gybe, is required.. *This changes RRS 44.1.*

14 TIME LIMIT

- 14.1 If no boat has passed the first mark within 30 minutes of her start, the race shall be abandoned.
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in their class sails the course and finishes may be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. *This changes RRS 35, A4, and A5.*

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Protest forms are available at the Regatta Headquarters. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 15.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the race committee and protest committee and to requests for redress. *This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.*
- 15.3 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. Hearings will be held at the Ashburn's large enclosed white trailer.
- 15.4 Breaches of IHCA class rule 8.1 (with respect to the country of certification only), of instructions 10.2, 17.1, 17.2, 17.3, and 21 will not be grounds for a protest or a request for redress by a boat. *This changes RRS 60.1.* Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the PC so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.

16 SCORING

- 16.1 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2 When four (4) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races scores excluding her worst score. *This changes RRS A2*
- 16.3 OPEN CLASS boats shall be scored using the SCHRS International Small Catamaran Rating System.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 A personal flotation device shall be worn, properly fastened, by competitors while launching and when sailing, except briefly while adjusting clothing or equipment. The penalty for failure to comply with this rule shall be at the discretion of the PC, and may result in disqualification. Pursuant to the US Sailing prescription to RRS 88.2, the US Sailing prescription to RRS 40 will not apply.
- 17.2 Boats shall check in by sailing close astern of the signal boat on starboard tack and hailing their sail numbers to the signal boat before the start of the first race each day (and the first race following any postponement ashore).
- 17.3 A boat that retires from the race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior approval of the race committee.
- 18.2 Substitution of equipment will not be allowed without prior approval of the race committee.
- 18.3 Requests for substitution of equipment or crew shall be made to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with class rules and sailing instructions.

20 TRASH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

21 RADIO COMMUNICATION

On board VHF radios shall be permitted during this event for monitoring purposes or to advise the RC of retirement from a race only, except in the case of an emergency situation where they will be used to transmit a distress call. This also applies to mobile telephones. In case of emergency, the RC will be monitoring channel 69. Announcements to competitors may be made over the radio.

22 AWARDS

Awards presentation shall be on Sunday afternoon following racing. The number of trophies in each class will be based on the number of pre-registered boats.

23 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, see RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

24 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with minimum coverage of \$100,000 per event or the equivalent, with proof to be provided upon request.

25 SPECIAL NOTES

Any boat receiving 'hands on' assistance from rescue/mark boats will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. *This changes RRS A5.* The race committee may decide when a boat or crew needs assistance.

HCANA ADDITIONAL SAFETY NOTES TO ALL SAILORS

GENERAL

If wind, wave, or water conditions make you doubtful of your ability to handle the conditions, please retire from the race.

ELECTRICAL POWER LINES – AVOID!!! Before raising the mast, and always while sailing, check for and avoid low overhead electrical power lines. If you see a power line, AVOID IT! A MAST COMING IN CONTACT OR EVEN NEAR AN ELECTRICAL POWER LINE CAN CAUSE SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH TO PEOPLE ON OR TOUCHING THE BOAT!



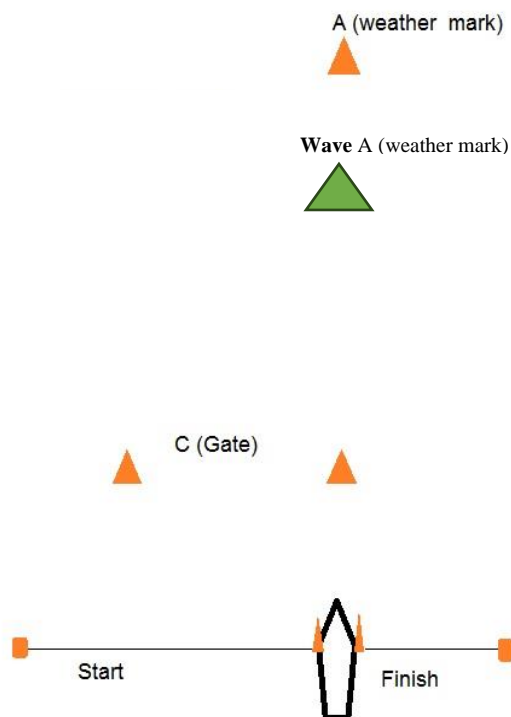
Appendix A – Illustrating the Courses

No.	Course
1	(S) A C A (F)
2	(S) A C A C A (F)
3	(S) A C A B C (F)
4	(S) A, C, A, B, C, A (F)
5	(S) A C (F)
6	(S) A C A C (F)
7	(S) A C A B C A C (F)
8	(S) A (F)

***Note: Course 8 is *not* part of the standard IHCA course chart.**

S = Start, A = Weather mark, C = Gate/leeward mark, F = finish

Course Diagram (Not to scale!)





PIÑATA REGATTA COMPETITOR'S ON-THE-WATER SAFETY PROTOCOL

GENERAL INFORMATION

- It is the responsibility of each skipper and their crew to determine their capabilities in the sailing conditions. It is also the responsibility of all the competitors to give all possible help to any person in danger.
- All vessels and their crew shall meet all applicable requirements set forth in the applicable class rules, the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions and the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- All crew members should be aware of the emergency contact information below.
- Each boat and crew should develop and rehearse emergency procedures including righting the boat from the turtled position.

SIGNALLING ASSISTANCE FROM SUPPORT BOATS

- If **NO** assistance is required - pat the top of your head with your hand – wait for “thumbs-up” confirmation signal from the proximate support boat
- If **ASSISTANCE IS REQUIRED** – wave your arm(s) above your head.

“I’m OK!”



“I need help!”



SAFETY PROCEDURES

In the event of an accident or injury, competitors shall:

1. Call the PRO **VHF channel 69**. Identify yourself, your sail number, your approximate location, and state that this is an **EMERGENCY**.
2. State the nature of the emergency; provide any possible useful information on the type of aid needed (wound, injury to bones, muscles, joints or sudden illness, consciousness, etc.) and if the injured person is in the water.
3. Give your best assessment of the seriousness of the injury or illness as either: Non-Life Threatening Emergencies ----OR---- Life Threatening Emergencies: i.e., stoppage of breathing, severe bleeding, heart attack, spinal injury, heat stroke or seizure.
4. Advise if transport may be needed – immediate transport will be provided by the support boat in closest proximity.

EMERGENCY / CONTACT INFO

VHF Channel 69



PIÑATA REGATTA EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN

CLOSEST MEDICAL FACILITIES

From Puerto Penasco.com –

In the downtown area of Puerto Peñasco you can find **San Jose Clinic** it is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. San Jose Clinic provides the following services; X-rays, ultrasounds, a delivery room, surgery and also if you required transportation to local hospitals and or hospitals to the United States. Another service San Jose Clinic provides is an onsite pharmacy where you will get discounts for being a patient there.

Phone **(638) 383 51 21** and **(638) 383 15 21**

Bld. Benito Juárez and Guillermo Prieto

You may need to add the dialing code prefix **00+52**

Google map from Playa Bonita RV park attached at the end of this document

There is also an equivalent emergency number to our 911 – it is **066**. This is a reliable number, but they may not speak English, and it is suggested to contact the San Jose Clinic first

MEDICAL PERSONNEL /SAFETY PERSONNEL AT THE EVENT –

- Mexican Bombero rescue services on duty during on-the-water activities, stationed at the top of the sailing ramp at Playa Bonita RV Park



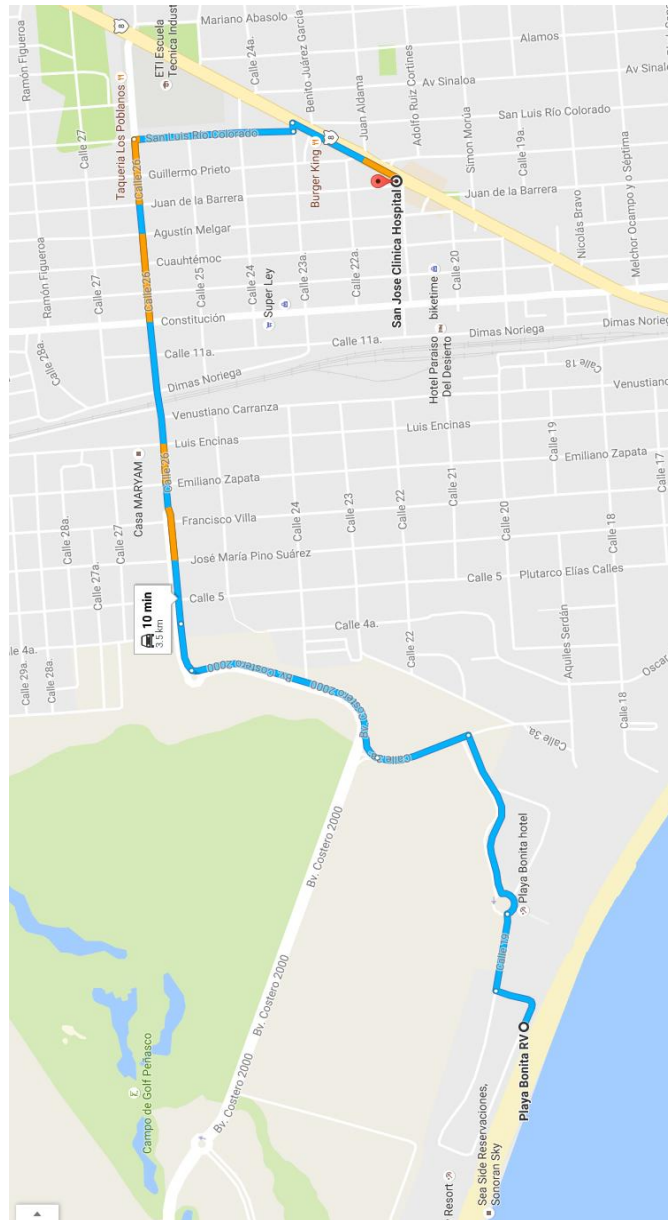
ON-THE WATER EMERGENCIES –

- Mexican Bombero Rescue Services will be on duty during all on-the-water activities, and stationed at the top of the sailing ramp at the Playa Bonita RV Park. Stationed personnel will have compatible radios (provided for their use by the organizers during the event) to allow direct communications, and the Bombero squad has historically has at least one English speaker.
- Competitors will be provided information on Safety Protocols at registration, and have been advised to use channel 69 to contact the Race Committee in the event of an emergency.
- Biggest decision in the event of an on the water emergency will be whether the victim/patient needs to be transported to the dock and launch facility, or can be brought in through the surfline. Sea conditions and the nature of the incident will need to guide rescue decisions. The Bombero Rescue Squad will be informed of where to meet the victim/patient - either through direct radio contact from the Race Committee, or through the Beach Captain.

ON-SHORE EMERGENCIES –

- During the time the Bomberos are on duty, any medical or other emergency on shore will be reported directly to them.
- During hours when the Bomberos are not on duty, but the Playa Bonita RV Office is still open, contact with emergency services will be initiated through the Playa Bonita RV Office. It will most likely be best/fastest to transport a patient to the San Jose Clinic via private vehicle, and the Office will call ahead let them know a patient is on the way. If the patient's condition is such that is better to have transport provided by ambulance, this will be coordinated through the Office as well.
- During after-hours when the Office is not open, it will be best to transport the patient to the San Jose Clinic directly via private vehicle. The Clinic should be called to let them know that an emergency is on the way. If the patient's condition is such that is better to have transport provided by ambulance, the emergency number **066** can be called as well. After hours emergency instructions will be posted on the Playa Bonita Office.

CLOSEST CLINIC





Piñata Regatta Future Dates

2024 Oct 12-13

2025 Oct 11-12

2026 Oct 10-11

2027 Oct 09-10

**'The Rule' - First Saturday of the first full week in
October - No earlier than Oct 7, no later than Oct 13**

Please Join Fleet 514 - Annual Dues \$20

Name: _____

Email: _____

Cell #: _____

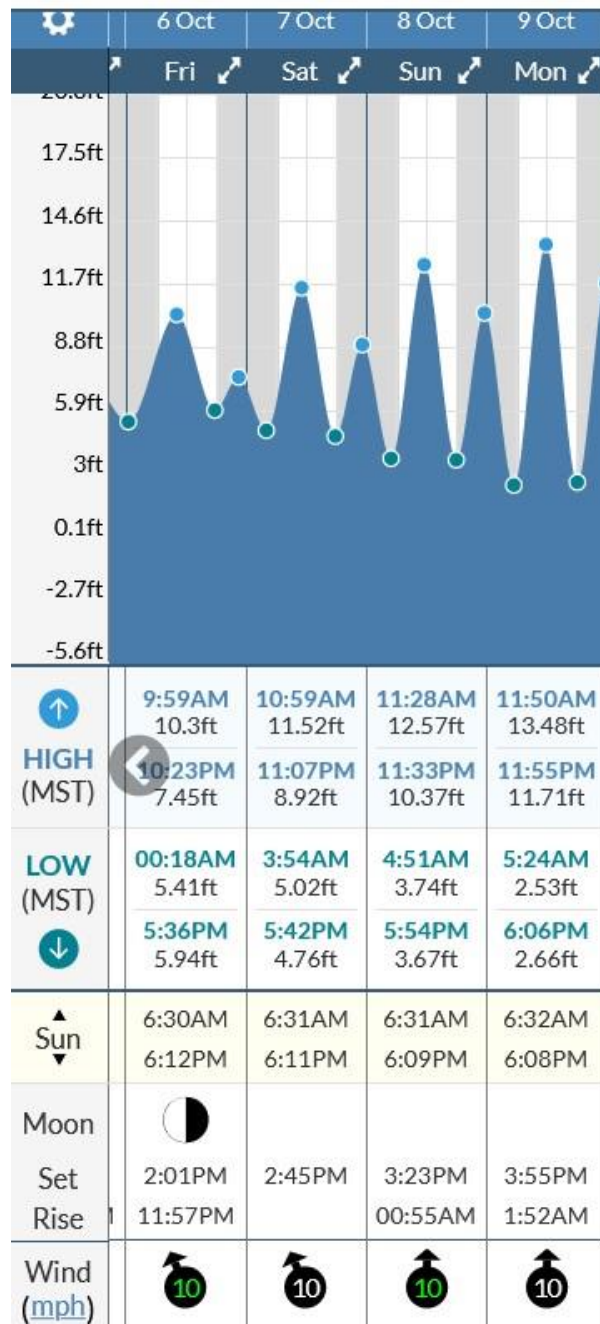
Address: _____

Address: _____

Please Make Checks Payable to: Tucson Hobie Fleet 514
Drop this form off at the Registration Desk or give to Barb Perlmutter



Tide Chart for Pinata Weekend





GET IN YOUR 2024 PLAYA BONITA RV CAMP SPOT
RESERVATION NOW
GUARANTEE YOUR CAMP SPOT FOR NEXT YEAR'S EVENT
October 12 and 13, 2024

DROP OFF AT THE FRONT OFFICE ON YOUR WAY OUT OR:

MAIL DEPOSIT TO:

PLAYA BONITA R.V. PARK
P.O. BOX 254
LUKEVILLE, AZ 85341, U.S.A .

ARRIVAL DATE: _____ DEPARTURE DATE: _____

NO. OF NIGHTS: _____ NO. OF SPACES: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP _____

PHONE (_____) _____ R.V. LENGTH _____

SPECIAL REQUESTS:

PLEASE PUT WITH HOBIE CAT SAILBOAT REGATTA GROUP

DEPOSIT: \$ 20.00 each space _____ **CHECK NO.** _____ **CASH** _____
SPECIFIC SPACE NUMBERS ARE NOT GUARANTEED,

THERE WILL BE A \$10.00 FEE FOR ALL CANCELLATIONS.

WE MUST RECEIVE CANCELLATION NOTICE 7 DAYS BEFORE ARRIVAL DATE TO RECEIVE REFUND