

Notice of Race

Organizing Authority:



Host Club: Lakewood Yacht Club 2425 NASA Parkway Seabrook, Texas

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- 1. **Rules:** The race will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* 2013-2016
- 2. **Race Area:** The racing area will be in Galveston Bay, South of Red Bluff, North of Eagle Point and West of the Houston Ship Channel. Three separate lines are planned.
- 3. Classes:

Classes require a minimum of 4 boats. Division splits and class selections may be adjusted at the discretion of the Race Committee.

<u>Windward/Leeward Courses:</u> Potential classes include PHRF Spinnaker, Viper 640, Ensign, Sonar, J/22, J/24, J/70, J/80, J/105, J109, and other One-Design classes.

<u>Distance Course:</u> Potential classes include PHRF Non-Spinnaker, Cruising Poleless Spinnaker, Cruising Classic Canvas (Dacron Sails), and Multi-Hull.

4. Schedule:

Wednesday, May 15, 2013			
• • •	Entry deadline	2100 hou	rs
Friday, May 17, 201	13		
	Skippers' meeting	1930 hou	rs
Saturday, May 18,			
	1 st Warning all Lines	1000 hou	rs
	Pool Party	1800 hou	rs
	Dinner	1900 hou	rs
Sunday, May 19, 20	013		
	1 st Warning all Lines	1000 hou	rs
	No race starts after	1300 hou	rs
	Awards Presentation	1600 hou	rs

5. **Measurement**: Monohulls racing in a PHRF fleet must be on the current PHRF-GB valid list or provide a new certificate; a digital copy of the new certificate should be obtained from the PHRF secretary and uploaded to the boat's registration. Multihulls shall submit a current rating certificate from Texas Offshore Multihull Association. Cruising boats will be assigned a "cruising handicap" by the Race Committee. Cruising boats that have competed in a recent Harvest Moon Regatta® and that are correctly listed in HMR database shall verify, during the online registration process, that the boat is listed in the HMR database online and all information is still correct and current. The database can be found via the HarvestMoonRegatta.com website on the Regatta Information/Enter the Race page at item 4.

http://spreadsheets.google.com/ccc?key=0AghlYbn7-GnFdFFlbzJ5MlNuWktUdjZUaHU4QmpLLWc&hl=en

Cruising boats not listed in the HMR database or whose listing is not correct, shall complete and submit the Cruising Class Rating Form online during the registration process.

- 6. **Conditions of Entry:** Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (Bay Access, Inc., Lakewood Yacht Club, Race Committee, Protest Committee, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 7. **Waivers:** No boat shall participate in this race unless the skipper and all crew members have submitted a Waiver and Release of Liability prior to the Skippers Meeting; at the discretion of the Race Committee Chair, crew member waivers may be accepted after the Skippers Meeting but prior to the race start. Failure to submit a waiver for each crew member will result in the entry being incomplete and the boat will not be considered to be participating in the event.

Skipper waivers are submitted with the on-line entry form. Crew member waivers are submitted

on-line at:

https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registration_form.php?regatta_id=6739

A link to the crew waiver is available on the LakewoodYachtClub.com website in the lower right hand corner. A link to the list of all persons who have submitted waivers is also provided.

http://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registrant_list.php?regatta_id=6739&custom_report_id=70

It is the skipper's obligation to insure that each crew member's waiver is reflected on the waiver list prior to check in on race day to verify that the boat has met the entry requirement

- 8. **Insurance:** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per event or the equivalent.
- 9. **Entry Fees:** The Entry Fee is \$85. A \$5.00 discount is available for US SAILING Members. The Entry Fee is payable by credit card or yacht club reciprocal charge. Entry fees will be refunded if a registrant notifies the Race Committee of the withdrawal prior to the Entry Deadline.
- 10. **Entry Deadline:** The Entry must be submitted by 2100 hours on Wednesday, May 15, 2013. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee but will require a \$75 tax-deductible donation to Bay Access, Inc.
- 11. **Sailing Instructions:** The Sailing Instructions will be available at the Skippers' Meeting.
- 12. **Notices to Competitors:** Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Race Notice Board of Lakewood Yacht Club located near the west end of the swimming pool.
- 13. **Scoring and Prizes:** Awards shall be presented to at least 2 places in each class with 4 or more competitors. PHRF scoring will use time on distance (TOD) scoring.
- 14. **Advertising:** As a courtesy to our valued race sponsors, no advertising may be displayed on Lakewood Yacht Club premises without prior written permission of the Race Committee.
- 15. **Docking/Launching:** Competitors are welcome to leave their boats in the Inner Harbor of LYC during the Regatta. However, reservations must be made in advance by contacting the LYC Harbor Administrator, Linda Hall, at (281) 474-2540. Launching cranes and ramps are available at no charge.

Further Information: For further information please contact Lakewood Yacht Club at (281) 474-2511 or race@lakewoodyachtclub.com or Gerhard Wittich, LYC Race Committee Chair at (713) 854-6240 or email gwittich@me.com