

Porretto Beach was established by Henry Porretto in the 1950's. Hurricane Carla (1961), Hurricane Camille (1969), Hurricane Alicia (1983) and most notably, Hurricane Ike in 2008 were no match for this property's history, stability and strong ties that bind it to Galveston Island. Today, Henry's daughter Sonya Porretto and her two children Alex and Nikki operate Porretto Beach. Their goal is to provide a clean, safe beach with many fun filled activities catering to families and adults, honoring the legacy of Henry Porretto, forever known as "The Big Kahuna."



# HOBIE 16 / 18 / 20 / TIGER NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

October 19–25, 2013

Porretto Beach–Galveston

Texas–USA

## NOTICE OF RACE

### Organizing Authority

Hobie Class Assoc. of North America and Hobie Fleet 33

### Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). This is an international competition; therefore, pursuant to the US SAILING prescription to RRS 88.2, the US SAILING prescription to RRS 40 will not apply.

### Advertising

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

### Eligibility, Entry and Classes

The event is open to class legal Hobie 16s, 18s, 20s and Tigers. **FIVE (5) PRE-REGISTERED BOATS ARE REQUIRED FOR A CLASS.** Per IHCA Class Rule 26, all crew must be 2013 HCA-NA members.

### Racing Schedule

Registration and check-in will take place on 10/19 from 1400 to 1700, 10/20 from 1000 to 1700 and 10/21 from 0800 to 0900 at the regatta venue. Practice races may be held in the afternoon of 10/20. The event will have five days of racing (10/21 - 10/25) with the objective of 3 to 5 races per day, back to back. The first warning signal will be at 1100 on 10/21.

### Registration & Fees

Pre-registration by October 1 - \$375 / Late Registration - \$425  
Social tickets (includes parties and banquet) will be available at the venue.  
Pre-registration - online at [www.regattanetwork.com](http://www.regattanetwork.com) or in person at the venue.

### Social Schedule

10/20 - Welcome Party; 10/23 - Mid-week "Cut" Party; 10/25 - Awards Banquet

### Measurement

**Boats will be weighed at this event. Competitors are responsible for ensuring their equipment is HCA Class Legal.** Crew members will be weighed in accordance with the class rules. During the competition, any boat may be subject to inspection.

### Sailing Instructions

The sailing instructions will be available at registration.

### Venue

The Gulf of Mexico, based off Porretto Beach, Galveston.

[www.porettobeach.com](http://www.porettobeach.com)

### Insurance

Each participating boat shall have current third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of not less than **\$100,000**. Proof of this insurance must be presented at registration.

### Host Hotel

Holiday Inn SunSpree Resort, 1702 Seawall Blvd - 409-762-4141

Hobie Cat Group Rate \$107 (Sun-Thurs), \$147 (Fri-Sat) code: HOB

[www.higalvestonbeach.com](http://www.higalvestonbeach.com)

**Group rate expires 9/18/2013**

### Alternate Accommodations

RV Parking / Camping – Self-contained RVs may park at the venue.

Sandpiper RV Resort approximately ½ mile away - 409-765-9431

[www.sandpipervresort.com](http://www.sandpipervresort.com)

### Information

Event Chair - Bridget Quatrone, 315-446-9868, [bqfaces@netzero.com](mailto:bqfaces@netzero.com)

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