



NOTICE OF RACE

Texas Independence Day Regatta

Rush Creek Yacht Club

March 1-2, 2014



1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. The class rules of applicable national authorities will apply.
- 1.3. Certain rules may be changed and these changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4. By participating in this regatta, a competitor (or parent/guardian if under age 18) grants to the organizing authority and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any photographs, motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the period of the competition without compensation.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Category C advertising applies.

3. GREEN REGATTA

- 3.1. This regatta is a Clean Regatta, all competitors are encouraged to not use disposable water bottles. Refrain from throwing trash in the water and recycle all appropriate items.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The regatta is open to all keelboats with a PHRF handicap. Four one-design boats will constitute its own class. Expected classes are: Sport Boat, PHRF A; PHRF B; IC-24; Melges 24; Cruising Classes (With Spinnaker and Without Spinnaker)
- 4.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online form and paying the required fee to Rush Creek Yacht Club by 0900 on Saturday, March 1st.

5. FEES

- 5.1. Entry for the regatta is \$45 if registration is submitted by February 24. The late registration fee is \$55.00.
- 5.2. The entry fee includes complimentary keg beer and one party pass to the Mardi Gras themed party on Saturday evening.
- 5.3. Lunches for Saturday and Sunday may be purchased for \$8.00. Dinners for Saturday may be purchased for \$12.00.

6. SCHEDULE

Friday	February 28	1800-2100	Registration Desk Open
Saturday	March 1	800-900	Registration Desk Open
		900	Skipper's Meeting
		1000	First Warning Signal Lunch Will Be Ashore Additional Races to Follow
		1800	Dinner and Entertainment at RCYC
Sunday	March 2	1000	First Warning Signal Additional Races to Follow
		1300	No Warning Signal After This Time
		After Racing	Lunch and Awards Ceremony



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7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1. The sailing instructions will be available after 1800 on February 28th at the Registration Desk.

8. VENUE

8.1. The racing area will be the southern end on Lake Ray Hubbard, Heath, Texas.

9. THE COURSES

9.1. The courses to be sailed will be defined in the sailing instructions.

10. SCORING

10.1. The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.

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

10.3. There will be no throw-outs. This changes rule A2.

11. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

11.1. Keel boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

12. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

12.1. Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keel boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

13. RADIO COMMUNICATION

13.1. A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats.

13.2. The race committee will attempt to hail premature starters via VHF.

14. PRIZES

14.1. Prizes will be awarded for each class.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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

16. INSURANCE

16.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance. Proof of insurance may be requested.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

17.1. Mary Anne Hopper at 972-800-1042 or maryanne_hopper@hotmail.com.



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Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip _____

Home and Cell Phone: _____

Boat Type: _____ Boat Name: _____

Class _____ Hull Color _____ Sail Number _____

Email address: _____

Registration Fee (Submitted by February 24, 2014) \$45.00

Late Registration Fee (Submitted on or after February 25, 2014) \$55.00

Number of Saturday lunches _____ X \$ 8.00 _____

Number of Saturday Dinners _____ X \$12.00 _____

Number of Sunday lunches _____ X \$ 8.00 _____

Total Fees _____

The undersigned acknowledges that in consideration of the efforts of the host organization for being allowed to participate in this regatta and the acceptance of this application to race, HE/SHE DOES HEREBY WAIVE AND RELEASE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS THE UNDERSIGNED MAY HAVE AGAINST THE HOST, ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, OR TRUSTEES AND ITS COMMITTEE MEMBERS, MEASURERS, JUDGES, AGENTS AND REPRESENTATIVES ARISING OUT OF THE ACTIVITIES REQUIRED FOR THE RACES ON THE WATER, AND DOES FURTHER COVENANT AND AGREE NOT TO SUE OR TO BRING ANY CLAIM OR CLAIMS OF ANY NATURE WHATSOEVER AGAINST THE HOST ORGANIZATION OR ANY OF THE PERSONS AND OFFICERS NAMED, OR UNNAMED, ABOVE WHO MAY BE ACTING ON THE HOST OR THEIR BEHALF.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please make checks out to Rush Creek Yacht Club and mail to:

Rush Creek Yacht Club, 320 Rush Creek Dr., Heath, Texas, 75032.