



RUSH CREEK YACHT CLUB

NOTICE of RACE

HEATH, TEXAS

2021 George Griffith/ IC24 Nationals September 25 -26, 2021

Organizing Authority: Rush Creek Yacht Club

1. RULES

- a. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (2021-2024) except as modified by this Notice of Race.
- b. Pursuant to RRS 87, the Rules may be modified by the sailing instructions.
- c. The prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (US Sailing) will apply.
- d. The RCYC Go/No Go Chart will be used at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- e. All sailors will follow RCYC, local, state and federal social distance and COVID-19 guidelines.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND REGISTRATION

- a. IC24 class and one to three keelboat PHRF classes are expected. The number of PHRF classes will be announced at the Competitors Briefing.
- b. Additional fleets may be created if 4 or more boats have the same PHRF rating.
- c. Boats must have a PHRF rating. If your keelboat does not have a PHRF rating we will assign you a PHRF rating.
- d. Boats may enter using the on-line entry form on the RCYC website.

3. FEES

- a. Entry Fee is \$60.00 per boat and includes lunches & dinner for the skipper of each boat. Additional meals may be purchased when registering.
 - Lunch Saturday – Hoagie sandwich with chips \$11.00
 - Dinner Saturday evening – Chicken and Sausage gumbo \$15.00
 - Lunch on Sunday – Burger and French Fries \$13.00
- b. Non-member payment can be made by setting up a temporary membership at registration.

4. Schedule

- a. **Saturday, September 25, 2021**
 - 8:30 AM - Registration Opens
 - 9:30 AM - Competitors Briefing on Deck
 - 10:30 AM - First Warning Signal
 - Lunches may be picked up from the kitchen following the Competitors Briefing and will be consumed offshore
 - 5:00 - 6:00 pm Chicken and Sausage Gumbo dinner with free keg beer
- b. **Sunday, September 26, 2021**
 - 10:00 am First warning signal. No warning signal shall be made after 1 p.m.
 - Post Race Pulled Pork Sandwiches with Cole Slaw

Awards will be presented as soon as possible after the last committee boat enters the harbor. In the event of a protest, the class(es) of the protesting party(ies) may receive awards after the protest hearing. Results for the fleet may not wait for the protest results.

5. MEASUREMENTS

- a. All boats will comply with all requirements of the relevant class association.
- b. Yachts racing must have a designated Lake Ray Hubbard PHRF rating.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- a. The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the "Official Notice Board" located on the west facing window at the south end of the RCYC Clubhouse. Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.

7. VENUE

- a. All racing will take place on Lake Ray Hubbard south of the Interstate 30 causeway.

PENALTY SYSTEM

- a. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- b. The alternative dispute resolution procedures of RRS Appendix T – Arbitration apply.

7. SCORING

- a. A single race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- b. The low-point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply. At least five races for a class must be completed for a race to be excluded. This modifies RRS Appendix A.
- c. PHRF Keelboats shall be scored using PHRF time-on-distance (TOD).

8. PRIZES

- a. Trophies will be awarded based on the number of registrants entered before September 15.

9. RISKS AND DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- a. 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.
- b. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, Rush Creek Yacht Club, 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.

10. INSURANCE

- a. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per event or the equivalent.

11. USE OF FACILITIES – Registration includes free use of cranes and free dock space during the regatta.

12. FURTHER INFORMATION

- a. For further information please go to www.rcyc.org or contact Nate Atkinson at nratkinson@att.net or 231-676-7044 (afternoon or evening calls only)