# Informal Notice of Race 2019 J24 Spring Informal Regatta

#### 1. RULES -

- 1.1. The informal regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS) Part 1, Part 2, and Appendix A.
- 1.2. This informal regatta has no formal Organizing Authority. In effect, this is an informal set of windward-leeward races which are self-governed by the competitors.
- 1.3. Key rules excluded from RRS will be provided as part of the sailing instructions.

### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The informal Regatta is open to all J24 and J22 keelboats.
- 2.2. Registration will be through the on-line event registration site at Sailing Scores or on-site registration at the event.

#### 3. FEES-

- 3.1. The fees are as follows:
  - 3.1.1. Awards Fee
    - 3.1.1.1. All entrants shall pay a \$5.00 Awards Fee.
  - 3.1.2. Entry Fee
    - 3.1.2.1. For boats that are 2019 members of J24 Fleet 21, the entry fee is waived.
    - 3.1.2.2. For non-J24 Fleet 21 boats, an entry fee of \$10 per boat is accepted as the regatta entry fee.
    - 3.1.2.3. For all J22 boats, an entry fee of \$10 per boat is accepted as regatta entry fee.

#### 3.2. Fee entitlements

- 3.2.1 Participation in the regatta
- 3.2.2. Use of the mast cranes for mast stepping
- 3.2.3. Trailer storage/boat dockage for the length of the regatta
- 3.2.4. Limited use of AYC ramps for launch and retrieval of boats
- 3.2.5. Participation in the regatta's award presentation
- 3.2.6. Participation in the J24 Fleet 21 Social Activities immediately following the regatta

## 4. SCHEDULE -

- 4.1. Saturday, 16 March 2019
  - 4.1.1. 09:30 11:45: Registration Open
  - 4.1.2. 10:30 11:45: Competitors place marks of the course.
  - 4.1.3. 12:00 12:15: AYC Clubhouse: Competitor's Briefing; Starts soon to follow.
  - 4.1.4. 16:00: No races begin after 16:00
  - 4.1.5. 16:30 17:30: Complete Self-Scoring/Snacks/Cocktails/Awards Presentation
  - 4.1.6. 17:30 21:00: Dinner & J24 Fleet 21 St. Patrick's Day Social & Scavenger Hunt
- 4.2. If there is inclement weather, the Regatta may be cancelled or postponed to a later date.
- MEASUREMENTS No measurement of boats is required. Compliance to Class Rules is not required. This changes RRS 78.

#### 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. The sailing instructions (SI's) will be made available during on-site registration.
- 7. **VENUE** AYC is a private yacht club located on Lake Travis, Texas, at 5906 Beacon Drive, Austin, TX 78734-1428.

- 7.1. Directions and other information relating to AYC are available on its website located at www.austinyachtclub.net
- 7.2. Please note that pets, drones and fireworks are not allowed on club property.
- 7.3. Accommodations Camping is allowed on the AYC grounds during the regatta. Contact the AYC office at 512-266-1336 for additional information regarding camping or rental of cabins at the club.
- 7.4. Boat Hoist Access A fixed five-ton boat hoist is available in the work area for participant use for the regatta.
- 7.5. Mast Crane Two mast cranes are available for participant use for the regatta.
- 7.6. Launching/Retrieving Ramp launching/retrieving is available.
- 7.7. Docking Limited docking will be provided for participants of the regatta.
- 7.8. Boat Trailer Parking
  - 7.8.1. Boats on trailers may be parked as designated by AYC for the Regatta.
  - 7.8.2. Arrangements can be made for parking before, during and following this regatta for up to 1 week upon previous agreement with the AYC management.
  - 7.8.3.Requests for extended trailer parking shall be made at least 7 days prior to the regatta to captain@j24fleet21.org.
- 8. THE COURSES The Regatta will consist of 1 racing area.
  - 8.1. All classes will have a starting line in the vicinity of AYC and will race Around-the-Buoys courses.
  - 8.2. Movable floating marks as well as AYC, and LCRA permanent marks may be used to design the course.
  - 8.3. Mark placement will be performed by competitors as necessary to build and change the course.

#### 9. SCORING -

- 9.1. Classes
  - 9.1.1 One boat will constitute a class.
  - 9.1.2 All boats will be assigned to their one-design class for scoring purposes.
- 9.2. Number of Races
  - 9.2.1. One (1) completed race constitutes a Regatta.
- 9.3. Scoring will be according to the RRS Low Point System in Appendix A, modified as follows:
  - 9.3.1. When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.
  - 9.3.2. When four or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes RRS A2.
  - 9.3.3. When a crew is performing Race Committee duties, that crew shall not have that race included in their results.
- 9.4. Race Committee, Scoring, Rule Infractions, and Protests
  - 9.4.1. A volunteer-rotating Race Committee may be utilized in the Regatta
    - 9.4.1.1. Race committee is responsible for setting the course and starting boats.
  - 9.4.2.Scoring
    - 9.4.2.1. Competitors will be responsible for self-scoring all races within their designated class.
    - 9.4.2.2. Competitors will write their self-scores on the designated whiteboard after racing.
    - 9.4.2.3. Competitors will review all self-scores to determine final standings.
    - 9.4.2.4. Competitors that do not attend the self-scoring session will not be scored.
  - 9.4.3.Conflicts
    - 9.4.3.1 There is no option for Protest. This changes RRS Part 5.
    - 9.4.3.2. Conflicts will be resolved via competitor discussions.
    - 9.4.3.3. Conflicts unresolved will result in a DSQ for all competitors in conflict.
- **10. RADIO COMMUNICATION** A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats.
- **11. PRIZES** Trophies will be awarded to helmspersons in accordance to the overall size of their respective Class as follows:

- 11.1. With 6 or less boats, the best 3 scores will be awarded.
- 11.2. With more than 6 boats, the best 4 scores will be awarded.
- **12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY** Competitors participate in the informal regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 4, Decision to Race. No one shall accept any liability for and are in no way liable for any material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

13. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION - For additional information, please refer to the following contacts:

