



2017 Leukemia Cup Regatta

June 23-25, 2017

Organizing Authority:

The Houston Yacht Club
3620 Miramar
Shoreacres, TX 77571
281-471-1255

NOTICE OF RACE - **REVISED 5/30/2017**

1. RULES

- a. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* 2017-2020 (RRS).
- b. 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 "HYC Race Information" located in the breezeway adjacent to the HYC Office.
- c. Racing rule(s) will be changed as follows: The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
 - i. Pursuit Fleet: competitors will use a staggered time start based on their PHRF Handicap. This modifies RRS 26.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND REGISTRATION

- a. The regatta is open to all boats and classes.
- b. A minimum of three yachts of the same design will constitute a class.
- c. The Pursuit Line will have PHRF non-Spinnaker, PHRF Symmetrical Spinnaker, and PHRF Asymmetrical Spinnaker classes.
- d. Windward-Leeward (W/L) Line potential classes may be Ensign, Lightning, J/22, J/70, J/80, J/105, J/109, Pulse 600.
- e. There will also be a Dinghy Line available. Potential classes may be Optimist, Sunfish, Laser, Vanguard, Club 420.
- f. A class of fewer than the required number of entries will be regarded as having failed to form and may be assigned to another class, or an entry fee refund may be requested.
- g. Boats may enter at www.regattanetwork.com or at The Houston Yacht Club website <http://www.houstonyachtclub.com> using the on-line entry form.

- h. Entrants who do not find their desired class listed on the Regatta Network on-line entry form are invited to register as "Generic One-Design". Please contact the Race and Regatta chair Madonna Breen (mbreen@embarqmail.com) to receive a class assignment after the fact.
- i. All skippers will receive two dinner tickets (in the case of single handed boats, one dinner ticket).
- j. Multiple Crew Class Entries will receive 2 rum drink tickets.
- k. Double-Handed Class Entries will receive 2 rum drink tickets.
- l. Single-Handed Class Entries will receive 1 rum drink ticket.
- m. Racers and guests may purchase additional Saturday night dinner tickets for \$25 each.
- n. Racers and guests are encouraged to fundraise and make donations to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, Texas Gulf Coast Chapter leading up to and during the event.

3. FEES

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| a. Multiple Crew Class Entry Fee | \$95.00 |
| b. Double-Handed Class Entry Fee | \$75.00 |
| c. Single-Handed Class Entry Fee | \$60.00 |
| d. Dinghy Line Entry Fee | \$35.00 |
| e. Penalty for Late Registration, as of Wed., June 21, 2017
10:00 p.m. | \$25.00 |
| f. US Sailing members receive a \$5.00 discount. | |

4. SCHEDULE

- a. **Registration: Thursday, June 22, 2017, 10:00 p.m.** Entry deadline.
- b. **Friday, June 23, 2017, 7:00 p.m.**, Competitor's briefing at HYC for Pursuit and W/L Lines.
- c. **Saturday, June 24, 2017, 10:00 a.m.**, Dinghy Line Competitor's briefing at HYC's Beachcomber.
- d. **Saturday, June 24, 2017, 11:00 a.m.** Warning signal for the Pursuit and W/L Lines.

At 12:00 p.m., Warning signal for the Dinghy Line. For the PHRF, W/L Lines, and the Dinghy Line, the number of races sailed may vary per class and there is no limit to the number of races sailed. The Pursuit Line may have two races, weather permitting.
- e. **Post Race dinner, entertainment and auction begins at 5:30 PM.**

- f. **Sunday, ~~April 9~~ June 25, 2017: 11:00 a.m.** Warning signal for all lines and the starting time for the Pursuit Line. No warning signal shall be made after 2 p.m.
- h. **Sunday, June 25, 2017:** Awards will be presented approximately two hours after the last committee boat enters the harbor. In the event of a protest, the class(es) of the protesting party(ies) may be delayed and may receive awards after the protest hearing. Results for the other fleets and classes may not wait for the protest results. Anticipated time for Awards not involved in protests will be posted on the HYC Race Information once the last Race Committee Boat has entered the harbor.

5. MEASUREMENTS

- a. Yachts racing PHRF MUST have a 2017 PHRF rating certificate. Yachts racing One Design will comply with all requirements of the relevant class association.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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7. VENUE

- a. All races will be sailed in the vicinity of the Houston Yacht Club and/or that part of Galveston Bay bounded by Morgan's Point on the North, the Bayport Ship Channel on the south, the Houston Ship Channel on the East, and the La Porte/Shoreacres shoreline.

8. THE COURSES

- a. The Pursuit Line will race around fixed and/or drop marks.
- b. The W/L and Dinghy Lines will race a windward-leeward course with drop marks.
- c. The courses will be designated in the Sailing Instructions by Venue.

9. SCORING

- a. A single race completed will constitute a series.
- b. The low-point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply.
 - i. No scores will be excluded. This modifies RRS Appendix A.

- c. PHRF boats shall be scored using PHRF time-on-distance (TOD).

10. BERTHING

- a. Racers may leave their boats at HYC for the week before and week after the regatta at no charge. **However, upon arrival all boat owners must complete a registration form available at the front desk and include an emergency contact number and park in the space as directed by HYC's Harbormaster.**
- b. Visiting competitors who are required to remain in the water during the regatta may dock alongside the visitor pier on a "first come, first served" basis, or shall contact the HYC Harbor Master for guest slip availability.
- c. Limited hotel rooms are also available in the clubhouse with a reservation. Please check with the club staff for availability and rates.

11. PRIZES

- a. Regatta Racing Trophies will be awarded based on the number of registrants per class at the end of registration (Wed). Additional trophies may be awarded if more entries enter a class after Wed registration and at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- b. Fundraising Trophies will be presented to the top fundraiser in each Class.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- a. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority and the Leukemia Lymphoma Society (LLS) will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION

- a. For further information please contact the HYC Office at 281-471-1255; Event Chairs, Cheryl Thomas: Cheryl@cherylthomas.org or Jim Orchid: Orchidsail2@aol.com; Race and Regatta Chairperson, Madonna Breen: madonna.breen@embarqmail.com or LLS, Jason Berger: jason.berger@lls.org