

FORT WORTH BOAT CLUB 66th ANNUAL REGATTA

April 15-17, 2016

NOTICE OF REGATTA

INVITATION: The Fort Worth Boat Club cordially invites you to attend the Fort Worth Boat Club 66th Annual Regatta to be held on Eagle Mountain Lake April 15-17, 2016. The Fort Worth Boat Club is the host club. Fort Worth Boat Club is a private yacht club located on Eagle Mountain Lake at 10000 Boat Club Road, Fort Worth, TX 76179. Directions are available on its website located at http://fortworthboatclub.com/location-map. Please note that pets as well as fireworks are not allowed on the club property.

RULES: The regatta shall be governed by the *rules* as defined in the 2013-2016 Racing Rules of Sailing, the class rules of the applicable one-design classes, and the official Sailing Instructions.

CLASSES: The regatta is open to all sailors. One-design classes may be declared for fleets with four or more boats. Probable fleets include J24 and J105. Boats not sailing in one-design classes will be scored using the FWBC PHRF time-on-distance allowances.

ENTRY: To register on-line, go to http://www.regattatech.com/events/FWBC/Annual16. To register by mail, complete and sign the attached form and mail it with the required fee to Fort Worth Boat Club. Unsigned registration forms can result in a boat not being scored. The early registration deadline is/Friday, April 8, 2016. Register by this date to receive entry discount and guaranteed promotional items. Registration closes on Saturday, April 16th at 9:00 AM, at which time fleet divisions will be made. The Entry Fee includes participation in the regatta, use of the mast hoists for mast stepping, trailer storage/boat dockage for the duration of the regatta, use of cranes to launch and retrieve boats (3 ton maximum), complimentary breakfast Saturday/Sunday mornings as well as participation in the regatta's Sunday award presentation.

TABC Regulations: The Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission requires that no alcoholic beverages be brought in or taken out of the area prominently marked with TABC signs.

TROPHIES: Trophies will be awarded to the top 3 finishing boats. Additional trophies may be awarded depending on participation.

NUMBER OF RACES: Every attempt will be made to conduct six or more races. Should weather or safety prevent this, the Regatta may consist of not less than one race. There will be one throw-out for six races completed and no throw-outs for less than six.

ADDENDUM TO NOR FOR J/24 CLASS:

- This is the second Circuit Stop of the 2014 J/24 Texas Circuit.
- The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing and Notice of Circuit for the 2016 J/24 Texas Circuit.
- The Regatta is open to all J/24 yachts as defined by the IJCA and whose entries are accepted by the organizer ("Competitors"). Helmsmen must be full members of a NJCA or the IJCA. Competitors must meet all ownership and class membership requirements, complete all requirements set forth in the Notice of Circuit for the J/24 Texas Circuit and pay all required registration fees to become official participants. The Notice of Circuit for the J/24 Texas Circuit is located at www.j24texas.com.
- Races will be sailed on windward/leeward courses or variations thereof. Offset weather marks and leeward gates may be used.
- The Regatta will consist of as many as six (6) races over two (2) consecutive days. Three (3) races must be completed to count towards the overall 2016 J/24 Texas Circuit series scores. No race scores will be excluded from a boat's Regatta score. This modifies rule A2. The scoring penalty as provided by RRS 44.3 and as modified by the sailing instructions will apply.
- All Competitors are subject to inspection and measurement at any time during the Regatta. The mainsail, 150% genoa and spinnaker must all have the same sail numbers as their J/24 yacht hull number. In accordance with Class Rule 2.5.3, all yachts must have a current, valid Measurement Certificate. Any yacht without a Measurement Certificate should contact a class measurer of the Governor to arrange for yacht measurement in order to obtain a Measurement Certificate. Any yacht without a Measurement Certificate may race in the Regatta with the prior approval of the Governor. All yachts must also carry aboard the Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment per Class Rules 2.5.6 and 3.7.3. This form is the sole responsibility of each owner or helmsman and does not require a class measurer to complete. All Competitors will be subject to crew requirements pursuant to Class Rule 5 and encapsulated corrector weights pursuant to Class Rule 3.7.2. Scales will be provided at registration for weighing all crew members. No formal provisions for boat measurement will be available at the Regatta.
- If you have questions or need additional information regarding the Texas Circuit, contact Kelly Holmes-Moon District 14 Governor, at 940-399-9805 or Bryan Dyer, Texas Circuit Representative, at 817-925-9259 or bdyer@woodmont.com.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Friday, April 15th 4:00 to 7:30 PM Registration

5:00 PM Complimentary beer and entertainment

7:30 PM Skippers' Meeting PARTY & LIVE MUSIC

Saturday, April 16th 7:30 to 9:00 AM Complimentary breakfast

7:30 to 9:00 AM Registration, check-in, and launching

7:30 to 9:00 AM Pick up lunches

10:00 AM Warning signal for race 1, additional races to follow at the discretion

of the Race Committee

After races complimentary beer

6:00 to 8:00 PM Dinner Buffet & Drink Specials (\$16.00 ++)

Sunday, April 17th 7:3

7:30 to 9:00 AM Complimentary breakfast **9:30 AM** Warning signal for first race of day

No Warning Signal after 1:00 PM

After races complimentary beer and buffet (\$12.00 ++), awards presentation for

racing

PARTY: Please invite your friends and family for dinner and live entertainment on Friday night. You don't have to be a Racer of FWBC member to enjoy the Party!

A three-ton (6,000 pound max) crane with spreader and straps is available for launching and retrieval. A concrete launching ramp and two mast cranes are also available.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you have any further questions about this regatta, contact Philip Schutts at (817) 929-4974, Heidi Schutts at (817) 991-1258 or the FWBC office at (817) 236-8393.