

NOTICE OF REGATTA

The J/24 Texas State Championship

THE LAKE TRAVIS STOP OF THE 2011 J24 TEXAS CIRCUIT

Austin Yacht Club
March 19th & 20th, 2011

INVITATION

USJCA Fleet 21 and the Austin Yacht Club (AYC) cordially invite you to attend the third regatta of the 2011 J/24 Texas Circuit. USJCA Fleet 21 and AYC are the organizer and host respectively.

SITE

Austin Yacht Club (AYC) is a private yacht club, located on Lake Travis at 5906 Beacon Drive, Austin, TX (512-266-1336). Additional information on AYC is available at <http://www.austinyachtclub.net/>. Please note that pets and fireworks are not allowed on club property.

RULES

The regatta will be governed by the 2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the associated prescriptions of the U.S. Sailing Association, the class rules of the J/24 Class Association, this Notice (except as any of these are modified by the Sailing Instructions), and the official Sailing Instructions. The same four class sails must be used the entire regatta. There can be substitutions only with the approval of the protest committee.

RACING

The Austin J/24 Regatta is the first regatta of the 2011 J/24 Texas Circuit and will consist of as many as six races. Three races must be completed for this Regatta to count toward the 2011 J/24 Texas Circuit points series (for more information on this series, see http://www.j24texas.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=96&Itemid=1)

ELIGIBILITY

The regatta is open to all J/24 yachts as defined by the IJCA. Competitors must meet all ownership and class membership requirements and must pay all fees to become official participants.

COURSES

Races will be sailed on Windward Leeward Courses or variations thereof.

SCORING

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 of the RRS will apply.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be distributed to qualified entrants at registration.

AWARDS

Awards will be presented to the top 4 finishing skippers. In addition the J/24 Texas State Championship 'Kenyon Cup' Trophy, a J/24 Texas Circuit perpetual traveling trophy, will be awarded to the top finishing skipper.

ENTRY FEE AND MAIL-IN DEADLINE

The entry fee for this regatta is \$105.00 (US Sailing members may take a \$5.00 discount). You may register on-line or in person at the regatta itself. To register on-line, use the Entry Form link at

<https://www.regattatech.com/registration/action/showEntryForm?clubCode=J24District14&eventCode=AYC11> to go to the electronic form and just pay by credit card or bring your payment to the registration table when you arrive to check-in for the regatta. Note credit card payments are only accepted as part of the on-line registration option. On-line registrations will be credited with a \$10.00 Early Registration Discount. On-line registration will close at 6:00 PM CDT on March 17th, 2011, after which you may only register in person at the regatta. The Entry Fee includes participation in the regatta, use of mast hoists for mast stepping, trailer storage/boat dockage for the duration of the regatta, use of boat ramps to launch and retrieve boats, continental breakfast Saturday/Sunday mornings as well as participation in the regatta's Saturday informal post race social and Sunday's award presentation. Additional regatta items available for purchase as part of on-line registration only is a \$7 Saturday box lunch. An informal Sunday 'cook-out' lunch will be available after racing for purchase on a walk-up basis only.

INSPECTION & MEASUREMENT

All official participants are subject to inspection and measurement at any time during the regatta. The main sail, 150% genoa and spinnaker must all have sail numbers the same as the J/24 yacht hull number. All competing yachts must have available a completed Yacht Measurement form (Part D) and a completed Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment form (Part C). All Official participants will be subject to verification of crew weight per Class Rule 5.1 and encapsulated corrector weights per Class Rule 3.7.2. Scales will be provided at registration for weighing all crew members. No formal provisions for Yacht measurement will be provided.

LAUNCHING/RETRIEVING BOATS

2 mast cranes and a concrete ramp are available for launching, note that no hoist is available for launching. Regatta participants will be responsible for ramp launching and retrieving their own boats before and after the regatta. Arrangements for ramp assistance and/or to use local ramp-launchable trailers must be made in advance by contacting Dave Broadway by e-mail at dbroadway7@gmail.com.

LIABILITY

Registering for and entering the Regatta shall in no way hold Austin Yacht Club, its officers, committee persons, any member or associate of USJCA District 14 and/or any sponsoring group liable for injury to participants, crew or yachts.

REGATTA SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, MARCH 18th

1600-2000 Initial check-in, Registration and Early Launching

SATURDAY, MARCH 19th

0800-0855 Final check-in, Registration and Launching

0915 Competitor's Briefing

1030 First race signal of the day, additional races to follow

After Races Protests heard as required

SUNDAY, MARCH 20th

0930 First race signal of the day, additional races to follow (No race will start after 1330)

After Races Protests heard as required, Regatta Awards

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you have questions and/or need additional information, contact Eric Nelson at ennelson@us.ibm.com or 512- 286-7737.