

NOTICE OF RACE

TEXAS SAILING ASSOCIATION YOUTH CIRCUIT REGATTA

THE CHOCOPALOOZA REGATTA and the 2017 Area F Jr. Doublehanded (Bemis) Qualifier on C420s

Rush Creek Yacht Club, Heath, Texas
June 3 - 4, 2017

This is the NOR for all fleets.

1. RULES:

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 "The Texas Youth Racing Circuit Conditions" apply and are available on the web site at <http://www.txsail.org/>. A copy will also be available at the regatta site.
- 1.3 The rules for all classes are altered so that membership in a class organization is not required.
- 1.4 Racing Rule 49.1 is changed to allow the use of hiking pants.

2. **ADVERTISING:** Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY:

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Optimist, Laser (Full, Radial and 4.7) and Double-Handed (420 Club, 420 Collegiate, I-420, FJ or other double handed boat as designated by the host club). All classes are "bring your own boat". A minimum of three boats is required to form a class. All boats shall have identifiable sail numbers. Sail numbers meeting class standards are encouraged.
- 3.2 The regatta is open to all junior sailors who are less than twenty years old and who do not turn twenty years of age during this calendar year.

4. ENTRY FEE:

- 4.1 The entry fee is \$65 for each sailor, whether in single or double-handed boats. The entry fee includes a giveaway, the following meals for each sailor: Breakfast, Lunch, Chocolate Fountain, and Appetizers on Saturday and Breakfast and Lunch on Sunday.
- 4.2 A \$10 late fee shall be paid for registrations completed after May 27, 2017.
- 4.3 Meal tickets will be available for non-competitors for an extra charge of \$20.00. Make all registration checks payable to Rush Creek Yacht Club.

5. REGISTRATION AND CHECK IN:

- 5.1 Pre-Registration is encouraged and may be done by registering on the TXSAIL.ORG website.
- 5.2 Registration and check-in at the regatta will be conducted on Saturday, June 3, 2017 between 8:00 am and 9:00 am at the Registration Table in the Rush Creek Yacht Club. Execution of a **Liability Release Agreement** as set forth in the Registration Form shall be required. Parents are urged to provide a signed **Medical Consent Form** to enable other adults to obtain emergency medical services in the event of the parents' unavailability during the regatta.
- 5.3 All sailors are **required to check in** by 9:00 am on Saturday June 3, 2017 at the registration table, even if the sailor pre-registered by mail or other means.

6. SCHEDULE:

6.1 Subject to the decisions of the Race Committee, six or more races are scheduled. One or more races will constitute a regatta. If five or more races are completed, there will be one throw out race for scoring purposes. If ten or more races are completed there will be one additional throw out – two total – for scoring purposes. This changes Rule A2.

6.2 The schedule for the regatta is:

Friday, June 2, 2017

1200-2100 The Club will be open to allow unloading of boats.
1400-1800 c420 clinic for all c420 registered competitors.

Saturday, June 3, 2017

0800-0900 Competitor and Coach/Spectator Flag Check-In
0800-0930 Breakfast
0915 Competitors, Coaches, and Parents Meeting – Mandatory at the Rush Creek Yacht Club Clubhouse.
1030 Warning Signal for the first race, additional races to follow
Between Races Lunch will be served on the water.
After Racing Competitor Chocolate Fountain.

Sunday, June 4, 2017

0800-0930 Breakfast
1000 Warning Signal for the first race, additional races to follow
Between Races Lunch will be served on the water.
After Racing Awards Ceremony

6.3 No warning signal for a race will be given after 1400 on Sunday.

6.4 Attendance at the **Skippers' Meeting** held at 9:15 am on Saturday of the regatta is mandatory.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Sailing Instructions will be provided at registration and at the Skipper's Meeting.

8. VENUE: Races will be conducted on the waters of the southern end of Lake Ray Hubbard.

9. SAFETY: A U.S. Coast Guard approved personal buoyancy device will be worn by all competitors while on the water. Wet or Dry suits are not considered adequate buoyancy devices for this purpose. All buoyancy devices shall be worn on the outside of all clothing.

10. DISCIPLINE :

10.1 Per US SAILING Regulation 5.03 no contestant shall use, either on or off the water, during any Texas Sailing Association Junior event: marijuana or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine and beer, each as defined in chapter 51 of the U.S. IRC Code and intended for beverage use). This regulation is in effect from date and time of arrival through date and time of departure from the locale. The penalty shall be that the contestant after a proper hearing, be immediately removed from the regatta venue and, where practical, sent home.

10.2 All competitors, coaches and parents are expected to maintain the highest level of conduct throughout the entire event. When the Protest Committee, from its own

observation or a report received from any source believes that a competitor may have committed a breach of a rule, good manners, or sportsmanship, or may have brought the sport into disrepute, it may call a hearing. After a proper hearing the penalty may range from a reprimand to dismissal from the regatta and additional action may be taken under RRS 69.

- 10.3** Hearings will be held generally in accordance with the recommendations of Appendix M5 of the RRS. The officers for hearing a violation will consist of the Chief Judge, acting as chairman of the hearing, the Protest Committee and the Chairman of the Texas Sailing Association Junior Committee or his or her designee in the event he or she is not present. The regatta chair shall serve ex officio as a nonvoting member of the panel and will have an open right to express his or her views during the course of the hearing process.
- 11. TROPHY PRESENTATION:** Trophy presentations will be held on Sunday afternoon approximately one hour after the last race or when protest hearing(s) are completed. Optimists, Doublehanded, Laser Full Rig, Laser Radial, and Laser 4.7 will each have 1st through 4th place awarded. Participation awards will be given to all Green Fleet Optimist.
- 12. LODGING:** You are welcome to camp on the club grounds. Additionally, there are a number of hotels located in Rockwall within 10-15 minutes of Rush Creek Yacht Club.
- 13. DIRECTIONS TO THE CLUB:** From Interstate 30, exit Ridge Road (FM-740) in Rockwall and head south. FM-740 will make a right turn at the Shell gas station. After passing Amy Parks–Heath Elementary, stay straight through the four way stop onto Hubbard Drive. Turn right onto Rush Creek Drive. RCYC is at the end of Rush Creek Drive. The address is 320 Rush Creek Drive, Heath, TX 75032.
- 14. FURTHER INFORMATION:** For further information please contact Wendy Vandling at 972-672-0541 or wendy@xrayce.com.