



NOTICE OF RACE 2008 SPRING SERIES REGATTA

1. **RULES** - The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in [The 2005 - 2008 Racing Rules of Sailing](#).
2. **ADVERTISING** - Advertising will be restricted to Category C.
3. **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**
 - 3.1. Austin Yacht Club ("AYC") members and guests are cordially invited to participate in AYC's 2008 Spring Series ("Series"). AYC is both the Host and the Organizing Authority of the Series. The regatta is open to all monohull keelboats, centerboard boats, and multihull boats (including 'beach cats') whose helmsperson or at least one (1) crew member is a current AYC member in good standing.
 - 3.2. No registration is required to participate in the Series however all eligible boats that wish to participate in the Series must check-in with the Race Committee by sailing astern of the Race Committee boat on starboard tack and hailing their sail number and class prior to the first Warning Signal of the day for their class.
4. **FEES** - There are no entry fees for the Series.
5. **SCHEDULE**
 - 5.1. Races shall be held on the following dates:
 - Sunday, March 16, 2008
 - Sunday, March 30, 2008
 - Sunday, April 13, 2008
 - Sunday, April 20, 2008
 - Sunday, April 27, 2008
 - Sunday, May 4, 2008
 - 5.2. No more than two (2) races will be held per day. Selected classes will run no more than one (1) race per day as announced at the Competitor's Briefing. Any races not sailed on their schedule day will not be rescheduled.
 - 5.3. The Competitors' Briefing shall be held on Sunday, March 16, 2008, at 12:00 in the AYC Clubhouse.
 - 5.4. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 13:30.
 - 5.5. ****Social Activities**** – The Social Committee will be provide refreshments in the AYC Clubhouse after the first and last races of the Series.
6. **MEASUREMENTS** - No measurement of boats is required. Any boats competing in a PHRF handicap fleet must have a valid handicap rating certificate on file with the Keel Fleet PHRF Handicap Committee prior to participating in the Series.
7. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - The sailing instructions are available on the AYC website and will be available in the AYC Clubhouse (in the bins next to the beverage cooler in the East corner of the AYC Clubhouse) prior to the start of the Competitor's Briefing.
8. **VENUE** - AYC is a private yacht club located on Lake Travis, Texas, at 5906 Beacon Drive, Austin, TX 78734-1428. Directions and other information relating to AYC are available on its website located at www.austinyachtclub.net. Please note that neither pets nor fireworks are allowed on club property.

9. THE COURSES - Racing will take place on courses defined by LCRA channel markers, AYC permanent buoys, and/or temporary inflatable tetrahedrons at the discretion of the race committee. AYC Long Distance course cards are available on the AYC website and will be available in the AYC Clubhouse (in the bins next to the beverage cooler in the East corner of the AYC Clubhouse) prior to the start of the Competitor's Briefing.

10. SCORING

- 10.1. All boats will be assigned to a Class for scoring purposes with respect to the recognized racing fleets at AYC. In addition there will be a separate multihull Class for trimarans, large catamarans and beach cats. Such class assignments will be posted on the official notice board prior to the first race of the series.
- 10.2. The Keel Handicap fleets will be scored using the "Time on Distance" variant of the PHRF handicap rating system utilizing the PHRF of Lake Travis handicap values. The Multihull fleet will be scored using the Portsmouth handicap rating system utilizing US Sailing's [2006 Portsmouth Yardstick](#).
- 10.3. One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.4. A boat will not be scored in a race during which her class has the Race Committee assignment. This modifies rule A4.1.
- 10.5. Eligible boats cannot participate in more than one (1) Class during the Series. Eligible boats will be scored as opposed to scoring helmspersons or crews.

11. RADIO COMMUNICATION - A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

12. PRIZES – Trophies will be awarded to helmspersons in accordance to the overall size of their respective Class as follows:

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| ▪ - Up to 2 participants | No trophy |
| ▪ - 3 participants | 1 trophy |
| ▪ - 4-6 participants | 2 trophies |
| ▪ - 7-9 participants | 3 trophies |
| ▪ - 10+ participants | 1 additional trophy for each additional 3 participants |

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY - Competitors participate in the Series entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, its officers, committee persons, members, or any associates thereof will not 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 Series.

14. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION – For additional information contact AYC at 512-266-1336 or email bob@austinyachtclub.net. Additional information may also be posted on the AYC website under the [Events](#) page at www.austinyachtclub.net.