



Notice of Race

Arizona Yacht Club Spring Series 2018
Lake Pleasant, Arizona

1. **Rules.** The series will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and applicable class and fleet rules. Fleet rules must be submitted to the AYC Fleet Captain before the first race date.
2. **Fleets.** Any fleet with five (5) or more series registrants by the first race date of the series at 12:30pm may get its own start and will be deemed an active fleet as described in the AYC Bylaws. Any fleet with fewer than five (5) entrants by the closing date at 12:30pm will be combined with a handicap fleet.
3. **Entry.** Entry will be by online form at arizonayachtclub.org.
4. **Fees.** AYC members LP only, \$75; Non-members LP only, \$135; Junior members LP \$30; AYC members LP & TTL, \$95; Non-members, \$175; Day only, \$25.
5. **Schedule.** January 27&28, March 3&4, March 17&18, April 7&8, April 21&22. First warning signal Saturdays: 12:30pm; Sundays: 9am. No warning signal will be sounded after 4pm Saturdays or 2pm Sundays.
6. **Sailing Instructions.** Sailing Instructions will be available at arizonayachtclub.org or from the AYC Fleet Captain.
7. **Radio Communications.** The Race Committee will make announcements on VHF channel 68.
8. **Alterations to rules.** AYC fleet boards will be substituted for class flags. See course chart for procedure. This modifies rule 26. Each boat shall display sail numbers designated on her registration. This modifies rule 77.
9. **Courses to be sailed.** Courses to be sailed are described on Lake Pleasant Chart L.
10. **Scoring.** Class rules may modify the low-point system, Appendix A4. One race is required to constitute a series.
 - a. A boat starting later than fifteen (15) minutes after her starting signal will be scored "did not start" (DNS). This changes rule A4.
 - b. After starting, a boat may retire (RET) from a race and receive a score equal to the number of starters in that race, except if she starts alone in her fleet she shall sail the entire course to be scored as a finishing boat. This changes rule A4.
 - c. Boats failing to finish within 45 minutes after the first boat in her fleet finishes will be scored "time limit expired" (TLE). Boats scored TLE shall receive points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus one point. This changes rule A4.
 - d. Unless changed by fleet rules, discards shall be 20% (rounded down) of all races in the series.
 - e. Day entries will not be scored for the series.
11. **PHRF.** PHRF fleets shall sail under the Southern California PHRF Class rules effective May 2017. If a boat's rating is not listed in SoCal PHRF, US Sailing PHRF average handicap will be substituted. PHRF certificates are not required, but, at his discretion, the AYC Racing Fleet Captain may require an entrant to obtain a SoCal PHRF certificate if the entrant's rating is disputed.
12. **Prizes.** Prizes are based on number of fleet entries: 3-4 entries, one award; 5-6 entries, two awards; 7-9 entries, 3 awards; 10+ entries, four awards.
13. **Championship Race Qualification.** An AYC Fleet Champion shall be the AYC member entrant with the lowest combined score within each active fleet, determined by combining all of an entrant's scores for the fall and spring series and then discarding 20% (rounded down). To be eligible, the entrant must have obtained full or junior membership status before the final race of the spring series. Only champions of active fleets plus the current AYC Club Champion are eligible to participate in the AYC Club Championship Regatta.
14. **Disclaimer of Liability.** Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Arizona Yacht Club will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

Note: Race entrants and race crews are expected to assist with their fleet's race committee duty.

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