



Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions Combined

Arizona Yacht Club Dinghy Days Regatta
November 2nd-3rd 2024
Lake Pleasant, Arizona

1. **Rules.** The series will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024 and applicable class rules which can be found on their respective class websites.
2. **Eligibility.** The regatta is open to all boats 18' LOA and under, racing under one-design or Portsmouth Yardstick rating rules. Fleets formed with five (5) or more series registrants will constitute a fleet with their own start. Boats registering for a fleet with fewer than five (5) entrants by the closing date may be combined in a Portsmouth fleet. Expected classes include Buccaneer 18, Capri 14.2, CFJ, ILCA (4, 6 & 7) MC Scow, Hobie Wave and Sunfish.
 - 2.1 This event is the 2024 ILCA-NA District 23 Championship, including ILCA-NA Grand Prix points if applicable. Grand Prix rules [HERE](#)
 - 2.2 This event is a 2025 Sunfish World-Qualifying event
 - 2.3 This event is the Buccaneer 18 Class McAlpine-Downey/Gibbs (MDG) Memorial Event.
3. **Entry.** Boats (except ILCA) shall enter by completing a form and the required fee online at arizonayachtclub.org/racing. ILCA entrants shall register through [ILCA sign up link](#). To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees. Deadline for entry is Tuesday, October 29th.
 - 3.1 **ILCA.** District entrants shall be current with their ILCA-NA membership. Non-District competing ILCA's may also compete, but will not be eligible for ILCA-NA Grand Prix points.
 - 3.2 **Sunfish.** Entrants in the Sunfish World-Qualifying event shall be current with their USSCA membership as of first warning. Sunfish entrants not interested or eligible in racing in the World Qualifying event shall register to compete in the Portsmouth Fleet.
 - 3.3 **Buccaneer 18.** Buccaneer 18 eligibility for MDG Trophy requires one (1) member of the sailing team to be a currently active BCA member (full, associate, family or lifetime). BCA Link: [Buccaneer 18 Class Site](#)
 - 3.4 **Fees:** \$50 for competitors other than ASU students. Student Fee: \$10. ILCA-NA District members will have their fees subsidized (\$25) by ILCA-NA. ILCA student entries will be paid fully by ILCA-NA with no membership required. ILCA-NA membership and benefits of becoming a member can be found [HERE](#). See link above #3 for ILCA sign up link.
4. **Measurement:** All boats and equipment shall comply with their respective class rules and may be inspected by the Race Committee, Protest Committee or Technical Committee for compliance at any time during the event. ILCA competitors shall not change rig size during the event.
5. **Communications:** In addition to signals made on the committee boat, VHF radios are encouraged as Race Committee will utilize VHF 68 for communications with competitors.
 - 5.1 While racing, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, text messages or cellular phone calls not available to all boats, except in an emergency. This includes any type of GPS capable watch or I-Watch.
6. **Schedule:**
 - 6.1 Friday, November 1st Open practice. AYC on-water support after 1:00.
 - 6.2 Saturday, November 2nd: Skippers Meeting 10 am at Spinnaker Point (grass area in the southern part of Lake Pleasant Marina); 12:30 pm first warning; no warning after 4:30 pm. BBQ dinner at Spinnaker Point hosted by AYC and included in your entry fee for skipper. Additional dinner tickets can be purchased for \$10 per person for crew, friends and family.
 - 6.3 Sunday, November 3rd. 9:00 am First Warning; no warning after noon.
7. **Venue and Courses.** The race venue and courses to be sailed are described on Lake Pleasant Chart L.
 - 7.1 In place of flags, class boards will be displayed for starts. This modifies Rule 26. Lake Pleasant Chart L has information regarding class boards.
 - 7.2 Rounding marks will be inflatable yellow cylinders/tetrahedrons and green tetrahedrons.
 - 7.3 Each boat shall check in before her first race each day by sailing aft of the Race Committee on starboard tack and hailing fleet and sail number. A boat that retires from a race or retires from racing before the end of the race day shall notify Race Committee as soon as possible.
 - 7.4 The starting line will be between the orange mast on the committee boat and a red buoy/ball mark. The finish line will be between the orange mast on the committee boat and a small yellow buoy/ball mark

- 7.5 The start/finish line is “closed”. Boats shall not cross unless starting or finishing.
- 7.6 Race Committee uses a five (5) minute start sequence and rolls the clock to the next starting fleet when appropriate. Boats not in a start sequence shall stay clear of the starting area.
- 7.7 If any part of the boats hull is on the course-side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee may attempt to hail her sail number. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 7.8 The time limit will be 90 minutes for the first boat to finish. If no boat has finished within that time limit, the race is abandoned.
- 8. Scoring.**
- 8.1 One race is required to constitute a series.
- 8.2 A boat starting later than ten (10) minutes after her starting signal will be scored “did not start” (DNS). This changes rule A4.
- 8.3 Rule A5.3 will apply. A boat starting one race during a day will be scored as if she came to the starting area for all races that day.
- 8.4 The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A2, will be used, except when 5 or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 8.5 A boat scored DNC, DNS, NSC, DNF, RET, DSQ shall be scored according to A5.3.
- 9 Protests.** Competitors are to submit protests within the protest time that ends at 8 pm on Saturday and 2 pm on Sunday. Protest forms are available on the AYC website or on the US Sailing app or may be a simple email meeting the requirements of RRS 61.2. Send the protest to racingcaptain@arizonayachtclub.org.
- 10 PFD's:** Each competitor shall wear a life jacket that is 100% dependent on foam for floatation and the appropriate size for the sailor, at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while adding and removing clothing. This modifies RRS 40.1.
- 11 Prizes.** Prizes will be awarded for first-place through third-place finishers for fleets with greater than 8 entrants. Prizes for fleets with less than 8 entrants will be for first-place and second-place.
- 12 Accommodations:** Lake Pleasant Marina has camping/RV sites available. 623.235.6140. Other local hotels: Hampton Inn Anthem, Az 623.465.7979. Marriott Courtyard Happy Valley Phoenix, Az 623.580.8844.
- 13 Media Rights:** By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recording, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.
- 14 Disclaimer of Liability.** Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes. In addition, each person understands and accepts all risk of exposure to communicable disease.

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