



Notice of Race

Arizona Yacht Club Ruth Beals Cup Regatta

October 21, 2023

Lake Pleasant, Arizona

1. **Rules.** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
2. **Fleets.** Entry is welcome for any sailboat. The only restriction on this race is that a female must be the helmsperson throughout the entire race.
3. **Entry.** This is an open event. Any class sailboat may enter. Newcomers and visitors are welcome.
 - a. Entry will be by online form at <https://arizonayachtclub.org>
 - b. Entry deadline is October 7, 2023. Late entries will be accepted online but will not receive a shirt.
 - c. Participants must register before midnight on October 18th. There will be **NO ON-SITE REGISTRATION FOR THIS EVENT.**
 - d. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
4. **Fees.** Fees are to be paid at the time of registration. Fees include: one T-shirt, racing fees, one breakfast and one meal at the social event following the race.
 - a. **Registration Fees**
 - i. Regular members: \$40
 - ii. Junior members: \$30
 - iii. Non-members \$50
 - iv. Additional T-shirts are available for \$20 paid at registration.
 - v. Additional meals are available for \$10 paid at registration.
5. **Schedule:**
 - a. Breakfast starts at 9am on October 21 at Spinnaker Point.
 - b. The Skippers' Meeting will be held at 10am on October 21 at Spinnaker Point and is mandatory for all participants.
 - c. This is a pursuit race. The starts are staggered based on the PHRF rating of the boat being raced. Boats will begin racing between 12:55 PM and 2:00 PM.
 - d. A post-race social event will be hosted at the Spinnaker Point ramada at (approximately) 5:30pm. The perpetual Ruth Beals Cup will be presented to the first-place finisher. Food and beverages will be available for those who are registered or purchased a meal.
6. **Sailing Instructions.** Sailing Instructions will be available online with registration materials. Please download and print a copy of the Sailing Instructions, start times, and Lake Pleasant Ruth Beals Cup chart for your boat. Additional copies will *not* be provided at the lake.
7. **Radio Communications.** All boats are strongly encouraged to carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channel 68 for crew safety and improved communication among race committee and competitors. On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts on VHF channel 68.
8. **Alterations to rules.**
 - a. AYC fleet board will display the course for the day. This modifies rule 26. *See course chart for procedure.*
 - b. Each boat shall display the sail numbers designated on her registration. This modifies rule 77.
 - c. Any changes to the sail numbers need to be communicated to the scorekeeper **before the skipper's meeting concludes.**
9. **Courses to be Sailed.** Courses to be sailed are described on the Lake Pleasant Ruth Beals Cup Chart. The chart displays several options for a course and the Race Committee will choose the course appropriate for the conditions that day.
10. **Scoring.**
 - a. A boat starting later than fifteen (15) minutes after the last start signal of the day 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. This changes rule A4.
 - c. Handicaps are determined using Southern California PHRF handicaps. If a boat's rating is not listed in SoCal PHRF, US Sailing PHRF average handicap will be substituted.
11. **Prizes.** The perpetual trophy will be awarded to the first finisher across the line.
12. **Disclaimer of Liability.** Competitors participate in the regatta 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.