Arizona Yacht Club

Notice of Race
Dinghy Days Regatta

November 6, 7 & 8, 2026
Lake Pleasant, Arizona

1. **Rules**. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) for 2025 – 2028 and applicable class rules which can be found on their respective class websites.
2. **Sailing Instructions**. Sailing Instructions are available on the AYC website: arizonayachtclub.org/racing
3. **Eligibility**. The regatta is open to all single hull and multihull boats 20' LOA and under, racing under one-design, USSA Portsmouth Yardstick, or SCHRS rating rules. Fleets formed with five (5) or more 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 with a handicap fleet. Expected classes include Buccaneer 18, CFJ, Laser (ILCA 7), Multi-hull, Portsmouth, and Sunfish (ISCA). All Sunfish (ISCA) registrants must adhere to USSCA West Region World Qualifier (WQ) requirements (see #5 below).
4. **Entry**. Boats may enter by completing a form and the required fee online at arizonayachtclub.org/racing. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees. Deadline for entry is Tuesday, November 3rd.
5. **USSCA West Region World Qualifier (WQ):** The regatta will also host the United States Sunfish Class Association ™ (USSCA™) West Region Championship (WQ), with the winner advancing to the following year's worlds championship. The following items apply only to competitors in the Sunfish West Region Championship (WQ):
    - **a.** Organizing Authority (OA): The Arizona Yacht Club Dinghy Days Regatta is endorsed by the US Sunfish Class Association ™ (USSCA™).
    - **b.** USSCA WQ Rules: The event is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, Prescriptions of US Sailing and all current International Sunfish Class Association ™ (ISCA ®) Class Rules.
    - **c.** Sailor Eligibility: Each competitor shall be a current member of his/her respective country's National (ISCA ®) Class Association (NICA). Each country shall be a current member of (ISCA ®).
    - **d.** Boat Eligibility and Entry:
        - **i** Boats shall be compliant with current ISCA class rules. https://www.sunfishclass.org/rulesandmeasurement
        - **ii** Hulls shall have a World Sailing (WS) builder plaque per class rules section 2.5. Equipment shall have ICSA certification stickers per class rules section 2.3.

iii Hulls meeting the above requirement are ISCA™ (January 1, 2025 - present) and Sunfish™ built up through December, 2024). Hulls built prior to 1998 did not have a WS plaque requirement.

iv Boats may be selected for measurement at any time during the regatta by the ISCA™ Chief Measurer or an appointed representative.

6. **Fees.** ASU and High School students $10. $60 for all other competitors.
7. **Schedule**.
   a. Friday, November 6th: Optional racing clinic beginning at 9:30am. On-the-water clinic coaching and practice races for anyone interested after 1pm.
   b. Saturday, November 7: Skippers Meeting 10:45am at the Spring Canyon ramadas; 12:30pm first warning; no warning after 4:30pm. Dinner will be held at the Spring Canyon ramadas.
   c. Sunday, November 2, 9am First Warning; no warning after noon. 2pm Awards at Spring Canyon ramadas.
8. **Equipment Inspection and Measurement**. All boats and equipment shall comply with their respective class rules and may be inspected by the Race Committee or Technical Committee for compliance at any time during the event. Laser (ILCA) competitors shall not change rig size during the event.
9. **Lifejackets.** 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.
10. **Communications**. The official notice board is the Arizona Yacht Club Website Dinghy Days Regatta Page: https://arizonayachtclub.org/dinghy-days-regatta. All boats are strongly encouraged to carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channel 68 for crew safety and improved communication. On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts.
11. **Venue and Courses.** The race venue and courses to be sailed are described in Lake Pleasant Chart Q and the Starting Signals are described in Lake Pleasant Course Chart Appendix A available on the Event Website.
12. **Penalty System.** RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One Turn Penalty.
13. **Scoring.**
   a. One race is required to constitute a regatta.
   b. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored “Did Not Start” (DNS) without a hearing. This changes Rule A5.1.
   c. If the first boat fails to finish within 60 minutes of the start, the race is abandoned.
   d. Boats failing to finish within 20 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.
   e. For each five races sailed, one worst score will be discarded. This modifies Rule A2.1.
14. **Prizes.** For fleets with 5 or more competitors registered before October 27th, awards will be presented for first, second, and third.
15. **Media Rights**. By participating in this event, competitors 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.

16. **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. In addition, each person understands and accepts all risk of exposure to communicable disease.
17. **Code of Conduct.** Competitors agree to be held to the AYC Code of Conduct and the Rules and Agreement for Lake Pleasant. Acknowledgement of and agreement with these documents is required in the sign-up form.
18. **Further Information**
    Website: https://arizonayachtclub.org/dinghy-days-regatta/
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