



2020 Fall Fling Fleet Regatta Centerboard Regatta Notice of Race



- 1 **RULES** - The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* for 2017-2020 (RRS), published by World Sailing.
- 2 **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**
 - 2.1 This Centerboard Regatta is being held as part of AYC's 2020 Fall Fling Fleet Regatta on Lake Travis. Austin Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority of the regatta.
 - 2.2 The Centerboard Regatta is open to all centerboards. All boats must have an AYC member on board or have been invited by the Organizing Authority. Failure to comply will result in a boat not being scored.
 - 2.3 Participation in this Centerboard Regatta will make a boat ineligible for participation in other days of the 2020 Fall Fling Fleet Regatta.
 - 2.4 AYC will provide Opti's and up to 18 double-handed Flying Juniors as charter boats for use during the Centerboard Regatta at no cost on a "first come, first serve" basis. For charter boat reservations, contact AYC Training Director Bobby Brooks at 512-466-6954 or bobby@austinyachtclub.net.
- 3 **ENTRY AND FEES**
 - 3.1 There is no entry fee for the Centerboard Regatta.
 - 3.2 Register online or complete the associated registration form and return it to AYC at 5906 Beacon Dr., Austin, Texas 78734-1499. Early registration deadline is **6:00pm Friday October 9**. Late registration is permitted by turning in a completed registration form at the late registration table at the AYC clubhouse lower level between **07:30 and 08:30am Sunday October 11**.
 - 3.3 See entry form for required registration information. Early registrants will be provided one cap at no charge. Lunches and additional caps will be available for purchase during early registration only at \$5 per lunch and additional caps will be available at \$15 each. Lunch and caps will not be available for late registrants. Breakfast will not be provided.
- 4 **SCHEDULE**
 - 4.1 Races shall be held on **Sunday, October 11, 2020**.
 - 4.2 Competitors' Briefing will be held online through ZOOM at **6:30pm Friday October 9**. The ZOOM link will be available on the AYC website and in the registration confirmation email.
 - 4.3 Schedule on October 11 will be as follows:

07:30 – 08:30am	Late registration
09:00am	Warning Signal First Race
11:00am – 1:30pm	Lunch Box Pickup (staggered per class)
	No start after 4:00pm
- 5 **COVID SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS**
 - 5.1 To minimize COVID-19 related risks there will be no organized post-race social gathering. Also, during the regatta all competitors will follow AYC published COVID safety guidelines, including the following:
 - wear a mask at all times while on shore,
 - maintain a minimum 6 ft distance from others while ashore, and

- adhere to the one-person limit for the bathroom facilities.
- 5.2 Lunches will be staggered by class, as determined by the Race Committee. It is recommended that participants bring their own beverages and a folding chair to use during the lunch break.
- 5.3 It is also recommended to arrive early to allow for time to stagger launches from the board dock.

6 MEASUREMENTS - No measurement of boats is required. All boats are encouraged to have sail numbers that conform to class rules. All boats competing in a handicap fleet should submit their Portsmouth number (D-PN) handicap rating on the registration form, or contact Bo Kersey at bo@virco.com to be assigned a rating.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS - The Sailing Instructions will be available on the AYC Website prior to the start of the Competitors' Briefing.

8 CLASSES

- 8.1 Classes expected are: Sunfish, Laser, FJ, Optimist Dinghy, and Portsmouth Centerboard.
- 8.2 Three or more boats of the same design may be grouped into one-design classes. All other boats will be divided into classes designated by the Race Committee.
- 8.3 Racing areas and start lines will be announced at the Competitors' Briefing. Optimists will have their own start line and sailing area, to be announced at the Competitors' Briefing.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 All boats will be assigned to a One Design Class or Handicap Fleet for scoring purposes. Such assignments will be announced at the Competitors' Briefing and will be posted on the official notice board prior to the first race of the Centerboard Regatta.
- 9.2 One (1) completed race constitutes a Regatta.
- 9.3 The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A of the RRS will be used, modified as follows (changes RRS A2): When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 9.4 Centerboard Handicap fleets will be scored with the Portsmouth Handicap Rating System using US Sailing's current Portsmouth Yardstick (D-PN) available at the US Sailing site, latest revision as of 2017.

10 RADIO COMMUNICATION. Except in an emergency, 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.

11 AWARDS

- 11.1 The award ceremonies for both the One Design Regatta (Oct 10 races) and the Centerboard Regatta (Oct 11 races) will be held online through ZOOM at **8:00pm Sunday Oct 11**. The ZOOM link will be available on the AYC website and included in the registration confirmation email.
- 11.2 Awards will be awarded to helmspersons in accordance to the overall size of their respective Class as follows:
- 2-3 entries: 1 award
 - 4-6 entries: 2 awards
 - 7+ entries: 3 awards

12 ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY – By participating in the Centerboard Regatta, each boat owner, skipper and crew agrees to sail and use the Austin Yacht Club facilities at his or her own risk. To the fullest extent permitted under Texas law, each boat owner, skipper and crew unconditionally and irrevocably releases and discharges the Austin Yacht Club, their Officers, Board of Directors, agents, and all other persons who assist in maintaining equipment or in organizing and/or

conducting races from all claims and legal liability for personal injury, death or property damage incurred in connection with the event.

13 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

13.1 For additional information contact AYC at 512-266-1336, or email Centerboard Regatta Chair: Louise Miller at louise@txmiller.com, or visit www.austinyachtclub.net.

For class-specific questions, contacts are as follows:

Optimist PRO Spencer LeGrande at spencer@austinyachtclub.net;

Sunfish/Laser PRO Jeff Brock at jeffbrock@me.com; and

FJ/Portsmouth PRO Bo Kersey at bo@vircio.com.

13.2 No pets, fires, fireworks or drones are permitted on AYC property.