

Notice Of Race

2017 AYC GOVERNOR'S CUP REGATTA

April 8-9, 2017

INVITATION

Austin Yacht Club cordially invites you to attend the AYC's 2017 Governor's Cup Regatta to be held on Lake Travis April 8th and 9th, 2017. Austin Yacht Club is both the Host Club and the Organizing Authority of the Regatta. Austin Yacht Club is a private yacht club, located on Lake Travis at 5906 Beacon Drive, Austin, TX 78734.

1. **RULES** – The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in [The ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 \(RRS\)](#)

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The Regatta is open to all Monohull Keelboats, Multihull boats, Centerboard boats, and Juniors (including Lasers, FJs and Optis). AYC has a limited amount of Optimists, Lasers and FJs available for junior sailors. Contact the AYC Office at 512-266-1336 or gm@austinyachtclub.net for charter information.
- 2.2. Early on-line registration with a discount of \$10.00 closes 23:59 on Thursday, April 6, 2017.
- 2.3. On-site registration may be performed at the registration table in the AYC Clubhouse from 18:00 to 20:00 on Friday, April, 7, 2017, and 07:00 to 09:00 on Saturday, April 8, 2017. All competitors must check in on Saturday morning to pick up regatta package and pay any charges not charged to an AYC account.
- 2.4. You may register online at <http://www.austinyachtclub.net> or print off a filled out on-line registration form and fax, email and send it to AYC. (FAX # 512-266-9804) You may also register directly with the AYC office in person or by telephone. (Call 512-266-1336.) NOTE: The AYC office is closed on Mondays and Tuesdays.

3. FEES

3.1. The entry fees are as follows:

	Early	Late
Keel boats and Multi-hulls	\$50	\$60
Centerboard boats	\$40	\$50
Junior Sailors (Laser, FJ, Optimist)	\$25	\$35

The entry fee includes participation in the regatta, use of the mast hoists for mast stepping, trailer storage/boat dockage, limited use of AYC ramps for launch and retrieval of boats as well as participation in the regatta's award presentation.

- 3.2. T-shirts with the Regatta Logo are available for \$15 each.
- 3.3. Wristbands for the event are available for \$15 through the Early Registration period and \$20.00 following Early Registration. The wristband entitles the wearer

to: Saturday Breakfast and Saturday Dinner. Lunch will provide on Sunday by the Roadrunner Fleet for \$8 a person.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. Wednesday, March 8, 2017 - Early Registration Opens
- 4.2. Thursday, April 6, 2017, 23:59 Early Registration Closes
- 4.3. Friday, April 7, 2017 (On-site Registration, Happy Hour, Music)
Speaker: Jim Merritt
 - 4.3.1. 18:00 Check-In and Late Registration opens
 - 4.3.2. 20:00 Check-In and Late Registration closes for the evening
- 4.4. Saturday, April 8, 2017
 - 4.4.1. 07:00 - 9:00 in AYC Clubhouse: Breakfast.
 - 4.4.2. 07:00 - 9:00 in AYC Clubhouse: Registration and Check-in.
 - 4.4.3. 09:30 AYC Clubhouse: Competitor's Briefing.
 - 4.4.4. 10:30: Scheduled time of the first warning signal for the first race, all lines. No warning signal after 16:00.
 - 4.4.5. 18:00 in AYC Clubhouse: Dinner, Battle of the Bands to follow
- 4.2. Sunday, April 9, 2017
 - 4.2.1. 9:30: Scheduled time of the first warning signal for the first race, all lines. No warning signal after 13:00.
 - 4.2.3. After completion of all races, in AYC Clubhouse: Lunch and Trophy Presentation

5. MEASUREMENTS – No measurement of boats is required. All boats competing in a PHRF handicap fleet must have a valid handicap rating certificate on file with the Keel Fleet PHRF Handicap Committee prior to participating in the Regatta. Members of the PHRF Handicap Committee will be available at registration to assign ratings to boats without a certificate on file.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS – The sailing instructions (SI's) will be available on the Austin Yacht Club website on April 1, 2017, and race day at the registration desk.

7. VENUE – AYC is a private yacht club located on Lake Travis, Texas, at 5906 Beacon Drive, Austin, TX 78734-1428.

- 7.1. Directions and other information relating to AYC are available on its website located at www.austinyachtclub.net
- 7.2. Please note that neither pets nor fireworks are allowed on club property.
- 7.3. Accommodations – Camping is allowed on the AYC grounds during the regatta. Contact the AYC office at 512-266-1336 for additional information regarding camping or other accommodations in the area.
- 7.4. Boat Hoist Access – A fixed five ton boat hoist is available in the work area for participant use for the regatta.
- 7.5. Mast Crane – Two mast cranes are available for participant use for the regatta.
- 7.6. Launching/Retrieving – Ramp launching/retrieving are available.
- 7.7. Docking – Limited docking will be provided for participants of the regatta.

8. THE COURSES – The Regatta will consist of 3 racing areas.

- 8.1. Keel, Multihull, and Centerboard sailboats will have a starting line in the vicinity of AYC and will race on either Long Distance or Windward/Leeward Around-the-Buoys courses. Long Distance races will include a race to the vicinity of Lakeway and a race back from Lakeway on Saturday.
- 8.2. Junior boats (including Lasers, FJs, and Optimists) will race Around-the-Buoys courses and will have their own line and sailing area announced at the Competitor's Briefing.

9. SCORING

- 9.1. All boats will be assigned to a Class for scoring purposes. Such Class assignments will be announced at the Competitor's Briefing and will be posted on the official notice board prior to the first race of the Regatta.
- 9.2. One (1) completed race constitutes a Regatta.
- 9.3. Three boats will constitute a class.
- 9.4. Scoring will be according to the RRS Low Point System in Appendix A, modified as follows:
 - 9.4.1. When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.
 - 9.4.2. When from 5 up to 9 races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes RRS A2.
 - 9.4.3. When 10 or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores. This changes RRS A2.
- 9.5. Handicap fleets will be scored as follows:
 - 9.5.1. Keel Handicap and Multihull fleets will be scored using the "Time on Time" variant of the PHRF handicap rating system utilizing the PHRF of Lake Travis handicap values.
 - 9.5.2. Centerboard Handicap fleets will be scored with the Portsmouth Handicap Rating System using US Sailing's [current Portsmouth Yardstick](http://www.ussailing.org/racing/offshore-bigboats/portsmouth-yardstick/current-tables/) available at www.ussailing.org/racing/offshore-bigboats/portsmouth-yardstick/current-tables/
- 9.6. Number of races scheduled will be identified in the Sailing Instructions.
- 9.7. Classes - Three or more boats of the same design may be grouped into one-design classes. All other keel and multi-hull boats will be divided into classes designated by the Race Committee. Centerboard boats will be divided into handicap classes.

10. RADIO COMMUNICATION – A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats.

11. PRIZES – Trophies will be awarded to helmspersons in accordance to the overall size of their respective Class as follows:

- 11.1. Up to 3 participants: 1 trophy
- 11.2. 4-6 participants: 2 trophies
- 11.3. 7+ participants: 3 trophies

The annual Governor's Cup Trophy will also be given to the out-of-town yacht club with the largest regatta participation.

12. ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY – By participating in the regatta, each boat owner, skipper and crew agree 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 release 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 regatta and caused by negligence.

13. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION – For additional information, please refer to the following contacts:

13.1. Event website: www.austinyachtclub.net/event/governors-cup

13.2. AYC office: 512-266-1336

13.3. Event Chair Karen Bogisch: karenann78749@yahoo.com