

Race Commander Report

March 22, 2018

Spring Series participation and weather have both been extremely varied. We had a high turnout of 45 boats, but on March 11th, when it was very windy, only 16 boats went out. After 4 races, we have had a total of 68 different participants. Light air on two weekends already caused postponement, courses to be shortened and the 2nd race not run at all. RC on those days handled this very well. However, we've now had 3 reports of issues with fuel on Chase Boat 2, so we'll be addressing that. With Easter Laser Regatta & Governor's cup coming up within 2 weeks, we need all the club resources on line.

PRC work items for coming months include placing the new marks A, J or X marks in the lake. And we'll apply to renew our permit with LCRA, for our marks. We will also need to buy a 2nd iPad, we are reliant on the data collection, and really need to have a backup.

Late Spring Series documents will be posted right after Governor's Cup Regatta. Note that Late Spring Series does not have all 4 dates in consecutive weekends. There is a (big) gap in the schedule. Also, for this next series, I am considering 2 changes. We will discuss in PRC whether we can achieve both, or neither. Feedback is welcome.

- a) Longer Windward leg course for the faster boats that do RTB course, by setting orange buoys farther to windward than the yellow buoys. We have done this in prior years. It is more work for the RC duty fleet, and so we need to make sure we can actually achieve the desired results, while still maintaining race excellence.
- b) Additional start – for Centerboard boats, or for an “open fleet”. Needs more discussion.

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