



NOTICE OF RACE

The McDougall

Open Class Regatta - 2011

1. **INVITATION** - Harbor Island Yacht Club cordially invites you and your crew to attend the *McDougall Open Regatta*, October 8th, and 9th on Old Hickory Lake in Old Hickory, TN.
2. **RULES**
 - 2.1. The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
 - 2.2. Changes to the following RRS sections will be made for this regatta: 29.1 (Individual Recall), 33(a) (Changing the Next Leg of the Course), 35 (Time Limit and Scores), 44.2 (Two-Turns Penalty), 62.1(a) (Redress), A2 (Series Scores), A4.1 and A4.2 (Low Point Scoring System), A11 (Scoring Abbreviations), Race Signal AP (Postponement).
3. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration. A draft is available at www.hiyc.org.
4. **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY** - The regatta will be open to all dinghy boats properly registered with HIYC. Participants may enter the race by completing registration at the table in the HIYC clubhouse before the skippers' meeting.
5. **CLASSES**
 - 5.1. Four boats of the same kind will constitute a class.
 - 5.2. Handicap classes will be comprised of all other entries and will compete under the DIYRA/US Sailing Portsmouth Number System using wind-range (Beaufort number) specific values.
 - 5.3. The Regatta Committee may combine or split classes at its sole discretion.
6. **FEES** - The registration fee is \$20.00 for the Open Regatta.
7. **SCHEDULE: OPEN REGATTA**
 - 7.1. **SATURDAY OCTOBER 8, 2011**
 - 8:00 am: Registration, Coffee and Donuts
 - 9:30 am: Skippers' Meeting
 - 10:55 am: Warning Signal for Race
 - 7.2. **SUNDAY OCTOBER 9, 2011**
 - 8:00 am: Coffee and Donuts
 - 10:00 am: Warning Signal for Race
 - 3:00 pm: Trophy Presentation
8. **LAUNCHING & ACCESS** - Launching, docking and hauling may be done at Harbor Island Yacht Club free of charge. Access to the club is through a security gate. Non-HIYC members may scroll down to and dial CLUB on the gate control panel and ask that it be opened.
9. **RACING**
 - 9.1. The racing will consist of buoy courses for all classes.
 - 9.2. One race will constitute a series.
 - 9.3. No races will be started in less than three (3) knots of sustained wind as determined by the Race Committee.
 - 9.4. No races will be started after 1:00pm on Sunday.
 - 9.5. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored as DNS. This changes RRS A4.1.
10. **THE SITE, RACING AREA AND COURSE**
 - 10.1. [Harbor Island Yacht Club](http://www.hiyc.org) will be the site of all shore-side activities.

- 10.2. The racing area is between mile Cumberland River 216.5 and mile 227 on [Old Hickory Lake](#). The course will be further described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 10.2.1. The "Upper Course" is approximately one mile northeast of the harbor entrance, below Lindsley's Light.
- 10.2.2. The "Lower Course" is just west of the harbor entrance, between the mouth of Shute's Branch and the mouth of Drake's Creek.
- 10.2.3. The "Harbor Course" is inside the harbor, north of HIYC.
- 10.3. The Upper and Lower Courses, set on Old Hickory Lake, may intersect the navigational channel. Commercial traffic (barges) and deep-draft craft in the channel have right-of-way over sailboats and must be treated with utmost respect. **When a boat sailing under these rules meets a vessel that is not, the rules of Part 2 (When Boats Meet) are replaced by the [Inland Navigation Rules](#). Any boat impeding the passage of a right-of-way vessel is subject to protest by the race committee or the protest committee.**
11. **ALTERNATE PENALTY** - A boat that may have infringed a rule of Part 2 while racing under spinnaker may exonerate herself by dousing her spinnaker (bringing the head of the spinnaker to a point below the level of the gooseneck), making a 360 degree turn including a tack and a gybe, and then resetting her spinnaker. This changes RRS 44.2.
12. **SCORING**
- 12.1. Each boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races, excluding her worst score if six or more races are completed. This changes rule A2.
- 12.2. A boat that did not finish within the required time after the first boat in her class finished and that was still racing when the time limit expired, will be scored points for the finishing place equal to one more than the number of boats in the class that finished the race. The scoring abbreviation for such boats will be TLX (did not finish due to time limit expiring). This changes RRS A4.2 and A11.
- 12.3. A boat that did not start (DNC, DNS and OCS), did not finish (DNF) for any reason other than (TLX), or retires after finishing (RAF) will be scored points for the finishing place equal to one more than the number of boats in the class that entered the regatta.
- 12.4. A boat that was disqualified (BFD, DSQ, DNE and DGM) will be scored points for the finishing place equal to two more than the number of boats in the class that entered the regatta. This changes RRS A4.2.
- 12.5. All other boats will be scored in accordance with RRS A4.1 and A4.2.
- 12.6. If a tie still remains after applying the series tie breaking procedure of A8.1, the procedure outlined in RRS A8.1 will be repeated using all races, including those previously excluded. If a tie still remains, the tie will be broken in accordance with A8.2. This changes RRS A8.2.
13. **PRIZES** - Trophies will be awarded for all classes to the top three (3) finishers.
14. **WAIVER** - Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Competitors agree that the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. As an inducement to the race organizers to produce the regatta, each competitor agrees that by participating in this event each competitor is deemed to have waived all claims against and released the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law and is deemed to have warranted that he has obtained this same release of the race organizers by each crew member.
15. **INSURANCE** - Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.
16. **FURTHER INFORMATION** - For further information please contact Rick Smith at 482-0840 or send email to vicecommodore@hiyc.org.