



## NOTICE OF RACE



# Mardi Gras

## Cruiser Regatta – February 23, 2019

1. **INVITATION** - Harbor Island Yacht Club cordially invites you and your crew to attend the Mardi Gras *Cruiser Regatta*, February 23, 2019 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), 32.2 (Shortening of Course after the Start), 33(a) (Changing the Next Leg of the Course), 35 (Time Limit and Scores), 42.3(h) (Propulsion-Exceptions), 44.2 (Two-Turns Penalty), 61.1(a) (Informing the Protestee), 62.1(a) (Redress), A2 (Series Scores), A4.1 (Low Point Scoring System), A8.2 (Scoring – Series Ties), 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](http://www.hiyc.org).
4. **CLASSES** - The following classes are anticipated for this event.
  - 4.1 Heavy handicap class A: displacement 5000/Lbs and greater, PHRF ratings of 145 or less, Spinnaker assumed.
  - 4.2 Heavy handicap class B: displacement 5000/Lbs and greater, PHRF ratings 146 and greater. Spinnaker assumed, but may sail without spinnaker and take a 12 second allowance. The decision to sail without spinnaker remains in effect for the current year.
  - 4.3 Light handicap class. Displacement of 4999/Lbs and less, Spinnaker assumed.
  - 4.4 C class (formerly the Jam class). Jib and Main only.
  - 4.5 The Regatta Committee may combine or split classes at its sole discretion.
5. **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**
  - 5.1 The regatta will be open to all cruiser or racer/cruiser boats properly registered with HIYC. Participants may enter the race by completing registration at the table in the HIYC clubhouse before the skippers' meeting.

- 5.2 Each boat sailing in a handicap class must have an established PHRF rating that has been assigned by the HIYC-PHRF Committee. If your boat is not listed on the HIYC Ratings List, please submit a HIYC Rating Application prior to the regatta. To obtain a PHRF rating, please contact Peter Bennett at peter.bennett@Nissan-Usa.com
6. **FEES** - The Regatta pre-registration fee is \$20.00 <http://www.hiyc.org/racing/mardi-gras> or \$25.00 the day of race.
7. **SCHEDULE**
- 7.1 **SATURDAY February 23, 2019**
- 9:00** am: Registration, Coffee and Donuts  
**10:00** am: Skippers' Meeting  
**11:25** am: Warning Signal
8. **RACING**
- 8.1 The racing will consist of river distance courses for all classes.
- 8.2 One race will constitute a series.
- 8.3 No races will be started in less than three (3) knots of sustained wind as determined by the Race Committee.
9. **THE SITE, RACING AREA AND COURSE**
- 9.1 [Harbor Island Yacht Club](#) will be the site of all shore-side activities.
- 9.2 The racing area is between mile Cumberland River 216.5 and mile 227 on [Old Hickory Lake](#). The Distance Course will begin at a starting line between mile 220 and mile 225. The course will be further described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 9.3 The course, 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.**
10. **ON-THE-WATER COMMUNICATIONS** – VHF radio channel 68 will be used by the Race Committee for warnings and communications to the competitors while on the water. All competitors are required to have and use a VHF Radio.
11. **PRIZES** - Trophies will be awarded for each class with at least 3 boats racing.
12. **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.
13. **INSURANCE** - Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

14. **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.

**FURTHER INFORMATION** - For further information please contact Jim Doran. Send email to: [Jdoranjr@bellsouth.net](mailto:Jdoranjr@bellsouth.net) or call at 615-972-2619.