

The 50th BLUENOSE REGATTA

For LIGHTNINGS

1. **INVITATION** – Harbor Island Yacht Club and Lightning Fleet #262 cordially invite you and your crew to attend the 50th *Bluenose Regatta*, November 6-8, 2015 on Old Hickory Lake in Nashville, Tennessee.

2. RULES

2.1. The regatta will be governed by the *Rules* as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2.2. Changes to the following RRS sections will be made for this regatta: 29 (Recalls), 33 (Course Change), 42.3(c) (Propulsion Exceptions), 44.2 (Two Turns Penalty), 61.3 (Protest Time Limit), 62.1(a) (Redress), A4.1, A4.2, A7 and A8 (Scoring).

3. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration. A draft is available at <http://www.hiyc.org> .

4. CLASSES, ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1. The regatta will be open to all Lightnings as defined by the ILCA.

4.2. Skippers must meet all class membership requirements and their boats must meet all measurement requirements.

4.3. Participants must enter by completing registration at the table in the HIYC clubhouse before the Competitors' Meeting.

5. FEES

5.1. The Regatta registration fee is \$65 (includes free tee shirt). Additional shirts cost \$15.

5.2. Lunches will be available for purchase. The cost is \$9 per person per day.

5.3. A steak dinner will be served on Saturday evening at the HIYC Clubhouse.
The cost is \$20 per person.

6. **SCHEDULE** - The official time will be kept by the Race Committee Clock above the coffee maker in the clubhouse ashore and by the PRO's watch (synchronized to the RC Clock) on the Race Committee Boat on the water

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 6, 2015

1:00 - 5:00 p.m.: Practice races and commentary

5:00-8:00 p.m.: Registration

6:00-8:00 p.m.: Cocktail Buffet (free!)

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 7, 2015

- 7:30 a.m.: Registration continues
Coffee and donuts
- 9:00 a.m.: Competitors' Meeting
- 10:25 a.m.: Warning signal for the first race.
Subsequent races follow. Lunch on the water.
- 5:30 p.m.: BYOB Cocktail party
- 6:00 p.m.: Steak Dinner

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8, 2015

- 8:00 a.m.: Coffee and Donuts
- 9:25 a.m.: Warning Signal for First Race
Subsequent races to follow.
- TBD: Trophy Presentation

7. **LAUNCHING and ACCESS** - Launching, docking and hauling may be done at Harbor Island Yacht Club free of charge. A boat hoist and ramp are available for trailer launching.

8. THE SITE AND RACING AREA

- 8.1. Harbor Island Yacht Club will be the site of all shore-side activities.
- 8.2. Race courses will be set outside the harbor on Old Hickory Lake and 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 Navigational Rules. Any boat impeding the passage of a right-of-way vessel is subject to protest and disqualification by the Race Committee or Protest Committee.**
- 8.3. The location of the course will depend on the wind direction and speed. The "Upper Course" is upstream of the harbor entrance (northeast, or to the right as you sail out of the harbor, avoiding the shoal near Duck Island). The "Lower Course" is downstream of the harbor entrance (southwest, or to the left as you leave the harbor, staying in the harbor entrance marked by red and green secondary channel marks).

9. RACING

- 9.1. The racing will consist of buoy courses.
- 9.2. One race will constitute a series.
- 9.3. There will be no warning signals after 12:25 p.m. Sunday

10. SCORING

- 10.1. Each boat finishing in a race and not thereafter retiring or being disqualified will be scored points equal to her finishing place. DNC, DNS, DNF and RAF score point equal to one more than the number of boats entered in the series. OCS, DNE, DGM and DSQ score points equal to two more than the number of boats entered in the

series. RDG scores the number of points equal to the finishing position awarded her after a hearing of request for redress.

- 10.2. Each boat's series score will be the sum of her scores for all races, excluding her worst score if six races are completed.
- 10.3. Boats which tie in a single race shall score points equal to the best position involved. The position(s) immediately following that shall remain vacant. (This modifies RRS A7).
- 10.4. When there is a tie on total points between two or more boats at the end of a series, the tie will be broken in favor of the boat or boats with the most first places...and when a tie remains, the most second places...and so on. When a tie still remains, it shall be broken in favor of the boat which beats the other(s) in the last untied race of the series. (All races, including those excluded in calculating total scores in accordance with 10.2 above, will be considered for the purpose of breaking ties). (This modifies RRS A8).

11. **PRIZES** - Prizes will be awarded to the top five boats in the overall standings.

12. **DIRECTIONS** – From I-40 Exit #221 The Hermitage / Hwy 45 North. Continue on ramp down to stop lights. Pass Andrew Jackson WAY and the Exxon Station. Turn right on Andrew Jackson PARKWAY by the BP Station. (The next turn you make will be Harbor Drive (a little over 6 miles).) Cross Lebanon Road (major intersection with BP and Texaco.). The road name will change to Saundersville Road. When you see the lake, you are close. After passing Shutes Branch Recreational Area, look for the next road on left. Turn left onto Harbor Island. HIYC located on the right after the gate and causeway.

The code to open the causeway gate is #9090 (be sure to begin by entering the pound sign, #).

13. **LODGING AND SITTERS** - Nearby motels are listed at the regatta website at (Call or e-mail Bruce Richards at (615) 347-0721 (rich4302@comcast.net), if you need housing or child care.

14. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY** - **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) shall 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. **FURTHER INFORMATION** - For further information please contact Regatta Chairman,
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