

Notice of Race for Great Oaks Invitational Regatta

NOVEMBER 12th and 13th, 2005 at Austin Yacht Club, Austin, TX. Hosted by SEISA, University of Texas, and Austin Yacht Club

Barbara White, wife of ISSA President Larry White, presented the ISSA with the Great Oaks Trophy "In memory of Joe Becker and his Great Oaks Camp on Saturday Pond in Maine and in honor of Larry White who learned to sail there." The trophy is of finished oak with bronze casting and plates.

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the revised 2005-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing, the Prescriptions of US SAILING, the ISSA Procedural Rules, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions. The regatta is classified as a Category A event.

2. ELIGIBILITY

2.1 A school that has been a continuous member of ISSA and has not qualified for the Mallory or Baker Regatta in the past four years or one that joins this year for the first time is eligible to enter the selection process in its district. Selection for competing in the Great Oaks Regatta is by district initiative, with a sailing elimination preferred.

2.2 A team is comprised of no less than two nor more than four sailors who are full-time students in the school they represent. Each team will sail one FJ. Competing schools must be current members of ISSA. **NO STUDENT BELOW THE 8TH GRADE SHALL BE ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE.** Sailors must be accompanied by a designated adult chaperone, who may be an advisor, coach or parent and must be recognized by the school.

2.3 The regatta has 35 berths, which will be allocated based on the following quotas: New England-4, Southeast-9, Northwest-3, Mid-Atlantic-4, Mid-West-4, So. Atlantic-6, Pacific Coast-5.

2.4 Entries should be returned to Steve Gay, Regatta Chairman, 11808 Buggy Whip, Austin, TX 78750. HOME: (512) 257-2386; CELL (512) 587-6478; E-MAIL jsgay@austin.rr.com

ENTRY AND COMMUNICATIONS

3.1 Eligible schools and sailors must enter by filing an official entry form with the Regatta Chairperson prior to October 26, 2005. Entry fee must be included with the entry form. Liability and medical release forms will be required at the time of registration at AYC. Make check for entry fee and check for damage deposit payable to: Austin Yacht Club and mail to: Steve Gay, 11808 Buggy Whip, Austin, TX 78750

3.2 ISSA membership will be verified at the time of final registration at the regatta site.

3.3 Invited teams that are unable to compete must notify Steve Gay at the host venue as well as ISSA as soon as possible. ISSA will reallocate vacant district quotas.

4. ENTRY FEE (**separate check**)

There will be an entry fee of \$100 per team. Four food packages and four t-shirts are included in the entry fee.

5. BOATS

FJ's will be provided for all competitors by AYC, and the University of Texas.

6. BOAT DAMAGE DEPOSIT (**separate check**)

The MANDATORY boat damage deposit of \$100 and **must accompany the entry form.**

7. SCHEDULE

Friday, November 11, 2005

1400-1700 Registration at Austin Yacht Club.

Competitors must have completed registration to get a boat for practice.

1400-1700 Boats available for practice

Free evening

Saturday, November 12, 2005

Continental breakfast at AYC

0830-0900 Last-minute registration

Fleet rigging

0900 Sailors Meeting - MANDATORY

1030 First warning. Racing will continue throughout day.

Lunch and break

Free evening

Sunday, November 13, 2005

0830-0900 Continental breakfast at AYC

0830-0900 Rigging

1030 First warning. Racing to continue throughout day.

Lunch and break

1600 FIRM DEADLINE — after which NO RACE will be started

1700 After-race snack and Trophy Presentation

8. RACING AREA

Racing will be on Lake Travis off the AYC Point (same approximate location as College Nationals '05)

9. COURSES

Based on conditions, the Race Committee will determine the courses. Short college-style course are expected to be used.

10. SCORING

The regatta will be scored using ISSA Procedural Rules. A "fast track" preliminary protest hearing will be used. Details will be outlined in the Sailing Instructions.

11. HOUSING

Housing will not be provided. AYC has a few Cabins for rent (Call 512 266-1336) and visit www.austinyachtclub.org for motel info.

12. FOOD/BEVERAGES

Four packages are included in the entry fee. A food package will be available to additional sailors and to accompanying chaperones at \$22 each. The package will consist of 2 continental breakfasts, 2 boxed lunches, and a snack after the day's last race. On-the-water beverages will be furnished as part of the package as well.

13. TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION

Austin Bergstrom Int'l Airport is the most convenient airport (25 minutes). San Antonio Intl is also a possible (about 60 minutes). Teams are responsible for their own transportation.

14. COACHING

No coach or parent boats will be allowed. Spectator boats will be provided. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement may be disqualification of any team associated with the infringing support personnel.

15. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to those teams placing First through Fifth.

16. OFFICIAL NOTICE FOR ALL GREAT OAKS REGATTA PARTICIPANTS

No contestant shall use, either on or off the water, alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, and distilled spirits), or use any controlled substance (marijuana, cocaine, etc.), the possession of which is unlawful. Infringements of this regulation and/or other discipline expectation occurring during November 11th, 12th and 13th 2005 may be the basis for disciplinary action. Discipline problems and this regulation's enforcement will be handled promptly by an adult Discipline Hearing Board which will consist of three adult members; the Regatta Chairperson, a member of the ISSA Board of Directors, and the Chief Judge. Said Board shall, at a time and method selected by them, meet to hear said problem and their decision to impose scoring penalties, or other sanctions they alone deem appropriate, including summary removal from the entire regatta, shall be final without appeal permitted.