



CAT FIGHT I Regatta

May 6 & 7, 2017

Hosted by Mission Bay Yacht Club

1215 El Carmel Place, San Diego, CA 92109

NOTICE OF RACE

CLASSES: All catamarans between 16 and 22.5 feet in length are eligible. Boat classes including Nacra-20, Nacra-20Carbon, F18, F16, Nacra-15 and A-cat are anticipated. Other classes are welcome. Each boat is required to meet the internationally recognized criteria for their particular class. The Nacra 20 class will also allow upgrades consistent with those allowed within the F18 class, including alternate brand sails, mid-pole spinnaker set-ups, etc.

ENTRIES: Entry forms must be completed and paid prior to 10:00 am May 6, 2017 at the registration table inside the MBYC club house. Entry fee is \$70 for 2-crew boats and \$50 for single handed boats if registered on or prior to April 30 using RegattaNetwork.com. Entry fee increases by \$10 for late registrations May 1st and later and there is no guarantee that there will be sufficient meal tickets available. Please contact the regatta chairperson by e-mail (scooper@onestopsystems.com) to sign-up for additional dinner tickets prior to May 1st. Please indicate how many non-sailing guest dinner tickets are ordered. Payment through RegattaNetwork is by credit card or PayPal; payment in person on Saturday is cash or checks only; no credit cards or club charge. Please make checks out to: "MBYC Multihull Fleet". An entry form is available at www.mbyc.org to be turned in at registration.

SCHEDULE: A competitor's meeting will be held Saturday 10:00am on the lawn north of the clubhouse. As many races will be sailed as possible within the time limits stated in the sailing instructions. For Saturday this could be three to six races on Sunday three to five races. The first warning will be at 12:00 noon each day. Sailing time from MBYC to the race course is approximately 45-60 minutes. On Sunday, no race will start after 3:30 pm. The start of the second race will be as soon as possible after the completion of the first race and so forth. A minimum of two races shall constitute a regatta.

RULES: The organizing authority for this regatta is Mission Bay Yacht Club. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing for 2017-2020 as amended and adopted by USSA, except as amended by the MBYC Sailing Instructions. Changes in sailing instructions shall be made in writing before a race by posting in proper time on the official notice board. The official notice board is on the south side of the MBYC clubhouse. For classes (e.g. F-18) which have a minimum crew weight requirement, crew weight will be measured at registration. This is a category A event for advertising.

COURSES & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: The racing will be in the ocean off Mission Bay (weather permitting). The courses for these races will be prescribed in the sailing instructions but will likely include windward-leeward courses with options for multiple laps with either windward or downwind finishes. A long windward mark off-set mark and a leeward gate may be used. If a class with a minimum of five boats desires a separate start it will be provided. Otherwise boats will be divided into spinnaker and non-spinnaker boat fleets. Based on anticipated participation we expect a F-18 fleet, A-Cat Fleet, and other spinnaker boat fleet (N-20, N-20C, F-16, Nacra-15). Scoring will be time handicapped using the current ISAF SCHRS handicaps across all the classes of boats. The Sailing Instructions for this regatta will be available at the MBYC regatta registration table.

LAUNCHING: Most boats will rig on the lawn to the north of the club house and launch on the adjoining beach. In addition, two hoists exist at MBYC and are also available for launching. Overnight trailer parking is provided at the club. Check in at the front desk at MBYC for any questions and trailer parking location.

SAFETY EQUIPMENT: Change to F18 Rule E.2 SAFETY EQUIPMENT: A paddle and magnetic compass will not be required. A towing line is required. Also it is recommended (but not required) that all boats have a

hand-held VHF radio on board to communicate with the RC in emergency situations. There will be communications from the RC to the fleets over the VHF radio including calling boats over the line at the start. The channel to be used will be announced at the competitors meeting.

TROPHIES & SCORING: Trophies will depend on the number of entrants with one place awarded per four entries in each class. Following prizes will be awarded between all classes based on handicap scoring:

- Overall Cat Fight 1 Champion (1st Place Only)
- Mix Team Champion (one woman, one man team)
- All Women's Team Champion
- Young Team Champion (both helm and crew under 30)
- Top Rookie Team (to be defined in the Sailing Instructions)

When fewer than six races have been sailed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores. When six or more races have been sailed, a boat's series score will be the total of all its race scores excluding her worst excludable score.

SHORE ACTIVITIES: Breakfast, a box lunch, and dinner are available at MBYC for a reasonable cost. Dinner for competitors for Saturday night is included in the entry fee. There is no discount on the entry fee for competitors not staying for dinner. Additional guests are invited for dinner at a cost of \$20 per person (\$10 for kids 12 and under). Please add your guest information on your registration form for dinner.

MBYC RESTRICTIONS: Motor homes or recreational vehicles are allowed inside the MBYC gate but no camping or overnight lodging is allowed within the club. No pets are allowed on the MBYC grounds. Empty boat trailers are to be parked along the west fence. Boats are welcome to arrive on Friday to set-up for the regatta. Any non-MBYC stored boats that desire to be parked at MBYC earlier than Friday or after Sunday must make arrangements with the club office.

BOAT STORAGE: Non-MBYC members may store free of charge their boats in the MBYC parking lot either one week prior to the event or one week after the event to facilitate travel, practice or competition the weekend before or after Cat Fight. The boat trailer must be registered at the MBYC office (hours 8:00 – 5:00) and hang the green registration tag from the trailer or boat.

INQUIRIES: Competitors and/or guests who have questions or requests should contact the MBYC Cat Fight Regatta Chairperson: Steve Cooper at scooper@onestopsystems.com or 760-745-8173 (cell).