



CAT FIGHT I Regatta

April 9-10, 2022

Hosted by Mission Bay Yacht Club
1215 El Carmel Place, San Diego, CA 92109

NOTICE OF RACE

CLASSES: All catamarans between 15 and 22.5 feet in length are eligible. Boat classes including F18, Hobie 16, Weta, A-Cat, Nacra Inter-20, F16, Nacra-15 and other catamaran or trimarans are welcome. Each boat is required to meet the internationally recognized criteria for their class. Minimum of five boats required for a separate fleet start otherwise fleet will be split into spinnaker and non-spinnaker fleets.

ENTRIES: Entry must be completed prior to 7:00 am April 9, 2022 at the MBYC Race sign-up Google doc at: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/18OVDlwsW295Ojf4aXpjES0IOVwpl-4GuwxfePtXtC6c/edit#gid=1089045272> or contact the regatta chair to sign you up. Please register early so we have an idea of how many boats will attend.

Due to the significant race committee effort to hold a regatta on the ocean dedicated to only catamarans, a minimum of ten boats must be registered by noon Wednesday, April 6, 2022 otherwise this regatta will be cancelled. Regatta fees are: Double Handed Boats: \$35
Single Handed Boats: \$20

Payment is to be made at registration on Saturday, April 9th by check, cash, PayPal or Venmo to the MBYC MH Fleet Treasurer. Please make checks out to: "MBYC Multihull Fleet". The Cat Fights are the fleet's only source of funding which is used to support junior sailing, MBYC facility improvements and major local regattas.

SCHEDULE: A competitor's meeting will be held Saturday 11:00 am on the lawn of "Cat Beach" (north side of the club house).

Target number of races is four on Saturday and three on Sunday. The first warning will be at 1:00 pm on Saturday and noon on Sunday. 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.

US F18 MEMBERSHIP: For Formula 18 catamarans the helm or crew must be a current 2022 member of the United States F18 class. Only one team member per boat is required to be a member for this event. F18 sailors purchase your membership at: <https://usf18.com/membership/> \$30 for one-time fee or \$25 for recurring membership.

F18 CREW WEIGHT MEASUREMENT: For Formula 18 catamarans the combined crew weight will be measured at registration and teams will be informed how much compensation weight, if any, they are required to carry.

RULES: The organizing authority for this regatta is Mission Bay Yacht Club. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 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. 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

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 fleets. 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 provided at registration.

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: 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, if possible. The channel to be used will be announced at the competitors meeting.

RECOGNITION & SCORING: A trophy presentation will be held about 5:00 pm on Sunday. Trophies will be awarded at a ratio of one per three competitors. Results will be posted on the MBYC web site. Competitor recognition will depend on the number and type of entrants. Recognition will be awarded between all classes based on handicap scoring and the determination of the Regatta Chair based on entries:

- Cat Fight 1 Fleet Champions
- Mix Team Champion (one woman, one man team)
- All Women's Team Champion
- Family Team (mixed generation team – not spouses)

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.

There will be a perpetual trophy awarded to the top finisher between the combined Cat Fight 1 and Cat Fight 2 regattas for the largest fleet at the conclusion of Cat Fight 2. Scoring for this trophy will be specified in the Sailing Instructions. The perpetual trophy will remain in the MBYC Trophy Case.

MEAL INFORMATION: Breakfast and box lunches are available at the MBYC galley for a reasonable cost. Saturday evening the galley is also open to order food.

REGATTA DINNER: The MBYC bar and galley will be open for competitors to socialize after the racing with tables reserved for regatta participants on the patio.

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.

BOAT STORAGE: Non-MBYC members may store their boats in the MBYC parking lot free of charge 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: Steve Stroebel at steve.stroebel@cox.net or 619-987-4630

MBYC MH FLEET CAPTAIN: Kevin Olenick
REGATTA CHAIR: Steve Stroebel
PRO: Joe O'Leary