

Notice of Race

Updated and Amended March 4, 2020

2020 Crazy Irishman Chase

March 14, 2019

Texas Association of Social Sailors (TASS)

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TASS cordially invites you to participate in the 2020 Crazy Irishman Chase on March 14, 2019. The regatta will be sailed on Upper Galveston Bay.

We intend this to be a fun, casual pre-season regatta.

1. Rules

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017-2020 edition of the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), and this Notice of Race.
- 1.2. The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be issued prior to the race and communicated during the skippers meeting.
- 1.3. Racing rule(s) will be changed as follows: the changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
 - 1.3.1 Pursuit Fleet: Competitors will use a staggered time start based on their assigned club handicap. This modifies RRS 26.

2. Eligibility and Registration

- 2.1. Participation in the 2020 Crazy Irishman Chase is open to all keel boats.
- 2.2. The regatta will consist of one class, Non-Spinnaker Club Handicap.
- 2.3. The minimum number of boats to compete will be three. If fewer than three boats are registered at registration deadline, TASS reserves the right to cancel the regatta and refund registration fees.
- 2.4. Competitors may register [here \(Crazy Irishman Chase Registration\)](#). Registration deadline is March 12, 2020, 1700 hours, US Central Time.

3. Fees

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| 3.1. Entry Fee for TASS Members | None |
| 3.2. Entry Fee for Non-TASS Members | \$20 |

4. Schedule

- 4.1. Thursday, March 12, 2020, 1700 hours –Registration Deadline
- 4.2. Saturday, March 14, 1000 hours – Competitor’s Briefing at Waterford Marina Ice House (recommended, but not mandatory)

- 4.3. Saturday, March 14, 2019:
1300 hours – Scratch Start (anticipated, see Sailing Instructions for details)
1700 hours (approximately) After Race Party and Awards ceremony at Sundance Grill II – please register so that an approximate headcount may be provided to Sundance Grill ([register here](#))

5. Measurement

- 5.1. Boats will be assigned a handicap by the TASS Race Czar. Club Handicaps will be in accordance with GBCA Club Handicap whenever available.
5.2. During registration, competitors shall indicate their handicap per GBCA Club Rating as applicable (if available).
5.3. The TASS Race Czar has ultimate decision authority over the assignment of the handicap.
5.4. There are no stipulations/limitations on boat length or weight (within the limitation that all boats must be keel boats).

6. Sailing Instructions

- 6.1. Sailing instructions will be distributed during the Competitor's Briefing and also be sent out via email. The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions.

7. Venue

- 7.1. The race will be sailed on Upper Galveston Bay, roughly bounded by the Bayport Ship Channel to the north, the San Leon Shoreline to the south, the Houston Ship Channel to the east and the LaPorte/Seabrook shoreline to the west.

8. Courses

- 8.1. The pursuit line will race around fixed and/or dropped marks
8.2. The course will be designated in the sailing instructions.

9. Protests

- 9.1. There will be no protest, competitors are asked to be cordial and act in good sportsmanship. The intent is to have fun.

10. Scoring

- 10.1. A single race completed will constitute a series.

11. Prizes

- 11.1. Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place.

12. Disclaimer of Liability

- 12.1. Competitors participate entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, *Decision to Race*. The organizing authority(ies), hosts, sponsors, and its officers will not accept any liability for

material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after a Regatta.

13. Additional Information

- 13.1. For further information on the 2020 Crazy Irishman Chase, contact TASS Vice Commodore Andrew Clark by email at vicecommodore@sailtass.com, or TASS Race Czar John Klumb at tassregattas@sailtass.com.