

# J/24 North Americans 2017

May 25 – 28, Houston Yacht Club, Shoreacres, Texas

**WELCOME TO SAILING IN TEXAS!** J/24 District 14 welcomes you to winter sailing in Texas leading up to the 2017 J/24 North Americans!

**WINTER BOAT STORAGE:** We have made arrangements with the Austin Yacht Club, Austin, Texas (<http://www.austinyachtclub.net/>) where we have space to store a limited number of J/24s during the winter. We are fortunate that we can sail 365 days of the year at AYC, so if you are planning to compete on the 2017 North Americans, you can store your boat at AYC and you will have a wide selection of Fall and Winter sailing events to choose from, all within a short driving distance from AYC.

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**MORE INFORMATION:** See link below for more photos and information: <http://www.j24fleet21.com/events/2017/J24WinterStorage/>



**PHOTOS:** AYC March Madness Regatta 2016, courtesy of Bill Records and Deborah Mathison. Click March Madness links for more photos!

**FALL AND WINTER SAILING IN TEXAS:** Here is a list of events for the Fall and Winter that are sure to draw the local J/24 fleets. All of these events are within 1-4 hours drive from AYC and many AYC J/24s will be in attendance:

1. **J/Fest 2016 (Oct. 29-30):** Hosted by Lakewood Yacht Club, this event will be in the same bay as the 2017 North Americans. This will be the 6<sup>th</sup> event in the 2016 J/24 Texas Regatta Circuit (<http://www.j24texas.com/>).
2. **Governor's Cup Regatta (Nov. 5-6):** Hosted by Austin Yacht Club. Two days of windward/leeward round-the-buoys racing for one-design fleets.
3. **Wurstfest Regatta 2016 (Nov. 11-13):** Hosted by Lake Canyon Yacht Club on beautiful Canyon Lake in the Texas Hill Country. This will be the 46<sup>th</sup> year of the Wurstfest Regatta, and it always draws a good J/24 crowd.
4. **Texas "Circus" Regatta (Nov. 19-20):** Hosted by Lake Canyon Yacht Club, this will be the 7<sup>th</sup> (and final) event in the 2016 J/24 Texas Regatta Circuit, so competition for the top spots will be intense!
5. **Wild Turkey Regatta (Nov. 26):** Hosted by Austin Yacht Club. Yes, the trophies are different sized bottles of Wild Turkey!
6. **Red Eye Regatta (Jan. 1):** Hosted by Austin Yacht Club. Come for the New Year's Party, and stay for the Red Eye Regatta! Some years we have been known to sail wearing T-Shirts, but do bring your foulies just in case!
7. **AYC Frostbite Series (Jan. – Feb.):** Hosted by Austin Yacht Club, the first series of the year is held on 5 consecutive Saturdays starting mid January, and since this is Austin, the "Frostbite Series" seldom lives up to its name!
8. **March Madness Regatta \*\*\* (Mar.):** Hosted by Austin Yacht Club, this is the "flagship" J/24 event you don't want to miss leading up to the 2017 North Americans. This will be the 1<sup>st</sup> event in the 2017 J/24 Texas Regatta Circuit. See link below for photos and information from last year's event: <http://www.j24fleet21.com/events/2016/J24CircuitStop/>
9. **Cowtown Stampede \*\*\* (Apr.):** Hosted by Fort Worth Boat Club, this is typically the 2<sup>nd</sup> event in the J/24 Texas Regatta Circuit, but (\*\*\*) the 2017 calendar has not been finalized yet.
10. **J/24 North Americans 2017 (May 25 – 28):** Hosted by Houston Yacht Club, in Shoreacres, Texas. HYC is less than 4 hours away from AYC, and with all the practice your team will be dialed in, and ready for the event!