

Notice of Race

Southern Maryland Sailing Association

Small Boat Program

20-21 September 2008



1. MANAGEMENT

- 1.1. The Southern Maryland Sailing Association (SMSA) Small Boat Program (SBP) will conduct the 12th Annual Invitational Regatta on 20-21 September 2008. The Race Committee will have the authority to interpret the rules and conditions of the racing. Classes and starts shall be arranged at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 1.2. Protests will be handled by the SMSA Protest Subcommittee, designated by the Race Committee.
- 1.3. The Regatta will be sailed on the lower Patuxent River, off Solomons, Maryland.

2. RULES

- 2.1. The Regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, 2005-2008.
- 2.2. For any class being scored as a one-design class, individual class rules will be in effect.

3. CLASSES TO RACE

- 3.1. It is anticipated that the following one-design classes will be represented:
 - Interlake
 - Laser
 - Lightning
 - Buccaneer
- 3.2. Other classes with at least five (5) registered boats may be scored as a one-design class.
- 3.3. The Portsmouth (Time-On-Time) handicapping system will be used to score all non one-design classes.
- 3.4. This event is open to mono-hulls only.

4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, 20 September 2008

0800-1030	Registration & Launching
0800-1030	Coffee & Donuts
1100	Skippers Meeting (New SMSA Club House)
1200	Race Signal
1830	Dinner (New SMSA Club House)

Sunday, 21 September 2008

0800-0945	Launching
0830-0930	Coffee & Donuts
1630	Overall Awards

5. RACE REGISTRATION

- 5.1. Registrations shall be submitted on an official SMSA Small Boat Program Annual Race & Regatta Entry Form (attached).
- 5.2. Regatta Fees
 - 5.2.1. Registrations postmarked on or before Friday, 14 September 2008, will be \$55.
 - 5.2.2. Registrations postmarked after Friday, 14 September 2008, will be \$80.
 - 5.2.3. Registration Fess will include one dinner additional dinners may be purchased in advance for \$12.00/ea
- 5.3. The Registration Form and check, made payable to "SMSA", should be mailed to:
SMSA Small Boat Program
c/o David Meiser
P.O. Box 651
Solomons, Maryland 20688
- 5.4. Registration will be held at the SMSA Club House at 14490 Main Street, Solomons from 0800 – 1030 on Saturday September 20, 2008. Registrations will not be accepted thereafter.

6. EVENT HEADQUARTERS

- 6.1. The Regatta headquarters will be located at the SMSA Clubhouse, located at 14490 Main Street (a.k.a. Solomons Island Road South), Solomons.
- 6.2. Regatta registrations will be accepted at the SMSA Clubhouse from 0800-1030 on Saturday, 20 September 2008.
- 6.3. A skippers meeting will be held at the SMSA Clubhouse at 1100 on Saturday, 20 September 2008. IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED THAT ALL BOATS ARE LAUNCHED *BEFORE* THE SKIPPER'S MEETING.
- 6.4. The Regatta's Official Notice Board will be located at the front porch of the SMSA Clubhouse.

7. SCORING

The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A applies. If five (5) races are completed, each boat's worst score will be excluded from the series score. This modifies RRS A2.

8. AWARDS

Overall class awards will be presented on the basis of 1st for three (3) boats, 2nd for five (5) boats, and 3rd for seven (7) or more boats.

9. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact David Meiser, SMSA Small Boat Program Co-Coordinator at (410) 326-1114, or via email at meiser@comcast.net.