

U.S. Match Racing Championship

For the

Prince of Wales Bowl Area D/F Semi Finals

June 28th-29th, 2008

NOTICE OF RACE

1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Organizing Authority (OA) will be US SAILING's US Match Racing Championships Committee, Area D/F. The regatta host is the Carolina Yacht Club- NC, 401 South Lumina Avenue, Wrightsville Beach, NC 28480-6066

2 VENUE

The venue will be planned in the Atlantic Ocean waters adjacent to the club or in Bank's Channel Sound. Racing will be conducted from **CYC-NC, Wrightsville Beach, NC.**

3 PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

- 3.1
- (a) Pre-register by June 1st, 2008 on-line with USSAILING
 - (b) Insurance and Damage Deposits paid upon arrival
 - (c) A welcoming reception and initial briefing of skippers and crews will be at 19:00 on June 27th, 2008 at Carolina Yacht Club-NC.
 - (d) Practice available 13:00-17:00 on 27th
 - (e) Late registration may be approved by OA
 - (f) Racing days are June 28th-29th, 2008.
 - (g) Daily skipper briefings will be at 09:00.
 - (h) The planned or approximate time of the first race each day will be 11:00.
 - (i) Daily de-briefs will be held after the last race of each day.
 - (j) A participant dinner will be at 18:30 on June 28th at **CYC-NC.**
 - (k) No race warning signal after 15:00 on June 29th, 2008.
 - (l) Prize giving will be on June 29th, 2008, as soon after the last race as is possible at Carolina Yacht Club-NC.
- 3.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:
- (a) Initial briefing for skippers and crews.
 - (b) Daily briefing, for skippers.
 - (c) Regatta dinners, for skippers and crews.
 - (d) Prize giving for skippers and crews.

4 SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1
- (a) Only invited Skippers shall have the necessary qualifications as described in the U.S. Match Racing Championship 2008 conditions and appropriate Area agreement. (<http://www.ussailing.org/championships/pow/2008/Conditions.pdf>)
 - (b) The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an

- emergency.
- (c) Each member of the crew must be a member of US SAILING and of a club or organization that is a US SAILING member. The yacht club represented is that of which the skipper is a member.
 - (d) All competitors must be a member of an RSA or club within Area D/F.

5 ENTRIES

- 5.1 Entry
The skipper shall be entered on completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and deposits.
- 5.2 Entry Fee
 - (a) A non-refundable entry fee of US\$ 300.00 shall be paid by each entry
 - (b) Entry fee of \$300.00 shall be paid on line c/o USSAILING by June 1st, 2008.
- 5.3 Damage deposit
 - (a) An initial damage deposit of US\$ 250.00 shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
 - (b) In the event that a deduction from the damage deposit is made by the OA, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
 - (c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 30 days after the event.
- 5.4 Insurance
Each skipper shall pay to the host club US\$100.00 for insurance premiums for the regatta. This amount is not refundable.

6 RULES

- 6.1
 - a) Minimum of 4 boats must race. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS, including Appendix C, and the 2008 US Match Racing Conditions as they pertain to this Regatta.
(<http://www.ussailing.org/championships/pow/2008/Conditions.pdf>)
 - (b) Conflicts between the Conditions for this regatta and this Notice of Race will be resolved in favor of this Notice of Race.
 - (d) All competitors in this regatta shall wear, while on the water, other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing, a US Coast Guard approved PFD (this changes the preamble to RRS Part 4).
[NOTE: Competitors are to bring a USCG approved PFD of their choice to the event.]
 - (e) When the match umpires, and at least one other umpire, decide that a boat has broken RRS 14 and damage results, they may, without a hearing, impose a penalty of half of one point. A competitor who is so penalized will be informed as soon as practical, and may request a hearing. The jury will then proceed in accordance with RRS C6.6. The penalty, if any, decided by the jury may be more than half of one point. When the umpires decide that a penalty greater than half of one point would be appropriate they shall act in accordance with RRS 8.4.
 - (f) Add new RRS C11.1(d) and renumber C11.1(d) to (e) and C11.1(e) to (f).
Has the highest score in the round robin after eliminating the score for the first

race for each skipper.

- (g) First sentence in Preamble to C11.1 has been changed to “round robin series means grouping of competitors scheduled to sail against each other one or more times”

7 RESERVED

8 BOATS AND SAILS

- (a) The event will be sailed in Lightning Class boats.
- (b) The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Jib, and Spinnaker.
- (c) Boats will be assigned as decided by the Race Committee.

9 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- (a) The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be limited to 3 or 4.
- (b) All registered crew shall sail all races.
- (c) The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing shall be 575 lbs, when wearing at least shorts and shirts. Crews weighing within 5% of the maximum weight will be subject to reweigh at any time during the regatta.
- (d) With the permission of the jury, a designated alternate may replace any member of a team aboard a boat before any race of a given flight, but only in the event of an emergency affecting a regular team member. If a team does not bring a designated alternate to this regatta, the jury may allow a substitute alternate in the event of an emergency.

10. EVENT FORMAT

- (a) The intended format for this regatta is the following: A double round robin. The OA may change the format as necessary.

11. COURSE

- (a) The intended course will be a windward/leeward/windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.

12 ADVERTISING

- (a) As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organizing Authority, Appendix 1, regulation 20.3.2(a), Category A will apply and Category C Advertising as supplied by the OA is to be displayed on equipment provided by the OA.
- (b) Competitors may be permitted to display advertising ashore at the venue, but this is subject to individual negotiation with the Organizing Authority.
- (c) Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (amends RRS 60.1).

13 PRIZES

- (a) The skippers and their crew members placing first, second, and third in this regatta will be awarded prizes.
- (b) The top finishers will be eligible to enter the US Match Racing

Championship, September 24th to 28th, 2008 in Oyster Bay, NY.
If a minimum of 6 teams compete, top 2 advance.

14. Not used.

15 COACH BOATS

Coach boats will not be permitted at this regatta.

16. OTHER REQUIREMENTS

17. DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk. The OA, its sponsors, their agents, employees, representatives, trustees, members, race committee, and officials accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.

18. INVITATIONS

Entries will only be accepted from invited skippers representing member clubs or organizations of the South Atlantic Yacht Racing Association, Florida Sailing Association, Gulf Yachting Association and Dixie Inland Yacht Racing Association. Resumes may be considered and should be submitted to Tom Rinda.

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