

NOTICE OF RACE
55th Consecutive
BULLSEYE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
April 7 – April 10, 2016
Organizing Authority: Card Sound Sailing Club
Key Largo, FL

1. Rules

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing;

1.2 The rules will be changed as follows:

- a) Rule 61.1 (a)(2) is changed to require the use of a protest flag.
- b) The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

1.3 The Bullseye Sailing rules will be in effect. Please note in particular the following rules:

- a) VHF radios are required in addition to other required safety gear (Part III, Article 15.1).
- b) Boats are subject to inspection at any time to ensure compliance with (Part III, Article 3.6).
- c) Crew or equipment changes require the advance written permission of the Race Committee (Part III, Articles 6.1—6.4).
- d) The required portable equipment (Part II Technical Specifications B5) including an anchor and line, life jackets, paddle or oar, horn, bucket, and compass

2. Eligibility and entry

2.1 The regatta is open to boats of the Bullseye Class, skippered by current members of the Bullseye Sailing Association who complete registration with the hosting organization.

2.2 Skippers may enter by completing the official entry form and sending it, along with payment, to Sandy Kirschner, Card Sound Sailing Club, 24 Dockside Lane #93, Key Largo, FL 33037. Checks should be payable to Card Sound Sailing Club. Entry fees are not refundable.

2.3 Any competitor (skipper or crew) who will be under the age of 18 at any time during the regatta shall provide a release for medical care signed by a parent or guardian.

2.4 All competitors shall sign a release and waiver.

2.5 The registration deadline is March 24, 2016. Registrations received after the deadline will be subject to a late fee.

3. Schedule

Note that the Regatta is scheduled to begin one day earlier in the week than usual to allow more free time and travel time on Sunday.

3.1 Thursday April 7, 2016

- Arrival, boat preparation
- Registration, Check-in, and Sail Measuring at CSSC 1400 - 1700 hours
- Orientation, cocktails and light supper at private home 1800 - 2200

Friday April 8, 2016

- Coffee / Breakfast snacks 0800 at Baker Harbor
- Skipper's Meeting 0830
- Box Lunches available 0830
- Harbor Start 0900
- First Gun 1000, Multiple races if conditions permit
- Social Gathering and Dinner 1830 at Amberjack Lawn

Saturday April 9, 2016

- Coffee / Breakfast snacks 0800 at Baker Harbor
- Skipper's Meeting 0830
- Box Lunches available 0830
- Harbor Start 0900
- First Gun 1000, Multiple races if conditions permit
- Cessation of racing, no warning signal after 1400
- Awards Dinner 1830 at Racquet Club

3.3 Sunday April 10, 2016

- Coffee/Breakfast snacks 0800 at Baker Harbor
- Departure

4. Sails and Measurement

4.1 Any legal class sails except a genoa jib may be used during the regatta.

4.2 All sails may be checked by the official measurers at CSSC, in accordance with the Part II Technical Specifications E6. Every sail used in the Regatta must be measured or have been measured and legibly marked at a previous National Regatta. Since there are no nearby sail makers for last minute changes participants bringing their own sails are encouraged to have them measured and approved by local authority before registration. Re-measurement of sails which did not initially qualify will be done by arrangement with the Chief Sail Measurer.

4.4 Boats may be inspected at random by the Race Committee during the Regatta to insure conformance to class rules and the rules of the Regatta.

5. Sailing Instructions

The sailing instructions will be available at www.bullseyesailing.org approximately one week before the event. They will also be available at Card Sound Sailing Club at registration.

6. Racing Area and Courses

6.1 The racing area will be as shown on the Racing Chart available at registration

6.2 The courses will be fully described in the Sailing Instructions.

7. Scoring

7.1 Completion of three races will constitute a series.

7.2 If more than 5 races in the series are completed, a competitor's score will be the total of all his race scores excluding his worse score. This changes rule A2.

8. Radio communications

8.1 All competitors must carry VHF radios.

8.2 The race committee will use VHF channel 72 to communicate with competitors as a courtesy. Failure to hear a radio communication is not grounds for redress.

8.3 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones

9 Disposal of Refuse and Trash

9.1 The discharge of trash into the water is prohibited during the entirety of the event.

9.2 Any boat observed in violation is subject to disqualification, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, from all races sailed on the day of the infraction.

10 Prizes

10.1 Prizes will be awarded to skipper and crew for the top 5 places of the regatta.

10.2 Prizes will be awarded to first-place skipper and crew for each race.

10.3 Additionally, four perpetual trophies will be presented:

- The E.L. Goodwin Bullseye National Trophy, to the winner of the National Regatta;

- The Beverly Trophy, to the skipper who shows the most improvement from one National Regatta to the next;
- The Rockport Trophy, to the highest finishing boat that is not a member of the host fleet;
- The Card Sound Filial Trophy, to the highest finishing boat that has at least two generations of the same immediate family as skipper and crew.

11. Disclaimer of Liability

CONDUCT AND RESPONSIBILITY

21.1 The skipper shall be responsible for all actions of his or her crew or guests. In the event of a breach of conduct, sportsmanship, destruction of property or failure to comply with the request of any race officer, the skipper will be held responsible.

21.2 Ocean Reef Club (ORC) and/or Card Sound Sailing Club (CSSC) are not responsible and will not accept any liability for bodily injury, death or property damage suffered from any cause. Each participant, including skipper and crew, participates in the regatta entirely at his/her own risk and waives any and all claims, including those arising from negligence or lack of due care, which he/she may have against ORC and /or CSSC, its regatta chairman, and its officers, trustees, committee members, members, agents, or employees. Responsibility for evaluating the wind, sea and weather conditions rests with each participant as does responsibility for the safe condition of the boat, including safety equipment and rigging and for deciding when to wear life jackets. Patrol boats or other assistance will not likely be available. Assistance, if any, from the regatta chairman or other the ORC and/or CSSC vessels, or other patrol boats, from any personnel manning them, is entirely at the risk of the participant.

12. Registration

All contestants shall register no later than 1700 hours on Thursday April 7, 2016 but pre-registration is appreciated and required for those requesting housing or boats. For housing contact Windsor Coffin at 305-367-8809 or at

windc226@aol.com. Rooms at the Ocean Reef Inn are limited and reservations should be made as early as possible. For boats contact Ed Kirschner at 305-332-8052 or at sandykirschner@bellsouth.net. All contestants must check in with the Registrar located at the Card Sound sailing Club station between 1400 and 1700 hours on Thursday April 7, 2016 to obtain Sailing Instructions, Liability Forms, Schedules and to firm up housing.

13. Further Information

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