

NESSA TEAM RACING CHAMPIONSHIPS
For the Fritz Mark Trophy
at Bowdoin College
and
NESSA TEAM RACING Tournament
For the Jim Terkelsen Trophy
at SailMaine
SATURDAY MAY 20 - SUNDAY MAY 21, 2017

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of US SAILING, the ISSA Procedural Rules, the NESSA Procedural Rules, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions (available at Registration).
- 1.2. In accordance with RRS 70.5(a), decisions of the protest committee are final. US SAILING's permission has been granted.
- 1.3. ISSA PR 5.1 (Conduct) shall be in effect for the entire regatta.
- 1.4. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the NESSA in conjunction with the host site.
- 1.5. ISSA PR 2.5 (Pinnies) is in effect.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

- 2.1. Competing schools must be members of ISSA & NESSA and meet ISSA eligibility rules as prescribed in the Procedural Rules, Part III 1, and 5.2 before completing the registration process.
- 2.2. See NESSA PR Article K, section 2(c) for more eligibility requirements

3. ENTRY PROCEDURES:

- 3.1. Schools wishing to compete must:
 - 3.1.1. Complete the on-line registration form in the registration window.
Registration window opens at 0900 on March 1, 2017
Registration window closes at 2359 on April 1, 2017
 - 3.1.2. Submit a copy of their Spring schedule on the official form found on the NESSA website to the NESSA VP at NESSAracing@GMail.com
 - 3.1.3. Furthermore, schools wishing to be considered to represent NESSA at either the ISSA National Team Racing Championship (Baker Trophy) or the National Invitational Tournament (Founders Trophy) must submit a check for \$500 (made payable to NESSA) and postmarked to the NESSA by the close of registration. Checks will be used to purchase airline tickets for the qualifying teams to one or both events, when appropriate. If a team does not participate in an event where tickets were purchased, the money will be returned by June 1st. If a school does participate in an event where tickets have been purchased, the money will count as a deposit towards those airline tickets. Schools not submitting a deposit check are not eligible to represent NESSA at either national level event.
 - 3.1.4. Payment can be made through the NESSA PayPal account or via check. Checks can be mailed to:
NESSA c/o Bottom Line Bookkeeping 110 Breed's Hill Road (unit 7) Hyannis, MA 02601
- 3.2. NESSA PR Article L (failure to Compete) is in effect

4. REGATTA SELECTION:

- 4.1 Schools wishing to be considered must send scores to Rob Hurd (RSHurd@Hotmail.com) for posting to their resume page.
- 4.2 Meets between NESSA schools posted through Sunday May 14, 2017 will count towards a school's resume. It is up to the school to make sure their posted resume is accurate
- 4.3 NESSA Team Racing Rankings are based 50% on computer rankings and 50% on the results of the coach's poll in accordance with NESSA Team Racing Guidelines
- 4.4 Schools ranked 1-8 according to the NESSA Team Racing Rankings will be invited to participate in the Mark Trophy. If a school declines their invitation, each school below them in the rankings will move up a slot. The next eight (8) ranked schools will be invited to participate in the Terk Trophy.

5. REGATTA FEES:

- 5.1. **Entry Fee:** The entry fee is \$50 per school, to be paid at the event or prior.
- 5.2. **National Consideration Deposit Fee:** see 3.1.3 above
- 5.3. **Arline Ticket Fee:**
 - 5.3.1. Schools that represent NESSA at either the Baker or the NIT must purchase the NESSA airline ticket package for a fee that will be determined prior to the event. Checks must be presented upon registration at the championship.
 - 5.3.2. If a school qualifies for and then declines to participate in an event for which airline tickets have been purchased, they will forfeit their deposit unless another school accepts the bid.
- 5.4. Payment can be made through the NESSA PayPal account or via check. Checks can be mailed to: NESSA c/o Bottom Line Bookkeeping. 110 Breed's Hill Road (unit 7) Hyannis, MA 02601

6. BOATS:

- 6.1 Mark: 18 FJs provided by Bowdoin College.
- 6.2 **Terk: C420s provided by SailMaine**
- 6.3 Boats will be sailed as provided.

7. SCHEDULE:

7.1. Saturday and Sunday

0900 -Check in/registration/rigging of boats

0930- Sailor's meeting – Mandatory

Starting time for the first race will be announced at the Sailors' meeting and racing will continue throughout the day at the discretion of the PRO.

Trophy Presentation after racing

- 7.2. Changes to the schedule will be posted on the official notice board location to be announced at the sailors meeting.

- 8. **FORMAT:** A double round-robin followed by a 4 team double championship round robin is planned for both regattas.

9. RACING AREA:

9.1 Race area for the Mark will be Harpswell Sound off of the [Bowdoin Sailing Center](#).

9.2 Race Area for the Terk will be Portland Harbor off of [SailMaine](#)

- 10. **COURSES:** Digital "N" course is expected, but based upon conditions. The Race Committee will determine the course as prescribed in ISSA PR 7.7 Courses

- 11. **SCORING:** The regatta will be scored in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules.

12. COACHING:

- 12.1. Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area from the time they arrive at the regatta site until the regatta is done unless explicitly permitted by the regatta chair. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement may be the disqualification of all boats, competitors and teams associated with the infringing support personnel.
- 12.2. ISSA PR 8 defines other coaching limitations and obligations.

13. PRIZES:

- 13.1. Prizes will be awarded to the top four schools at the Mark trophy and the top two schools at the Terk Trophy.
- 13.2. The top school at the Mark will get the Fritz Mark trophy until next year’s regatta under the provisions of NESSA PR Article M
- 13.3. Schools finishing 1st and 2nd at the Mark trophy will also earn the right to represent NESSA at the ISSA Team Racing Championship (Baker Trophy) the following weekend.
- 13.4. Schools finishing 3rd and 4th at the Mark trophy will also earn the right to represent NESSA at the National Invitational Tournament (Founders Trophy) the following weekend.
- 13.5. The schools the wins the Terk trophy will also earn the right to represent NESSA at the National Invitational Tournament (Founders Trophy) the following weekend.

14. RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS:

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

15. WAIVER OF LIABILITY:

- 15.1. Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race.
- 15.2. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor’s participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

16. REGATTA CONTACTS:

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