

Notice of Race
The Allstate Sugar Bowl
Great Oaks Invitational Regatta
November 18 - 20, 2016
Hosted by SEISA at Southern Yacht Club
New Orleans, Louisiana
Amended 11-11-2016 – Scoring 8.2 added

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016, the Prescriptions of US SAILING, the ISSA Procedural Rules, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. The OA is ISSA, SEISA and SYC in that order.

2. Eligibility

- 2.1. An active school that has been a continuous member of ISSA and has not qualified for the Mallory or Baker regattas in the past four years, or one that joins this year for the first time, is eligible to enter the selection process in its district. Selection of schools is by district initiative.

SEISA TEAMS ONLY:

- 2.1.1. *All active SEISA teams will be allowed to apply to compete in the Great Oaks Regatta. The SEISA teams that have competed in the Mallory or Baker events must have the sailors approved by the District President.*
- 2.1.2. *Application by SEISA schools wishing to participate is made by:*
 - 2.1.2.1. *Sending notification to Joann Willits at (joann@wti.cc) of intent to enter along with the student – sailor names of who will participate. Notification must reach Joann by November 1, 2016.*
 - 2.1.2.2. *Submit entry documents per **NOR 3**. Seisa teams will be notified of final berth assignments by November 6, 2016.*
- 2.1.3. *Per SEISA District Rule 8.8, SEISA teams sailing in Great Oaks 2016 must have competed in at least 1 SEISA Regatta during the current calendar year (Fall/Spring of 2016) prior to Great Oaks 2016.*

- 2.2. A team is comprised of **no fewer than two or more than four sailors** who are full time students in the school they represent. Each team will sail one boat. Competing schools must be current members of ISSA. Eighth grade students are eligible to compete provided they are registered with their corresponding High School. Seventh grade students or below are not eligible. Sailors must be accompanied by a designated adult chaperone, who may be an advisor, coach or parent.

- 2.3. The regatta has 34 berths which will be allocated as follows:

MASSA – 4, MISSA – 4, NESSA – 3, NWISA – 2, PCISA – 1, SAISA – 7, SEISA – 13. Allocations not filled by November 1, 2016 will be filled by the SEISA District Director at her discretion.

3. Entry and Communication

- 3.1. Eligible schools and sailors must enter by filing an entry form with entry fee and damage deposit with Yvonne Pottharst prior to November 1, 2016. Liability and medical release forms will be required at the time of registration. **MAKE 2 CHECKS**, one check for entry fee and one check for damage deposit payable to Southern Yacht Club. Checks must be received by SYC by November 1, 2016.
- 3.2. Entries must be sent to Yvonne Pottharst, Great Oaks Regatta Chair c/o Southern Yacht Club, 105 N. Roadway Drive, New Orleans, Louisiana 70124. Cell # 504-421-3819, E-Mail: tern4true@aol.com.
- 3.3. ISSA membership will be verified at registration.
- 3.4. Invited teams that are unable to compete must notify Yvonne Pottharst at

Southern YC, as well as ISSA as soon as possible. SEISA will reallocate the vacancies.

4. Entry Fee and Damage Deposit

4.1. There will be an entry fee of \$100.00 per team. Four food packages are included with the entry fee.

4.2. A damage deposit of \$100.00, separate check, must accompany the entry form.

5. Schedule

Friday November 18, 2016

1400-1700 Check-in at Southern YC, boats available for practice after completion of registration/check-in.
Free Evening.

Saturday November 19, 2016

0830 Continental breakfast at Southern YC.

0830-0900 Last minute check in. Rig Boats.

0900 Mandatory Competitor's Meeting at SYC Grill.

1000 First warning. Racing throughout the day. Lunch on the water.

1900 New Orleans Style Dinner at Southern Yacht Club.

Sunday November 20, 2016

0830 Continental breakfast at Southern YC.

0830 Mandatory Competitor's Meeting at SYC Grill.

0830 All 420's must be ready to launch.

0900 First warning. (or when announced at Competitor's Meeting)

Racing throughout the day. Lunch on the water.

1600 **FIRM** No race will be started after 1600.

1700 After race snack and trophy presentation. (May be earlier if racing time ends earlier)

6. Race Area

6.1. The race area will be on Lake Pontchartrain northeast of the SYC clubhouse.

7. Courses

7.1. The Race Committee will determine courses in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules. Short college style courses are expected.

8. Scoring

8.1. The regatta will be scored using ISSA Procedural Rules. Schools will be randomly split into red and blue fleets on Saturday. The top half of these two fleets will make up the Gold Fleet on Sunday. The Silver fleet on Sunday will consist of the remaining schools. There will be no throw outs. Protest procedures will be per ISSA Procedural Rules with amplifying details outlined in the Sailing Instructions.

8.2. This regatta will utilize electronic RP Forms using the TechScore program. Each team should have an account with TechScore for filing electronic RP forms. Please visit this link to request an account: <http://hssailing.org/regattas/scoring-program> [Scores can be viewed live at: <http://scores.hssailing.org>]

9. Housing

9.1. Housing will not be provided. Contact Yvonne Pottharst for hotel information or visit the Southern Yacht Club web site for hotel links.

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10. Food and Beverages

10.1. All sailors are requested to bring their own refillable water bottles.

10.2. Four packages are included in the entry fee. A food package will be available to additional sailors, coaches and chaperones at \$50.00 each. The package will consist of 2 continental breakfasts, 2 boxed

lunches, Saturday night dinner, and a snack after the last race of each day. On the water beverages will be furnished as part of the package as well.

11. Travel and transportation

11.1 New Orleans International Airport is by far the most convenient airport. Teams are responsible for their own transportation.

12. Coaching

12.1. Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area from reporting Friday to ending Sunday unless explicitly permitted by the regatta chairperson. 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. Spectator boats may be provided. If weather conditions will allow, a floating dock may be towed out to the race course to facilitate on the water boat rotation. Once this floating dock is anchored, it is considered an extension of the land. Coaching will be allowed on the floating dock.

13. Prizes

13.1. Prizes will be awarded to teams first thru third in both the Gold and Silver Fleets.

14. Official Notices

No competitor shall use, either on or off the water, marijuana or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine and beer, each as defined in chapter 51 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use). An alleged breach of this procedural rule shall not be grounds for a protest. However, when a report is received from any source alleging such a breach, a protest committee consisting of the regatta chairperson, a member of the ISSA Board of Directors and the chairperson of the protest committee shall follow the process described in RRS 69.1. If a hearing under RRS 69.1 is held, a competitor found to have breached this procedural rule shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed from the regatta venue and sent home. Additional penalties consistent with RRS 69.1(b) may be imposed on the competitor or the competitor's team.

15. RIGHTS 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.

16. WAIVER OF LIABILITY:

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.

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.

17.0 REGATTA CONTACTS:

Regatta Chair: Yvonne Pottharst - Cell # 504-421-3819, E-Mail: Tern4True@aol.com