

NESSA FLEET RACING CHAMPIONSHIP
For the
GEORGE O'DAY TROPHY
To be held at
The Hotchkiss School
SUNDAY APRIL 14, 2019

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 rule 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 host.
- 1.5. ISSA PR 2.5 (Team Uniforms/Pinnies) shall be in effect for the entire regatta.
- 1.6. Per ISSA Procedural Rules Part II – District Championship, ISSA PR 4.1 applies to this regatta. A Team attending the O'Day Finals is limited to eight sailors." A student is considered a sailor, when they have competed in a race.
- 1.7. If Lake Wononscopomuc is still iced-in on April 10th, a decision whether to move the regatta to another venue or not will be made by noon on that day and publicized through the NESSA e-mail list and the NESSA website.

2. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY PROCEDURES:

- 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.
- 2.2. Selection of competing schools will be by eliminations. Allocations will be determined by the NESSA Vice-President.

- 3. ENTRY FEE:** No fee. The entry fee for this regatta was paid at the qualifying round.

4. BOATS:

- 4.1 A-Division will sail FJs
- 4.2 B-Division will sail C420
- 4.3 Boats will be sailed as provided by The Hotchkiss School and The Salisbury School

5. SCHEDULE:

- 5.1. 0900 -Check in/registration/rigging of boats
0930- Sailor's meeting (First warning announced at Sailor's Meeting)
1600 -No first warning for any A Division race may start after this time, , except if the regatta is not "official" yet, in accordance with the ISSA PR in which case, racing can continue until the regatta is official. Trophy presentation shortly after last race
- 5.2. Changes to the schedule will be posted on the official notice board, which will be identified, in the sailing instructions.

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6. **RACING AREA:** All races will be sailed on Lake Wononscopomuc.
7. **COURSES:** Based on conditions, the Race Committee will determine the courses as prescribed in ISSA PR 7.7.
8. **SCORING:** The regatta will be scored in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules.
9. **COACHING:**
 - 9.1. 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.
 - 9.2. A coach who is also acting as a Race Committee is exempt from 9.1 between sets of races.
 - 9.3. ISSA PR 8 defines other coaching limitations and obligations.
10. **PRIZES:**
 - 10.1. Prizes will be awarded to schools placing 1st, 2nd, & 3rd in the regatta.
 - 10.2. The top school will get the George O'Day trophy until next year's regatta under the provisions of NESSA PR Article M
 - 10.3. Schools placing 1st, 2nd, & 3rd in the regatta will also qualify to represent NESSA at the ISSA Fleet Racing National Championship for the Clifford Mallory Trophy.
11. **FAILURE TO COMPLETE THE REGATTA:**
 - 11.1 In the event that the O'Day finals cannot be sailed or completed on this day, the regatta will be postponed and continued the following weekend. Information on report time, location, and boats shall be publicized through the NESSA e-mail list and the NESSA website.
 - 11.2 In the event that the O'Day finals cannot be completed prior to Monday April 29th:
 - 11.2.1 The O'Day trophy will not be awarded.
 - 11.2.2 The three schools with the highest winning percentage from all the qualifying regattas shall be declared NESSA's representatives to the ISSA Fleet Racing National Championship for the Clifford Mallory Trophy.
 - Winning percentage is calculated by taking the total points earned divided by the number of races sailed.
 - It is possible that two or more qualifiers can come from the same venue.
 - If two or more schools are tied for a berth to the Mallory and the tie needs to be broken,
 - ✓ Each school's scores shall be listed in order of best to worse and at the first point(s) where there is a difference that tie shall be broken in favor of the school(s) with the best score.
 - ✓ The process is then continued with the remaining tied schools.
 - If the process above does not break the tie, the school that has been to the Mallory most recently, will be excluded.
 - If the above processes do not break the tie, the berth(s) shall be decided by a game of chance.
12. **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.

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13. WAIVER OF LIABILITY:

- 13.1. 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.
- 13.2. 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.

14. REGATTA CONTACTS:

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