South Atlantic
Yacht Racing Association

NOTICE OF RACE

2009 SAYRA YOUTH CHALLENGE REGATTA

Friday, July 31, 2009
Carolina Yacht Club-North Carolina
401 South Lumina Ave.
Wrightsville Beach, NC

1. RULES:

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

1.2 The organizing authority is Carolina Yacht Club-North Carolina.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:

2.1 The regatta is open to teams competing in Opti, Sunfish, Laser and Club 420.

a) Nine CYC-NC 420's including spinnaker and trapeze (but no harnesses) will be provided on a first come first serve basis (limit of two loaned per team) according to the date and time of request via email to the regatta chairman.

b) Trapeze harnesses with Quick release feature should be worn by the 420 crew.

c) Borrowed boats will be assigned by a lottery at boat check in. The lottery does not apply to boats not provided by CYC-NC.

d) Skippers of borrowed boats must sign a waiver at boat check in. Damage to borrowed boats or equipment requiring more than normal maintenance is considered a serious incident. If the Race Committee and/or Protest Committee determine that reasonable care was not used and resulted in damage, one or both boats may be disqualified, regardless of any alternative penalties already taken. Either or both boats may be excluded from the rest of the regatta and held financially responsible for the damages.

2.2 Teams representing SAYRA member clubs are invited to compete in the regatta.

2.3 All team members must meet the eligibility requirements of the SAYRA Junior Championship Series Notice of Race with the following exceptions:

a) No sailor may have reached his/her 20th birthday by the date of this regatta.

b) Sailors have no restrictions as to which Laser rig he/she sails for the regatta.

2.4. If a SAYRA club does not have sufficient competitors to field a full team it may submit a request via email or phone to the regatta chairman to combine their sailors with sailors from another SAYRA club.

2.5 Eligible teams may enter by completing the attached form and emailing it to the regatta chairman, or faxing to CYC-NC no later than Friday, July 24, 2009. Fax # at CYC-NC is: 910-256-0120.

3. FEES:

There are no individual or team entry or registration fees required to compete in this regatta.

4. SCHEDULE:

9:00-10:00 AM Check–in and boat assignment at CYC-NC soundside gazebo
11:00 Am Skipper and crew meeting
12:00 PM Warning Signal for 1st race-other races to follow.

Conditions permitting, the Race Committee intends to run five races for all classes.

One race shall constitute a regatta.

No warning signal will be made after 4:30.

Hamburger cookout at ocean side dining deck for sailors and families ($5 per plate) immediately following racing.

Awards at ocean side dining deck, as soon as possible after racing ends.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

Sailing instructions will be distributed to all teams at check-in.

6. VENUE and COURSES:

6.1 Sailing will be in Banks Channel.

6.2 Courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

7. SCORING:

7.1 Low Point scoring as outlined in RRS Appendix A4 will apply. Each boat's score within its class will be the sum of her scores in all races. This changes RRS Appendix A2.

7.2 Lasers will be started together and scored together as one fleet.

7.3 In each class, the finishing positions for a club's best two boats will be combined to determine the club's score for that class. If a club has one boat in a class, the club will receive a DNS for the second boat for that class. If a club does not have a boat in a class, the club will receive a DNS for two boats in that class. For class scoring, DNS will be scored as points equal to the number of boats entered in the fleet plus one point.

7.4 A club's Youth Challenge Team Score will be determined by combining the club's best three class scores. If a club competes in less than three classes, the club will receive a DNS score for the missing class or classes as outlined above. For a club's Youth Challenge Team Score, DNS will be scored as points equal to the number of clubs entered in the Youth Challenge plus one point.

7.5 The following sequence will be used to break ties:

a. The tie will be broken in favor of the club with the highest number of regatta participants. If a tie remains,
b. The tie will be broken in favor of the club that sailed in the most classes in this regatta. If a tie remains,
c. The tie will be broken as outlined in RRS Appendix A8.

8. **SUPPORT, COACH and SPECTATOR/PARENT BOATS:**

8.1 Support, coach and spectator/parent boats must register at boat check in.

8.2 Support, coach, spectator/parent boats shall stay outside the racing area from the time the preparatory signal for the first class to start is made until all boats have finished or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall, or abandonment. Any support, coach or spectator/parent boat who infringes on this rule will be warned by a member of the Race Committee. Any subsequent infringement may result in the disqualification of boats associated with the support, coach, spectator/parent personnel who do so.

9. AWARDS:

9.1 The top three teams overall will receive awards.

9.2 First place in each individual fleet will receive an award.

9.3 The winning team will be awarded the perpetual SAYRA YOUTH CHALLENGE trophy and the honor of hosting next year's event.

10. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILTY:**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority and host yacht club will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

11. FURTHER INFORMATION:

Water for competitors will be provided on the race course. No lunch is provided.

The CYC-NC snack bar will be open during the day on July 31 on a cash basis only.

For more information contact regatta chairman, Arland Whitesides awhitesides@ec.rr.com or 910-228-9327

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