

2019 Spring Fever Regatta

Notice of Race

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: St. Simons Surf Sailors

SITE: East Beach, St. Simons Island (Coast Guard Station)

1. RULES

1.1 - The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020*, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions. In the event of a conflict between the governing documents and the Sailing Instructions the latter shall take precedence.

2. ELIGIBILITY

2.1 - Boat must be sailed by a member of St. Simons Surf Sailors (SSSS).

3. SCHEDULE

3.1 - Race date and meeting time:

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Skippers Meeting</u> | <u>First Race</u> | <u>Last Start</u> | <u>Cookout</u> |
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| May 18th | 10:30a | 11:00a | 3:30p | 5:00p |

3.2 - Cookout to follow racing. Food and chef to be determined (looking for volunteers!).

4. RACING AREA

4.1 - Racing area will be area waters east of the Coast Guard station, and may extend north or south a few miles depending on race course.

5. COURSES

5.1 - Courses will vary based on conditions and will include courses around floating marks (Windward-Leeward or Triangle Course), or Destination based (Jekyll, Sea Island, Pelican Spit, Cumberland and Little St. Simons Island).

5.2 - Courses will be determined and explained at the skippers meetings.

5.4 - Race committee has authority to abandon any race if racing conditions deteriorate while a race is under way. Monitor Ch 71 for announcements from the Race Committee.

6. SCORING

6.1 - Scoring will be divided into 2 classes, a Hobie16 Class and an Open Class (All others)

6.2 - All boats will be scored based on their finishing position within their class.

6.3 - Participants will need to sign-in to notify race committee before starting to race and sign-out if they plan to retire before racing ends for the day.

6.4 - The regatta will be made up of a series of races and will be scored using the Low Point System.

Low Point Scoring System

6.4.1 - Each boat *starting* and *finishing* and not thereafter retiring, being penalized or given redress shall be scored points as follows: Finishing place/Points First/1 Second/2 Third/3 Fourth/4 Fifth/5 - Each place thereafter Add 1 point

6.4.2 - A boat that did not *start*, did not *finish*, retired or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats entered in the series.

6.4.3 - SCORES DETERMINED BY THE RACE COMMITTEE

A boat that did not *start* or *finish* or comply with rule 30.2 , 30.3 , 30.4 or 78.2 , or that retires or takes a penalty under rule 44.3 (a), shall be scored accordingly by the race committee without a hearing.

6.4.4 - CHANGES IN PLACES AND SCORES OF OTHER BOATS

If a boat is disqualified from a race or retires after *finishing*, each boat with a worse finishing place shall be moved up one place.

6.4.5 - If the protest committee decides to give redress by adjusting a boat's score, the scores of other boats shall not be changed unless the protest committee decides otherwise.

7. COMMUNICATION

7.1 - Race Committee will operate on VHF channel 71 unless radio traffic requires a change.

7.2 - It is recommended that all participants carry a submersible Marine VHF radio to monitor channel 71 for official race announcements and instructions. and communicate with the Race Committee. Channel 16 can be used to communicate with other vessels in the area if the need arises, or to hail the US Coast Guard in case of an emergency.

8. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

8.1. - By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority and any 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.

9. WAIVER OF LIABILITY:

9.1. - 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.

9.2. - 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.

10. RACE CONTACTS

10.1 - Jeff Betts - Chairman - 912-230-1239