

NOTICE OF RACE

1699 Regatta Ocean Springs Sailing Squadron at Ocean Springs Yacht Club, Ocean Springs, MS April 30 – May 1, 2016

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules defined in the 2013-2016 Racing Rules of Sailing and by the Sailing Instructions.

2. CLASSES AND ELIGIBILITY

The regatta is open to vessels with a US Sailing Portsmouth Yardstick rating. One design classes (Hobie 16, Hobie Wave, Nacra 20, F16, F18, Club 420, Laser Radial, Sunfish, Optimist, etc.) are <u>highly</u> <u>encouraged</u> and a minimum of five boats **registered by 25 April** will qualify any one design class for separate one design class awards.

3. ENTRY FEES AND REGISTRATION

Entry Fees are \$25.00 per boat. Junior entry fee is \$5.00 per boat. Fees shall be paid in credit card online or by cash or check made payable to Ocean Springs Yacht Club if registering late on the first day of the regatta. If registering on the day of the regatta, it will be done via Regatta Network at OSYC.

Eligible boats must register online at www.regattanetwork.com .

4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, April 30, 2016		Sunday, May 1, 2016	
Competitor's Meeting	0930	First Signal	1000
First Signal	1100	No Start After	1400
		Trophy Presentation	As soon as possible after the conclusion of racing

7. COMPETITOR'S MEETING

There will be a competitor's meeting on Saturday, April 30th under the clubhouse.

8. VENUE

The sailing venue will be in beautiful Biloxi Bay.

10. SCORING

The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A of the RRS will apply, (except that a boats worst score will not be discarded unless 6 races are completed). Boats not in a one design class will be scored via the Portsmouth Yardstick. One completed race shall constitute a regatta.

11. PENALTIES

RRS 44.1 is changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one jibe, is required.

12. TROPHIES

Trophies will be awarded 1st - 3rd in each overall class.

13. SAFETY

In addition to the requirements of RRS Rule 40 and it's U.S. Sailing Prescription, a condition of entry and participation in this regatta is the wearing of a U.S. Coast Guard approved PFD, properly secured at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while removing or adding clothing. Wet suits, dry suits and inflatable PFD's do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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.

16. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Preliminary sailing Instructions may be available online, and final official sailing instructions will be available onsite at check-in. The courses to be sailed will be contained in the sailing instructions.

17. COURSES

Courses will be windward-leeward or triangle courses.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact

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