



Flying Scot® Sailing Association

NOTICE OF RACE – Updated July 14, 2016 2016 FLYING SCOT® NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP

July 16 – 21, 2016

Organized by Flying Scot Fleet 76 in association with Sail Newport <http://sailnewport.org>
Fort Adams State Park, Newport, Rhode Island

Rules: This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by the current edition of the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), and FSSA Constitution and By-Laws. Advertising is permitted only according to Article B-VII paragraph 6 “Requirements applying to all Events”

1. **Eligibility** requirements are as follows:
2. **The North American Championship (NAC)** is open to Active, Life, Junior, Club, and Family Members. The FSSA Constitution defines each category. Championship and Challenger Divisions will be determined by a three race qualifying event followed by a five race Championship Event. **Reminder:** FSSA dues and Club Boat registration fees must be paid by June 17, 2016. Early registration through July 9, additional fee as of July 10.

Flying Scot Co-owners – Shall submit with their entry form the completed Co-owner Certification Form found on the Document page of the FSSA website: http://www.fssa.com/files/2012_owner_affidavit.pdf. This affidavit shall be submitted with Entry Form and approved by the Organizing Authority before the boat's entry is accepted.

3. **Junior, Women's and Senior Championships**

A. Junior Championship:

- (a) To be eligible to compete, the helmsman shall not have reached his/her 19th birthday as of July 16, 2016, the final day of registration for this Championship, and, must be an Active, Life, Club, Family, or Junior Member. FSSA dues may be paid at registration.
- (b) Students who have competed at the inter-collegiate level are not eligible for this event. Only another junior meeting the same eligibility requirements as that of the helmsman may assume the helm temporarily while the helmsman makes adjustments or repairs.
- (c) Adults may only assume the helm in the event of emergency and the penalty for doing so shall be disqualification from that race unless redress is granted by the protest committee.
- (d) At least 3 boats must be registered prior to the skippers meeting for this Championship to be held.

B. Women's Championship: All helmsmen shall be female and have Active, Life, Family, or Club membership status. All crew must be female. At least 3 boats must be registered in the Women's Championship prior to the skippers meeting for this championship to be held. FSSA dues may be paid at registration.

C. Senior Championship to be sailed within the Qualifying and Championship Events

- (a) The helmsman and at least one crew must each be at least 60 (sixty) years of age or older by the close of registration. There is no age limit for additional crew.
- (b) All Senior entries may sail the qualifiers. Those who do not sail the Qualifiers or do not make the cut shall compete in the Challenger Division. Those that qualify shall sail in the Championship Division.

3. **Registration** may be completed at the regatta site beginning Saturday, 16 July 2016 at 0900, or online at <http://Regattanetwork.com>. You are encouraged to register and pay online, or you may fill out the registration online, print and mail it with your check. The registration site allows this.

Registration for the Junior and Women’s Championships must be completed by 1030 on Sunday, July 17 2016 unless other arrangements have been made with the registration committee.

Registration for all other divisions must be completed by 1700 on Sunday, July 17, 2016, unless other arrangements have been made with the registration committee. Sailing Instructions will be available to registrants at the completion of registration and measurement.

5. Measurement:

- A. Boats and sails will be measured at random. Three sets of measurement specifications will be used and one of three will be drawn by a boat at registration. Each boat shall satisfy the requirements of that form, but shall be subject to additional inspection as may be required by the Measurer or his designate.
- B. Centerboards will be measured using the criteria in CMR 83 for any boat in the top five places of the NAC and Midwinters over the past five years. Others may be checked at random. The weight of the board will be measured to 105 lb specification +/- the 5 lb. tolerance . NOTE: the board is included as a requirement to be checked on one of the random measurement sheets drawn by all boats.
- C. VHF Radios – it is the intention of the Race Committee to utilize VHF communication according to FSSA Specification S-V7
- D. All boats will be checked for required safety equipment.
- E. All Club owned boats will be completely measured.

6. **Fees:** See registration website at www.regattanetwork.com

7. **Schedule:**

Date	Activity	Time	Location	Notes
Sat, July 1.	Registration	0900 – 1700	Mule Barn	Measurement - Barn & Hoist
Sun. July 17	Executive Committee Mtg.	0830	Sail Newport Office	
	Board of Governors Mtg.	0900	Sail Newport Office	
	Registration	0900 - 1700	Mule Barn	Measurement - Barn & Hoist
	Skippers meeting	1030	Fort Adams Dock (hoist)	Women’s & Juniors
	First Warning signal	1230	Race Course	Women’s & Juniors
	Skippers Meeting	1800	Mule Barn Tent	
	Welcome Party Barbecue	1815	Mule Barn Tent	
Mon. July 18	First Warning signal	1100	Race Course	NAC Qualifying races
	Chalk talk by North Sails	After racing	Mule Barn Tent	
	Free evening			
Tues. July 19	First Warning signal	1100	Race Course	Championship & Challenger
	Chalk talk by North Sails	After racing	Mule Barn Tent	
	Italian Dinner	1800	Mule Barn Tent	
Wed. July 20	First Warning signal	1100	Race Course	Championship & Challenger
	Chalk talk by North Sails	After racing	Mule Barn Tent	
	Annual meeting/dinner	1800	Mule Barn Tent	
Thurs. July 21	First Warning signal	1100	Race Course	Championship & Challenger
	No warning signal after	1430		
	Awards	1600 (approx..)	Mule Barn Tent	

A. **Women’s and Juniors Championship:** Sunday, July17, 2016 - The first Warning signal is scheduled for **1230**. There are *three* scheduled races of which one completed race will constitute a series. All races will be scored (no throw outs). This amends RRS A 2

B. **NAC Qualifying Event:** Monday July 18th - The Warning Signal for the first race is scheduled for **1100**. Three races are scheduled. Depending upon conditions, the schedule is subject to change.

C. **Championship and Challenger Event:** Racing will be Tuesday thru Thursday July 19th – 21st 2016, with a maximum of five races. The time of the first Warning Signal each day is scheduled for **1100**. Two races are scheduled for Tuesday, Two On Wednesday and One on Thursday. Depending upon conditions, the schedule is subject to change, and additional races may be conducted on any given day. No Warning Signal is scheduled to be made after **1430** on Thursday July 21st. Should the racing be behind schedule on Thursday the race committee may extend the cut-off time according to By-laws B-IX Para. 5c.

8. **Courses to be Sailed and Racing location:**

Racing will be held on lower Narragansett Bay between the Newport (Pell) Bridge and Gould Island. Other possible locations will be defined in the Sailing Instructions

The courses to be sailed will be described in the Sailing Instructions using windward-leeward courses

9. **Protests and Appeals:**

If a boat(s) decides to appeal a decision of the Protest Committee (PC) in the Qualifying Series it may do so in accordance with FSSA By-Laws B-IX Paragraph 9.

10. **Scoring:**

A. The Low Point System: Appendix A2 applies for the Qualifying and Championship Events. All races will be scored. (Changes Appendix A2) Eight total races are scheduled. Qualifying Event (Three races) – one race constitutes a complete event. Championship Event (Five races) – three completed races constitute a Championship.

B. The Senior Division: Participants may sail the two events, and will be scored along with all others. At the end of the event seniors will be ranked accordingly by their scores top down from the Championship Division through the Challenger Division.

11. **Prizes:** In addition to prizes to be awarded according to the By-laws, the Senior Division will be awarded prizes first through third place. Seniors will be eligible for all awards in their respective Division in addition to the Senior Awards.

12. **Berthing:-**

Boats shall be kept at their assigned places in the Fort Adams State Park

13. **Towing:** Boats may be towed to and from the race area only if towing is made available to all participants. Otherwise, a boat accepting a tow without consent of the Race Committee shall be disqualified without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1. Exceptions to this rule may be made by the Race Committee in extenuating circumstances, i.e. breakdown, illness, or other factors that may be appropriate. Protests under this rule may be made only by the Protest Committee or the Race Committee. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

14. **Local Contact information:**

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