

NOTICE OF RACE

Middle Atlantic Midget Championships



August 13-14, 2016 Tred Avon Yacht Club Oxford, Maryland

1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of US Sailing, rules of the Club 420 Class Association, rules of the Optimist Dinghy Association, and the Sailing Instructions, except as any of these are changed by this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 The regatta is open to competitors who are members of a club or member program of one of the following Yacht Racing or Sailing Associations (who organize this event according to the following rotation schedule):
 - 2016 Chesapeake Bay YRA
 - 2017 YRA of Long Island Sound
 - 2018 Eastern Long Island SA
 - 2019 Eastern Connecticut SA
 - 2020 Middle Atlantic YRA
 - 2021 Great South Bay YRA
 - 2022 North Jersey YRA
 - 2023 Barnegat Bay YRA
- 2.2 Each Association may enter three boats in the single handed championship (Optimist Dinghy) and two boats in the double-handed championship (Club 420).
- 2.3 Each competitor shall be 15 years old or younger on both days of the event.
- 2.4 Competitors are not required to be members of the Club 420 Association or Optimist Dinghy Associations.
- 2.5 Both crew members of double-handed boats must be members of the same club or member program.
- 2.6 The skipper named on the entry shall continue as skipper for the series.
- 2.7 Substitutions of an alternate crew in the double-handed class may be permitted with approval of the race committee no later than 0900 on Saturday, August 13th. The crew in the first race shall continue as crew for the series. Amendments to entry forms shall be permitted no later than 0900 on Saturday, August 13th.

3. Entry Fee and Registration

- 3.1 Entry fees are \$30 per single-handed boat and \$40 per double handed boat
- 3.2 The completed Entry Form must be emailed to Michael Wagner by August 10th, (michael.wagner7@comcast.net). Payment (cash or check only) to be collected at registration on the morning of August 13th. A waiver of liability, medical consent forms and other documents must be signed at registration.

4. Classes

- 4.1 The single-handed Championship shall be sailed in Optimists provided by and sailed by the competitors; the double-handed Championship shall be sailed in Club 420's with spinnaker and trapeze provided by and sailed by the competitors.
- 4.2 This event is not a round-robin event and all boats must comply with class rules except as changed by this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 4.3 This event is being conducted in conjunction with the Oxford Regatta. Each Midget fleet will have their own start, and if combined onto race course shared by other classes, the Midget fleet will start first. This will be clarified in the sailing instructions and announced at the Skippers Meeting.
- 4.4 The Oxford Regatta has a number of one design classes available for entry by non-Midget competitors, so family members and others are most welcome. Junior classes will be Club 420, Laser, Laser Radial, Optimist W/B/R & Green. Adult classes are Laser, Laser Radial, Penguin, Snipe and Comet. A variety of keelboat classes will also be sailing. See the main Tred Avon YC web site for more information: www.TAYC.com

5. Schedule

Friday, August 12 – boat drop-off if desired

Saturday/Sunday, August 13 & August 14

- 0800 0930 Check-in and continental breakfast
- 0930 Skippers' Meeting
- First warning will immediately follow the Skippers' Meeting
- No start after 1600 Saturday, 1400 Sunday
- Awards will be at 1630 at a reception at "Harleigh. Gates open 1600 hours on Sunday, August 14th. In case of rain, reception will be held at TAYC. Jacket and tie for men and similar appropriate attire for women is required at Harleigh. (It is not uncommon to see jacket & tie, with board shorts and boat shoes)
- An olympic-sized swimming pool at Harleigh is available and encouraged for use by all interested competitors and families after the awards.

6. Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available at the Tred Avon Yacht Club during check-in and the Skippers Meeting.

7. Social/Food

Saturday: Continental breakfast is included. Bag lunches and an a la carte dinner will be available for purchase, plus cash bar, and live music (8pm to midnight)

Sunday: Continenal breakfast, a la carte lunch or bag lunches for purchase, Awards Ceremony (see above). Oxford Regatta T-Shirts available for purchase at TAYC.

8. Scoring

- 8.1 The Low Point Scoring System in Appendix A will apply, modified as follows:
 - If 6 or more races are completed, each boat's worst score will be excluded from his/her series score.
 - If less than 6 races are completed, each boat's series score will be the total of his/her race scores. (i.e. no exclusions)
- 8.2 One completed race will constitute a series.

9. Prizes

- 9.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers in each class (including Crew in double-handed class).
- 9.2 Perpetual trophies are held by the winners, who are responsible for their safe delivery to the regatta venue the following year.

10. Responsibility for Safety

As a condition of the participation of any boat in any race or related activity sponsored or undertaken by the Tred Avon Yacht Club and the Chesapeake Bay Yacht Racing Association: the owner, skipper, and each crew member agree that the safety of the boat and the crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility, and each of them waives all claims which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against the Tred Avon Yacht Club and the Chesapeake Bay Yacht Racing Association, and any of their officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity. Responsibility for evaluating wind, sea, and weather conditions rests with each competitor as does the responsibility for the safe condition and operation of their boat including safety equipment and rigging and for wearing a life jacket. Assistance from the race committee, patrol boats, or other support boats and from personnel manning them is at the risk of the participant.

11. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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.

12. Further Information

For further information please contact:

CBYRA Junior Chair: Michael Wagner (michael.wagner7@comcast.net, 302-242-6344 cell)

Tred Avon Yacht Club Manager: Vicky Van Loo (manager@TAYC.com, 410-226-5269)

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Entry Form

Yacht Racing Assoc	iation:	
Check One:	Single Handed (Optimist)	Double Handed (C420)
Skipper's Name:		
Email Address:		
		one Number 2:
Member of club or r	nember program:	
Birth Date:		
Crew Name if applic	cable:	
Email Address:		
Address:		
		one Number 2:
Member of club or r	nember program:	
Birth Date:		
The following to be program.	completed by an officer of the S	kipper's yacht club or community sailing
I certify that the Skip	oper (and crew if applicable) is/a	re a member of (club or program):
Organization name:		
Officer Name:		
Officer Title:		
Phone number:		Date:

Please email this completed form to Michael Wagner at michael.wagner7@comcast.net