

NOTICE OF RACE
HOPE REGATTA PURSUIT RACE
JUNE 10, 2017 - RIVER DUNES, ORIENTAL, NC



PREAMBLE: Pursuit racing virtually eliminates the angst of close quarter interaction by starting boats individually or in small groups at different prescribed times.

BONUS PURSUIT RACE: We have scheduled a similar race on Sunday. This event is designed to create some fun for those that want to get their boats back to Oriental.

1 RULES

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

2 ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY

- 2.1** Our intent is to encourage both racers and non-racers to join in on this worthy charity weekend. This race is open to all mono-hull sailboats with a minimum of 20' in length, with or without an official PHRF handicap.
- 2.2** A pursuit race uses the boats PHRF rating to assign individual starting times to each boat. Boats with the highest rating (slower boats) will be given an earlier starting time. The boats sail a prescribed course and the results are determined by the order in which each boat crosses the finish line.
- 2.3** An entry form is part of this Notice of Race (NOR). Other than routine information, it includes a request for data from those without a PHRF rating. Entrants without a PHRF rating will be assigned a provisional rating from this information for purposes of this race.
- 2.4** In order for us to have time to develop a variety of starting times, entry forms need to be received by June 6, 2017. We welcome entries after that date, and will try to accommodate if possible.

3 SCHEDULE

- 3.1** A Skipper's Meeting for the Saturday race will be held at 0900 on Saturday, June 10th, in the River Dunes clubhouse.
- 3.2** Saturday, June 10th, there will be one race for the Hope Regatta. The first boat's starting time will be NOON.
- 3.3** Sunday, June 11th, there will be a pursuit race from the same starting line as on Saturday, June 10th, to a finish line between a race committee boat and mark #5 off of Oriental. The first boat's starting time will be NOON. There will be no Skipper's Meeting, no sailing instructions, no trophies, just bragging rights. This event is designed to create some fun for those that just want to get their boats back to Oriental.

4 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 The sailing instructions (SI) will be available online after May 1st on www.hopeclinicnc.org, and you are encouraged to download and print them, as only a limited number will be available at the Registration Tent and Skipper's Meeting during the event. If there is a conflict between the NOR and the SI, the SI shall govern. This changes rule 63.7.

5 VENUE and COURSE

- 5.1** Regatta Headquarters will be in the River Dunes clubhouse. The race will be held in the northeastern waters of the Neuse River. The course will be described in the sailing instructions.
- 5.2** River Dunes will offer slips at no cost to paid registrants =on a first-come, first-serve basis (252-249-4908) the weekend of the Hope Regatta.

6 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

6.1 The race committee will monitor VHF channel 78A and will make any race announcements on channel 78A.

7 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

7.1 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, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

8 INSURANCE

8.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

9 FURTHER INFORMATION

9.1 For further information, please contact PRO Ken Small at (252) 249-0140 or smallkenncarol@gmail.com.