

2017 SMSA GILL TROPHY NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority: Southern Mass Sailing Association

Host: Stage Harbor YC

Monday July 24 – Wednesday June 26, 2017

1. RULES.

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

1.2 Advertising will be restricted to Category A.

1.3 RRS Appendix P is in effect.

2. SAFETY

All competitors and coaches must wear properly fastened USCG approved Type III non-inflatable lifejacket at all times while on the water, except to quickly change clothing.

3. ELIGIBILITY.

3.1 All competitors must be females who have reached their 13th birthday but not their 19th birthday during the calendar year 2017.

3.2 Only Sailors who are members in good standing of a club or sailing organization that is a member of Southern Mass Sailing Association (SMSA) are eligible to win the Gill Trophy but all participants are eligible to win prizes at the regatta.

4. ENTRY.

4.1 For the Gill trophy, the regatta fee is \$150/boat.

4.2 All Registration must be done and fees paid on-line at Regatta Networks

4.3 Registration closes Friday July 21, 2017 at 1600 hours.

4.4 Late registrations may be accepted and a late fee assessed at the discretion of the SMSA Administrator.

4.5 There is a minimum of 5 boats and a maximum of 40 boats; first come, first served. The fleet size may be increased at the discretion of the SMSA Administrator.

5. BOATS.

The Gill trophy is a bring-your-own 420 event. Each competitor is responsible for making sure that boat is class legal and seaworthy.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Monday July 24:

0930 Registration

1100 Clinic Starts

1700 Clinic Ends.

You do not have to participate in the clinic in order to compete in the regatta.

Tuesday July 25:

0800 Registration
0900 Sailors Meeting & Harbor Start
Racing will continue throughout the day at the discretion of the Race Committee.

Wednesday July 26:

0900 Sailors Meeting & Harbor Start
Racing will continue throughout the day.
1500 No warning signal will be made after this time.
Trophy Presentation as soon as possible after racing

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS. Sailing instructions will be posted on Regatta Network and on the official notice board prior to the start of the regatta. Paper copies will not be handed out at the regatta to each competitor.

9. RACING AREA. All races are planned for Nantucket Sound outside of Stage Harbor at the discretion of the PRO.

10. COACHING, SPECTATING, SAFETY BOATS.

- 10.1 Coaching will be allowed between races.
- 10.2 Clubs and organizations with four (4) or more boats are required to bring a coach boat.
- 10.3 All coach boats must fill out a coach boat registration form, posted on Regatta Network, and turn it in prior to the start of racing,
- 10.4 Coaches, parents, and spectators may not interfere with the racers. Doing so may be grounds for removal of sailors connected to you from the regatta.
- 10.5 All Spectator and/or coach boats have a VHF radio and are expected to act as safety boats at the direction of the PRO if necessary.

11. FOOD, WATER, & HOUSING:

- 11.1 The host club will provide a continental breakfast in the morning before racing, snack packs for sailors to bring on the water, and food after racing
- 11.2 Water will be provided from Gator Aid jugs. Sailors are expected to bring their own refillable water bottle.
- 11.3 Housing will be provided, upon request for sailors and coaches coming from off-cape locations. Housing deadline is Monday July 17th.

12. REGATTA CONTACTS

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