



**Thistle Atlantic Coast Championship
June 8 & 9, 2019
Tred Avon Yacht Club
Oxford, MD**



NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules, as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing, 2017-2020 (RRS)*; Thistle Class Rules, as documented in the Thistle Class Constitution; TCA Bylaws; TCA Chief Measurement Rulings and Specifications; and Thistle Atlantic Coast Championship 2019 Sailing Instructions.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The Regatta is open to boats and competitors meeting the eligibility requirements as described in the (TCA) rules. **All Skippers must be TCA members. All boats must be Registered and TCA Dues Paid.**
- 2.2 Eligible participants are encouraged to register in advance for the regatta by completing the registration form. Registration form can be found on the TAYC website under the *Racing* tab at www.tayc.com

3 FEES

- 3.1 Entries received by June 1, 2019 \$145.00
Entries received after June 1, 2019 \$160.00
- 3.2 The entry fee includes continental breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, 3 dinners on Saturday and after-race hors d'oeuvres on Sunday. Additional dinner tickets \$32. Box lunch \$9

4 VENUE

Races will be sailed on the Choptank River southwest of Choptank River Light, weather dependent. Hoist launching from Tred Avon Yacht Club (TAYC).

5 SCHEDULE

Friday, June 7

1000 Club opens
1800-2000 Check-in and on-site registration
1730 Sails N Ales 2nd Floor, Cash bar, dinner available

Saturday, June 8

0800 Check-in and on-site registration/Bagels, Coffee & Juice
1000 Competitor's Meeting
1030 Harbor Gun
1130 First Warning Signal – Subsequent races follow
1800 Cash Bar & Buffet Dinner at TAYC – Crab cake & lemon caper chicken, fresh vegetable du jour, roasted potatoes, roll & mixed greens, dessert

Sunday, June 9

0800 Coffee, Bagels & Juice
0900 Harbor Gun

- 1000 First Sunday Race Warning Signal
1400 No start after this time
- 1400 Cash Bar – Trophies – Hors D’oeuvres – Raspberry BBQ Glazed Meatballs, Crab Dip, Savory Cheese Board

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available at check-in.

7 THE COURSE

- 7.1 The courses to be sailed will be either windward-leeward or triangle-windward-leeward
7.2 Offset marks and leeward gates may be used.

8 PENALTY SYSTEM

Appendix V – Alternative Penalties will apply.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 A boat’s regatta score will be the total of all her race scores.
9.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.

10 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 10.1 Pursuant to Chief Measurer’s Rulings 65 and 74, competitors may receive VHF radio transmissions from the Race Committee concerning safety, notice of on-course-side (OCS) boats and general information to assist in the management of the event.
10.2 The RC will monitor VHF channel 71 for courtesy broadcasts and emergency/safety related situations.

11 PRIZES

Prizes will be given to the top five teams.

12 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.

13 OTHER

Please observe the 25 MPH speed limit in Oxford. It is strictly enforced.

Lunch and extra dinner reservations may be made by contacting the club office

Vegetarian dinners are available with advance notice.

TAYC office: 410-226-5269 or email: manager@tayc.com

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

Atlantic Coast RVP	Ralph Wolf, rjwolf@icloud.com	
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Principal Race Officer	Jay Weaver	