

2019 NEW ENGLAND 100

30th Anniversary

Fort Adams State Park, Newport, RI August 9-11, 2019 Organizing Authority: North East NACRA Sailing Association Sponsored by: Narragansett Athletic Sailing Association

SPECIAL STATEMENT REGARDING ACCIDENT ON 11 AUGUST 2019

On behalf of the North East Nacra Sailing Association (NENSA), it is our unfortunate duty to confirm the boating accident that claimed the life of Sandra Tartaglino during this past weekend's New England 100 catamaran regatta in Newport, RI. Sandra was the Co-Chair of the regatta, and one of our competitors. In the 30-year history of the regatta, this was an unprecedented tragedy.

Our prayers remain with Sandra, her crew Alex, and both of their families during this extraordinarily difficult time. A veteran of the Worrell 1000 and numerous international catamaran sailing championships, Sandra was a world-class sailor and a fierce competitor. But most of all, she will be remembered as a truly beautiful person whose love for sailing was unmeasurable. She is sorely missed by the entire catamaran sailing community.

We extend our thanks to the Newport Harbormaster and all of the first responders for their assistance. Further information will be released as it becomes available from the authorities engaged in the ongoing investigation.

Requests for additional information should be addressed to the Event Chair, Rick Bliss.

Rick Bliss Event Chair Michael Levesque Principal Race Officer

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