



# NOTICE OF RACE

## Shearwater Regatta Ocean Springs Sailing Squadron at Ocean Springs Yacht Club, Ocean Springs, MS October 25-26<sup>th</sup>, 2014

### 1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules defined in the 2013-2016 Racing Rules of Sailing, the class rules of the classes identified in Section 2 below, as appropriate, and by the Sailing Instructions.

### 2. ELIGIBILITY

The regatta is open to vessels with a US Sailing Portsmouth Yardstick rating. One design classes (Hobie 16, Hobie Wave, Club 420, Laser Radial, Sunfish, Optimist, etc.) are ***highly encouraged*** and a minimum of five boats will qualify any one design class for separate one design class awards.

HIGH SCHOOL--A high school 420 class is open to all organized high school sailing teams. For fleet racing, a team is comprised of no fewer than two and no more than four sailors who are members of the sailing team for the school they represent. Each team will sail one boat. Multiple teams (boats) from a school will be allowed. No lunches will be provided by the regatta.

### 3. ENTRY FEES AND REGISTRATION

Eligible boats must register online at [www.regattanetwork.com](http://www.regattanetwork.com). Entry Fees are \$40 per double handed boat, \$35 for a single handed boat. Junior entry fee is \$30 per double handed, \$25 for a singlehanded boat. The entry fee includes one t-shirt and breakfast Saturday and Sunday. Fees shall be paid in credit card online or by cash or check made payable to OSSS if registering on the first day of the regatta. **If registering on the day of the regatta, it will be done via Regatta Network at OSYC. Early registration online is strongly encouraged**

### 4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, October 25th, 2014		Sunday, October 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2014	
Breakfast Served	0830	Breakfast Served	0800
Competitor's Meeting	0930	First Signal	1000
First Signal	1100	No Start After	1400
		Trophy Presentation	As soon as possible after the conclusion of racing

### 7. COMPETITOR'S MEETING

There will be a competitor's meeting on Saturday, October 25th under the clubhouse.

### 8. VENUE

The sailing venue will be in Biloxi Bay.

## **10. SCORING**

The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A of the RRS will apply, (except that a boats worst score will not be discarded unless 6 races are completed). Boats not in a one design class will be scored via the Portsmouth Yardstick. One completed race shall constitute a regatta.

## **11. PENALTIES**

RRS 44.1 is changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one jibe, is required.

## **12. TROPHIES**

Trophies will be awarded 1st – 3rd in each overall class.

## **13. SAFETY**

In addition to the requirements of RRS Rule 40 and it's U.S. Sailing Prescription, a condition of entry and participation in this regatta is the wearing of a U.S. Coast Guard approved PFD, properly secured at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while removing or adding clothing. Wet suits, dry suits and inflatable PFD's do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy.

## **15. 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.

## **16. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Preliminary sailing Instructions may be available online, and final official sailing instructions will be available onsite at check-in. The courses to be sailed will be contained in the sailing instructions.

## **16. FURTHER INFORMATION**

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