



TRED AVON YACHT CLUB

2016 SHIELDS CLUB RACING PROGRAM

NOTICE OF RACES

RULES:

All 2016 Shields Club Racing Program events described herein are organized by the Tred Avon Yacht Club and governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing and the Shields Class Racing Association Rules and this Notice of Race, except as any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions prepared for each separate event. Sailing Instructions for each event will be available at least two weeks prior to the event at the club house and on-line at tayc.com.

ELIGIBILITY:

The events in this 2016 Club Racing Program are open to all Shields Class boats. Skippers must be current members of the Shields Class Sailing Association and US Sailing.

SERIES AND EVENT SCHEDULE:

Series/Event	Dates	Warning Signal
Spring Series	April 24, May 1,15	1325
Late Spring Series	June 5, 12, 26	1325
Oxford Regatta	August 13,14	1030
Heritage Regatta	August 27, 28	1030
Club Championship Finale	Sept 10	1325
Fall Series	Sept 18, 25, Oct 2	1325

FEES

TAYC Shields Fleet Annual Dues (\$300 per boat) includes entry fees for the Spring Series, Late Spring Series, Oxford Regatta, Heritage Regatta, Club Championship Finale and Fall Series.

Competitors are encouraged to register online at www.tayc.com as early as possible, and must register for each event separately even though entry fees are paid once for the entire season.

Registrations for each series or event must be received by 0900 on the first scheduled racing day of the series/event or the competitor will be scored DNC for that race day and each succeeding scheduled race day for which registration is not received by 0900 of that day.

SCORING:

Low Point Scoring System will apply, with each boat's series score being the total of all its race scores; except that if five or more races are completed for any series or event, one throw-out will be permitted when computing the overall standings for award purposes. One completed race will constitute a series.

PRIZES:

Trophies will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishers in the Spring Series, Late Spring Series and Fall Series as well as in the Oxford and Heritage Regattas.

The 2016 Shields Club Championship will be awarded in accordance with the TAYC Shields Class high point formula as revised at Shields Fleet meeting 12/22/12; except that **if any Fleet 21 boat is an official entrant competing at the Shields Nationals in Monterrey, California the Fall Series races WILL NOT count toward this year's Club Championship.** The fleet has agreed to define an "official entrant" as a TAYC skipper and crew using their own sails aboard their own boat *or* aboard a loaner boat provided by the host fleet. Official entrants would not include any TAYC skipper(s) or crew competing at Nationals aboard any boat representing another fleet.