



**2018 Jim Thompson Cup
Tred Avon Yacht Club
Saturday, May 5 - Sunday, May 6, 2018
Annapolis, MD**

NOTICE OF RACE(NOR)

1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Organizing Authority (OA) will be Tred Avon Yacht Club(TAYC).

2 EVENT GRADING

This event will not be an ISAF graded event.

3 PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE

(a) Rules and format information session for all participants will be held on Wednesday, May 2, 2018 at 1830 at TAYC.

(b) First round pairings will be made by random draw at Sails and Ales on Friday, May 4, 2018 at 1900. Skipper and/or crew will be given the opportunity to draw. PRO will draw for any boats not represented

(c) Competitors' first briefing and meeting with umpires is 0830 Saturday.

(d) Racing days are Saturday and Sunday.

(e) The scheduled warning signal for the first race on Saturday is 1000. Sunday final is planned for the afternoon but start time may be modified if conditions prohibit completion of all flights planned on Saturday.

(f) The latest time for an attention signal on Sunday is 1430. Saturday racing may go to 1630 for the successful boats

(g) Trophy presentation will be held at a time and place to be determined by the OA.

4 ELIGIBILITY

4.1 All TAYC Shields fleet members are eligible to participate. Registration is limited to 8 boats.

4.2 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.

4.3 Crew members must remain the same for both days

5 ENTRIES

5.1 The teams shall be entered by the submission of crew lists by email to the PRO or in person at the Wednesday information session but no later than Friday at 1830

6 RULES

6.1 The event will be governed by Shields Class Sailing Association Rules and the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including Appendix C.

6.2 Major alterations to the RRS are:

(a) C2.7, C6.1(b), C6.3, C6.4(b), C6.6, C6.7, C9, C10, C11.1, C11.2(a), C11.3 are deleted.

b) In C5.1 "A green and white flag" is replaced by "A green flag"

7 BOATS AND SAILS

(a) The event will be sailed in Shields.

(b) Skippers will supply their own boat.

(c) The following sails will be allowed: Mainsail, Jib, and Spinnaker.

8 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

8.1 The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 4 or 5. All registered crew shall sail all races.

8.2 Each skipper must be a member of TAYC

8.3 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorize an original crew member to substitute.

8.4 When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorize a substitute, a temporary substitute, or other adjustment.

9 EVENT FORMAT AND SCORING

9.1 The event will consist of a series of matches in a knockout format.

9.2 The opening round will be a best of 3 races series between the first round pairs drawn on Friday night. If only 7 boats register one pairing draw will be a "Bye" to the semi-final round.

9.3 Losers of the opening series will retire and following a lunch break a semi-final best of three series will be held among the four winning teams.

9.4 On Sunday, the two winning boats will race a best of three series for the Cup. A consolation match to involve two of the 4 boats knocked out in the first round on Saturday may be offered

9.5 The OA may change the format, terminate, or eliminate any round when conditions or the remaining time scheduled do not permit the completion of the intended format.

10 COURSE

10.1 The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings using inflatable marks.

10.2 The intended course area will be waters in the Tred Avon River as close as possible to the Club.

11 PRIZES

11.1 The winning skipper and crew will be awarded possession of the Jim Thompson Cup.

11.2 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

12 DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk. The OA, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.

13 EVENT CONTACTS

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