



## PRSA President's Cup Regatta

September 18-19, 2021

Washington Sailing Marina, Alexandria, VA

Event website: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/23128>

### NOTICE OF RACES

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The Potomac River Sailing Association (PRSA) will organise the PRSA President's Cup on the Potomac River from the Washington Sailing Marina in Alexandria, VA.
- 1.2 These races will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

#### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 All class-legal boats in one-design classes 20' or under are invited to participate. Classes of 5 or more boats will be started separately. Starts for classes of fewer than 5 boats may be combined with the start of another class.
- 2.2 All competitors must register, sign the waiver of liability, and pay the entry fee at <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/23128>. Online registration and payment is required in order to be scored for the regatta.
- 2.3 Competitors are required to comply with applicable federal, state, and local COVID-19 regulations.
- 2.4 Competitors are encouraged to register on or before September 1 to receive the early registration discount. Trophies will be ordered based on the classes registered and the number of competitors in each class at the September 1 early registration deadline.

#### 3. ENTRY FEES & DINNER TICKETS (paid on or before September 1 / after September 1)

- 3.1 The entry fee is \$40 per boat if paid on or before September 1. The entry fee is \$50 if paid after September 1.
- 3.2 Entry fees **do not include dinner tickets**. Tickets for the Saturday dinner (\$15) must be purchased separately for each individual via the Regatta Network registration site. Please make sure to purchase dinner tickets for your entire boat -- skipper and crew -- as well as any family/friends/visitors **in advance** so we can be sure to have sufficient food on hand! PRSA will also provide beverages after racing on Saturday and Sunday, as well as light snacks after racing on Sunday.

#### 4. SCHEDULE

##### Saturday

Check in between 0900 and 1000 in the grove near the BBQ grill

Skipper's meeting: 1000 (near the launch cranes)

First warning signal: 1125; as many races as conditions and time allow to follow

No warning signal after 1530

Dinner at 1730 or as soon as possible after racing

##### Sunday

First warning signal: 1125; as many races as conditions and time allow to follow

No warning signal after 1530

Awards and light snacks as soon as possible following the last race

#### 5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be posted to the regatta website (<https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/23128>) prior to the regatta. In keeping with the PRSA Sustainability Initiative (see section 9, below) we will have only a limited number of hard copies available on site. Please print your SIs in advance if you would like a hard copy.

#### 6. VENUE & SAILING AREA

6.1 The Washington Sailing Marina is located at [1 Marina Drive, Alexandria, Virginia 22314](#), just off of the George Washington Parkway about 1.5 miles south of Reagan National Airport and a similar distance north of Old Town Alexandria.

6.2 Marina Entry: Registered participants bringing boats from outside the marina will receive a special gate code for the marina gate (this will be emailed via Regatta Network to registered competitors). Please use this code for only **one** car and only **one** entry each day (PRSA is charged for each use of the code). Crew and/or additional vehicles should park outside the gated drysail area in the free parking area.

6.3 Races will be conducted on the Potomac River between National Airport and Hains Point (Washington, D.C.).

6.4 Channel-bound commercial vessels within the racing area are obstructions. Boats that are racing must keep clear of such vessels.

#### 7. SCORING

7.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

7.2 If fewer than 5 races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. If 5 or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This modifies RRS A2.1.

#### 8. AWARDS

9.1 Awards will be given to each member of the winning crews. Depth of awards in each class will be based on the number of registered boats in each class at the September 1 early registration deadline.

9.2 The Norman C. Schaller Memorial Trophy will be conferred to the skipper with the fewest points in the largest fleet among fleets of 10 or more boats.

#### 9. SUSTAINABILITY

PRSA has joined the race to restore the health of our waterways with the [Sailors for the Sea](#)

[Clean Regattas Program](#). Protecting our natural resources (including National Parks such as Washington Sailing Marina) and our local waters is very important to us. We ask for your help in this effort at the PRSA President's Cup. In particular, we ask that you:

- Use reusable rather than single-use water bottles.
- Ensure that recycling and trash is separated properly before disposing of waste (please take note of the separate recycling bins for cans, bottles, paper, and cardboard in the dinner area; food waste should be placed in the trash).
- Print one copy of the Sailing Instructions for yourself in advance using double-sided printing if you wish to have a hard copy of the SIs (we will only have a few extra hard copies available at the regatta).
- Consider a water only washdown for your boat following the event.

**11. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, "Decision to Race." The Potomac River Sailing Association 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.

**12. FURTHER INFORMATION**

Please contact PRSA Commodore, Kaitlyn Lucey ([kslucey@gmail.com](mailto:kslucey@gmail.com)) or visit the regatta website: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/23128>.