

# Florida State Finn Championship Event #4



Coconut Grove Sailing Club Miami, FL USA February 26-27, 2022

# **NOTICE OF RACE**

# 1.RULES

- **1.1.** The Organizing Authority and regatta host is the Coconut Grove Sailing Club (CGSC).
- 1.2. This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and IFA Class rules, except as any of these are changed by the Sailing Instructions or any appendices to the Sailing Instructions, except as any of the above may be properly changed by the Sailing Instructions.
- **1.3.** Appendix P5 will apply. Finn Class Rule C.1.1 (Flag O @ 10 knots or more to permit downwind pumping/rocking/ooching; flag R to restrict) will be in effect.

# 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The regatta is open to all members of the Finn class. Competitors shall be members of the USA Finn Association (USAFA) or other relevant international Finn class associations.
- **2.2.** Eligible competitors shall enter online by logging on to Regatta Network and by providing the required information. The link to Regatta Network is: <a href="https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/23224">https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/23224</a>
- **2.3.** Registration is not complete until Regatta Network entry and required fee are received by Coconut Grove Sailing Club.

# 3. FEES

3.1. The entry fee is US \$150. Entries received after February 18, 2022 and before 2300 hours on February 25, 2022 will be subject to an additional fee of US \$35. No entries will be accepted after 2300 hours on February 25, 2022.

**3.2.** REFUND POLICY – Entry fees will be reimbursed in full (less a \$25 processing fee) if (a) the regatta is canceled due to State, County or City guidelines. An individual may request a refund by emailing <a href="mailto:racecommittee@cqsc.org">racecommittee@cqsc.org</a> before 2300 hours on February 25, 2022.

#### 4. SCHEDULE

- **4.1.** A maximum of six (6) races may be sailed.
- **4.2.** The schedule of events is as follows:

Friday, February 25th

1530-1700 Check-In

1730 Competitors' Meeting

Saturday, February 26th

0800-0930 Late Check-in 1200 1st Warning Signal

Sunday, February 27th

1200 1st Warning Signal

No further Warning Signal shall be made. Awards ceremony as soon as practicable after racing.

**4.3.** The Race Committee may adjust the number of races each day to accommodate weather conditions.

# **5. MEASUREMENTS**

- **5.1.** All equipment must be class legal and may be checked at any time during the regatta. Each boat must be able to produce a valid measurement certificate for boat equipment and sails.
- 5.2. Skippers may be asked to show compliance with all safety gear as required by US Coast Guard (or competitors' home countries' requirements) and Class rules. Emphasis is drawn to Finn Class Rule C 5.2.1 (a) towing rope minimum 8 m long or not less than 8 mm in diameter, capable of floating. The towing rope must be readily available without contravening Rule C.6.1 (b).

# **6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- **6.1.** The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the event website by 1200 Wednesday, February 23, 2022 and provided to competitors at Check-In.
- **6.2.** All Regatta documents are at https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/23224# docs

# 7. COURSES & RACING AREA

- **7.1.** Courses will be determined by the Race Committee.
- **7.2.** The racing area will be on Biscayne Bay, approximately 1.5 nm SE of Coconut Grove Sailing Club.

#### 8. SCORING

- **8.1.** The Low Point Scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply, except that no scores will be excluded if fewer than five (5) races are completed. This changes RRS A2.
- **8.2.** Three (3) races must be completed to constitute a regatta.

#### 9. AWARDS

**9.1.** Trophies will be awarded for the top three (3) finishers overall.

# 10. PHOTOGRAPHY CONSENT

10.1. Competitors entering the regatta accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the racing and/or using CGSC's facilities. They consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media. This whether or not in conjunction with the competitors' name, without compensation, and without the competitors' approval of such images or any use thereof.

#### 11. COACHES AND NON RACE COMMITTEE BOATS

- **11.1.** All support boats and coaches must be capable of communicating with the Race Committee on VHF channels 16, 68, 69, 71, 72 and 73 while on the water during the event.
- **11.2.** If called upon, all such support and coach boats shall be required to act as rescue boats.
- 11.3. Coach Vessels shall register with CGSC during Registration, receive a flag, and sign a credit card authorization. Upon request, a mooring ball will be assigned for overnight use. The vessel will be charged \$80 if the flag is not returned at the end of the regatta. No coach vessel will be allowed on the course without a flag.

#### 12. PARKING AND STORAGE

**12.1.** Automotive vehicle parking on the CGSC grounds is restricted to CSGC Members only. Participants may bring their boats into the CGSC "Strip" area, as may be enlarged for the event, beginning on Friday, February 25, 2022. Extended storage on a space available basis may be requested in advance by contacting the CGSC office (305) 444-4571.

### 13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY/RISK

13.1. It is the competitor's decision to enter the regatta and to start or continue any race and each competitor is ultimately responsible for the risks of sailing and racing. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The competitor will accept full responsibility for all his/her actions during any activity related to the event. This includes all race preparation activities, racing, and post-race activities. Neither the Organizing Authority nor the Host Club will accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

# 14. INSURANCE

**14.1.** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with minimum coverage of US\$300,000.00 per event or the equivalent.

# 15. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **15.1.** CHARTERS. Charter information will be provided on the event website when/if available.
- **15.2.** TOWS. Courtesy tows to the racing area may be available in the vicinity of the launch area; however, it is the responsibility of each competitor to be at the start on time.
- **15.3.** HOSPITALITY. Competitors and their guests are invited to use club facilities on race days.
- **15.4.** ACCOMMODATION. Overnight camping at or in the vicinity of CGSC is not permitted. Nearby hotel information is provided below. Be sure to mention that you are competing in the Florida State Flnn Championship at the Ritz Carlton, as we are attempting to arrange special rates for the regatta dates.

The Ritz Carlton	3300 SW 27th Ave	305-644-4680	Two blocks away
The Mutiny Hotel	2951 S Bayshore Dr.	866-539-0036	Across street
Arya Hotel (old Sonesta)	2889 McFarlane Rd.	866-539-0036	One block away
Mayfair Hotel & Spa	3000 Florida Ave.	305 441-0000	Walking distance
Doubletree Hotel	2649 S. Bayshore Dr.	305-858-2500	Walking distance
Hampton Inn	2800 SW 28th Terrace	305-448-2800	1.5 miles
Holiday Inn	1350 S. Dixie Hwy.	305-667-5611	2.5 miles

# 16. REGATTA CONTACT INFORMATION

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