Doc Gilbert Potomac Cup Regatta
May 7-8, 2022
Hosted Potomac River Sailing Association and Lightning Fleet 50
Leesylvania State Park, Leesylvania, VA

NOTICE OF REGATTA

1   RULES
        These races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing.

2   ELIGIBILITY
2.1   The regatta is open to all boats of the Lightning and I-20 classes that conform to
        their class rules.
2.2   All competitors must register and pay the entry fee at
        http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/24462. Online registration and payment is
        required in order to be scored for the regatta.
2.3   Competitors are encouraged to register on or before noon May 4 in order to pay
        the reduced early registration fee.

3   ENTRY FEES
3.1   Paid on or before noon May 4:
                Lightning: $100
                I-20: $85
        Paid after noon May 4
                Lightning: $125
                I-20: $110
3.2   Entry fees include
        ● park entry for 1 car & boat (additional cars pay at the ranger station near
           park entrance),
        ● light breakfast on Saturday and Sunday,
        ● dinners (3 for Lightnings and 2 for I-20s) on Saturday,
        ● hot dogs after the racing on Sunday,
        ● beverages throughout the weekend.
        ● "make your own PB&J" station will also be available for lunches
        ● additional dinner tickets for Saturday can be purchased for $15 (please
           purchase additional dinner tickets *in advance* via the Regatta Network site
           so that we can be sure to have sufficient food on hand).

4　SCHEDULE

Friday, May 6
Park open until dusk for those wishing to arrive and set up early. To avoid I-95 rush hour, try to get there before 3:30 or after 7:00. Please park/leave your boat in the parking area near the launch cranes. All on shore regatta activities will take place in the pavilion at the end of the parking area near the cranes. Camping from Friday night to Saturday is permitted.

Saturday, May 7
Check in: 830 to 1000 in the pavilion (OJ & bagels will be provided)
competitors meeting: 1030
First warning signal: 1200
Dinner: 1800 in the pavilion area (approximate time)

Sunday, May 8
First warning signal: 1000
No warning after: 1400
Appetizers, hot dogs, and awards as soon as possible after the last race.

5　SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be posted to the event website at noon on May 4th: http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/24462 (please print your own copy)

6　VENUE & ACCOMMODATIONS

6.1　Leesylvania State Park is located just off I-95 south of Woodbridge, VA. Take exit 156 (approx. 14 miles south of the I-95/495/395 interchange aka the mixing bowl) and follow Route 784 East. Look for small brown signs for Leesylvania State Park. You'll merge onto Rt. 784E/Dale Blvd; go about a mile; turn right (south) onto Rt. 1; go 1 mile; take left onto Neabsco Creek Road; go 1.5 miles; turn right into park. Once in the park and after passing under the railroad bridge, look for the second parking lot with the cranes and just north of the park store. For Google maps or a GPS use 2001 Daniel K Ludwig Drive, Woodbridge, VA 22191.

6.2　Park Entry: the regatta entry fee covers the cost of 1 car and boat for the park. Fees for additional cars should be paid at the ranger station near the park entrance. An area for parking boats and competitor vehicles will be marked off with cones in the parking lot near the launch cranes.

6.3　Accommodations: tent camping is permitted in the area near the pavilion on Friday and Saturday nights. Overnight RV parking near the pavilion is allowed. In addition, Fleet 50 members cordially offer space and breakfast at some nearby homes. For details on staying with a Fleet 50 member please contact lightningfleet50@gmail.com. Inexpensive motels in the area include the Super8 – Dumfries (703-221-8838) and the Sleep Inn – Dumfries (703-445-0900). http://tinyurl.com/DocGilbert-NearbyHotels

7   RACING AREA
Racing area: the racing area will be in the middle of the Potomac River east of the launch cranes/docks.

8   SCORING
8.1   Six races are planned. One race must be completed to constitute a regatta
8.2   If four or fewer races are completed, no scores will be excluded. If five or more races are completed, one score will be excluded. This modifies rule A2.1

9   TIME LIMITS
9.1   The time limit for the first boat to reach the weather mark is thirty minutes. The time limit for the first boat to finish is one hour and thirty minutes.
9.2   Boats failing to finish within thirty minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored "TLE" and assigned points totaling 2 more than the number of boats finishing, but no worse than last. This changes rules 35, A4, A5, A7, and adds "TLE" to scoring abbreviations in A10.

10   PENALTY SYSTEM
10.1   RRS/US Appendix V1, (Penalty at the Time of an Incident) will apply.
10.2   Penalty taken after racing: RRS/US Appendix V2 will apply.

11   RADIO COMMUNICATION
Competitors will be permitted to use hand-held VHF radios to monitor a channel that will be specified in the sailing instructions.

11   AWARDS
11.1   Awards will be given to each member of the winning crews. Depth of awards will be based on the number of registered boats.
11.2   The Doc Gilbert Potomac Cup Trophy will be given to the highest placing Lightning Fleet 50 boat.
11.3   For members of the International Lightning Class Association's Chesapeake District, this is a Purnell Cup Regatta.

12   SUSTAINABILITY
This regatta has been certified as a "green regatta" via the Sailors for the Sea regatta certification and sustainability program. Please be mindful of your use of resources and of waste disposal and recycling while at the regatta. Please bring refillable water bottles to the regatta. In an effort to reduce waste, we will have large water coolers that you can use to refill your reusable water bottles.

13   FURTHER INFORMATION
Please contact Regatta Chair Nabeel (nabeel.alsalam@gmail.com)
with questions or visit the regatta website:
http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/24462