

WELCOME COMPETITORS

The Sarasota Sailing Squadron welcomes you to the 2023 Sarasota Sunshine Sunfish Clinic and Sunfish Reginal Championship! We have 45 boats entered and are looking forward to a great regatta weekend. Please review the information below to ensure you are well-informed of the "Logistics" plan for your arrival and the weekend.

Parking: The club intends to accommodate many boats on dollies inside the club's gates. To accomplish this, no vehicle or trailer storage will be permitted inside the club gates, and we do not have the room. Competitors must park on the large island lawn outside the club's entrance. Boats can be unloaded in that area and walked into the club on their dollies. Likely, all 45 boats will not fit inside the club so priority will be given on a first-come, first-served basis. We will do our best to accommodate everyone inside, but we need your help by tightly storing your boat next to your fellow competitors. The secondary launching and storage area will be outside the club in the public park. We'll be sure to have gate attendants present to help you with where to park. For most boats stored inside the club, please take a look at the map under Race Documents and place your boat in one designated area. Competitors' boats must refrain from interfering with the clubs' regular flow of club member traffic and boat access and use.

Coach boats: Coach boat launching and retrieval shall be made at the public boat ramp at Ken Thompson Park. After launching, coach boats may be rafted up on the south side of the long floating Squadron "C-Dock" for the weekend. The docking space associated with the Squadron boat ramp must remain free of coach boats. We will have a dock master in place that can assist you in determining where to dock. Our club members very much appreciate your cooperation in this regard!

Traffic: Downtown Sarasota is undergoing an extensive road construction project; please consider that in your planned travel time.

Camping: The City of Sarasota does not permit overnight camping at the Sailing Squadron or in Public City Parks.

Red tide algae bloom: The west coast of Florida continues to experience sporadic Red Tide algae blooms that come and go with no predictability. Depending on the wind and tide, this could lead to mild respiratory discomfort. It varies from day to day. The racing area in Sarasota Bay is currently Red Tide free and sailing practices and regattas have been taking place uninterrupted.