

NOTICE OF RACE MONK SMITH REGATTA VIPER 640 GULF COAST CHAMPIONSHIP SEISA – Florida/Alabama/Mississippi Great Oaks Qualifier (GO BAY-WAVELAND YACHT CLUB Bay St. Louis, MS OCTOBER 14-15, 2023



1) RULES

- a) Open: The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, GYA Regulations for Sanctioned Events, the Prescriptions of US Sailing, this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions. In the event of a conflict the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence.
- b) SEISA Qualifier "GOQ": The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the Prescriptions of US Sailing, the ISSA Procedural Rules, the SEISA District Rules, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.
- c) Applicable to SEISA Qualifier: In accordance with RRS 70.5(a), decisions of the protest committee are final. US SAILING's permission has been granted.
- d) The Organizing Authority (OA) is SEISA in conjunction with Bay-Waveland Yacht Club.
- e) Verbal Sailing Instructions will apply.

2) CLASSES & ELIGIBILITY

- a) Classes to be sailed: Viper 640 / VX1, Flying Scot, RS Aero, ILCA, Opti, Sunfish 3 boats to constitute a class.
- b) All entrants must complete the registration on Regatta Network:
- c) Great Oaks Qualifier (GOQ)
 - (1) GOQ: Fleet A Only: Club 420s will be BYOB (Bring Your Own Boat). B boats will be provided. Sails will be provided. Boats will not rotate.
 - (2) Competing schools must be members of ISSA and competitors must meet eligibility requirements as prescribed in the ISSA Procedural Rules.
 - (3) GOQ: A team sailing "A" Fleet may enter one (1) boat only which may have no fewer than two/no more than four sailors. Teams may enter additional "B" boats that will not compete for the GOQ.
 - (4) Responsible Adult Please see ISSA PR 1.3. Each high school team must have a designated adult chaperone to accompany competing sailors, who may be an advisor, coach or parent. The chaperone should be onsite at all times during racing/sailing and should be versed in the school's policies and requirements regarding concussions, and medical emergencies as well as RRS 4 (Decisions to Race).
 - (5) All competitors must be full time students, in the 8th-12th grades, of the school they represent. Teams (students) may not combine with teams (students) from another school to form a team.

3) ENTRIES & FEES

- a) Fees: \$65. All valid entries will be accepted by completing registration and making payment on Regatta Network by 1030 HRS on Saturday, October 14th, 2023.
- b) Great Oaks Qualifier: \$30 Fleet A/B will be sailed. Only Fleet A scores will be used in GOQ
 - i) Teams intending to participate please send email by Friday Oct. 7, 2022, indicating an Intent to Enter to Clinton Edwards and Dan Zwerg at: clintonedwards@bellsouth.net; dzwerg@ststan.com

4) SAFETY

a) All boats shall comply with USCG safety equipment regulations and class rules.

5) SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- a) Ten (10) races are scheduled.
- b) Great Oaks Qualifier: number of races determined by number of entries/rounds.
- c) Saturday
 - i) 1100 Competitors' Meeting

- ii) 1300 First Warning Signal of the Day
- d) Sunday
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 - ii) 1600 No race will Start after this Time
 - iii) Trophy Ceremony following all races

6) SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

a) Sailing Instructions will be available on Regatta Network.

7) SCORING

- a) Scoring will be the low point system of Appendix A. A competitor will be allowed to discard one (1) race, if six (6) or more races are scored.
- b) GOQ: The regatta will be scored in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules.
- c) GOQ: Protest & breakdown procedures will be per ISSA Procedural Rules.
- d) This regatta will utilize electronic RP Forms using the TechScore program. Each sailor's name should be entered in the school database on the ISSA website by FRIDAY prior to the event. Each team adult rep should have an account with TechScore for filing electronic RP forms. Please visit this link in advance to request an account: <u>http://hssailing.org/regattas/scoringprogram</u>.

8) Coaching & Spectators

a) GOQ - Team leaders, chaperones, coaches, parents, advisors, and other support personnel will be allowed to go afloat but must remain outside the course and start area. Coaching during the race will not be tolerated Modifies ISSA PR 8(a).

9) SAFETY – GOQ Only

- a) Please ensure that your sailors are dressed adequately for the conditions. Sailors not properly dressed may be sent to shore at the discretion of the race committee.
- b) At all times while on the docks or water, sailors must wear USCG approved type III life jackets, in good repair, except for a brief period of time in order to add or remove clothing.
- c) Except for team pinnies, life jackets shall be worn outside of all clothing.
- d) Team Pinnies may be required for this event at the discretion of the Race Committee.

10) .OFFICIAL NOTICES - GOQ ONLY

a) No competitor shall use, either on or off the water, marijuana, or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine and beer, each as defined in chapter 51 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use). An alleged breach of this procedural rule shall not be grounds for a protest. However, when a report is received from any source alleging such a breach, a protest committee consisting of the regatta chairperson, a member of the ISSA Board of Directors and the chairperson of the protest committee shall follow the process described in RRS 69.1. If a hearing under RRS 69.1 is held, a competitor found to have breached this procedural rule shall be excluded.

11) RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS - GOQ ONLY

a) By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

12) TROPHIES

- a) Trophies will be awarded to the top three (3) overall.
- b) The Monk Smith Trophy will be awarded to the highest placing BWYC member.

13) COMMUNICATION INFORMATION

- a) Bay-Waveland YC: 228.467.4592 <u>www.bwyc.org</u>
- b) Clinton Edwards: 228.342.6582 <u>clintonedwards@bellsouth.net</u>