2023 OD Family Regatta

Notice of Race

DESCRIPTION: This family-friendly event encourages and promotes families who sail together. The skipper/crew combination must be family members or Junior Program alumni. They can be of any age and relationship, such as, but not limited to, father-son, mother-daughter, wife-husband, grandparent-grandchild, siblings, cousins, etc. Juniors are welcome and encouraged! FBYC Junior Program alumni are welcome to single hand or race together regardless of relationship.

1. RULES

- **1.1** The organizing authority is Fishing Bay Yacht Club (FBYC).
- **1.2** Races are governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024*, except as changed by the Sailing Instructions which will take precedence.
- **1.3.** The sailing instructions will be posted online at www.fbyc.net on the event Regatta Network site *no later than* 0800 the day of the event.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- **2.1** Separate starts and scoring will be provided for One Design fleets with 3 or more like boats.
- **2.2** Flying Scot, Melges 15, and any class of any three like or unlike One-Design boats are invited to race. The Portsmouth Number (D-PN-2) handicapping system will be used to score classes of unlike boats. If there are fewer than three Portsmouth class boats they may participate in a parent class fleet (eg. Flying Scot) and race against them under the Portsmouth system. They will receive a Portsmouth score for this race day. One Design scoring and results will be unto themselves and unaffected by the Portsmouth participant(s).
- 2.3 The Family Regatta requires advance, online registration on RN for all competitors.
- **2.4** All entries must complete the required event registration on the Regatta Network (RN) by the end of the Skippers' Meeting and before the Committee Boat leaves the dock. Boats not registered will not be scored..
- **2.5** Sail Numbers: All boats will race using sail numbers as registered. Boats not using the registered sail number will not be scored for that race.

3. SCHEDULE

3.1 Event Schedule

- **1030** Skippers' Meeting will be on the lawn of the Main Clubhouse on the Fishing Bay side. The PRO will ring the bell by the Clubhouse multiple times to signal a meeting
- **1200** Warning Signal for the first race of each event, unless stated differently in the Sailing Instructions.

Following Racing A Bring-Your-Own food and drink gathering will take place on shore in the main clubhouse after racing.

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be posted online at www.fbyc.net/events/ on the event Regatta Network site no later than 0800 the day of the event.

5. RACING AREA

The racing area(s) will be in the Fishing Bay area and the mouth of the Piankatank River and specific designated area to be indicated in the event sailing instructions.

6. SCORING

The scoring system will be as defined in Sailing Instructions, except as modified by an individual addendum of the Event sailing instructions. All Portsmouth scoring will utilize DPN-2.

7. PRIZES Prizes will be given as follows and determined by the total number of boats starting.

DAILY AWARDS	MIN. # of BOATS
First	3
Second	5
Third	6

8. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in a regatta entirely at their own risk, per RRS Rule 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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.

9. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate, valid third-party liability insurance, or the equivalent.

10. CONDUCT OF PARTICIPANTS

- **10.1** The Skipper/Owner of each boat shall be responsible for all actions of his/her crew and guests.
- **10.2** In the event of a serious breach of conduct or sportsmanship, the destruction of property, or the failure to comply with a request of the Club Manager, a Club Officer, or a member of the FBYC Race Committee, the offending sailor may be evicted from the FBYC premises. The Skipper/Owner will be responsible for all damages, and the Race Committee may rescind the boat's entry at any time during the regatta.
- **10.3** The consumption of alcoholic beverages by underage crew members or guests will lead to the immediate disqualification of a boat from the event.

11. NOTICE TO VISITING BOATS

11.1 FBYC extends club privileges to visiting boats and crews participating in the events listed in the Special Sailing Instructions. Boats desiring to layover shall contact the General Manager at (804) 334-7575 upon arrival.