



Niagara Frontier & Lake Erie Thistle District Championship June 3-4, 2023

Organizing Authority: Rochester Canoe Club Fleet 46
2050 Bay Shore Blvd Rochester, NY 14622



Notice of Race (NoR)

Amended April 30, 2023

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The rules and bylaws of the Thistle Class Association (TCA) will apply.
- 1.3 RRS 40.1 shall be in effect. Each competitor shall wear a personal flotation device.
- 1.4 Appendix V, Alternative Penalties will be in effect.
- 1.5 RRS A4 and A5 are amended to add: A boat that has not met the definition of *start* five minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS).
- 1.6 RRS 35 is amended to add: Boats failing to finish within **20** minutes of the first boat to finish will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE).
- 1.7 RRS A4 is amended to add: The score for TLE is 2 points more than the number of boats that finished within the time limit.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available online at Regatta Network by June 1, 2023.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The event is open to all registered boats of the Thistle class that possess a valid measurement certificate.
- 3.2 Current membership in the Thistle Class Association is required for all skippers in the event.
- 3.3 Registrations will be accepted through the event website:
<https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25968> until 0900 on June 3.
- 3.4 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees. Payments may be submitted on the Regatta Network event site by credit card. Alternatively, checks made out to "Rochester Canoe Club" may be mailed to the RCC Purser at 215 Village Ln. Rochester, NY 14610. An entry is not complete until payment has been received.
- 3.5 This event is a Thistle Class National Championship qualifier for the Niagara Frontier **and Lake Erie districts**.

4 COMMUNICATION

- 4.1 The official notice board will be on the south wall of the RCC clubhouse interior.
- 4.2 On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 4.3 From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of each day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

5 FEES

- 5.1 Entry fee is \$60 if received by May 20, 2023. **Registration fee is \$85 if received after May 20.** The registration fee includes (for three team members): beverages, light breakfast on Saturday, lunch and hors d'oeuvres on Saturday, and light breakfast on Sunday. *Please bring your own reusable water bottles. Reusable cups are strongly encouraged for use on shore. Bottled water will not be provided.*
- 5.2 Additional Fees
 - 5.2.1 Saturday dinners may be purchased for \$18 each on Regatta Network. Meat and vegetarian options will be provided.
 - 5.2.2 Additional Saturday lunches for family members and guests may be purchased for \$5 each on Regatta Network. This includes Saturday lunch as well as breakfasts and beverages.

6 SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 3

0800 - 0900 Breakfast, Registration/Check-in
0915 Competitor's Meeting
1030 First Warning Signal
Multiple races are planned to be sailed with lunch on the water
Hors d'oeuvres and dinner after racing

Sunday, June 4

0800 Breakfast available
0830 Competitor's Meeting
0930 First Warning Signal
Multiple races are planned to be sailed
On Sunday, no warning signal will be made after 1500 hours.

7 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 7.1 Boats and equipment must be compliant with current TCA rules.
- 7.2 Boats may be inspected at any time during the event for measurement and safety compliance.
- 7.3 Boats shall carry a functional tow line.**

8 VENUE

The regatta will be sailed from the Rochester Canoe Club on the waters of Irondequoit Bay or Lake Ontario.

9 COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be specified in the SIs. The courses will be windward – leeward, triangles, or combinations thereof.

10 SCORING

The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A, will apply. One race will constitute a series. No race scores will be excluded.

11 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk; See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, illness, disease or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

12 INSURANCE

The organizing authority recommends that each competitor shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

13 AWARDS

Prizes will be given as follows:

- Top five overall finishers
- First through Fifth place Niagara Frontier District Championship perpetual trophies will be awarded to the top five finishers of the Niagara Frontier District.
- **The top finishing team from the Lake Erie District will receive the Lake Erie District Championship perpetual trophy.**
- Other awards may be given at the discretion of the Regatta Coordinators.

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

Event website: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25968>

Club website: <https://rochestercc.org>

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Additional Information

The following information is not a part of the Notice of Race but may be helpful in planning your visit to Rochester:

- Camping during the regatta is allowed at RCC in limited designated areas. Restrooms and one outdoor shower will be available.
- Local hotel rooms are available in many price ranges.
- Rooms, apartments, and houses are listed at <https://www.airbnb.com>
- RCC is located 15 miles from Frederick Douglass Greater Rochester Int'l Airport (ROC).
- Uber and Lyft services are available throughout the area.