

50th Hobie® Gunpowder Points Regatta and Hobie Wave Division 11 Championships, Chase, MD

May 6-May 7, 2023

Notice of Race

Organizing Authority: Hobie Fleet 54 is the organizing authority.

Rules: Racing shall be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of US Sailing and the class rules of the International Hobie Class Association. Competitors are reminded that per IHCA class rule 26, at least one crew member per boat shall be a paid member of the Hobie Class Association. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

Eligibility and Entry: This event is open to all class legal Hobie Waves. Hobie 14's, Hobie 16's – A and B Fleet depending on registration, Hobie 17's, Hobie 18's and A Cats.

Fees:

Double handed: \$ 50

Single handed: \$ 40

Youth: **free** (Youth are defined as all crew under the age of 21 years as of December 31 of the year the event begins.)

HCANA membership required for points and **free** if skipper's first Hobie regatta. An additional fee to defray the insurance costs for non-Hobie membership is \$25. Hobie (HCANA) membership is \$55.

Charter/borrowed boats available by prior arrangement (before 4/23). Please contact Dan Flanigan, if interested - 410-303-0663 or dpf135@msn.com.

Registration on Regatta Network: [Notices To Competitors \(regattanetwork.com\)](http://regattanetwork.com) and on Division 11 website

Schedule:

Saturday

First race not before 11:00 AM

Sunday

First race not before 10:00 AM

Communication with competitors will be through electronic email and/or text message or VHF radio communication.

One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When more than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

The objective is 3-5 races per day. There is no maximum number of races scheduled.

Sailing Instructions: Sailing instructions on event page in Regatta Network and available on Division 11 website and on site.

Venue: Gunpowder Falls State Park – Hammerman Area, Chase, MD 21227. Sailing will take place on the Gunpowder River. Just off Rte 95 to Rte 43 to Rte 40 East. Follow for 7/10th of a mile and take a right onto Ebenezer Road. Go 4.2 miles and turn left into the park.

Radio communication

Competitors may bring and use VHF radios. Their use and restrictions shall be described in the Sailing Instructions.

PRIZES: Prizes will be given for 3 places in all classes. Prizes may be given for additional places depending on the class registration.

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY: Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, 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.

Liability

Insurance: Each participating boat shall have current third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of not less than \$100,000 USD. Proof of insurance may be required at registration.

Further information: General information contact: Daniel Flanigan 410-303-0663 or dpf135@msn.com.

Additional information

Accommodations: Camping on-site and rest room facilities are available. Camping is permitted Friday and Saturday nights. **Park gates close at 11pm sharp!**

Entry fee to park must be paid on entering and re-entering the park, when staffed. Please support the park!

“Pets on leashes are welcome, except on the sandy portion of Hammerman Beach, concession stand, restrooms, and playgrounds” per the State Park requirements.

Dinner: A chicken dinner is available on Saturday evening for \$25 with reservations prior to close of registration or by emailing Daniel Flanigan at dpf135@msn.com.

Additional accommodation options are available nearby in White Marsh, MD.

All levels of sailors encouraged to attend. Beginner’s welcome! Bring a friend!

Mentors are available upon request to assist with boat setup, rigging, racing rules, rules of road and general assistance throughout weekend.

A racing overview will be conducted prior to racing on Saturday if there is interest. A racing debrief will be offered before dinner on Saturday.