2024 FINN US NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

May $16^{th} - 19^{th}$, 2024

Pass Christian Yacht Club

120 S Market St., Pass Christian, Mississippi, USA

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 The sailing instructions will be available on the event website, on the official notice board and printed copies at registration.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The race committee will be on VHF channel 68.
- 3.2 The race committee will make broadcast over the VHF which will include notifications of OCS boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to boats of the Finn Class whose skipper is a member of the Finn Class Association as of the first day of the regatta.
- 4.2 Boats may enter the event by registering online at **<u>REGATTA NETWORK.</u>**
- 4.3 Online entries will be accepted until May 15th 2024.
- 5. FEES

Early Entry	\$100.00	Paid before April 16 th 2024
Regular Entry	\$150.00	Paid between April 17 th – May 15 th 2024

6. SCHEDULE

Wednesday	May 15 th	1800	Entry Deadline .
Thursday	May 16 th	1200 - 1800	Registration, Measurement, Inspections
		1800	Hors D'oeuvres served in bar area .
		0800 -1000 1000	Registration, Measurement, Inspections Check In Closes
Friday	May 17 th	1100	Competitors' Meeting
		1225	Warning Signal for 1 st Race of day
		After racing	- Hors D'oeuvres served in bar area .
		1000	Competitors' Meeting
Saturday	May 18 th	1125	Warning Signal for 1 st Race of day
		After racing	- Hors Doeuvres and Dinner in bar area .
		1000	Competitors' Meeting
Sunday	May 19 th	1125	Warning Signal for 1 st Race of day

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After racing - Hors D'oeuvres and Trophy Presentation

A maximum of ten (10) races are scheduled: three (3) races on Friday four (4) on Saturday

three (3) on Sunday.

The Race Committee may run fewer or more races per day at its discretion.

- 7. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION
 - 7.1 Each boat shall produce, on request, a valid measurement certificate for the boat and sails.
 - 7.2 Boats must comply with current class rules and specifications.
 - 7.3 Sails may be required to show stamp and date of measurement.
 - 7.4 Skippers may be asked to show compliance with all safety gear as required by US Coast Guard and Class Rules.
 - 7.5 Additional measurement checks may be conducted during the regatta at the discretion of the organizing authority.
 - 7.6 Emphasis is drawn to Finn Class Rule C5.2.1(a) towing rope minimum 8m long of not less than 8mm in diameter, capable of floating. The towing rope must be readily available without contravening Rule C.6.1
- 8. VENUE
 - 8.1 The event venue will be directly in front of the club approximately 1 mile off the shore.
- 9. COURSE
 - 9.1 The courses to be sailed will be a windward/leeward configuration as described in the sailing instructions.
- 10. SCORING
 - 10.1 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
 - 10.2 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - 10.3 When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

11.1 If called upon, support person vessels will be required to act as recue boats.

- 12. SAFETY
 - 12.1 RRS 40.1 applies at all times while afloat.
 - 12.1.1 A competitor shall wear a personal floatation device (PFD) to the Minimum standard EN393 or ISO 12402-5 Level 50.
 - 12.2 It is the responsibility solely of the competitor to decide if they should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event.

13. PRIZES

13.1 Prizes shall be awarded to the top five finishers overall; top youth (under 21),

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top Great Grandmaster (over 60) and top Legend (over 70). At the discretion of the OA, other categories may also be recognized.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

Any additional information is available by contacting Tom Duffy – PCYC Sailing Director <u>Tduffy228@gmail.com</u> 228-596-7623