



## **Sarasota Sunshine Sunfish Regatta Sarasota Sailing Squadron (SSS)**

**February 10 & 11, 2024**

### **Notice of Race**

#### **1. RULES**

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the international Sunfish Class Association and the United States Sunfish Class Association.
- 1.2. The US SAILING prescriptions to RRS 32, 60.3, 61.4, 67, 76.1 and Appendix R will apply and are contained in their entirety at: <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/rules-officiating/racing-rules/>
- 1.3. RRS 40.1 shall be in effect. Each competitor shall wear a USCG personal flotation device at all times while on the water.
- 1.4. Appendix V, Alternative Penalties will be in effect.

#### **2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 2.1. The regatta is open to Sunfish class boats.
- 2.2. Eligible competitors must register online through Regatta Network. Event website: <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/27355>

#### **3. REGISTRATION AND FEES**

- 3.1. The Registration schedule is listed in the Schedule section.
- 3.2. Only paid registrants will be considered registered.
- 3.3. The entry fee is \$130 for the Regatta.
- 3.4. Registration Late Fees - \$25 – will be assessed per the schedule below.
- 3.5. Registration is capped at 50 Sunfish.
- 3.6. Regatta Fee includes Saturday Dinner.
- 3.7. Guest dinners can be purchased for \$20 through Regatta Network
- 3.8. Regatta Fee includes coffee & light breakfast.

#### **4. CHARTERS**



4.1. Charters will not be available.

**5. MEASUREMENT**

5.1. Each boat must conform to the Sunfish Class Rules.

**6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

6.1. Sailing Instructions for the Regatta will be available online on the Official Notice Board no later than the date and time in the schedule below.

6.2. There will be no paper copies of the Sailing Instructions.

**7. COMMUNICATION**

7.1. The Official Notice board is located online at the event website.

<http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/27355>

7.2. Sunfish class rules prohibit boats while racing to use a working VHF radio capable of both receiving and transmitting communications.

7.3. While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that are not available to all boats.

**8. SCHEDULE**

SARASOTA SUNSHINE Sunfish Regatta Schedule		
Date	Time	Activity
Monday, February 5, 2024	12:00 a.m.	Early Registration closes, Registration late fee starts
Thursday, February 8, 2024	8:00 p.m.	Sailing Instructions posted to official notice board
Saturday February 10, 2024	8:00 a.m.	Gates open and Onsite Check-in
	9:15 a.m.	Competitors' Meeting at the SSS Pavilion
	10:55 a.m.	Warning signal for the first race of the day; multiple races to follow. BYO Water
Sunday February 11, 2024	After Racing	Dinner; Included in Registration Fee
	9:55 a.m.	Warning signal for the first race of the day; multiple races to follow. BYO Water
	2:00 p.m.	After this time, no races will be started

**9. VENUE**

9.1. If you plan on arriving prior to Saturday, February 10, 2023, please email to the Regatta Chairperson at [meib2018@gmail.com](mailto:meib2018@gmail.com) for instructions. Logistical information including timelines will be posted to regatta network in mid-January.

9.2. Racing will take place on Sarasota Bay north of Sarasota Sailing Squadron.

9.3. Vehicle parking is at no charge in the Ken Thompson city park just outside the SSS entrance.

9.4. Empty trailer parking will be available.

**10. AWARDS**

10.1. Prizes will be awarded to the top three competitors, top women and top youth. Sailors not reaching the age of 19 by the end of 2024 shall be classified as a youth



## 11. RISK STATEMENT

The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone. It is the sole responsibility of each participant to decide whether or not to start or continue a race, or to participate or continue to participate in any on-the-water event. Competitors participate in Sarasota Sailing Squadron events entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3 Decision to Race. By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.** Each competitor, by participation, agrees to sail and utilize the Sarasota Sailing Squadron facilities at his/her own risk. Neither the Sarasota Sailing Squadron nor persons assisting in the conduct of races or other on-the-water activities shall be liable for damage or injuries incurred during participation in racing or other activities. It is known and understood that all participants, skippers, crew, and guests, accept the Sailing Instructions and all personal risks.

## 12. INSURANCE

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

## 13. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 13.1. Event website: <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/27355>
- 13.2. Regatta Chairperson  
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- 13.3. Sarasota Sailing Squadron  
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