



Sunfish



Sunfish Race to Lavallette Yacht Club

A Feeder Race to the Host Club of the 2024 Sunfish North American Championships

From Toms River Yacht Club to Lavallette Yacht Club

SUNDAY June 2, 2024

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: TOMS RIVER YACHT CLUB & LAVALETTE YACHT CLUB

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

1.1. The event will be governed by the "rules" as defined by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of US Sailing, the rules of the Sunfish class, and by the Sailing Instructions. In case of a discrepancy between the NOR and the SIs, the SIs govern.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available on-line via <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/28101> as of May 24, 2024.

Copies will also be available at the Race Committee desk and will be posted on the Official Notice Board on the second floor of Seibert Sailing Center of the Toms River Yacht Club on the day of the event.

3. COMMUNICATION

3.1. VHF Radios are permitted on board boats. From prior to the first warning signal until a boat has finished the race, a boat may communicate with the Race Committee by radio on VHF channel 68 in case of an emergency. However, a boat shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1. This event is open to all boats of the Sunfish class. Sunfish class divisions are: Open Sunfish and Sunfish Youth. (Youth is defined as under 19 on day of event.)

4.2. Online Registration can be found at <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/28101> Registration is available online only.

4.3. To be considered an entry in the event, boats must complete registration including the payment of fees before 1159 May 29, 2024. There will be no on-site registration.

4.4. All boats must check in with the Race Committee at the Race Committee desk located on the second floor of the Seibert Sailing Center at Toms River Yacht Club before 8:45 am June 2 or their registration will be considered incomplete, and they will not be eligible to race.

5. FEES

5.1 Entry fee is as follows: \$50.00 per sailor via advance online registration, to be completed by 1159 May 29, 2024.

5.2 Fee includes the race, regatta T-shirt, continental breakfast, beverages, post-race snacks and awards.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

6.1. Registration will be open online only to May 29, 2024.

6.2. On the Day of the Event:

0730 to 0845 Check-in & Breakfast

0900 Skippers Meeting

0915 to 0945 Launch Sunfish, load and transport dollies, boat, spar and blade covers to Lavallette Yacht Club

1057 First Warning Sunfish Class

1100 Start Sunfish Class

*** Any boat that does not start within 30 minutes of the start of its class shall be scored as DNC. No exceptions. Upon completion of the race post-race lunch and awards ceremony to be held shortly after at Lavallette Yacht Club.

7. BOATS, EQUIPMENT AND CLOTHING

7.1. Competitors will be responsible for their boats being in compliance with class rules.

7.2 All boats must carry a 25' tow line. Safety inspections may be performed by event organizer. It is strongly recommended that all boats carry adequate water for the duration of the race, and that sailors wear and use adequate sun protection. It is estimated the Race will take 2 - 3 hours for Sunfish.

7.3 RRS 40.1 is in effect: US Coast Guard approved PFDs must be worn by all sailors while on the water, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.

8. VENUE

8.1 The race will be a point-to-point race sailed on the Toms River and Barnegat Bay using yellow or red inflatable marks, government marks and BBYRA Barrel Marks from Toms River to Lavallette, NJ.

9. COURSE

9.1. The start will be a line between the Signal Flag Staff on the Toms River Yacht Club Dock and an orange inflatable on the Toms River as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

9.2 After starting, the following marks shall be rounded or passed in the following order.

(a) BBYRA "F" Barrel passed to port,

(b) Pass through any opening of the Thoms A. Mathis and J. A. Stanley Tunney Bridges (Mathis/Tunney Bridges), East or West of the Main Channel (ICW).

Sailors are barred from sailing the Main Channel under the Bridge Opening.

Sailing under the Bridge Opening, the Main Channel will result in disqualification.

(c) BBYRA "U" Barrel passed to port

9.3 The finish will be between a Staff with a Blue Flag on the Lavallette Yacht Club Dock and a No Wake Buoy to the south of the Lavallette Yacht Club Dock as indicated in the SIs.

9.4 The Race Committee may shorten the race at any of the rounding/passing marks of the course.

9.5 Time limit for boats to finish after the first boat starts, sails the course and finishes shall be one (1) hour.

9.6 The time limit for the race is three and one half (3.5) hours.

9.7 In accordance with RRS 42.3(i) a boat may use any other means of self-propulsion provided it does not gain a significant advantage in the race in order to transit under the Mathis & Tunney Bridges (The Bridges).

The area where this is permissible is from three boat lengths south of The Bridges to three boat lengths north of The Bridges.

10. SCORING

10.1. The scoring system will follow RRS Appendix A, except: Scoring will be by finish time of each boat, with least elapsed time scoring first, etc.

11. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

11.1. Any Support Person Vessels (safety boat) that is on the course to support an individual boat is requested to report to the Race Committee before 0945, and to monitor the Safety Boat channel, and to be prepared to offer assistance to any competitor in need. (RRS 1.1). A boat accepting assistance under RRS Fundamental Rule 1.1 is exempt from the provisions of RRS 41 Outside Help.

12. RISK STATEMENT

12.1. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' 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.

13. AWARDS

13.1 Top 5 Sunfish, First Youth. All competitors to receive a certificate with their name and individual finish time.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

14.1 Event Co-Chairs:

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HELPFUL NOTES ON ATTENDING THE EVENT

DAY PRIOR TO THE EVENT - BOAT DROP-OFF

Boats can be dropped off Saturday June 1st between 1600-1900. Please make arrangements with the Toms River Yacht Club Office (732) 929-9809 or tryc@tryc.comcastbiz.net

MORNING OF THE EVENT - BOAT LAUNCH

At TRYC ramp from 0915 to 0945. Sunfish Dollies, Boat, Spar & Blade covers will be loaded on to a trailer for transport to Lavallette YC. Dollies will be delivered to the beach at Lavallette YC for finishing boats to land.

RETURN TO TOMS RIVER YACHT CLUB

After finishing and subsequent to the Awards ceremony transportation for the competitors to return to Toms River Yacht Club will be provided to the competitors.