2025 Family & Junior Alumni Regatta Notice of Race

Saturday, May 24, 2025

1. DESCRIPTION:

1.1 This family-friendly event encourages and promotes families who sail together. The skipper/crew combination must be family members or Junior Program alumni. They can be of any age and relationship, such as, but not limited to, father-son, mother-daughter, wife-husband, grandparent-grandchild, siblings, cousins, etc. Juniors are welcome and encouraged! FBYC Junior Program alumni are welcome to single hand or race together regardless of the relationship.

2. RULES

- 2.1 The organizing authority is Fishing Bay Yacht Club (FBYC).
- **2.2** Races are governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028*, except as changed by the Sailing Instructions which will take precedence.
- **2.3.** This event will use the Sailing Instructions posted on the event Regatta Network (RN) site *no later than* 0800 the day of the event.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- **3.1** Melges 15, Flying Scot where skipper and crew are of a family relationship. FBYC Junior Program alumni are welcome to single hand or race together regardless of relationship.
- **3.2** Separate starts and scoring will be provided for fleets with 3 or more boats.
- **3.3** All entries will complete a required event registration on the Regatta Network (RN). Completed registration for each series event shall be listed in RN by the end of the Skippers' Meeting or, on a day when there is no Skippers' Meeting, before the Warning signal of the first race.
- **3.4** Classes with fewer than 3 boats will be started and scored together as a Portsmouth (DPN-2) class. When fewer than three Portsmouth boats participate, they may start with a pre-designated One Design fleet but will not be scored. One Design scoring and results will be unto themselves and unaffected by the Portsmouth participant(s).
- **3.5** Sail Numbers: All boats will race using sail numbers as registered. Competitors may temporarily compete with sail numbers different than those under which the boat is registered, provided the competitor informs the Race Committee signal boat of the alternate sail number not later than the warning signal for the first fleet to start.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

4.1 Event Schedule

1030 Skippers' Meeting, when held, will be on the lawn of the Main Clubhouse on the Fishing Bay side. The PRO will ring the bell by the Clubhouse multiple times to signal a meeting

1200 Warning Signal for the first start.

Followed by subsequent races.

Followed by beverages, snacks and awards as soon as practicable after racing.

4.2 No warning signal will be made after 1600.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

5.1 Sailing Instructions will be posted online at the event Regatta Network site no later than 0800 the day of the event.

6. RACING AREA

6.1 The racing area(s) will be in the Fishing Bay area and the mouth of the Piankatank River and specific designated area to be indicated in the event sailing instructions.

7. SCORING

7.1 The scoring system will be as defined in Sailing Instructions except as modified by an individual addendum of the Event sailing instructions. All Portsmouth scoring will utilize DPN-2.

8. PRIZES

8.1 Prizes will be given as follows and determined by the total number of boats starting.

DAILY AWARDS	MIN. # of BOATS	SERIES AWARDS	
First	3	First	3
Second	5	Second	5
Third	6	Third	7
		Fourth	10

9. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

9.1 Competitors participate in a regatta entirely at their own risk, per RRS Rule 3, 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.

10. INSURANCE

10.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate, valid third-party liability insurance, or the equivalent.

11. CONDUCT OF PARTICIPANTS

- **11.1** The Skipper/Owner of each boat shall be responsible for all actions of his/her crew and guests.
- **11.2** In the event of a serious breach of conduct or sportsmanship, the destruction of property, or the failure to comply with a request of the Club Manager, a Club Officer, or a member of the FBYC Race Committee, the offending sailor may be evicted from the FBYC premises. The Skipper/Owner will be responsible for all damages, and the Race Committee may rescind the boat's entry at any time during the regatta.
- **11.3** The consumption of alcoholic beverages by underage crew members or guests will lead to the immediate disqualification of a boat from the event.

12. NOTICE TO VISITING BOATS

12.1 FBYC extends club privileges to visiting boats and crews participating in the events listed in the Special Sailing Instructions. Boats desiring to layover shall contact the General Manager at (804) 334-7575 upon arrival.