

2011 US SAILING Chubb US Junior Sailing Championships Area K Semi-Finals for

The US Junior Triplehanded Championship for the Sears Cup
The US Junior Doublehanded Championship for the Bemis Trophy
The US Junior Singlehanded Championship for the Smythe Trophy



Organized by — US SAILING
Co-Hosted by —

Traverse Area Community Sailing (TACS) & The Grand Traverse Yacht Club (GTYC)



NOTICE OF RACE

1 - RULES —

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Prescriptions of US SAILING.
- 1.2 The following documents shall apply:
 - a) US SAILING Regulation 10.
 - b) The Conditions for the United States Junior Sailing Championships.
 - c) The US SAILING Championship Support Vessel Policy. http://championships.ussailing.org/ Youth/Coaching_and_Support_Vessels.htm
- 1.3 These Championships are not being conducted as a sanctioned or class association event. Only the Equipment Measurement Rules for the Interlake, C420 and Laser classes will apply. However, US SAILING encourages sailors to join the Interlake, C420 and Laser class Associations to support their efforts.
- 1.4 Racing rules will be changed as follows (These changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.)
 - a) RRS 40 is changed so that competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard (USCG) approved Type III or V Personal Floatation Device (PFD), inherently buoyant (i.e. not inflatable) while on the water, except for brief periods while changing clothing.
- b) RRS 60.1(a) is changed to prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged breach of any class rule other than class equipment measurement rules.
- c) RRS 61.1(d) is added so that a boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the race committee finish boat of her intention as soon as possible after finishing, including the identification number of the boat(s) being protested.
- d) RRS 64.1 is changed to allow penalties imposed by the Protest Committee for breaking RRS 60.3 to range from a reprimand to a dismissal from the regatta.

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2 - ADVERTISING —

- 2.1 Advertising will be restricted to Category A.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.
- 3 DISCIPLINES The regatta shall include the following disciplines utilizing the following class compliant equipment —

- Singlehanded BYOB Laser Radial

Doublehanded BYOB Club 420 w/ Spinnaker and Trapeze

- Triplehanded Borrowed Interlake (a minimum of three entries are required or this fleet will

NOT be sailed)

4 - ELIGIBILITY —

- 4.1 Competitors must have reached their 13th birthday but not their 19th birthday during the calendar year in which the event is held.
- 4.2 Competitors must be individual or family members of US SAILING at the time of their respective first qualification event.
- 4.3 The helm must be a member of a Local Sailing Organization (LSO) that is a member of its Regional Sailing Association (RSA) and US SAILING.
- 4.4 For the Doublehanded and Triplehanded Championships other crew member(s) must be members of a LSO within the same RSA as the helm.
- 4.5 All the members of a crew shall reside in or regularly compete in the same RSA where the club is geographically located.
- 4.6 An Alternate is named on the entry form at the first level of competition, and may not be changed in the competitive year.

5 - QUALIFICATION —

- 5.1 A Team is defined as all contestants listed on the entry form for a specific LSO, except the alternate.
- 5.2 The skipper must remain the same throughout the series of qualifying events within and through his/her Area Qualifying event and including the National Championship. If the skipper is unable to continue, then the runner-up team will be named to replace the winning team.
- 5.3 A crew member may be substituted for with the named Alternate, with the approval of the Protest Committee, or if between events, by the next-level Protest Committee. Once so named, the alternate shall compete as a named member of the team for the rest of the competitive year. An alternate, once used, may not be replaced or substituted for, without the written permission of the next level Protest Committee prior to the event.

6 - REGISTRATION and ENTRY —

- 6.1 Registration may only be made by completing the online forms at the event website http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/ChubbJrChampionships/AreaElims_NOR.htm
- 6.2 Registrations shall be submitted online no later than midnight (EDT), Thursday, June 30th.
- 6.3 If requested by the Organizing Authority, an applicant shall send a copy of his or her birth certificate or passport to complete the application.
- 6.4 The entry fee, schedule below, includes continental breakfast, lunch, and dinner for 4 days and a regatta t-shirt. Single-\$125 Double-\$250 Triple-\$375.

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- 6.5 The entry fee shall be paid by credit card online at the time of registration.
- 6.6 A completed entry is defined as all forms having been completed on-line and all appropriate entry forms having been received by the host club by Thursday, June 30th.
- 6.7 No refunds of the entry fee will be made after Thursday, June 30th.
- 6.8 Housing is <u>NOT</u> provided and is required for all competitors.

7 - BORROWED BOATS —

- 7.1 Boats for the Triplehanded discipline will be borrowed. Competitors are reminded that they are not covered or protected by the Borrowed Boat Insurance Program, which exists to protect the owner of the boat, not the sailors/borrowers.
- 7.2 Competitors are responsible for ensuring the boats are in shipshape condition each day after racing.
- 8 SCHEDULE NOTE Participation in all meals and regatta events is mandatory.

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Tuesday	Jul 05	0800 - 1300	Registration
		1300	Clinic and borrowed boat orientation
		1700	Competitors Meeting
Wednesday	Jul 06	1030	First Warning
Thursday	Jul07	1030	First Warning
Friday	Jul08	1030	First Warning (no warning past 1330 hrs)
			Awards (following racing)

- **9 CLINIC** will be held preceding the championship elimination. The purpose will be to familiarize the competitors with the local conditions and probable race course. The clinic will include a practice race. Coaches for the clinic will be provided through US SAILING. Permission to miss the clinic must be requested of the Area Representative (provide name and e-mail) in writing and in advance and will only be granted for extenuating circumstances.
- **10 MEASUREMENT** Each boat shall comply with the equipment measurement rules of its class and may be inspected for compliance at any time during the regatta at the discretion of the Protest Committee.

11 - TRIPLEHANDED DISCIPLINE —

- 11.1 For this discipline ONLY, every effort will be made to conduct the event as a full round robin. (one race for each entry or two races if the entry is from 3 5 teams)
- 11.2 Teams shall not in any way adjust standing rigging of any boat in a round robin series before or during the event, except with the prior consent of the Protest Committee.
- 11.3 Teams shall not clean the bottoms of wet-sailed boats during an event without the prior consent of the Protest Committee.
- 11.4 Each skipper will be supplied with a yellow breakdown flag.
- **12 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** will be available at registration and possibly on the event website.
- 13 VENUE The regatta will be sailed on West Grand Traverse Bay. (see Attachment A, p.6)
- **14 LAUNCHING & BERTHING** Early arrival and late departure at the venue will not be permitted. The arrival/departure policy will be sent to all competitors.



15 - PENALTY SYSTEMS — Appendix P – Special Procedures for Rule 42 will apply.

16 - SCORING —

- 16.1 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2 For the Single & Doublehanded disciplines ten (ten) races are scheduled.
- 16.3 For the Triplehanded discipline the total number of races will depend on the number of entries.
- 16.4 When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 16.5 When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

17 - PROTEST AND APPEALS —

- 17.1 Under rule 70.5(a), there shall be no appeal of the decision of a protest or request for redress. However, a decision following a hearing under rule 69.1(a) may be appealed.
- 17.2 The time limit in RRS 65.2 is changed as follows A *party* to the hearing is entitled to receive the above information in writing, provided she asks for it in writing and hand-delivers her request to a member of the protest committee no later than the protest time limit on the last day of racing or one hour after being informed of the decision, whichever is later. The committee shall then, within two hours, hand-deliver the information to the *party*, including when relevant, a diagram of the incident prepared or endorsed by the committee.
- 17.3 RRS 66 is changed as follows: A hearing may be reopened when the protest committee decides that it may have made a significant error, or when significant new evidence becomes available within a reasonable time.

18 - COACHING —

- 18.1 This is a Grade 2 Event as defined in the US SAILING Championship Support Vessel Policy.
- 18.2 Except as provided in the policy specified above, instructors, coaches and other support personnel and family members shall not go afloat in the defined racing area at any time during the clinic or racing.
- 18.3 Outside contact with competitors is prohibited on clinic and racing days commencing with the competitor's arrival at the host club and shall continue until dismissed by the clinic coach on clinic days, or released by the Protest Committee on racing days. Outside contact is defined as a parent, family member, spectator, or coach. Competitors shall not receive advice, instruction, or any type of outside assistance (other than that provided by USSailing) including electronic communication devices while at the sailing venue during the clinic and racing days. It is the intent of this rule to prohibit contact between competitors and any person, who, in the opinion of the Protest Committee, is a coach, instructor or advisor.
- 18.4 The coaches provided by US SAILING will offer individual on-the-water instruction and group commentary/advice on land following each racing day. This coaching will be given to all competitors on an as equal basis as possible.
- 18.5 The Protest Committee may protest and disqualify a competitor for breaking the rules of NOR 18 from all races on the day of the infringement.

19 - PERSONAL FLOATATION DEVICES (PFDs) AND PERSONAL EQUIPMENT —

19.1 - Competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard (USCG) approved personal flotation device (PFD) while on the water other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. The PFD shall

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either be a USCG Type III or Type V device that depends 100% on foam for flotation. No modifications of the PFD are permitted. The PFD must be worn outside of all clothing except that a thin shirt may be worn over the PFD to prevent snagging.

- 19.2 The only gear, rigging, or equipment that a team may take aboard a boat shall be: magnetic card compass, flags, plastic bucket or bailer, normally equipped ditty-bag, personal effects, including PFDs and protective clothing. For the events using the C420, permission is granted to bring Fast-pins, and the competitors are required to bring their own trapeze harnesses.
- 19.3 Electronic fluxgate compasses and GPS devices of all varieties, styles and combinations are specifically banned.

20 - PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES —

- 20.1 No competitor shall use, either on or off the water, marijuana or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine and beer, each as defined in chapter 51 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use).
- 20.2 An alleged breach of this requirement shall not be grounds for a protest. However, when the protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached the above requirement, it shall follow the process described in RRS 69.1, and a competitor found to have breached this requirement shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed from the regatta venue and sent home. The competitor's boat shall be disqualified from all races of the series.
- 21 CONDUCT OF COMPETITORS All competitors are expected to maintain the highest levels of conduct throughout the entire event. Enforcement of discipline and conduct shall be conducted as per RRS 69.1 and the policies and procedures of USSailing Regulation 15.01. An alleged breach of this requirement shall not be grounds for a protest. However, when the protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached the above requirement, it shall follow the process described in RRS 69.1 and a competitor found to have breached this requirement shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed from the regatta venue and sent home. The competitor's boat shall be disqualified from all races of the series.

22 - PRIZES —

- 22.1 For the triplehanded discipline, the top finishing team will qualify for the US SAILING Chubb US Junior Sailing Triplehanded Championship.
- 22.2 For the single & doublehanded disciplines, the top two (2) finishing teams in each discipline will qualify for the US SAILING Chubb US Junior Sailing Single & Doublehanded Championships.

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— FURTHER INFORMATION —

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Attachment A —2011 Area K Sears/Bemis/Smythe Qualifier — Racing Area TACS/Grand Traverse Yacht Club — Traverse City, MI — July 05 - 08

