

## NOTICE OF RACE SYC FIRECRACKER REGATTA

July  $8^{th} - 10^{th}$  2011

SPONSORS:

The 2011 FIRECRACKER REGATTA is sponsored by the SAVANNAH YACHT CLUB and SAYRE SAILING.

CLASSES INVITED:

**Q**Optimist

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4

22 boats in 2009

Laser
16 boats in 2009

420 Class

**RULES:** 

The Firecracker Regatta will be governed by the "rules" as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2009-2012.

SAILING

INSTRUCTIONS:

Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available at check in. Courses will be detailed in the SIs. Competition will take place on Wilmington River and/or Skidaway rivers. Any changes to class rules will be posted in the SIs.

AWARDS:

Awards will be given to each of the 4 Opti Classes, Green, White, Blue and Red. Awards will be given in the Laser Class for Full, Radial, 4.7 rigs, Top Female and Junior Performance as well. Sunfish overall and Junior awards will be given. 420 will honor overall awards. 1 race will constitute a regatta. Up to 14 races may be attempted.

**REGISTRATION:** 

Registration is available online at:

https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet\_registration\_form.php?regatta\_id=4267

Each competitor will recieve a customized competition water bottles. To properly prepare for the event and streamline registration, we have structured registration fees to encourage you to register BEFORE Saturday morning of the event.

**Registration Fee** 

\$55

Register by June  $24^{th}$  and Receive a \$10 DISCOUNT on registration. A LATE REGISTRATION FEE of \$10 will be ADDED to the registration fee if you wait to register AFTER July  $7^{th}$ . U.S. Sailing Members also receive an additional \$5 discount.

SCHEDULE:

FRIDAY – July 8th

1300 - 1700 hrs Club Open for practice for all classes.

1700 – 1900 hrs Pre-registered competitors Race Packets available.

SATURDAY - July 9th

0800 – 1000 hrs Late Registration Open, Pre-Registered Packets available.

1000 – 1100 hrs Junior Pre-Race Briefing on Expected Conditions

1100 hrs Competitors Meeting immediately followed by lunch & launch

1230 hrs First Warning Signal, followed by racing.

1800 hrs Dinner and debriefing on Days Racing for Juniors

0900-0930 hrs 1030 hrs Junior Pre-Race Briefing on Expected Conditions First Warning Signal – no starts later than 1400 hrs. Award Presentation to follow Racing.

SPECIAL NOTICE:

## Clean Regatta Program Initiative for 2011 Firecracker Regatta

## ONLINE ENTRY

For the 2011 Firecracker, we will be adopting several initiatives to help the environment. Many of these policies and practices have been developed by "Sailors for the Sea", <a href="http://sailorsforthesea.org/programs-and-projects/clean-regattas.aspx">http://sailorsforthesea.org/programs-and-projects/clean-regattas.aspx</a> to help reduce man-made waste and protect our environment.

This online entry is a much "greener" way to register for the regatta without creating extra postage, mailings, paper waste, etc.

## REUSABLE SPORT BOTTLES

Another practice we will attempt to adopt is to reduce and/or eliminate the use of single-use plastic water bottles. Each competitor will be given (courtesy of John Sayre of SAYRE Sailing) a personalized water bottle with their sail numbers on them. These bottles can be refilled throughout the regatta from various re-watering stations we will set-up both on the water and off.

Small changes like this can make a big difference. Thank you for helping us help the environment.

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