



### Laser Masters Midwinters East

Sarasota Sailing Squadron 1717 Ken Thompson Parkway, Sarasota, FL 34236 February, 14 – 16, 2014

# **Notice of Race**

#### 1. Rules:

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The Organizing Authority is the Sarasota Sailing Squadron.
- 1.3 Unless a minimum of 15 Radial entries have been received by January 31, 2014, all entrants shall start and finish together as a single fleet. Competitors may choose Standard, Radial, or 4.7 rigs at their discretion, provided all sail changes are made ashore and all sails have the same number (Rig Swapping Rule On). If 15 or more Radial entries have been received by January 31, 2014, the Radial Fleet shall be given a separate start and shall be scored separately from the Standard Rig Fleet (Rig Swapping Rule Off). This changes ILCA rule 27(d) by permission from the International Laser Class Association of North America.
- 1.4 The organizing authority may issue colored bands to be applied to the mast.
- 1.5 All hails will use the last four digits of the sail number.

# 2. Eligibility and Entry:

- 2.1 Members of ILCA who have reached the age of 35 by the first day of the regatta may enter.
- 2.2 Proof of ILCA membership will be required at registration.
- 2.3 Registration may be made online at www.regattanetwork.com/event/7526
- 2.4 Entry deadline is Friday, February 14 at 1000.

#### 3. Inspection and Measurement:

- 3.1 Boats, equipment, and sails shall be in compliance with the Laser Class Rules.
- 3.2 Sails will be inspected for class button at registration.
- 3.2 Boats, equipment, and sails may be spot checked at any time during the regatta to ensure compliance with the Laser Class Rules.

#### 4. Fees

- 4.1 Entry fee is \$135.
- 4.2 Entry fee includes: Continental style breakfast each morning of racing. Friday and Saturday dinner. Fresh water and energy bars between races. Keg beer, while it lasts, after racing, and a regatta shirt. Extra dinner tickets may be purchased for \$20 each.
- 4.3 Entries received and **paid** on or before February 5th will receive a \$25 discount.

First Warning Signal

# 5. Schedule

Thursday, February 13
1600 – 1800 Registration

Friday, February 14
0800 – 1000 Registration
1030 Skippers Meeting

1200

Saturday, February 15

1100 First Warning Signal

Sunday, February 16

1100 First Warning Signal

1500 No Warning Signal after this time

Awards to follow as soon as practical after racing

## 6. Scoring

- 6.1 One (1) race will constitute a regatta.
- 6.2 Ten (10) Races are scheduled.
- 6.3 A maximum of four (4) races may be sailed per day.
- 6.4 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 6.5 The North American Masters Handicap system will be used to score the overall series. Apprentices add 3 points to each race score, Masters add 2, Grandmasters add 1, and Great Grandmasters add 0.

## 7. Sailing Instructions and Courses

- 7.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available at Registration and on-line at www.regattanetwork.com/event/7526
- 7.2 Course descriptions will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

#### 8. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers in each division, overall winner, and top female.

## 9. Liability

9.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with this regatta.

#### 10. Charter Boats

10.1 Charter boats are available through Tackle Shack Water Sports. Contact Andy Levine at 800-537-6099 www.tackleshack.com

#### 11. Further Information

- 11.1 Regatta Chairman: David Hillmyer, 941-284-5901 dhillmyer@mac.com
- 11.2 Sarasota Sailing Squadron Manager: Craig Bridges, 941-388-2355 manager@sarasotasailingsquadron.org
- 11.3 Tent and RV Camping is available, contact club manager for details.
- 11.4 Car and trailer parking is not permitted inside the club. Cars or trailers blocking access to member boats may be towed. Please park cars and trailers in the grass circle just outside of the main club gate.
- 11.5 Accommodations and additional club information is available here: <a href="http://sarasotasailingsquadron.org/contacts/visiting-sailors/">http://sarasotasailingsquadron.org/contacts/visiting-sailors/</a>