Notice of Race 31st Annual Junior Powder Puff Regatta Metedeconk River Yacht Club Friday July 11, 2014

1. Rules

1.1 The regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS). Appendix S will apply. 1.2 RRS 61 is changed to require a competitor to inform the race committee's finish boat of her intention to protest, including the sail number of the protested boat, immediately after finishing. 1.3 RRS 63.7 is replaced with: "If there is a conflict between a rule in the notice of race and one in the sailing instructions, the sailing instructions shall apply."

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 The regatta is open to International Optimist Dinghies, skippered by girls 8 to 15 years of age at the time of the first race, and also Club 420's, Laser Radials, Laser 4.7's, and Sunfish, skippered and crewed by girls who have not reached their 19th birthday, in the calendar year.
- 2.2 Entry to the regatta will be limited based on the first 250 contestants to register.
- 2.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the registration form found online at http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/8304#_home

3. Registration Fees

- 3.1 The required fees are \$60 for single-handed boats, and \$120 for double-handed boats.
- 3.2 The fee includes breakfast, lunch and exclusive Powder Puff Bear and a commemorative Bag for all contestants. All contestants will receive complimentary chances for the raffle tables.
- 3.3 Registration after July 1, 2014 is subject to an additional late fee of \$15.
- 3.4 On site fees, if space is available, will be an additional \$25 per boat.

4. Schedule

Friday 11 July 0800 to 0915 Check In: Clubhouse 0930 Contestant's Meeting 1030 First Warning Signal for All Classes, races to follow. Awards to follow racing Multiple Races are scheduled for the Optimist R/W/B Class. Four races are scheduled for all others. One race constitutes a regatta.

5. Sailing Instructions

5.1 Sailing Instructions will be available at check-in.

6. Venue

The racing area will be on the Metedeconk River.

7. Courses

The courses used will be windward/leeward, triangle, or Olympic.

8. Scoring

The low point scoring system of Appendix A will apply. If more than three races are completed, each boat's worst score will be excluded from her series score. This changes Rule A2.

9. Support Boats

- 9.1 Support boats will not be allowed to launch using the dinghy ramp or hoists after 0700 on 12 July. All those launching before 0700 will have to move their car and trailer to a designated area to allow for access to the ramp and hoists.
- 9.2 All support boats shall register with the Organizing Authority before the end of registration.
- 9.3 Team Leaders, coaches and all other support personal shall not enter the racing area during the period beginning 3 minutes before the start of any race and ending after the finish of the last boat, or when the RC signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 9.5 For Optimist R/W/B, one coach boat per team of ten (10) sailors will be allowed but must keep well clear of any boat that may be racing.
- 9.6 All support boats shall comply with instructions from the Race Committee.
- 9.7 All support boats shall obey requests of Official Safety Boats, relating to the location of Support Boats with respect to competitors. The Race Committee may request assistance from Support Boats without any penalty. This changes Rule 41.

10. Prizes

10.1 Awards will be made to all individual fleets commensurate with the number of entrants.
10.2 The Jr. Powder Puff Sportsmanship Award is presented to a participant who in the judgment of the Jr. Powder Puff Committee, instructors and race committee has shown outstanding dedication and graciousness, in the sport of sailing. Best MRYC Sailor is presented to the top Metedeconk River Yacht Club sailor.

11. Responsibility for Safety

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, and any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race officers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

12. Additional Information

For additional information regarding registrations please email jrpowderpuff@gmail.com If you require additional information beyond email call 775-MCYCNJ5 (775-629-2655). Registration fees may be mailed to Metedeconk River Yacht Club c/o Kate Gonzalez 125 Doremus Avenue, Ridgewood New Jersey 07450.