

**2023 USSCA SOUTHEAST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
May 20-21, 2023**

****This event is a 2024 ISCA World Qualifier****

Notice of Race

(updated May 1, 2023 to include Amendment #1)

Organizing Authority & Venue Host:

Blackbeard Sailing Club (BSC), New Bern, NC

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of US Sailing (<https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/2021-2024-US-Prescriptions-Final.pdf>), the Class rules, and the rules of the NC Wildlife Commission and the US Coast Guard.
- 1.2 Penalties: Section V1 of RRS Appendix V-Alternative Penalties applies.
- 1.3 RRS 40.1 shall be in effect. Each competitor shall wear a personal flotation device.
- 1.4 RRS A4 and A5 are amended to add: A boat that has not met the definition of start 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS).
- 1.5 RRS A5 is amended to add: Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of the first boat to finish will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE).
- 1.6 RRS A4 is amended to add: The score for TLE is 2 points more than the number of boats that finished within the time limit.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 This regatta is open to all Sunfish Class Boats.
- 2.2 Each competitor shall be a 2023 member of USSCA. Membership is \$50 for adults and \$35 for youths under age 19. To register go to [Sunfish Class Association - Join the Class](#)
- 2.3 Eligible boats may enter online by completing the entry form and submitting the required fee at www.regattanetwork.com/event/26370 **by 2000 (8PM) on May 16, 2023.**

3. ENTRY FEES

- 3.1 Entry Fee: \$85 (after May 8, 2023, \$110)
- 3.2 The registration fee includes as a minimum: a cap, Rules Seminar on Friday, Continental breakfast and dinner on Saturday, and Continental breakfast and snacks after racing on Sunday. Additional activities may be announced at check-in.
- 3.3 Registration fees shall be free of any transfer and/or banking costs and/or commissions. Any charge shall be reimbursed by competitors to complete their entries.
- 3.4 Extra meal tickets for family members and guests may be purchased on Regatta Network with registration or with cash at the time of check-in for \$20.

4. VENUE

- 4.1 Race headquarters and social events will be at Blackbeard Sailing Club.
- 4.2 Racing will be on the Neuse River in the vicinity of Markers 17, 19, 1N, and 2, near Upper Broad Creek, or in Upper Broad Creek, as the RC decides.

5. SCHEDULE

Friday, May 19

1300: Access to BSC facilities is available

1600 – 1700: Early Check-in

1715: Rules Seminar – Basic Principles and Part 2: 10, 11, 12,13,14,16, and 17 by Jerry Thompson.

Saturday, May 20

0800: Continental breakfast at BSC clubhouse.

0830 - 0930: Check-in

0945: Competitors' meeting on the deck at BSC.

1125: First signal. More races to follow as conditions permit.

No races will be started after **1530**.

1830: Dinner at BSC Clubhouse.

Sunday, May 21

0745: Continental breakfast BSC clubhouse.

0955: First signal. More races to follow as conditions permit.

No races will be started after **1230**.

Awards ceremony at the BSC clubhouse as soon as practicable after racing.

6. MEASUREMENT

Boats and equipment must be compliant with current ISCA rules. Boats may be selected for re-measurement at any time during the regatta by the ISCA Chief Measurer, or an appointed representative.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be posted no later than Friday, May 13th online at www.regattanetwork.com/event/26370 and on the courtesy notice board located on the window facing the deck at Blackbeard Sailing Club by **0800** on Saturday, May 20th.

8. THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be defined in the sailing instructions.

9. SCORING

9.1 Low point scoring as described in Appendix A of the RRS applies.

9.2 One completed race is required to constitute the Regatta.

9.3 If 5 or fewer races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.

9.4 If at least 6 races have been completed a boat's score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.

10. PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

- a) USSCA Southeast Region perpetual daggerboard award to the top finisher.
- b) Top three overall finishers
- c) Top female
- d) Top youth (age 16 or less)

- e) Top Master (age 50-59)
- f) Top Grand Master (age 60-69)
- g) Top Great Grand Master (age 70-79)
- h) Top Senior Master (age 80+)

11. INSURANCE, SAFETY & DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 11.1 Each participating boat must be insured with an adequate valid third-party liability policy.
- 11.2 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.
- 11.3 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.

12. TRAVEL AND ACCOMODATIONS

- 12.1 Limited camping is available at Blackbeard Sailing Club. Contact Alan Hills 252-514-8525 for more information.
- 12.2 Camping may also be available at KOA/New Bern: 252-638-2556 info@newbernkoa.com.
- 12.3 Rentals of condos nearby may be available through Vacation Resorts International at 252-633-1151. There are also hotels available in New Bern.
- 12.4 Nearby airports are New Bern (EWN, 18 minutes, 13 miles), Greenville (PGV, 1.2 hours, 52 miles), Wilmington (ILM, 2 hours, 104 miles), Raleigh (RDU, 2.5 hours, 140 miles), Greensboro (3.4 hours, 216 miles) and Charlotte (CLT, 4.5 hours, 296 miles).

13. FURTHER INFORMATION

Regatta chairs: Alex Dean, alexander.g.dean@gmail.com, 919-271-9860.
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