

NOTICE OF RACE

Mutineer 15 Midwinter Championship

March 2nd and 3rd, 2019

Mutineer 15 Class Association

Fleet 18

Tampa Sailing Squadron, 1250 Apollo Beach Blvd., Apollo Beach, FL

“MUTINEER MIDWINTERS”



Tampa Sailing Squadron (TSS) is the organizing authority (OA).

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Mutineer Midwinters will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 Certain rules may be changed and these changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.3 Amendments, if any, to this Notice of Race will be posted on the Tampa Sailing Squadron website and on the official bulletin board at TSS.
- 1.4 Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Tampa Sailing Squadron website and available at check-in.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising shall be in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20. Racers may be required to display graphics on the side of their hulls; these graphics will be supplied by the OA.

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Mutineer 15 Class and racers that meet the requirements of the MCA Rules.
- 3.2 MCA Class membership is required for the helmsperson and dues must be current. To join, please go to the class website, www.mutineer15.org, to fill out a membership application and send it to the class treasurer. Class membership can be obtained or renewed onsite, but members are urged to ensure that membership is current before entry.

4. ENTRY/REGISTRATION

- 4.1 Before February 25, enter by visiting the Tampa Sailing Squadron website, following the link to the online registration site, and completing the registration with payment of the entry fee.
- 4.2 Entry by late registration is on-site on March 1, 2019, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and on March 2, 2019, from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., by completing the registration with payment of the entry fee and a \$50 late fee.
- 4.3 The entry/registration deadline is 9 a.m. on March 2, 2019.

5. FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee is \$125. The entry fee includes 2 regatta shirts, 2 meals on Friday evening and 2 meals on Saturday evening, 2 awards party tickets on Sunday, and a swag bag of good stuff. A \$5.00 discount is available to current US Sailing Members who provide a copy of their card or their Member Number at registration.

5.2 Fees for other goods and services are as follows:

Regatta Shirts: short sleeve, cotton fabric with Mutineer emblem and year on the front and a regatta logo on the back are available for a separate fee. (\$18 per shirt purchase price and \$10 shipping fee)

\$8 per extra ticket for the meal on Friday night.

\$10 per extra ticket for the meal on Saturday night.

6. BOATS, SAILS AND EQUIPMENT MEASUREMENT

6.1 All boats are encouraged to apply for measuring on Friday, March 1, from 1 pm to 7:30 pm or before 9 am on March 2, 2019. If boats apply for measurement after 9 a.m. on March 2, there is no guarantee that members of the measurement team will be available to carry out the measurement. Sails stamped at previous Mutineer Nationals will be accepted. Local boats will have the option to attend a measurement session on Sunday, February 24, from 4 pm to 7:30 pm. Please contact a race organizer by Friday, February 22 if you want your boat measured on Sunday.

7. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, March 1, 2019

Noon – 7:30 p.m. - On-site check-in, late registration, measure sails, inspect and weigh boats.

3 p.m. – TSS is organizing a “fun” practice sail/race. A separate SI will be issued for this from the main event.

6 p.m. - Dinner and Happy Hour (In keeping with MCA tradition, racers are asked to bring some of their favorite local beer or other refreshments to share with others at the Happy Hour. Keg provided by OA.)

Saturday, March 2, 2019

8 a.m. – 9 a.m - On-site check-in, late registration, measure sails, inspect and weigh boats.

- Continental breakfast

9:30 a.m. – Skippers meeting.

11 a.m. – Warning signal for first race. Additional races follow. No race will start after 4 p.m.

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. - Happy Hour (BYOB. Keg provided by OA.)

6 p.m. - Dinner.

Sunday, March, 3, 2019

9 a.m. - Warning signal for first race. Additional races follow. No race will start after 1 pm.

3 p.m. - Happy Hour (Dregs of the keg and other libations may be provided by OA.)

4 p.m. - Awards Party and Trophy Presentations.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available at registration and on the Tampa Sailing Squadron website.

9. SCORING

9.1 A minimum of three completed races are required, per MCA Rules.

9.2 If five or more races are sailed, a boat’s worst score shall be discarded. If 10 or more races are sailed, a boat’s 2 worst scores shall be discarded. A maximum of 2 discards will be allowed.

9.3 Preliminary results will be announced and available daily. Final results will be posted after any protest hearings.

10. AWARDS

10.1 Awards will be given to skipper and crew for places 1 - 3 in both the Gold and Silver Fleets. The names of the winning Gold Fleet skipper and crew will be engraved on the perpetual trophy and the winning skipper will be in possession of the perpetual trophy until the 2020 Mutineer Midwinters.

11. MISCELLANEOUS

11.1 This regatta is a "Clean Regatta." Racers are encouraged to use non-single use water bottles and recycle all appropriate items. Racers shall not intentionally put trash in the water.

11.2 Boats can be kept on their trailers in the designated parking area, beached on the shore or tied to the floating dock. A hoist and a ramp are available for launching.

11.3 Some free housing is available with OA members and local residents. Some OA members offer free berths aboard their boats to racers. RVs may hook up water and electricity but shall not pump out. Tent space is available. Hotels are within 15 miles. Laundries are within driving distance.

11.4 There is ample parking inside the gate and overflow parking across the street.

11.5 The TSS Clubhouse has showers, bathrooms, 2 futons, a carpeted area for sleeping bags and a kitchen. A charcoal grill is available.

11.6 Restaurants and grocery stores are within short driving distances and food delivery services are available. One "economy" restaurant with bar is across the street and another, higher priced, with bar is next door.

11.7 Beaches, parks and recreational opportunities are within short driving distances.

11.8 The local Day Sailor fleet will be jointly holding a regatta along with the Mutineer Midwinter Regatta. The Day Sailors will be racing the same course as the Mutineers and at the same time, but with separate starts.

12. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See 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 or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

For more information, contact
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