

NOTICE OF RACE

2018 Koch Cup Southern Region Qualifying Regatta (“The Aggie Cup”)

Sea Star Base Galveston

7509 Broadway

Galveston, TX

September 23, 2017

Back up date: To be determined if necessary

The organizing authority for this event is the William I. Koch Race Committee.

1. RULES:

1.1. The regatta will be governed by rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013-2016, the BSA Guide to Safe Scouting, the Sailing Instructions and this Notice of Race.

1.2. Certain rules may be changed; changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions.

1.3. The provisions of The Guide to Safe Scouting Article XII, Transportation, Boats, Section 6. to have on-board oars and rowlocks, fire extinguishers and lights are waived for the competing vessels only.

2. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY:

2.1. The Event is open only to currently registered Sea Scouts in the Boy Scouts of America. All competitors must be at least thirteen (13) years of age and less than twenty-one (21) years of age on July 13, 2018. All entrants must be active members of Sea Scout Units in the Southern Region.

2.2. This event is a qualifying regatta for The 2018 William I. Koch International Sea Scout Cup. Complete information on eligibility for that event is found in the Official Notice of Race at

<https://seascoutcup.org>.

The Koch Cup will also be held at Sea Star Base Galveston.

2.3. Entry is by two person teams (Skipper and Crew)

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Comment [Andrew Ho1]: Shouldnt the appropriate age be the date of Koch Cup (2014)?

3. ADVANCE REGISTRATION:

3.1. Teams shall register in advance.

3.2. Completed registration shall consist of a team entry form and, from each team member, a parental consent form and a Sea Star Base Galveston Visitors Waiver.

3.3 Mail complete registration (Entry, Waiver and Parental Consent Forms to

Dan Wilson

1811 Heather Cove Ct

Houston, Texas 77062-8009

3.5 There will be an entry fee of \$50 per competing crew which will include lunch for the crew on the day of the race. Make checks payable to :Sea Star Base Galveston and include them with the entry form.

4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, September 23, 2017

0830-0900 - Check-in at Sea Star Base Galveston office

0900-0930 - Competitors Meeting and Boat Rigging

1015 - Warning Signal for first race.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at check-in and at the competitors meeting.

6. SCORING:

6.1 A maximum of eight races are scheduled, of which one completed race shall constitute a series.

If six or more races are sailed, a boat's worst score shall be discarded.

6.2.The regatta will be scored using the Low Point system of Appendix A, except as modified by the sailing instructions.

6.3.Protests hearings, if any, will take place 30 minutes after the race committee boat returns to the launching platform.

Comment [Andrew Ho2]: SI schedule states 1630-1700

6.4. At the option of the race officer, the race may be split into two groups after the first three races. Competitors whose scores in the first three races would make it highly unlikely or impossible to qualify may be split off to a secondary competition.

9. BOATS

Racing will be on FJs owned by the Seabase. Crews will change boats after lunch.

10. VENUE

Racing will take place on Offatts Bayou south of the Sea Star Base Galveston.

11. SAFETY

11.1. A US Coast Guard approved personal flotation device shall be worn, properly fastened, at all times while launching and when sailing. Failure to comply with this rule can result in disqualification as deemed appropriate by the protest committee. A boat retiring from a race shall notify a Race Committee vessel before leaving the course, or when that is impossible, at the Sail Team Clubhouse immediately after arrival ashore.

11.2. Competitors must be accompanied by a parent(s) or registered BSA adult leaders as required by BSA Guide to Safe Scouting, Youth Protection Requirements.

12. MEALS

Lunch on the day of the race will be provided to entrants as part of the entry fee. Parents and spectators may register for lunch ahead of time at a cost of \$5.00 per person. Participants are responsible for their own food at all other times.

13. DIRECTIONS

13.1. Sea Star Base Galveston from Houston and points north and west:

Take I-45 south to Galveston Island. After the I-45 causeway onto Galveston Island, take the Second Exit, 1B - 71st Street. Proceed approximately 0.2 miles or eight telephone poles to Sea Star Base Galveston entrance, 7509 Broadway, Galveston, TX.

14. HOUSING

Overnight accommodations will be available for all at SSBG both Friday and/or Saturday at a cost of \$20 per registered Scout or Scouter per night and \$25 for all others. Please refer to the reservation form provided by SSBG at the end of this document. If you plan to stay overnight at SSBG, you must provide your own sleeping bag or bedding, towels and you will be expected to thoroughly clean your quarters before departing.

16. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For additional information, contact Dan Wilson at Skipperdan@comcast.net.

Entrants and guests should bring their own portable chairs, umbrellas, etc.

\$50 entry fee made payable to Sea Star Base Galveston.

Additional lunches for participants \$5 payable in cash to Dan Wilson on the day of the event.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

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.

Team Entry Form

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Skipper:

Name

Address

City _____, State _____ Zip _____

E-Mail _____ Phone _____

Crew:

Name

Address

City _____, State _____ Zip _____

E-Mail _____ Phone _____

Unit Skipper:

Name

E-Mail: _____ Phone _____

We agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and all other rules which govern this event. We understand that this event will qualify one or two teams to compete in the W.I. Koch International Sea Scout Cup in the summer of 2018; date

to be announced. Should we win or qualify, we pledge to train for, attend and participate in the 2018 W.I. Koch International Sea Scout Cup. Signed:

Skipper: _____ Date _____

Crew: : _____ Date _____

Unit Skipper:

I attest that these scouts meet all eligibility requirements to compete in the "Aggie Cup"

Signature: _____ Date: _____