



The Fond du Lac Sea Scouts Lighthouse Regatta
Race HQ – Fond du Lac Yacht Club
August 8th, 2017
Offshore on Lake Winnebago, WI
NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

Preamble

The “Fond du Lac Sea Scouts Lighthouse Regatta” is a co-ed competition between B.S.A. registered Sea Scouts from any Central Region Sea Scout Ship, with Scouts racing to earn an invitation to the “William I. Koch International Sea Scout Cup” to be held in 2018.

This 2017 racing event will begin and conclude on Tuesday, August 8th, 2017. There will be a limited practice session available on Monday, August 7th, 2017.

The hosts for this year’s event will be the Fond du Lac Yacht Club and Sea Scout Ship 5792 with OA (Organizing Authority) provided by the Race Committee, with additional support from other local sponsoring organizations.

General Administrative Information

- 1.0 **Race HQ (Headquarters).** The 2017 event HQ will be located at the Fond du Lac Yacht Club, 705 Mohawk Drive, Fond du Lac, WI 54936.
- 2.0 **Racing Area.** The primary racing area will take place offshore on the Southern end of Lake Winnebago and as finally determined by the Race Committee and the days' weather.
- 3.0 **Additional Race Information.** Any changes to the Race, Registration and Event information will be available on a Facebook Page.
- 4.0 **Event Cost.** The event cost per sailor will be \$30, which includes the sailor's awards dinner. *Please mail your team's registration form and registration fees payable by check to the Fond du Lac Sea Scouts Lighthouse Regatta 2017, c/o Dan Thornton, 705 Mohawk Drive, Fond du Lac, WI 54936. Entries are due by Monday, July 31st.* Each team must also submit a refundable boat damage deposit of \$200 not later than their first day of sailing. In the event of damage that cannot be attributed to a specific team, repair costs will be allocated evenly to all teams competing.
- 5.0 **What to Bring.** All participants must have a government-issued identification card, with picture, on their person at all times during the event. Identification accepted includes: driver's license, state identification card or passport.
- 6.0 **Class "A" Uniform.** Consisting of either "New Century" Blues or "Crackerjack" whites REQUIRED for Tuesday evening awards ceremony and dinner. Class B or event supplied T-shirt required for racing.
- 7.0 **Lifejacket.** Bring your own Coast Guard-approved Type III PFDs, it must be worn and fully-secured at all times on the dock and boats. No exceptions!
- 8.0 **Public Safety and Healthcare.** This event is physically demanding. Temperatures may range from 60° to 90° or more with winds of 15 knots or higher. Water temperature can be between 55° - 70° F. Therefore, sailors may experience extreme cold or warm conditions. "Be Prepared" for all weather eventualities. A First Aid Health Officer will be available during the event. In the event of an accident, report all incidents to any Staff member.
- 9.0 **Med Forms.** BSA Health and Safety Form Parts A and B are required with entry.
- 10.0 **Event-Issued Identification Cards.** No Event Cards will be issued.

Rules, Regulations and Eligibility

- 1.0 Governance.** This Regatta will be governed by the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020; The BSA Guide to Safe Scouting; Participant's Rules of Conduct, Appearance and Comportment; Sailing Instructions; and this Official Notice of Race.
- 2.0 Crews.** All vessels shall be sailed by a crew of (2) Sea Scouts comprised of one (1) Skipper and one (1) Crew.
- 3.0 Vessels.** The races for the Fond du Lac Sea Scouts Lighthouse Regatta will be conducted in Laser sailboats provided by the Fond du Lac Yacht Club. Visitors may be able to view the race from offshore on boats provided by volunteer Yacht Club members.

Sailing Instructions

The sailing instructions will be available on the event Facebook page no less than 3 days prior to the event. Copies will be available at registration.

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2. Entries

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3. Life Jackets

Bring your own Coast Guard-approved Type III PFDs, it must be worn and fully-secured at all times on the dock and boats. No exceptions!

4. Changes in the Sailing Instructions

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted by 8:30 a.m. on the day of the race.

5. Signals made aboard the Committee Boat or Signals made Ashore

Signals will be made aboard the Committee Boat at the starting line. If signals are made ashore they will be displayed at the FDLYC Shelter. Flag AP with two sound signals (one sound signal when lowered) means "the race is postponed."

6. Schedule of Races

The race committee will try to run six races, weather permitting. The Warning Signal for the first race is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. The Warning Signal for each race, after the first race, will be sounded as soon as possible after a reasonable amount of time is given for the rotation of boats. **Starts will not be delayed!** If six races are completed, there will be a single race “throughout.”

7. Racing Area

The primary racing area will take place offshore on the Southern end of Lake Winnebago and as finally determined by the Race Committee and the days’ weather.

8. The Course

The course configuration will be windward/leeward announced at the Skipper’s Meeting prior to the first race on Tuesday, August 8th, 2017. Any changes in course configuration will be displayed on the course board on the Race Committee Boat.

9. Marks

Marks will be orange inflatable marks. All marks shall be rounded in the direction indicated in Illustration “A.”

10. The Start

Starting Sequence. The starting sequence will be according to the Sound-Signal System as defined on the RRS.

Starting Line. The starting line will be between a designated mark and an orange line flag on the Race Committee Boat.

Attention Signal. The Race Committee will make a series of short sound signals approximately one minute before the warning signal except when at that time a Postponement (AP).

11. Recall

Individual Recall. Individual recalls will be made by hailing the sail numbers of the boats(s) concerned. Code flag “X-RAY” will be displayed for a maximum of (2) minutes and one sound will be made. It is the responsibility of the competitors to start properly after any recall. If the boats(s) concerned does not hear the hail, it is no fault of the Race Committee; this alters RRS 29.1.

General Recall. A general recall will be signaled orally and by two sounds. Code flag “FIRST SUBSTITUTE” will be displayed. After a general recall, RRS 30.1 shall apply without display of code flag “INDIA” (1-minute rule).

12. Change of Course after the Start

The Race Committee May Change The Start Position. After the starting signal, the Race Committee may change the position of any mark, provided that no boat is on that leg of the course, although the new mark may not be in position. Any subsequent marks in the course after the moved mark may be relocated to preserve the course configuration without further signal; this alters RRS 33.

Notice of Changed Mark. If there is a change of mark position, a Race Committee boat will display code flag “CHARLIE” and make repetitive sound signals before the leading boat has begun the leg. No compass bearing to the new mark shall be displayed; this alters RRS 33.

13. Finishing Line

The finishing line shall be between the staff displaying an orange flag or shape on a Race Committee Boat and the water’s edge of a nearby mark.

14. Penalty System

RRS 44.1 as modified by PR 29 (Notification) and PR 31 (b-e) (Alternative Penalties) shall be used. The Two Turns Penalty is replaced by the 20% Scoring Penalty of PR 31.

15. Time Limit

The time limit for each race (measured from its starting signal) shall be one hour. The time limit for any boat to reach the first mark shall be 30 minutes. If any boat finishes within the established time limit, the race shall stand for all other boats in the race. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in the race shall be scored DNF with the average place (rounded to the nearest whole number) of all remaining boats.

16. Protests

Any boat planning on filing a protest shall verbally notify their intent to the Race Committee as they finish the race in which the protest event occurred. Written protests from the morning series of races must be filed with the Race Committee; protest from the afternoon series of races must be filed with the Race Committee no later than 30 minutes after the Race Committee boat

dock time. Protests shall be written on forms available on shore at the Race HQ and be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible.

17. Scoring

Low Point Scoring System. The low point scoring system will apply, except that each boat's series score will be the sum of all her race scores with discards. Each Crew from each boat will be scored separately and a Crew's regatta score shall be the total of her race scores from both the morning and afternoon series of races. The lowest series score wins.

Penalties. If a boat that does not start, does not finish, retires after finishing, or is disqualified will be scored (1) point more than the total number of competitor's boats entered in the fleet.

Complete Races Required. A minimum of (3) complete races are required to constitute a regatta. Any deviations from this standard will be at the discretion of the Race Committee.

18. Disposal of Trash

Boats observed discharging trash over the side, shall either be disqualified from that race or be subject to other suitable disciplinary action, or both.

19. Awards

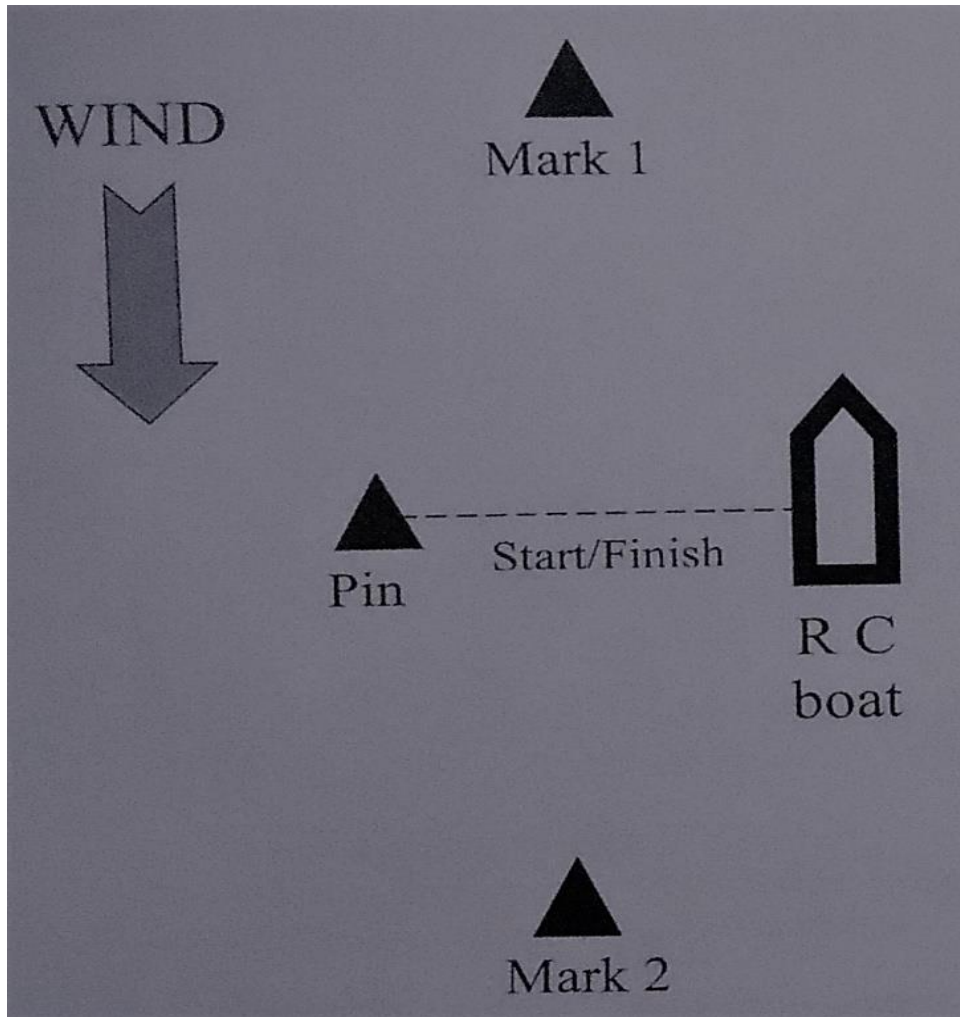
The Crew with the lowest overall series point score in the fleet shall win the **Fond du Lac Sea Scouts Lighthouse Regatta** and receive an invitation to the **2018 William I. Koch International Sea Scout Cup in Galveston, TX.**

20. Official Event Uniforms

One final amendment to item 6.0 on the Notice of Race under the General Administrative Information – Because some units may not use (or have) official BSA Class "A" Uniforms, we suggest that all race participants simply wear your race regatta jerseys, that we are providing you, and wear them to the awards ceremony too. Let's just have some fun!

ILLUSTRATION "A" - COURSES

* All marks rounded to PORT



* RC boat will display course to be sailed:

“1” – Start, Mark 1, Mark 2, Finish

“2” – Start, Mark 1, Mark 2, Mark 1,
Mark 2, Finish

(Start/Finish line is OPEN)

Attachment A – Sound Signals

Time Sequence

START SEQUENCE: 6 Minutes
5 Minutes Yellow Class flag up
4 Minutes PF flag up flag up
1 Minute P flag down
0 Minute Yellow Class flag down

Corresponding Sound Signal

Several short horn blasts (sequence start warning)
One long horn sound (sequence start)
One long horn sound
Horn sound
Horn Race START

