

Southern Region Area 7 Commodore's Cup

August 23-25, 2019

New Bern, NC



and Koch Cup Qualifier for 2020 William I. Koch International Sea Scout Cup

NOTICE OF RACE

1. General Administrative Information

- 1.1 The organizing authority for this event is the William I. Koch Race Committee
- 1.2 The 2019 "SR A7 Commodore's Cup Regatta" is a qualifying regatta for the 2020 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>.
- 1.3 This is one of 10 Qualifying Regattas in the USA for the 2020 William I. Koch Cup Regatta. The first placed Team from each of the 10 will be invited to compete in this prestigious event. Other top scoring Teams may be invited to fill the maximum 20 Teams in the Koch Cup.
- 1.4 The SR A7 Commodore's Cup Regatta will be located at the **Blackbeard Sailing Club, New Bern, NC** Lat/Long is N35° 03.75 W76° 56.85
- 1.5 The hosts for this year's event will be Blackbeard Sailing Club and Southern Region Area 7 Sea Scout Committee with additional support from local sponsoring organizations.
- 1.6 The primary racing area will take place on the Neuse River and as finally determined by the Race Committee and the days' weather. A minimum of 6 races are planned, additional races will be added as time and weather allows. One race constitutes a regatta.

1.7 Any changes to the Race, Registration and Event information will be available on Facebook page [Area 7 - Southern Region Sea Scouting](#)

1.8 Berthing options

1.8.1 Rooms at local hotels, inns and B & Bs are available in New Bern at your own expense. Advanced reservations recommended.

1.8.2 Camp sites are available at no additional costs. No campfires permitted and no electrical power available. Water, restrooms and shower are available at the Clubhouse. Participants should bring their own portable chairs and camping gear.

2. Advanced Registration

2.1 Teams shall register in advance by Monday, July 22, 2019

2.2 Registration is on-line at <https://forms.tentaroo.com/embed.php?id=4343684>

Or find the link on the events calendar at [Occoneechee Council](#)

2.3 Registration fee is \$65.00 includes boat rental, tent site for Friday and Saturday nights, meals, and awards for top three places.

2.4 A completed BSA Health & Safety Form Parts A & B is required for each competitor
http://www.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_AB.pdf

3. Rules, Regulations and Eligibility

3.1 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 Compartment; Sailing Instructions; and this Official Notice of Race

3.2 The Event is open only to currently registered BSA Sea Scouts. All competitors must be at least thirteen (13) years of age and less than twenty-one (21) years of age.

3.3 A team shall consist of two Sea Scouts (Skipper and Crew). A Ship may enter multiple teams. A team may be members of different Ships. Alternates are permitted.

3.4 Vessels. The races will be conducted in FJ sailboats provided by Sea Scout Ship 3, Swansboro, NC.

3.5 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.

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

3.7 The sailing instructions will be available-at registration and at the competitors meeting.

4. Safety

4.1 **Participants must bring their own Coast Guard-approved Type III PFD.** A PFD 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 Race Table immediately after arrival ashore

4.2 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. Sailors should “Be Prepared” for all weather eventualities.

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

4.4 **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

5. Scoring

5.1 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.

5.2 The regatta will be scored using the Low Point system, except as modified by the sailing instructions.

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

5.4 The crew with the lowest series point score in the fleet shall win the SR A7 Commodore’s Cup Regatta and receive invitation to the 2020 William I. Koch International Sea Scout Cup.

6. Schedule

Friday, August 23, 2019

1600 - Check-in opens. Set up tents. Dinner will be on your own at camp or in town.

2000 – Meet and greet, preliminary instructions, snacks and social.

Saturday, August 24, 2019

Breakfast provided

Competitors meeting

Racing

Bag lunch – bring your own

1830 Racing

Dinner provided

Sunday, August 25, 2019

Breakfast provided

Racing

Awards

Light lunch provided

Stow gear, trailer the boats, break camp.