

NOTICE OF RACE

2021 Mutineer 15 National Championship

November 8-12, 2021

Mutineer 15 Class Association

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

www.sail-tss.org

Sunshine Nationals - Cheers, Beers and Mutineers

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

1. RULES

- 1.1 The 2021 Mutineer 15 National Championship (MNC) will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 Amendments, if any, to this Notice of Race will be posted on the TSS website.
- 1.3 Sailing Instructions will be posted on the TSS 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 Rosemary McKnight, class treasurer. While Class membership can be obtained or renewed on site, members are urged to ensure that Class membership is current before entry.

4. ENTRY/REGISTRATION

- 4.1 Before November 8, 2021, enter by visiting the TSS 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 November 8, 2021, from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and on November 9, 2021, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., by completing the registration with payment of the entry fee and a \$30 late fee.
- 4.3 The entry/registration deadline is 12:00 p.m. on November 9, 2021.

5. FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee is \$210. The entry fee includes 2 regatta shirts, 2 Cheeseburger in Paradise meals on Wednesday evening, 2 awards dinner meals on Friday, 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 A late fee of \$30 applies to registration on November 8, 2020 and November 9, 2021.

Additional Regatta Shirts: long sleeve, quick drying 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 (\$10 shipping fee if req'd). Sizes guaranteed if ordered prior to October 15.

\$10 per extra ticket for the Cheeseburger in Paradise dinner on Wednesday night.

\$10 per extra ticket for the awards dinner on Friday night.

6. BOATS / MEASUREMENT

- 6.1 All boats are encouraged to apply for measuring on November 8, 2021 or before 12:00 p.m. on November 10, 2020. If boats apply for measurement after 12:00 p.m. on November 9, there is no guarantee that members of the measurement team will be available to carry out the measurement.
- 6.2 Boats that were measured at the 2015 MNC or a subsequent MNC as evidenced by a measurement certificate on file with the MCA, will be compliant with signing a copy of the measurement certificate confirming no structural changes.
- 6.3 All sails to be used must bear a signed stamp certifying that they have been measured and accepted by the class measurer.
- 6.4 All boats must be subjected to a safety check prior to racing.

7. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Monday, November 8, 2010

- 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. On-site check-in, late registration, measure sails, inspect and weigh boats
- 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. 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 Hours)
- Dinner on your own OA will have menus available and deliveries can be arranged

Tuesday, November 9, 2021

- 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. On-site check-in, late registration, measure sails, inspect and weigh boats
- 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Practice races
- 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Happy Hour (Keg provided by OA)
- 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Skippers' meeting
- Dinner on your own OA will have menus available and deliveries can be arranged

Wednesday, November 10, 2021

- 10:00 a.m. Warning signal for first race. Additional races follow. No race will start after 4:00 p.m.
- 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Seminar: Racing in Tides
- 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. "Cheeseburgers in Paradise" Dinner (Sponsored by Windrider/Nickels Boatworks)

Thursday, November 11, 2021

10:00 a.m. Warning signal for first race. Additional races follow. No race will start after 4:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Happy Hour (Dregs of the keg provided by OA)

Dinner on your own OA will have menus available and deliveries can be arranged

Friday, November 12, 2021

9:00 a.m. Warning signal for first race. Additional races follow. No race will start after 1:00 p.m.

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Happy Hour (OA may provide libations)

5:00 p.m. Awards Dinner and Trophy Presentations

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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

9. SCORING

9.1 A minimum of three 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 - 5 in both the Gold and Silver Fleets.

10.2 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 2022 National Championship Regatta. Past winning skippers of the Mutineer National Championship in either Fleet must sail in Gold, unless they sail as crew.

10.3 Junior National Championship Award: The "Bill French" Junior National Championship Award will honor and be given to the Top Junior Sailor at the annual Mutineer National Championship. The Award is named after Bill French and given in his honor by his son and daughter-in-law Ernie and Carol French. The award will include a Traveling Trophy that the winner may keep until the next Championship, and a keeper trophy. Both will be donated and provided by Ernie & Carol French. Junior Eligibility requirements: 1-The award will go to the top finishing helmsman or helmswoman who is not yet reached their 19th birthday by the start of the 1st race of the current year's National Championship Regatta. They must helm the boat in every race, if other youth are also helming their own boat. Crew age for this award is not a factor. 2-If no helmsperson meets the above requirements, the award will go to the top junior with same age requirements who is the top finishing crew. 3-Finishes in the Gold Fleet will be ranked above any finish in the Silver Fleet. 4-If no juniors are participating, no award will be given.

11. Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Racers in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other official or agent) will not be responsible or liable for any damage to any boat or other property or any

personal injury or death of any participant, in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta. Each competitor agrees to participate entirely at his/her own risk and, to the fullest extent permitted by law, waives any rights to sue the race organizers and releases the race organizers from any and all liability, in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

12. End of NOR

For more information, contact:

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MISCELLANEOUS EVENT INFORMATION

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.
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.
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.
4. There is ample parking inside the gate and overflow parking across the street.
5. The TSS Clubhouse has showers, bathrooms, 2 futons, a carpeted area for sleeping bags and a kitchen. A charcoal grill is available. Picnic tables, a picnic pavilion and a waterside dock are available at TSS.
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.
7. Beaches, parks and recreational opportunities are within short driving distances.
8. Walmart and Sam's Club are located within 15 miles of TSS.
9. A West Marine store is located nearby, about a 4 minute drive.
10. TSS club member Joe Benkel, with over 20 years of sailmaking experience, will be available during the regatta to make sail repairs with an overnight turnaround and special regatta pricing. He can be reached at 941-666-0332.