# 2019 Yacht of the Year Competition NOTICE OF RACE

#### 1 RULES

1.1 The competition will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the Prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association and applicable Class Rules unless any of these rules are changed by the Sailing Instructions.

## 2 ADVERTISING

2.1 A boat and her crew shall comply with ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code.

## 3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The competition is open to boats of any class provided they are crewed by two or more persons at least one of whom shall be a full member of the SCSC.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the registration form available on the Saint Croix Sailing Club (SCSC) website and sending it, together with the required fee, to the SCSC Treasurer by 2400 hours on Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 3.3 Late entries will be accepted subject to the following: Any boat having registered late will be scored as DNE without a hearing until the entry fee and registration paperwork have been received and reviewed by the club. This penalty shall only apply to competitors that had registered for the SCSC Yacht of the Year competition for the prior season.

#### 4 FEES

The entry fee is \$250 per boat.

## 5 SCHEDULE

5.1 Skippers Meeting:

Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 1830 hours.

5.2 Dates of Racing:

Races will be held between Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> according to the calendar of races posted on the SCSC website. The scheduled time of the warning signal for each day is 1830 hours for races held on weekdays and 1100 hours for races held on weekends.

5.3 Awards Ceremony:

The date and location of the awards ceremony will be posted on the SCSC website by November 1<sup>st</sup>.



#### 5.4 Number of Races:

The Yacht of the Year Competition shall consist of the following races:

- Five Spring Series Races
- Five Summer Series Races
- Five Fall Series Races
- Breaking Waves
- Two Carlson Classic Races
- Two Autumnal Equinox Races

There will be one (1) make-up date for each of the Spring, Summer, and Fall Series and one (1) make-up date for each of the weekend race dates as provided on the calendar of races. Races that cannot be made up on that date will be canceled.

Sailing instructions may change this rule pending the approval to run multiple races on Tuesday evenings. Final decision will be made at the Organizing Committee meeting in April-May

#### 6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on the SCSC website no later than 1830 hours on Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. Additional copies of the Sailing Instructions will be available at the Skippers Meeting.

#### 7 VENUE

The sailing area will be the Saint Croix River between the Interstate 94 bridge at Hudson, WI and Afton, MN.

## 8 THE COURSES

Diagrams showing the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left are available on the SCSC website.

## 9 PENALTY SYSTEM

All provisions of RRS Appendix V shall apply.

# 10 SCORING

- 10.1 The Yacht of the Year competition shall be based on the results of the following races which together will be considered a single series:
- Spring Series
- Summer Series
- Fall Series
- Breaking Waves
- Carlson Classic 1&2



# Autumnal Equinox 1&2

The series shall be scored in accordance with RRS Appendix A using the low point system. The provisions of RRS A.9 shall apply.

- 10.2 For the Yacht of the Year competition, boats may exclude races scores according to the following schedule
- 1 score excluded if 5 or more races have been completed
- 2 scores excluded if 10 or more races have been completed
- 3 scores excluded if 15 or more races have been completed
- 4 scores excluded if 20 or more races have been completed

If a boat has two or more equal worst scores the score(s) for the race(s) sailed earliest in the series shall be excluded.

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- 10.3 Individual Series (Spring, Summer and Fall) shall be scored in accordance with RRS Appendix A using the low point scoring system. The provisions of RRS A.2 shall apply.
- 10.4 For individual series a boat's worst score shall be excluded provided that at least five races have been completed in the series.

Sailing instructions may change this rule pending the approval to run multiple races on Tuesday evenings. Final decision will be made at the Organizing Committee meeting in April-May

#### 11 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

## 12 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers in each division for the following events:

- Yacht of the Year Competition
- Spring Series
- Summer Series
- Fall Series
- Breaking Waves
- Carlson Classic
- Autumnal Equinox

#### 13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.

## 14 INSURANCE

All boats shall carry adequate liability insurance and provide proof of insurance upon request by the Race Committee.

## 15 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, at their discretion, any photography, audit, and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their departure, without compensation.

## 16 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the St. Croix Sailing Club via the contact form provided on the SCSC website: http://www.stcroixsailing.com