

NOTICE OF RACE
SNIPE CLASS INTERNATIONAL RACING ASSOCIATION-USA
74th MIDWINTER CHAMPIONSHIP
CLEARWATER YACHT CLUB - CLEARWATER, FLORIDA
MARCH 12, 13, 14, 2012

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY - Snipe Class International Racing Association

HOSTING CLUB: Clearwater Yacht Club, 830 South Bayway Blvd, Clearwater, Florida 33767. Boat storage and launching will be held at the Clearwater Community Sailing Center (CCSC), 1001 Gulf Blvd., Sand Key, Clearwater, Florida..

RULES: The current *Racing Rules of Sailing*

ENTRY AND ELIGIBILITY

This regatta is open to SCIRA registered boats & Class Member skippers in good standing with SCIRA for the current year, Entry Fee is \$125.00 per boat. Late entry fee after midnight, March 9, 2012 is \$150.00. Entry fee includes; regatta entry, boat storage at CCSC, Monday night pizza and keg of beer, Wednesday night Awards Banquet at the Clearwater Yacht Club after racing.

You could register online at www.clwyc.org and save all this paperwork!

On-line registration is accomplished using Regatta Networks. On-site Registration will be held March 11th at CYC from 1400 - 1700 and March 12th from 0800 - 0900 at the Clearwater Yacht Club, Dry Dock.

Boats and trailers can be stored at CCSC. CCSC is located on Sand Key, on the South side of Clearwater Pass 0.75 mile south of Clearwater Yacht Club. Boats and trailers will be stored at CCSC for the event. Boats will beach launch from this location and sail in the Gulf of Mexico.

SCHEDULE OF RACES

Sunday March 11, 2012

0900 – 1700 Boat & Trailer Drop at CCSC (727-517-7776)
Register Boat at Office – Arrange for additional days
1300 – 1700 Cookout available at the Clearwater Yacht Club
1400 - 1700 Registration at Clearwater Yacht Club

Monday March 12, 2012

0800 – 0900 Late Registration
0930 Skippers Meeting @ CCSC
1030 Harbor start
1100 First warning signal. Races to follow.
1730 Grapefruit cocktails and pizza dinner

Tuesday March 13, 2012

0930 Harbor start
1030 First warning signal. Races to follow.

Wednesday March 14, 2012

0930 Harbor start
1030 First warning signal
No warning signal will be made later than 1400
1700 Cocktails at CYC
1800 Awards Banquet at CYC

MEASUREMENT: All boats are subject to measurement at any time at the discretion of the Class or Race Committee. All boats are required to have a current Class decal properly displayed.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Sailing Instructions will be available during the on-site registration period.

COURSES: The courses to be sailed are the Class approved courses for Sanctioned regattas as published in the current *SCIRA Official Handbook and SCIRA USA Website*.

BLACK FLAG - RRS 30.3 – will not be used during this Regatta.

SCORING: The ISAF Low Point scoring system will be used. Nine races are scheduled. One completed race constitutes a regatta. A drop race will be permitted upon completion of six (6) races. Ties will be broken as described in the ISAF proscribed method.

SUPPORT BOATS: Identified with Race Committee or Official flags

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY: It is the competitor's decision to enter the regatta and to start or continue any race. The competitors are ultimately responsible for the risks. The competitor will accept full responsibility for all of his/her actions during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during and after the regatta.

PRIZES: Prizes will be awarded at the awards banquet at the Clearwater Yacht Club to the skipper and crew for the top five (5) places. The Midwinter Championship Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the boat with the lowest total points. The Major Phillip Blair Masters Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the skipper, fifty years or older, with the lowest total points. The Frank Levinson, Jr. Memorial Sportsmanship Trophy will also be awarded by participant vote during this regatta.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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