

NOTICE OF RACE

SNIPE CLASS INTERNATIONAL RACING ASSOCIATION US Masters Championship



30 August – 1 September 2013
Organizing Authority
Erie Yacht Club, Erie PA

In cooperation with the Snipe Class International Racing Association- USA

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The SCIRA Rules of Conduct for Conducting National and international Championship Regattas and the deed of gift will apply.
- 1.3 In case of conflict the Snipe US Masters Deed of Gift will apply.
- 1.4 The US Sailing prescriptions will apply. In case of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instruction, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.
- 1.5 RRS 35 and A5 will be changed to provide that boats not finishing within 30 minutes after the first boat to finish will be scored "Did Not Finish" without a hearing. The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.6 RRS 30.3 will not be used.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising is permitted in accordance with Snipe Class Rules.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 Entry requirements:

The regatta is open to SCIRA registered boats and Class Member skippers who are 45 years or older in the year of the regatta, whose age, combined with that of the crew, must equal at least 80 in the year of the regatta and are in good standing with SCIRA for the current year subject to any Deed of Gift trophy restrictions.

3.2 Registration

Pre-registration: Contact Holly O'Hare, holliso@obyc.com or 410.267.6096

- Thursday, August 29th, 4-7pm at the Clubhouse lobby.
- Friday, August 30th 8-10am at the Clubhouse lobby.
- 3.3 No skipper or crew shall be eligible to enter any Class championship race unless:
 - They possess and present a current Class Membership Card, or
 - SCIRA-issued equivalent, or
 - Shows as a current member in the SCIRA Official Online Database.
- 3.4 The same crew shall race in all races, except for reasons satisfactory to the Race Committee. Requests for a change of crew shall be submitted in writing to the Chairman. Once a crew has been excused he/she may not return for the balance of the series.

4 Fees

- 4.1 The fee for this regatta is:
 - Two hundred and seventy five (\$275.00 US) for members of US SAILING.
 - Three Hundred (\$300.00 US) for all others.
 - Fifty dollar (\$50.00 US) late fee for registration after 15 August 2013.
 - Online registration will open no later than July 1, 2013

4.2 The above fees include:

- Dinners for skipper and crew Friday and Saturday
- Lunch buffet Friday, Saturday, and Sunday
- Continental breakfast Friday, Saturday, and Sunday
- After race keg /soft drinks/ snacks
- 4.3 Additional Friday night dinner \$15.00 and Saturday \$25.00

SCHEDULE

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Thursday, 29 August		
4:00-7:00PM	Registration/measurement	Main clubhouse
5:00PM	Club Happy Hour	EYC deck
Friday, 30 August		
8:00-10:00AM	Registration/measurement/continental	Clubhouse lobby
	breakfast	Dining room
10:00AM	Competitors meeting	EYC deck
11:30AM	Warning for first race	Race area
Lunch	After Race 1	EYC deck
Following Lunch Break	Warning for race 2	Race area
After racing	Beer keg	Dry Sail Area
After racing	Dinner	Lighthouse pavilion
Saturday, 31 August		
8:30-10:00AM	Continental breakfast	Clubhouse dining room
11:30AM	Warning for race 3	Race area
Lunch	After race 3	EYC deck
Following lunch break	Warning for race 4	Race area
After racing	Beer keg	Dry sail area
After racing	Dinner	Main club – Dining room
Sunday, 1 September		
8:30-10:00AM	Continental breakfast	
11:30AM	Warning for race 5	Race area
Following Race 5	Warning for race 6	Race area
After racing	Lunch	EYC deck
After protests	Award presentation	EYC deck

5 MEASUREMENT

5.1 All boats are required to have a current Class decal properly displayed.

5.2 Boats will be weighed and safety equipment will be checked.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

6.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available during registration

7 VENUE

7.1 The starting area will be in Presque Isle bay

8 COURSES

8.1 The courses to be sailed are the Class approved course for Championship regattas as published in the current SCIRA Official Rule book and SCIRA website.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 The low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A, will be used.
- 9.2 Six races are scheduled and three are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.3 When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of the race scores.

10 INSURANCE

10.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-part liability insurance.

11 HOUSING

Camping option on the grass lawn at club is available. Several hotels of varying cost level are located within a few miles of the club. Details will be listed on the regatta website.

12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority or host club will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

13 PRIZES

- 13.1 Prizes shall be awarded to the skipper and crew for the first place in each age category
 - Apprentice Master Skipper's age in 2013 45-54 (first place only)
 - Master Skipper's age in 2013 of 55 to 64 (first place only)
 - Grand Master Skipper's age in 2013 of 65 to 74 (first place only)
 - Great Grand Master Skipper's age in 2013 of 75 and up (first place only)
- 13.2 Prizes will be awarded to the skipper and crew for the top FIVE overall score.
- 13.3 Snipe US Masters Trophy is awarded to the winning skipper

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 14.1 Regatta website: http://www.erieyachtclub.org/index.php/2013-us-snipe-masters.html
- 14.2 This regatta will endeavor to be a "green" event.
- 14.3 Contacts:

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