

Buccaneer North American Championship

June 21-25, 2009

Buccaneer Class Association (BCA)
in conjunction with
Southern Maryland Sailing Association (SMSA)
Solomons Island, Maryland
USA

NOTICE OF REGATTA

Regatta Chair: Jimmy Yurko
Principal Race Officer: Clarke McKinney
Protest Committee Chair: Barbara Herbig
Measurement Officer: John Fraser, Buccaneer Class Measurer

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The Buccaneer Class Association (BCA) Class Rules (CR), in effect at the time of the regatta, will apply and will prevail if there is a conflict with this Notice, unless modified by the Sailing Instructions.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising will be restricted to Category A.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Buccaneer class, with a valid BCA measurement certificate and entered by a member of the BCA.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the registration form and sending it by mail or by electronic means, together with the required fee, to the Registration Officer's address as per instructions on the registration form.

4 FEES

- 4.1 Required fees are as follows:
 - Buccaneer Class Association membership: \$35 (one year) or \$70 (two years)
 - BNAC 2010 Fees:
 - \$225 before May 1
 - \$260 before June 1
 - \$295 June 1 and beyond

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration and Measuring:
 - Sunday, June 20th from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
 - Monday**, June 21th from 8:00 am to 11:00 am
- 5.2 Dates of Racing:
 - June 21 Practice Races

June 22 - 25 Racing

5.3 Number of Races: The number of races run each day shall be at the discretion of the PRO, there will be no pre-determined limit on any given day or for the series.

5.4 Refer to the sailing instructions for further details regarding race times.

6 MEASUREMENTS

6.1 Each boat shall have a valid measurement certificate on file with BCA or be issued one prior to the start of racing.

6.2 Previously unmeasured boats will be issued a measurement certificate at the regatta site provided they satisfy all requirements by 11:00 am June 21, 2010

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be posted prior to the event on the BNAC website (www.BuccSOMD.org).

Changes to the sailing instructions made after June 15 will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board located at the SMSA Clubhouse.

8 VENUE

8.1 Southern Maryland Sailing Association will host the event on the Patuxent River between the Governor Thomas Johnson Bridge, and the mouth of the Patuxent River.

9 THE COURSES

Please refer to the sailing instructions

10 SCORING

10.1 One race shall constitute a Regatta.

10.2 Scoring will be in accordance with the low point scoring system (Appendix A) and rule 90.3.

10.3 If 6 or more races are held, a boat's score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. If 12 or more races are held, a boat's score shall be the total of her races excluding her two worst scores.

11 FLEETS

11.1 Competitors will select whether to compete in the A or B Fleet.

11.2 No previous winner of a Buccaneer 18 class sanctioned regatta will be permitted to compete in B Fleet.

11.3 Both A fleet and B fleet may start each race together but will be scored separately.

11.4 Colored streamers, attached to the trailing edge of the boom, will differentiate boats in each fleet.

12 STORAGE/LAUNCHING

The SMSA facility uses a jib crane/hoist to launch boats. Boats shall be kept in their assigned spots, which are subject to change by the direction of the regatta committee. Boats requiring a ramp launch may use the public launch area under the nearby Gov. Thomas Johnson Bridge.

13 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

14 GLOBAL POSITIONING SATELLITE (GPS)

A boat shall not have a GPS aboard while racing.

15 PRIZES

15.1 For each fleet (A & B) the number of awards will vary based on the number of boats registered in the Fleet. The number of trophies awarded will be based upon the number of pre-registered boats by June 1.

1-4 Boats Registered	1 st Place Trophy
5-8 Boats Registered	1 st - 2 nd Place Trophies
9-15 Boats Registered	1 st - 3 rd Place Trophies
16-20 Boats Registered	1 st - 4 th Place Trophies
> 20 Boats Registered	1 st - 5 th Place Trophies

15.2 Sportsmanship: A prize will be awarded for sportsmanship.

15.3 Classic Boats: Prizes will be awarded to the top finishing skippers in boats greater than 25 years old (manufactured 1985 and older).

15.4 Lady Pirates: A prize will be awarded to the highest finishing female skipper.

15.5 Centurions: A prize will be awarded to the highest finishing skipper and crew with a combined age over 100 years. Age determined as of midnight on Sunday, June 20, 2010.

15.6 Other participation achievements and contributions may be recognized.

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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

17 SAFETY

All participating boats shall carry a tow line that floats, is between 25 and 50 ft in length, and is at least 1/4-inch in diameter.

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact Jimmy Yurko at jimmydyurko@gmail.com or 240-434-1312.