

2024 Fair Winds Regatta
NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
September 7th & 8th
Deep Creek Yacht Racing Association
Deep Creek Lake, Maryland

1. *RULES*

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021-2024*, including the *US Sailing Prescriptions*, the *Flying Scot Sailing Association Class Rules*, the *ILCA Class Rules* and these Sailing Instructions.

2. *ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY*

The Fair Winds Memorial Regatta is open to all boats of the Flying Scot class whose skippers are members of the Flying Scot Sailing Association (FSSA), and ILCA Sailboats (Lasers). You can join FSSA by going to www.fssa.com, or by calling (800) 445-8629.

3. *FEES*

THIS IS A FREE REGATTA, intended to serve as a memorial to those sailors with whom we've enjoyed sailing, but can no longer sail with us.

4. *RACES*

4.1. The Championship, Challenger and Laser/Open Fleets will compete in multiple races.

4.2 The Masters Fleet (combined age of skipper and crew at least 120 years, with skipper at least 60 years old) will compete in up to two races, with no more than one race each day.

5. *SCHEDULE*

5.1. Saturday, September 7th

11:30 AM	Half-Hour Signal for Racing It is the intention for the race committee to conduct multiple races during this regatta.
5:30 PM	Hospitality Hour on the deck

5.1. Sunday, September 11th

10:30 AM	Half hour signal for first race Other scheduled races may follow; no race will start after 2:00PM Trophy presentation to follow
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6. *VENUE*

Races will be conducted on the southern portion of Deep Creek Lake, Maryland. Local sailors make a limited amount of lodging available free for regatta sailors. Coordinate with the contact listed below for availability, or for local hotel/motel/campground points of contact.

7. *SCORING*

7.1. Scoring will be according to the RRS Appendix A except as modified below.

7.2 The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A4 will apply, except that each boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races. This changes Rule A2.

7.3. Multiple races are scheduled for Championship and Challenger Fleet; two races are scheduled for Masters Fleet. One race constitutes a regatta.

8.. *PRIZES*

1st through 3rd places in each Fleet. Prizes are specifically intended to comprise leftovers and cast-offs from previous seasons. As such, description, uniformity, quality and even hygiene cannot be guaranteed.

9. *ENTRIES*

Entrants are encouraged to register in the class in which they feel comfortable sailing
Flying Scot Championship Division, displaying a gold streamer
Flying Scot Challenger Division, displaying a blue or black streamer

Flying Scot Masters Division (Skipper 60 years of age or older, plus age of next oldest crew > 120 years), displaying a green streamer

Laser / Open Division. Open division will include any sail-powered vessel

10. *NOTICES TO COMPETITORS*

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Notice Boards located on the pavilion level of DCLSA. It is the responsibility of each participant to check the board for posted changes. Posting to the boards constitutes notice to all competitors.

11. *CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS*

- a. Any changes in the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 9:00 AM on Saturday and 8:30 AM on Sunday.
- b. Any change in the starting time for the first race on Sunday will be posted by 7:00 PM on Saturday.

12. *SIGNALS MADE ASHORE*

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located at the Turkey Neck club, and by radio announcement on VHF channel 19A.

13. *SCHEDULE OF RACES*

a. Saturday, September 7th

1130 Half-hour signal for the first race
Shore Break followed by subsequent races

Sunday September 8th

1030 Half Hour signal for the first race
1400/ASAP TROPHY PRESENTATION

- b. The Masters fleet will sail one race of each day.
- c. No Warning Signal will be made after 2pm on Sunday, September 10th.

14. *MARKS*

- a. Primary marks and gate marks will be orange tetrahedrons.
- b. Change marks will be bright yellow and spherical.
- c. Offset Mark will be a white sphere.
- d. The Starting/Finishing Mark will be an inflated orange cylinder.

15. *THE START*

- a. will be started in accordance with RRS Appendix U. This modifies RRS 26.
- b. The starting order will be championship, challenger, Masters, Laser/open.
- c. At the start of the first race, a gather signal, Code flag "L" will be hoisted with a sound signal approximately 30 minutes prior to the Warning Signal for the first Division for each race.
- d. The starting line will lie between a Signal Boat staff displaying an orange flag and the windward side of the Starting Mark.
- e. Before the Warning Signal for the first race each day, boats shall pass astern of the Signal Boat on starboard tack and hail their sail number, which will be acknowledged by the Race Committee. A boat failing to hail will be notified of its failure and, for a subsequent infringement, may be scored DNS.
- f. Boats not starting shall keep clear of the starting area and boats whose Warning Signal has been made.
- g. A boat shall not start later than three (3) minutes after its division's starting signal.

16. *RECALLS*
 - a. Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1.
 - b. As a courtesy, the Race Committee will attempt to hail OCS boats verbally and or by VHF radio channel 19A. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, an untimely hail of OCS boats, failure to hail any boats, and the order of the boats in the hail shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

17. *THE FINISH*
 - a. The finish line shall be between a RC or Signal Boat staff displaying an orange flag and the Finishing Mark. The Signal Boat at the finish will display a blue flag indicating it is in position on the finish line.
 - b. Code flag "R" displayed by the Signal Boat at the finish signifies that racing will continue.
 - c. Code flag "A" displayed by the Signal Boat at the finish line signifies "No more racing today."

18. *THE TIME LIMIT*
 - a. If the lead boat of the first starting division does not reach the first mark within 20 minutes, the race for all divisions will be abandoned.
 - b. A division flag displayed with another visual signal means that the signal applies to that Division only. No Division flag displayed means that the signal applies to all Divisions.
 - c. The time limit for each division race will be 60 minutes for the first boat of its division to sail the course and finish.
 - d. Boat(s) still racing 20 minutes after the first boat of its division finishes and not thereafter retiring, being penalized or given redress, will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired), with points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus one point. This changes RRS 35, 63.1 and A5.
 - e. If boats in or near last place in a race are delaying the start of another race, the Race Committee may terminate their race and score those boats based on their position at the time the race is terminated.

19. *PROTESTS / PENALTY*
 - a. Protest Forms will be available at the Turkey Neck club. Protests will be heard by the Protest Committee in the approximate order received. The Protest Chairperson will determine the time and place of the hearing.
 - b. The protest period will be 45 minutes after the race committee docks at the Turkey Neck club and will be signified by code flag B and one sound signal. Dock time will be announced on VHF channel 19A.

20. *SAFETY*
 - a. Boats are subject to verification by the race committee that they have all safety equipment on board as required by their class rules.
 - b. A boat retiring from a race shall notify the Race Committee either upon leaving the course or, if that is impracticable, immediately upon arriving ashore.
 - c. By entering this event each individual acknowledges that he/she is familiar with the RRS, especially RRS 1.2, "Life Saving Equipment and Personal Flotation" and RRS 4, "Decision to Race."
 - d. A boat may monitor VHF Channel 19A before and during racing. Any transmission from a boat racing, unless a call for assistance or to report retirement from the race, shall result in disqualification.
 - e. All competitors shall comply with the DCYRA Safe and Healthy Sailing Guidelines.

21. *REGATTA CREW SUBSTITUTIONS*

Crew substitutions are allowed.