



**“2020 Beaufort Yacht & Sailing Club
Fall Dinghy Series”
Sept 7 thru Nov 1, 2020**

NOTICE OF RACE

1	RULES
1.1	The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in <i>The Racing Rules of Sailing</i> .
2	SAFETY
2.1	Life jacket and shoes are required for each sailor. Juniors are required to wear life jackets while sailing.
2.2	It is anticipated that Covid 19 safety precautions will still be in place and you are expected to follow the Beaufort County Face Mask Ordinance as well as CDC recommendations. An informal social time with refreshments may be organized for after the races and/or at awards, but everyone is responsible for their own safety, including self distancing. Masks are optional while racing, but are required to be worn on shore in those situations which inherently put people within 6 feet of fellow attendees. If you are not comfortable with the social arrangements it is your responsibility to avoid the social gatherings.
2.3	US Sailing, South Atlantic Yacht Racing Association and BYSC recommend singlehanded sailing or family sailing during the Covid 19 Pandemic. The safety and health of each member (or participant, or sailor) is the responsibility of the individual member (or participant, or sailor).
2.4	The signal boat will be minimally staffed due to social distancing guidelines. Competitors are requested to take this into consideration during the course of events.

3	ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY
3.1	The regatta is open to one-design dinghy classes. <u>The Regatta is only open to BYSC members and students of BCSB.</u>
3.2	Possible classes include, but are not limited to: VX1 or Evo, Laser, MC Scow, Y Flyer, Sunfish, JY15, 420's, O'Pen Skiff, Optimist (15 years old & younger). The Race Committee reserves the right to combine dinghy classes if a three boat minimum per class is not met. Combined dinghy classes will start together and be scored using the North American Portsmouth Yardstick handicapping system, which is outlined in Attachment B.
3.3	Eligible boats may enter by completing the online Registration Form/Waiver at: https://www.byscnet.com/sailing/fall-series-dinghy-registration , and paying the required fee to BYSC prior to joining the series. Alternately the attached registration form and waiver may be completed and returned to the Registration Desk on the day of the first race with cash or check payment. Juniors (17 and under), including crew, if any, are required to have a parent or legal guardian fill out the waiver portion of the registration form. All boats must have numbers on their sails.
3.4	Pre-registration is encouraged in order to gauge the size of the fleet and to determine volunteer staffing requirements.
3.5	Registration closes 90 minutes before the first warning signal the day of each race. No registrations will be accepted thereafter. Participants that registered for the entire series need not register each day.
4	FEES
4.1	The entry fee for each series, or portion thereof, is \$25 for adult skippers or \$15 for juniors which will be due at registration. Participants who fail to complete the Registration/Waiver Form and pay the fee will be billed by the BYSC office with an additional \$15 late fee.

5	SCHEDULE																					
5.1	<p>Racing dates for the Spring Series are:</p> <p>#1: Monday, Sept 7, 2020 #2: Sunday, Sept 20, 2020 #3: Sunday, Sept 27, 2020 #4: Sunday, Oct 4, 2020 #5: Sunday, Oct 11, 2020 #6: Sunday, Oct 18, 2020 #7: Sunday, Oct 25, 2020 #8: Sunday, Nov 1, 2020</p>																					
5.2	<p>The scheduled times are as follows:</p> <table border="0"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Monday, Sept 7</th> <th>All Sundays</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Registration Open</td> <td>10:30am</td> <td>11:30am</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Registration Closed</td> <td>11:30am</td> <td>12:30pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Portsmouth Training Session</td> <td>11:30am</td> <td>N/A</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Skippers Meeting</td> <td>11:45am</td> <td>N/A</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Signal Boat check in Closed</td> <td>12:55pm</td> <td>1:55pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>First Warning</td> <td>1:00pm</td> <td>2:00pm</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Due to minimal staffing on the Signal Boat it is requested that all boats check in with the Signal Boat no later than 5 minutes prior to the First Warning signal of the day.</p>		Monday, Sept 7	All Sundays	Registration Open	10:30am	11:30am	Registration Closed	11:30am	12:30pm	Portsmouth Training Session	11:30am	N/A	Skippers Meeting	11:45am	N/A	Signal Boat check in Closed	12:55pm	1:55pm	First Warning	1:00pm	2:00pm
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6	SAILING INSTRUCTIONS																					
6.1	<p>The sailing instructions will be available online by 12:00 pm, August 20, 2020 at https://www.byscnet.com/sailing/fall-series-dinghy-sailing-instructions. Additionally, they will be available on the BYSC Official Notice Board located on the clubhouse riverside porch.</p>																					
7	VENUE																					
7.1	<p>The Beaufort River bounded on the north by the marsh islands in front of downtown Beaufort and on the south by the McTeer Bridge.</p>																					
8	THE COURSES																					
8.1	<p>The course options are shown on Attachment A.</p>																					
9	SCORING																					
9.1	<p>Six races are required to be completed to constitute a series for each class.</p>																					

9.2	The Low Point System will apply less excludable scores as described here. Throw outs for races completed: none if fewer than 6 races; one if 6 or 7 races; two if 8 or 9 races; three if 10-14 races; four if 15-19 races and five if 20 or more races. This modifies rule A2.
9.3	The North American Portsmouth Yardstick handicapping system will be used for boats where the 3 boat class minimum is not met. The Low Point System as outlined in Paragraph 9.2 will apply for scoring purposes. A description of the Portsmouth System is in Attachment B. Boats starting races under Portsmouth rules on the first day of racing must remain under Portsmouth rules for the remainder of the series.
9.4	Boats that are scored DNS (Did not start), DNF (Did not finish), RET (Retired), TLE, DSQ (Disqualified) or OCS (On course side) will receive points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats in that class that came to the starting area; Boats that did not sail to the starting area will be scored DNC (Did Not Compete) and will receive points two more than the number of boats in that class that sailed to the starting area. This is a change to Rule A9, sentence 2. "Coming to the starting area" means sailing to the area of the starting line. One boat entering the race will be scored. Sailors serving on the race committee will receive credit for the races missed and scored an average of all her series races sailed, less throwouts.
10	SUPPORT BOATS
10.1	Support boats shall be marked with the US Sailing flag for ease of identification and safety purposes.
11	PRIZES
11.1	Prizes will be awarded based on the number of boats of each class sailing 50% or more of the races, as follows: 1st place for two boats; 1st & 2nd places for four boats; 1st, 2nd and 3rd places for 5 or more boats.
12	DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY
12.1	Competitors participate in the series 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 series.

13	FURTHER INFORMATION
13.1	<p>For further information contact: Sean Quigley – Fleet Captain quigley1234@gmail.com</p> <p>BYSC gm@byscnet.com 843.522.8216</p> <p>Beaufort Yacht & Sailing Club 30 Yacht Club Drive Beaufort, SC 29907</p>

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