

NOTICE OF RACE JULY 19, 20 & 21, 2009

The Organizing Authority of the Screwpile Lighthouse Challenge 2009 is the Southern Maryland Sailing Association, Inc. (SMSA). Race management will be conducted by the Screwpile Challenge 2009 Race Committee, Screwpile Lighthouse Challenge Inc. Racing will be held at the mouth of the Patuxent River.

1. RULES: The regatta shall be governed by the 'rules' as defined in 2009 - 2012 The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) except as modified by the Sailing Instructions.

- 1.1 All boats must be wet sailed during the Regatta. Request to be hauled out during the series shall be submitted IN WRITING to the Race Chairman via one of the PRO's.
- 1.2 Bow numbers and event stickers shall be displayed while racing.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

- 2.1 Screwpile Challenge 2009 is open to monohull boats racing under PHRF, or One-design. All PHRF boats shall submit a valid PHRF Chesapeake rating certificate. One-design competitors must be members of their respective class associations. Multi-Hulls may be accepted if there is sufficient interest and required number.
- 2.2 Entries will be accepted from Owner or Skipper who is a current member of US Sailing; to join call 1-800-877-2451.
- 2.3 Entries to be eligible for the Chesapeake Bay Yacht Racing Association (CBYRA) High Point Trophy must be members of CBYRA to join call 410-269-1194

3. CLASSES: Classes expected to compete include PHRF A0, through, N, J/35, J/105, Beneteau 36.7s . Additional class starts may be offered for any class with at least seven boats. Contact the Race Chairman for details. Skippers wishing to have their boats registered for a class other than those listed above should indicate on their entry form.

4. ENTRY PROCEDURES: Entries shall be submitted on the Official Screwpile Challenge 2009 Entry Form, attached to this notice of regatta or download from the official web site and be accompanied by a check. Entries must be received by Noon Wednesday, July 1, 2009. Entry fee \$180.00 Late fee \$75.00 (Applies to all entries received after July 1, and before July 15, 2009). Entries not accepted after July 15th. Make checks payable to and mail to :SCREWPILE CHALLENGE 2009, PO BOX 66, HOLLYWOOD MD 20636.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: The Preliminary Sailing Instructions will be available on or about June 1, 2009 on the official web page www.splc.us www.screwpile.net. Final printed hard copy at registration.

6. EVENT HEADQUARTERS: Event headquarters will be Holiday Inn Solomons at the end of Holiday Drive Solomons Maryland. Post race parties and awards ceremonies will be under a tent located at the Holiday Inn Solomons. All skippers/boats must check in during registration to receive skipper's packet, sailing instructions and bow numbers. Registration will be located in the Patuxent Concourse inside the Holiday Inn on Saturday July 18, 2009 between Noon and 5:00PM. A skipper's meeting will be held under the main tent at 5:15PM hours on Saturday July 18, 2009.

7. RACING AND COURSES: Racing will be conducted on July 19, 20 and 21, 2009. The number of daily races (Windward/Leeward) will be determined by the Race Committee based on the weather conditions on each day of racing. The warning signal for the first start each day is anticipated for 10:30AM.

8. PENALTY SYSTEM: Boats may take either a Two-Turn Penalty or the Scoring Penalty. The minimum will be 3 places. This changes RRS 44.1 and 44.3

9. SCORING: The Low point Scoring System of Appendix A of the Racing Rules of Sailing will apply, as modified. Each boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races. There shall be no throw outs. One race constitutes a series. Boats still racing that do not finish within 45 minutes of the first boat finishing in her class will be scored the number of finishers plus two. Others will be scored DNF (Did Not Finish). This changes RRS 35, A4.1, A4.2 and A5

10. ARBITRATION: For protests involving the rules of Part 2 an arbitration hearing may be held prior to the protest hearing.

11. AWARDS: Class awards for first, second and third place will be presented daily. For multiple race days, class awards will be presented on combined scores for the day. Overall class series awards will be presented on the last day of the regatta as well as Best Overall Boat of the Regatta. For the purposes of ordering trophies, classes will be determined based upon entries received as of, any class qualifying for a separate class after will receive their trophies by mail or other methods after the event.

12. MEDIA RIGHTS: Competitors give permission for video footage or photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media. Commercial video or photographs must be licensed and approved by the Screwpile Lighthouse Challenge Inc...

13. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Contact L.G. Raley, Event/Race Chairman at 301-862-3100 or chairman@screwpile.net. Information available on www.screwpile.net or www.splc.us