

WCSC

The 2017 Around Andersonville Island Race

27 May 2017



Notice of Race

1 Rules

1.1 The race will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2017-2020.

1.2 The event will commence by means of a pursuit start. Competitors will start as directed by a table of delay times that is based on each boat's PHRF or Portsmouth rating. This changes Rule 26. A thorough explanation of this type of start (pursuit start) will be made and each boat's delay time will be given at the skipper's meeting.

1.3 It is **strongly** advised that each boat have some sort of time piece that can serve as a stopwatch. Most cell phones have this feature, yacht race timers will work, and even a digital 'kitchen timer' will serve the purpose.

2 Eligibility and Entry

2.1 The regatta is open to all boats; juniors are eligible to race only if an adult is on board. A keelboat's WCSC base PHRF rating will be used. A dinghy's Portsmouth rating will be converted to PHRF. A rating adjustment will be made for keelboats who do not **own** a spinnaker. (If there is no WCSC base PHRF available, "average" ratings from US Sailing High/Low/Average PHRF will be used.)

2.2 Boats **must register** for this event, and may do so on line by following the links on the Club website or by e-mailing Susan Ruark at sruark@clemsun.edu **no later** than 24 May, 2017. **We need this advance notice in order to research your boat's rating, generate your delay time, and print the Delay Time Table.** If a boat shows up to race without having registered, she will be allowed to race. However, she will be assigned the rating of the next fastest boat that is listed on the Delay Time Table.

2.3 As much of the race course will not be in sight of the RC boat, all race boats should have a cell phone or a VHF radio and a contact person that could provide assistance. (If you do not have a motor, you may want to partner with a boat that does have one to ensure you will receive a tow back to the club if needed.)

3 Schedule

The completion of registration will be Saturday, 27 May, at 10:00 at the Club house. A skipper's meeting will follow. The planned start of the delay clock is 11:30. We will join the Club-sponsored Memorial Day party for awards and dinner after the race (18:00).

4 Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions, Lake Map, and the Beginner's Guide will be available on the WCSC web site, via links on the event Information Page, and by e-mail request to sruark@clermson.edu. The Delay Time Table and the Sailing Instructions will be available at the Skippers' meeting.

5 The Course

The course will be the circumnavigation of Andersonville Island beginning and ending at buoy S 19. The direction of circumnavigation will be given at the skipper's meeting.

6 Prizes

The fleet will be divided into the following classes: Dinghies, Keelboats (non-racing skippers), and Keelboats (racing skippers). Not-so-valuable prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers in each class. A prize will also be awarded to the first singlehanded boat to finish. Prizes (and hors de 'oeuvres) will be awarded in the clubhouse immediately following the race.