

ARNOLD BROWN REGATTA 2023

Hosted by:

Martha's Vineyard RHS Sailing Team & Sail Martha's Vineyard
Saturday September 16th, 2023

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES:

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (2021-2024), the prescriptions of US SAILING, the ISSA Procedural Rules (PR), the NESSA Procedural Rules, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions (SI's done at the venue).
- 1.2 In accordance with RRS 70.5(a), decisions of the protest committee are final. US SAILING's permission has been granted.
- 1.3 ISSA PR 5.1 (Conduct) shall be in effect for the entire regatta.
- 1.4 The Organizing Authority (OA) is NESSA in conjunction with MVRHS sailing team and Sail Martha's Vineyard.
- 1.5 ISSA PR 2.5 (Pinnies) is in effect.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

- 2.1 The regatta is open to both NESSA and non-NESSA teams, but priority goes to fully registered NESSA teams (please see 2.3).
- 2.2 ISSA PR 1.3 is in effect. Teams must be accompanied by a designated adult team leader, who may be an advisor, coach or parent recognized by the school.
- 2.3 **Article K, section 3 Qualification** is in effect, as this is a qualifier for the ACC Regatta in November. Schools shall be eligible for NESSA Invitational Regattas in the following way.
 1. All NESSA dues must be paid
 2. Each NESSA Member school is entitled to one entry on a first come, first served basis until the regatta is filled.
 3. Non-NESSA teams (conglomerate teams or out of district school teams) are entitled to sign up when the registration opens for a NESSA Invitational Regatta. Entry in the said regatta will be granted to a Non-NESSA team after 10 days from when registration opens, only if space is available, at a first come first serve basis.

3. ENTRY AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- 3.1 Eligible schools wishing to register for this event should email andrewmeijaburr@gmail.com - (starting at 9am Sept 1st)
- 3.2 10 berths are available on a first come-first served basis.
- 3.3 The event chair (Andrew Burr) reserves the right to increase or decrease the number of berths at his discretion.
- 3.4 Registration will begin at **9am on September 1st**, and be open **until Sunday, September 13th at 1200**.
- 3.5 All teams still wishing to compete after registration is filled will be added to a **waitlist**.
- 3.6 Teams that have registered and are unable to compete must notify the regatta chairperson as soon as possible. **Any cancellation later than Thursday, September 14th at 1200, or failure to field a registered team that results in another team being denied a berth, will result in applicable sanctions prescribed by NESSA By-Laws Article L.**

4. ENTRY FEE: The entry is **\$25 per team**. Cash or check --- Make checks **payable to: Sail Martha's Vineyard**.

5. BOATS: Six Zim 420s & Six Zim 420Es

6. SCHEDULE:

- 0815 Ferry departs from Woods Hole (arrives 9am in Vineyard Haven)
- 0930 Check in
- 1000 Competitors meeting
- 1600 No A-Division races will be started after this time

* Return ferry schedule: **1700, 1720, 1815**, 1830, 1915, 1930, 2030, 2045, 2130 (bold indicates most likely return ferries).

* Changes to the schedule will be posted on the official Techscore page.

* **Additional transportation information will be sent to all registered teams.**

7. FORMAT: A and B fleet racing. 2 races per rotation, in each division.

8. RACING AREA:

- 8.1 All races will be sailed in the Lagoon off of the Sail MV boathouse or the Vineyard Haven outer harbor off of the Vineyard Haven YC.
- 8.2 All registrants will be notified prior to event and.....hopefully, transportation will be provided to both venues by Martha's Vineyard RHS.

9. COURSES: Courses will be in accordance with ISSA PR 7.7

10. SCORING: The regatta will be scored in accordance with ISSA PR 9 & 11. All scoring will be done through **Techscore** and there will be **NO physical RP forms available**. Please make sure your team is registered properly and that team members are updated on ISSA prior to the event, and remember, it usually takes a few dates to update. Here is a link to the ISSA login page. <http://registration.hssailing.org/> If you have any questions please direct them to your district's EXCOMM delegate.

11. SAFETY

- 11.1 Competitors who require assistance from rescue boats should so signify by waving arms overhead. A Competitor who retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 11.2 Starts will not be delayed to accommodate capsized boats.

12. COACHING

- 12.1 Coaching will be done from boathouse shoreline/float. Equal access to coaching will be provided for all teams when time allows between races.

13. WATER AND WATER BOTTLES

- 12.1 Competitors shall bring their own reusable water bottles. There is one water cooler located in the Sail MV Boathouse and

Teams are encouraged to bring their own 1-2.5 gallon jugs in order to refill reusable water bottles.

14. PRIZES: The Arnold Brown trophy will be awarded to the winning team and they will also receive a NESSA berth the 2023 ACC Championship.

15. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

16. WAIVER OF LIABILITY:

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

17. REGATTA CONTACTS:

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