



FLYING SCOT® MID WINTER CHAMPIONSHIP

Monday, March 23 - Friday, March 27, 2009

NOTICE OF RACE

Host: St. Petersburg Yacht Club
St. Petersburg, FL 33701, USA

Organizing Authority: Flying Scot® Sailing Association ("FSSA")
in conjunction with the St. Petersburg Yacht Club ("SPYC")

1. **Rules:** The regatta will be governed by the current *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
2. **Eligibility:** The regatta is open to Active, Life, Junior, Club, and Family Members. The FSSA Constitution defines each category. Entrants may select either the Championship or Challenger Division, except that any past North American or Midwinter Championship Division or Challenger Division winner shall sail in the Championship Division.
3. **Registration:** Eligible boats may enter by mail using the form available on www.spyc.org, or at the regatta site beginning Monday at 1200. Registration, including selecting either the Championship or Challenger Division, must be completed by Monday at 1600. Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and at www.spyc.org
4. **Measurement:** Sails may be selectively measured and all boats may be checked for required safety equipment. Other measurements may be made at the discretion of the Measurement Committee
5. **Bow Bags and Transom Ports:** The FSSA Class Rules have been changed, effective 1/1/2009, and now require bow bags and transom ports for all boats without exception for this regatta.
6. **VHF Policy:** The FSSA rules permit carrying a VHF radio aboard at all times. Competitors may monitor the Race Committee working channel. However, VHF radios shall **not** be used while *racing*, except in an emergency.
7. **Fees:** The entry fee is \$220 per boat. This includes: the Monday FSSA hosted "Sunset Beach Party," dinners for two people on Wednesday and Friday, all racing, trophies and the Florida sales tax. US Sailing Members, **current as of 3/27/09**, may deduct \$25 from the entry fee by sending a copy of the US Sailing Membership Card along with entry. Entries **received and paid** by March 5 may deduct \$20 from the entry fee. Thus the early entry fee is \$175. Mail, email, or fax entries to Phyllis Eades - contact information below
8. **Schedule:** The SPYC is closed on Monday. "SPSC" is the St. Petersburg Sailing Center. See detailed "Event Schedule" for more information at www.spyc.org

<u>Sunday</u>	1630-1930	SPSC becomes available for boat/trailer parking
<u>Monday</u>	0800	SP Sailing Center Gates unlocked
	0900-1100	FSSA Executive Committee meeting at SPYC Regatta Room
	1200-1600	Registration at SP Sailing Center (2 nd floor)
	1300-1530	FSSA Board of Governors' meeting at SPYC Regatta Room
	1800-1830	Competitors' Meeting @SPYC Pass-A-Grille
	1830-2030	FSSA hosted "Sunset Beach Party" @SPYC Pass-A-Grille

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<u>Tuesday</u>	0900-0945 1100 1700*	Top Gun Kick-off Session at SPSC classrooms (1 st floor) First Warning signal Top Gun Debrief Session at SPYC Regatta Room (1 st floor)
<u>Wednesday</u>	0900-0945 1100 1700*	Top Gun Pre-race Tune-up Session at SPSC Classrooms First Warning signal Top Gun Debrief Session @ SPYC Regatta Room (1 st floor)
<u>Thursday</u>	0900-0945 1100 1700*	Top Gun Pre-race Tune-up Session at SPSC Classrooms First Warning signal Top Gun Debrief Session @ SPYC Regatta Room (1 st floor)
<u>Friday</u>	0900-0945 1100 1500	Top Gun Pre-race Tune-up Session at SPSC Classrooms First Warning signal No warning signal after this time

Up to three races may be run each day, to a maximum of ten races.

9. **Venue:** Launching and hauling will be at the SPSC on Demens Landing, one block SE of the SPYC. No vehicle parking is permitted at the SPSC. Racing will be in Tampa Bay, East of the St. Petersburg Municipal Pier.
10. **Courses:** Courses are illustrated on pages 117-119 of the US SAILING RRS.
11. **Scoring:** Up to eight (8) races are scheduled. All races will be scored. One race is required to be completed to constitute a Championship.
12. **Trophies:** Trophies will be awarded to the skippers and crew of the first seven boats in the Championship division and the first three boats in the Challenger division. Additional trophies provided by FSSA include:
 - Championship Division 1st: Mary Meno Perpetual Trophy
 - Challenger Division 1st: Brenda Pollack Perpetual Trophy
 - Sportsmanship (voted on by the sailors): Allan M. Douglas Trophy
13. **Disclaimer of Liability:** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Neither the organizing authority nor the host organization will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
14. **Further Information and Contacts:** Accommodations; Entry Form; Event Schedule; General Information with Tips, Maps & Parking; Racing Area Chart; Sailing Instructions; Tide Tables visit the SPYC website: <http://www.spyc.org/club/scripts/section/section.asp?NS=PR>

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