

Flying Scot® Sailing Association

Preliminary Notice of Race

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NOTICE OF RACE

FLYING SCOT® NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP

August 1 – 7, 2009

Ephraim Yacht Club

Ephraim, Wisconsin

1. **Rules:** This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by the current edition of the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
2. **Eligibility** requirements are as follows:
 - a. **The North American Championship (NAC)** is open to Active, Life, Junior, Club, and Family Members. The FSSA Constitution defines each category. Placement in the Championship and Challenger Divisions will be determined by a three race qualifying series followed by a five race Championship Series. **Reminder:** FSSA dues and Club Boat registration fees must be paid by July 1, 2009.
 - b. **Junior Championship:** Normally a three - five (3-5) race series held on the Saturday and/or Sunday preceding the first race of the NAC Qualifying Series. If five (5) races are scheduled, each should be a "short" race. All races will be scored. The National Championships Committee shall approve the format each year. *To be eligible to compete, the helmsman shall not have reached his/her 19th birthday as of August 2, 2009 the final day of registration for this Championship, and, must be an Active, Life, Club, Family, or Junior member. Aspiring entrants who are full or part- time college students are not eligible for this event.* Only another Junior meeting the same *eligibility* requirements as *those of* the helmsman may assume the helm temporarily while the helmsman makes adjustments or repairs. Adults may only assume the helm in the event of emergency and the penalty for doing so shall be disqualification from that race unless redress is granted by the protest committee.
 - c. Immediate family members (father, mother, grandparents, brothers, and sisters) may serve as crew. At least five boats must be registered in the Junior Championship by July 18, 2009 for this championship to be held. FSSA dues may be paid at registration.

- d. **Women's Championship:** All helmsmen shall be female and must be Active, Life, Family, or Club members. All crew must be female. At least five boats must be registered in the Women's Championship by July 18, 2009 for this championship to be held. FSSA dues may be paid at registration.
3. **Registration: Due to limited space available, the first 80 boats to register will be confirmed entries. Boats in excess of that amount will be accepted on a space available basis.** Registrations will be accepted in the order received but will not be valid until all fees are paid and the Entry Form is complete. Entry Forms may be obtained on-line at www.fssa.com, www.eyc.org, by using the form in Scots n'Water, or at registration Saturday, August 1, 2009 from 1000 - 1700 and Sunday, August 2, 2009 from 0900 – 1700 at Gibraltar High School, 3924 State Highway 42, Fish Creek, Wisconsin.
- a. Registration for the Junior and Women's Championships must be completed by Sunday, August 2, 2009 at 1100.
- b. Registration for all other boats must be completed by 1700 on Sunday, August 2, 2009 unless other arrangements have been made with the registration committee. Sailing Instructions will be available to registrants at the completion of registration and measurement.
4. **Measurement:** Sails may be selectively measured and all boats will be checked for required safety equipment. Other measurements, including checking centerboards, may be made at the discretion of the Measurement Committee. Club boats and sails will be measured completely.
- a. *CMR 83 now in effect pertaining to centerboard specifications is posted at the Home Page of the www.fssa.com. All centerboards are subject to inspection under normal measuring procedures. In addition, the top five boats from the 2003-2008 NAC & Midwinters Championship Divisions will have centerboards checked for compliance*
- b. *Effective 1/1/2009 all boats shall have bow flotation and 4" drain ports at the stern.*

5. **Fees:**

	Registration: US Sailing Member	Non-US Sailing Member
FS NAC	\$ 195	\$ 205
Women's	\$ 40	\$ 50
Junior	\$ 40	\$ 50
Late Registration: Entries post marked after July 7, 2009		
FS NAC	\$ 245	\$ 255
Women's	\$ 50	\$ 60
Junior	\$ 50	\$ 60

Two T-shirts per NAC boat, the Sunday evening welcome party and continental breakfast Monday through Friday are included for each boat. Lunches, three dinner parties, and lodging are not included in the fee. Additional T-shirts and apparel will be available at the regatta site. Please see the entry form for further details.

6. **Schedule:**

- a. **Junior and Women’s Championship:** Sunday, August 2, 2009. The first Warning Signal is scheduled for 1300. There are three scheduled races of which one completed race will constitute a series.
- b. **NAC Qualifying Series:** Monday and Tuesday, August 3 – 4, 2009, the Warning Signal for the first race is scheduled for 1100. Three races are scheduled. Depending upon conditions, the schedule is subject to change.

In accordance with US Sailing’s Prescriptions to Rule 70.5(a), decisions of the protest committee are final. US SAILING's permission has been granted. If the requirements shown on

http://raceadmin.ussailing.org/Rules/No_Appeal/Rule_70_5_a_Procedure.htm

are not met, the decisions of the protest committee may be appealed.

US SAILING’s permission is limited to the Qualifying Series. Competitors may appeal decisions of the Protest Committee in the Championship Series.

- c. **Championship and Challenger Schedule:** Racing will be Wednesday through Friday, August 5 - 7 with a maximum of five races. The time of the first Warning Signal each day is scheduled for 1100. Two races are scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday, and one race is scheduled for Friday. Depending upon conditions, the schedule is subject to change, and additional races may be conducted on any given day depending upon weather conditions and schedule. No Warning Signal will be made after 1300 on Friday.
- d. **Awards:** Trophy presentations will be made as follows:

Junior and Women’s Championships	Welcome Party	August 2
Daily Winners	Dinners	August 3, 5, 6
FSSA & Scots n’Water Awards	Banquet	August 6
Championship, Challenger FSSA & Daily	Completion of Scoring	August 7

Prizes: Trophies will be awarded to:

1st – 2nd places, Junior & Women’s Championships
1st – 5th places, Championship and Challenger Divisions*
Winner of each Qualifying Race and NAC Race
Other trophies may also be awarded

*Due to the current economic conditions and cost concerns, the number of trophies is as shown. If attendance goes beyond 60 boats, the trophies presented may be increased.

7. **Courses to be Sailed & Sailing Area:** The courses to be sailed will be Windward-Leeward, Triangle-Windward-Leeward or Trapezoid. Racing will occur in the waters of Eagle Harbor and North, Northwest and West of Eagle Harbor.
8. **Berthing:** Boats shall be berthed in their assigned places at the Ephraim Yacht Club dock, Ephraim public launch ramp, Anderson’s Dock, or on moorings or piers. A reasonable effort will be made to assign berths in accordance with competitors’ preferences, but they are not guaranteed. All competitors should bring adequate tie down lines for docks as well as fenders and mooring lines.
9. **Towing:** Boats may be towed to the race area only if towing is made available to all participants. Otherwise, a boat accepting a tow without consent of the Protest Committee or Race Committee will be disqualified without a hearing (this changes RRS 63.1). Exceptions to this rule may be made by the Protest Committee in extenuating circumstances, *i.e.*, breakdown, illness, or other factors that may be appropriate. Protests under this rule may be made only by the Protest Committee or the Race Committee. This changes RRS 60.1(a). When weather conditions require, towing will be made available to all competitors berthed at the Ephraim public launch ramp out to the end of the channel.
10. **Lodging:** Ephraim is a resort town and August 1-7 is the peak of the tourist season. Lodging reservations should be made promptly before availability becomes limited. See www.eyc.org for information and recommendations on lodging and camping.
11. **Weather Conditions:** The weather in Ephraim in early August is temperate with average daytime highs of 80°F but temperatures in the 90’s are also possible. The average nighttime low is 60°F. Winds are typically 5 – 15 knots, W to SW. They are occasionally 20+ knots, and if from the N or NW, can create swells 4 – 6 feet. Water temperature is usually warm enough for swimming for reasonable periods of time.
12. **Parking Restrictions:** Parking in Ephraim and at EYC is very limited. Competitors are advised to obtain lodging within walking distance of EYC and the Ephraim public launch ramp. Distance information is provided in the lodging information at www.eyc.org. A parking map will be provided at the registration

site, and a shuttle service to a remote parking lot may be provided. Remote trailer parking will be provided for wet-sailed boats.

13. **Child Care:** Babysitters will be available. Contact Debby Heidler, cell: (630)917-2548; winter home: (630) 655-2548; summer home: (920) 854-7427; or dsheidler@comcast.net.
14. **Local Attractions and Shopping:** Ephraim is located northeast of Green Bay in Wisconsin's scenic Door County peninsula, the state's premier tourist area. It adjoins beautiful Peninsula State Park which will afford a great view of the racing area. Ephraim contains numerous shops and galleries, most within walking distance of recommended lodging and EYC. There is a sandy swimming beach with a view of the race course, and swimming is also permitted from EYC's pier. Within a 25 minute drive are half a dozen other picturesque villages and harbors, each with shopping, sightseeing and excellent restaurants. Activities for adults and children include fishing, kayaking, lighthouses, parks, beaches, sand dunes, wineries, art galleries, antiques, biking, hiking, caves, farm animals, arts and crafts, music, museums, and theaters. For more information on Ephraim and Door County as a destination, see www.ephraim-doorcounty.com and www.doorcounty.com.
15. **A Word About Ephraim Village:** The NAC is the first event of its kind to be hosted in Ephraim. The small, conservative Village of Ephraim has generously permitted this event to occur during its crowded tourist season and has provided many facilities for the use of competitors. EYC leases its property from the Village. Disregard of village regulations or poor behavior by participants may harm EYC's relationship with the village and the club's ability to host future events. From time to time, crowding, delays and inconvenience may occur, particularly in the launch and parking areas. Regardless of any such occurrences, as a matter of good sportsmanship, all competitors are asked to treat the locals with respect and courtesy. Competitors are urged to obey all reasonable requests of local officials and to be especially aware of parking restrictions. Rules are strictly enforced.
16. **Contact Information:** Carol Claypool, e-mail: carolclaypool@msn.com, please include F/S NAC in the Subject line; home phone: (336) 985-5599; cell phone: (336) 306-4898.