NOTICE OF RACE

Memorial Weekend Regatta

and

Flying Scot Invitational

Flying Scot Fleet 190

May 26 – 27, 2018

Muscle Shoals Sailing Club

Lake Wilson

Mile 271.5 on the Tennessee River

[www.mssclub.org](http://www.mssclub.org)

**CONDITIONS**

**1. RULES**

**1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS), the prescriptions of US SAILING, the appropriate class rules (except as they are modified by this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, and any amendments thereto), this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.

**1.2** The regatta is classified as a Category "A" event in accordance with RRS Appendix J, ISAF Advertising Code.

**1.3** Cruiser’s must have sail numbers or identification on their mainsails. Dinghies may have either sail numbers or hull numbers visible to Race Committee.

**2. ELIGIBILITY -** The regatta is open to all sailboats for which the Race Committee can determine a handicap.

**3. FLEETS AND HANDICAP SYSTEM**

**3.1** Fleets: Cruiser, Dinghy, and One Design fleets will be accommodated if there are four or more boats registered.

**3.2** All fleets except any One Design fleets will be handicapped by the USSA Portsmouth Yardstick method.

**4. ENTRIES AND FEES - Entries** shall be submitted on the official Registration Form. Registration fee $45.00, this is for the boat registration only. Make checks payable to: *Muscle Shoals Sailing Club*

**5. REGISTRATION** - Each skipper or his representative must report to Muscle Shoals Sailing Club between 0930 and 1030 Saturday, May 26, 2018 to register.

**6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** will be available during Registration on May 26. Amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted at Muscle Shoals Sailing Club, by 0830 daily, and it is the responsibility of each competitor to check the Official Notice Board for any amendments or other notices.

**7. RACING -** The regatta will consist of as many as five races.

**8. COURSES** - Courses will be sailed on Wilson Lake in the vicinity of Muscle Shoals Sailing Club. Courses will be Olympic or windward-leeward or variations thereof and will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

**9. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Saturday, May 26, 2018

0930-1030 Registration

1100 Skipper's Meeting

1300 Warning Signal for first race; subsequent race(s) to follow

1700 Social followed by dinner followed by party, etc.

Sunday, May 27, 2018

0800 Complimentary continental breakfast

0930 Warning Signal for next race; subsequent race(s) to follow if necessary. No race will be started after 1230 on Sunday. Awards presentation as soon as possible after last race.

**10. SCORING -** The series will be scored as provided for in Appendix A of the racing rules using the Low Point System.

**11. PRIZES** - Trophies to be determined considering the number of registrants.

**12. LAUNCHING, HAULING, AND BERTHING**

**12.1 MSSC has a new launching ramp that will accommodate most boats participating in this event**. Larger boats should launch at the large ramp on Wheeler Lake at Joe Wheeler State Park and lock through to Wilson Lake. This trip takes 1.5 hours if there is no delay at the lock. Another state launch ramp is downstream on Wilson Lake in Killen on Lock 6 road. There are no hoists available at the club.

**12.2 Moorings are not available at this time. Guests may anchor in front of the club and will be transported to MSSC.**

**13. LODGING**

Camping is permitted on the east end of MSSC grounds. Showers are available in the club restrooms.

Joe Wheeler State Park, Rogersville:

 Lodge 800-544-JOEW

 256/247-5461

Economy Inn, Hwy. 72, Rogersville 256-247-5416.

Most popular motels available near the intersection of U.S. 72 and Cox Creek Parkway in Florence, AL.

**14. MEALS AND PROVISIONS - MSSC** will host a dinner Saturday evening. The price is $25 per person. A complimentary continental breakfast will be served on Sunday morning. Killen (~7 miles west) has a grocery store. Lunch Saturday and Sunday will be available, donations accepted!

**15. DIRECTIONS** - By car, take highway 72 to Center Star (about 5 miles east of Killen, about 2 miles west of hwy. 101 at Elgin). Turn south on Lauderdale County Road 33. Follow it 2.2 miles to a sharp bend to the left. Follow left with the bend another .4 mile. Turn right on to the first road on the right, CR 411 (a small MSSC sign points to the right). Follow the road to the first gravel road on the right. Follow this gravel road to its end at MSSC. By water, the mouth of the club’s harbor is located at Mile Marker 271.5 on the north shore (described on the TVA chart as “Old Lock 4”), about 3.5 miles downstream of Wheeler Dam. MSSC address is 1350 Co. Rd. 411, Killen, AL 35645.

**16. CONTACT AND INFORMATION**

Contact or text Joel VerPlank 256 366 4621 joel@verplank.com for registration or dinner reservations. I prefer Email ( so I can have an accurate record) by May 22, 2017. This is important for meal planning and please realize that without a reservation, we cannot guarantee enough dinners will be available. The dinner will be catered.

17. Refreshments for social hour provided by the Race Committee

20. Camping on the grounds is available and choice of location is first come, first served. We have about 8 - 10 electrical hook ups. Bring a long extension cord if you are tent camping. RVs and campers are welcome.

21. Lauderdale County is a dry county. The refreshments provided by the race committee are more than adequate, but if you like you may BYOB if there is something you particularly want to drink.

22. This year we are hosting a Flying Scot Invitational Class. They will have a FS Class start.