

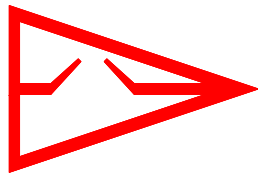


NOTICE OF RACE

2002 BoatU.S. SANTA MARIA CUP

May 29 – June 1, 2002

Eastport Yacht Club
Annapolis, Maryland, USA



1.0 The Organizing Authority

The organizing authority for this regatta will be the Eastport Yacht Club, 317 First Street, Annapolis, MD 21403.

2.0 Venue

The venue will be Annapolis, Maryland. All sailing activity will be based at Eastport Yacht Club. The racing will be conducted on the Severn River and/or the Chesapeake Bay.

3.0 Event Grading

This event is an ISAF Grade 1 event. However, this grading is subject to review by the ISAF Match Race Advisory Board. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason for doing so.

4.0 The Provisional Program

The provisional schedule of events is:

- (a) The race office opens at 0900 hrs May 27, 2002
- (b) Registration/weigh-ins will be 0900-1100 hrs May 27, 2002 and 1500-2000 hrs May 28, 2002.
- (c) Practice will be 1500-1800 hrs May 28, 2002
The first briefing will be 1900 hrs May 28, 2002
- (d) The first meeting with the umpires will be immediately following the first briefing.
- (e) Racing days will be May 29 through June 1, 2002
- (f) The time of the first attention signal will be at 0900 hrs each day.
- (g) The prize giving will be held on June 1 at approximately 1900 hrs.
- (h) No attention signal will be made after 1730 hrs on June 1, 2002

5.0 Skipper's Eligibility

- (a) Ten skippers will be invited. Only skippers invited by the organizing authority will be eligible to enter this event. Requests for an invitation may be made by completing the attached form and registering it with the organizing authority by February 8, 2002. Forms may also be filled out and submitted via the World Wide Web at the following URL: <http://www.santamariacup.org/>
- (b) The winner of the 2002 Sundance Cup will be given one of the ten available invitations.
- (c) Invitations will be issued on or before February 15, 2002.
- (c) To remain eligible, a skipper shall confirm acceptance of an invitation in writing (fax or e-mail is acceptable) by February 27, 2002.
- (d) All skippers shall be members of the Women's International Match Racing Association and of their National Authority.

(e) The designated Skipper shall helm the yacht at all times while racing, except in an emergency.

(f) A non-refundable entry bond of \$325.00 (US) shall accompany the acceptance of invitation for it to be valid. At registration, this money will be credited to the required damage deposit.

(g) All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of ISAF Regulation 21.

6.0 Entries

(a) The skipper shall be entered on completion of registration, crew weighing, and the payment of all fees and deposits.

6.1 Entry Fee

There is no entry fee for this regatta. Each competitor must pay a non-refundable portion of the cost of borrowed boat insurance, not to exceed \$75.00 (US). This amount will be taken out of the entry bond at time of registration.

6.2 Damage Deposit

(a) An initial damage deposit of \$250.00 (US) shall be paid at registration. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident. The entry bond of \$325.00 (US) will be applied to the damage deposit upon registration.

(b) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded by 15 July, 2002.

(c) In the event that the organizing authority decides to make a deduction from the damage deposit, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.

7.0 Rules

The following rules shall govern this event:

- (a) The current ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including the match racing rules of Appendix C.
- (b) The Notice of Race, including amendments.
- (c) The Sailing Instructions (available at registration) and any amendments.
- (d) The rules for the handling of boats, which shall also apply to practice sailing.

7.1 Class Rules

The Rules of the International J-22 Class Association are deleted for this regatta.

7.2 Umpires

There will be on-the-water umpiring for all matches. Delayed penalties, as specified in RRS C7 will be in effect for all matches.

8.0 Boats and Sails

- (a) This event will be sailed in International J-22 Class Sailboats.
- (b) 10 boats will be provided.
- (c) The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Jib, and Spinnaker.
- (d) Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each match as decided by the race committee.
- (e) US Coast Guard approved wearable life jackets will be provided for each boat.

9.0 Crew (including skipper)

- (a) The skipper and all crew shall be female.
- (b) The maximum crew weight, determined prior to racing, shall be 275 kgs. (605 lbs.).
- (c) When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event, the organizing authority may authorize an original crewmember to substitute.
- (d) When a registered crewmember is unable to continue in the event, the organizing authority may authorize a substitute, a temporary substitute, or other adjustment.

10.0 Event Format

- (a) This event will consist of the following rounds:
 - Round 1: First Round Robin - Each skipper will race against each other skipper once.
 - Round 2: Second Round Robin - Each skipper will race against each other skipper once.
 - Round 3: A Semi-Final round - The four skippers with the highest total scores at the end of the Round Robin rounds will advance to the Semi-Final round. The winner of each series of the Semi-Final round will be the first boat to score 2 points.
 - Round 4: Final/Petit-Final Round - The winners of the Semi-Final series will advance to the Final Round. The other competitors from the Semi-Final round will sail in the Petit-Final Round. The winner in each of these rounds will be the first boat to score 2 points.
- (b) Skippers that do not advance to the Semi-Final round may be invited to sail in a consolation round to be sailed concurrent to the Semi-Final round. Results of the matches sailed in the consolation round will not affect the final regatta standing.
- (c) The organizing authority may vary the format, or terminate or eliminate any round, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.

11.0 Courses

- (a) The courses will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.

(b) The intended course area shall be on the Severn River or on the Chesapeake Bay, between Thomas Point and the Chesapeake Bay Bridge

12.0 Advertising

- (a) The event will be classified as Category C in accordance with ISAF Advertising Regulations.
- (b) Each boat will be required to display advertising as provided by the organizing authority.
- (c) Competitors will not be required to wear clothing or a logo of an event sponsor while racing or at official functions.
- (d) Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for infringements of any rules regarding advertising. This amends RRS 60.1.

13.0 Prizes

- (a) Prizes will be awarded to the skipper and crew of boats placing first through fourth.
- (b) The names of the winning team will be engraved on the perpetual Santa Maria Cup Trophy.
- (c) The winner of the BoatU.S. Santa Maria Cup will be granted an invitation to a new women's event in Bermuda leading into competition for the 2002 King Edward VII Gold Cup
- (c) The highest finishing US skipper shall be invited to the USSailing Prince of Wales Bowl.
- (d) The name of the highest finishing skipper in her first BoatU.S. Santa Maria Cup will be engraved on the Gay Lynn Memorial Trophy.

14.0 Media, Images, and Sound

The organizing authority shall have the right to use any images and sound recorded during the event free of any charge.

15.0 Coach Boats

- (a) Coach boats shall conspicuously display the identification of the team being coached.
- (b) The organizing authority will not provide berths for coach boats.
- (c) Any interference by a coach boat with the racing or event organization may result in a penalty applied at the discretion of the protest committee to the appropriate skipper or team.

16.0 Other Information

- (a) Housing in private homes of Eastport Yacht Club members will be provided to all competitors upon request.
- (b) Lunches and cold drinks will be provided to all competitors Wednesday through Saturday. The organized social events will be Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday.

17.0 Disclaimer

All those taking part in this event do so at their own risk. The organizing authority, its associates, and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury, or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.

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Eastport Yacht Club, Annapolis, Maryland, USA
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REQUEST FOR INVITATION must be submitted by February 8, 2002

I would like an invitation to the 2002 BoatU.S. Santa Maria Cup.

Personal Information:

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip/Postal Code: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Fax: _____

E-Mail: _____

Women's Match Race Ranking: _____ as of _____

I certify that I am a member of my National Authority, which is _____. My Member National Authority ID number is _____.

Recent Sailing Accomplishments:

Please submit to:

Sharon Borland
2002 BoatU.S. Co-chairman
E-Mail: smc@eastportyc.org
Fax: 410.268.4904
Address:
411 Chesapeake Ave.
Annapolis, MD 21403 USA

Requests must be received by February 8, 2002

Invitations will be issued by February 15, 2002

Invitations must be accepted by February 27, 2002