

NOTICE OF RACE

Finger Lakes Autumn Class E (FLACE) Regatta September 21 - 22, 2024 Organizing Authority: Keuka Yacht Club

Location and Date:

The regatta will take place on Saturday, September 21, 2024 through and including Sunday September 22, 2024 at the Keuka Yacht Club located at 12890 West Lake Road, Hammondsport, New York. www.keukayachtclub.com

Rules:

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the National Class E Scow Association (NCESA) for scantlings, the Eastern Class E Sloop Association (ECESA) regarding crew and floats as stated below, and the 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), in this order. In case of conflict between rules the RRS will prevail.

According to the Class Scantling Rules every E-Scow entered in the regatta **must have paid the “Active Owner Member” Dues and the Skipper must be at least a “Regular Member” to the NCESA before registration.**

The sailing instructions (Si's), including amendments, will take precedence in the case of a conflict with the Notice of Race (NOR). This changes RRS 63.7

Advertising

Competitor advertising shall conform to the current ISAF Regulation 20 rules. Boats may be required to display event and sponsor's advertising for the duration of the event in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.4. These items will be supplied free of charge by the organizing authority (OA) at registration.

Eligibility

The regatta is open to all yachts which meet the rules of NCESA, whose skipper is an Active Owner or Regular Member of the NCESA and whose sails and equipment comply with the Scantlings and By-laws of the NCESA.

Crew

The number of persons comprising the crew is minimum 3, maximum unlimited, but each yacht shall sail the entire regatta with the same individuals and number of crew members that are declared at the close of registration, except for unusual situations when the jury of the event may, at its discretion, authorize a substitution, the underlying concept being to prevent “strategic” changing of crew following the close of registration.

Entries

Eligible boats may enter by going to the Clubspot page to complete the regatta's online entry and payment.

Early registration deadline is September 13th, 2024.

On-Line Waiver of Liability

All skippers must complete the Waiver of Liability on the Clubspot page.

Fees:

Entry fee for the regatta is:

\$175 per boat before September 13, 2024

\$180 per boat after September 13, 2024

Registration fees include participation in the race series, lunches for skipper and crew, 1st through 3rd place trophies, and complimentary refreshments after racing. Fees must be paid prior to the close of registration to be eligible to race.

Note: Breakfast will not be included in the registration fee. The KYC kitchen will be open for breakfast to order at your own expense.

Onsite Registration

There will be no on-site registration. However, there will be a **check-in** at the following times:

Saturday, September 21: 0830 am – 0930 am

Boat Launching & Storage

On-site trailer storage is available for all competitors. Boats will be launched daily from the club's two hoists.

Schedule of Events:**Saturday, September 21, 2024**

0830 – 0930 – Check In.

0930 – 1000 – Pick Up Packed Lunches

1000 – Skippers Meeting

1000 – Harbor Gun

1055 – “Attention Signal”

1100 – First Warning Signal

1830 – Happy Hour at KYC

Sunday, September 22, 2024

0800 – Harbor Gun.

0855 – “Attention Signal”

0900 – First Warning Signal

TBD – Lunch as soon as possible after final race.

TBD – Awards ceremony as soon as possible after final race.

Race Format

Six (6) races are scheduled. The completion of one (1) races constitutes a Regatta. No more than two races will be sailed back-to-back. No warning signal shall be made after 1355 on Sunday, September 22, 2024.

Sailing Instructions:

Sailing Instructions will be available online on the Clubspot registration site. If you want a printed copy, please print it off from the website and bring it with you. No printed copies will be available onsite.

Radio Use:

The RC will communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 68. The order of transmission or failure to hear a RC transmission shall not constitute grounds for redress. Notification of course changes after the start may be broadcast by the RC in addition to the signals. Please bring a VHF radio.

Required Safety Equipment:

1. Personal Flotation device for each member of the crew as well as a throwable device.
2. Tow Line
3. Main Sail Flotation Panels

Hull and Sail Requirements:

All boats must bear a silver certified lead added label and white tamper-proof sticker.

If any competitor has made modifications to their boat and needs to be re-weighed, it shall be done in controlled ideal conditions before arriving at the regatta by a class recognized representative.

Sails must contain a manufacturer's serial number (or measurer's serial number) and an NCESA Royalty Tag.

Boats may be inspected at any time during the regatta to ensure conformity with class rules.

Racing Area and Courses

Racing will take place in the central area of Keuka Lake near KYC, utilizing the branches when necessary. The courses to be sailed will be a windward / leeward configuration as described in the SI's.

Penalty System

RSS US Sailing prescription Appendix V shall be in effect.

Scoring:

One (1) completed races are necessary to constitute a series.

The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply with the following modifications:

When six or more races have been sailed, a boat's series score will be the total of the skipper's race scores after throwing out the skipper's worst score.

Awards:

Top 3 Skippers and Crew.

Insurance:

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party insurance.

Disclaimer:

Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk and are reminded to pay special attention to RSS 3, Decision to Race.

Keuka Yacht Club, Race Committee, Protest Committee, sponsors, volunteers, or any other affiliated organization or official accepts no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury, death or inconvenience incurred, in conjunction with the regatta, however caused. By participating in this event, each competitor, or in the case of minors, each competitor's parent or guardian, agrees to release the Regatta Organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

The legal drinking age in the state of New York is 21 years old. This is strictly enforced by KYC.

Amendments To This Notice:

The Organizing Authority may amend this notice. Amendments will be posted on the Clubspot regatta registration page.

SOCIAL AND BUSINESS INFORMATION

Lodging/Housing:

The Keuka Yacht Club E Fleet will attempt to locate housing on a first-come, first-serve basis but no guarantees are implied. Please direct any and ALL Housing Requests online via Clubspot. A list of recommended hotels is provided here. In addition, there are numerous bed & breakfast establishments in the area as well as other local accommodations that can be found online.

Best Western Plus – Hammondsport
Hampton Inn – Penn Yan
Best Western Plus – Penn Yan
Microtel – Penn Yan
Microtel – Bath
Keuka Lakeside Inn - Hammondsport
Vinehurst Inn - Hammondsport
Pleasant Valley Inn - Hammondsport

Meals:

Lunches: Lunch will be determined during the Skippers Meeting. Lunch will be available in the morning to pack for an on-the-water lunch. A break may be taken onshore for lunch. Sunday lunch will take place as soon as possible after the final race. The cost is included in your registration fee for skipper and crew. Additional lunches may be purchased at registration.

Evening Events:

Saturday Night: Happy Hour at KYC and then dinner at KYC to follow. Cost is separate from registration.

Event Contacts:

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