

FANFARE 2026



FAntastic Nepean FAI REgatta

September 12,13 2026
Nepean Sailing Club
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada



505 Canadian Championship **Dinghy and Catamaran Classes**

NOTICE OF RACE (Ver. 3)

Changes from Ver 2 (First release)

- a) In section 4.1, Open Dinghy description changed to “Albacore, Fireball and other dinghy classes with a PY handicap that are not included in the one-design fleets.”*
- b) In “Other Useful Information, added the following note: “The Club is also holding it’s annual “Pig and Corn Roast” on the evening of Saturday September 12th. Tickets are \$20 and will be available on the FANFARE Clubspot site.”*

The notation ‘[NP]’ in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1** The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Nepean Sailing Club.
- 1.2** The regatta is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.3** Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: “(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or”

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1** The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the regatta website no later than September 9th. Please read them!
- 2.2** On the water, the Race Committee may convey changes to the sailing instructions by verbal hail to each boat. A boat receiving such a hail shall acknowledge that hail verbally.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The regatta website is located at <https://fanfare.nsc.ca>
- 3.2 The official FANFARE notice board will be on Clubspot [HERE](#)
- 3.3 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make or receive electronic communications that are not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the following classes:
 - 505 (Canadian Championship)
 - Open Dinghy: Albacore, Fireball and and other dinghy classes with a PY handicap that are not included in the one-design fleets.
 - 420
 - Open Catamaran
 - Optimist
 - ILCAs
- 4.2 Any dinghy or catamaran fleet not listed above that wishes to participate should contact the regatta chairs. Designation of eligibility is at the sole discretion of the regatta chairs.
- 4.3 The regatta will serve as the 505 Canadian Championships
- 4.4 To secure a start, a fleet must have a minimum of four boats that have met registration requirements and by the fleet cut-off deadline. The regatta chairs may waive the fleet cut-off deadline at their sole discretion.
- 4.5 The fleet cut-off deadline is 1800 September 5.
- 4.6 The registration deadline is 1800 September 11.
- 4.7 Eligible boats may enter by completing the registration requirements by the registration deadline.

Registration is via the [FANFARE Clubspot regatta](#) site

The registration requirements comprise:

 - (1) submitting the on-line Clubspot registration form that is linked from the regatta website
 - (2) paying the required fee through Clubspot
 - (3) submitting the name for each crew member through Clubspot
 - (4) submitting the signed waiver for each crew member by Clubspot, no later than 0900 Saturday September 12.
- 4.8 [DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior approval of the Regatta Chair.
 - 4.8.1 Requests for crew changes shall be made by email to fanfare@nsc.ca
 - 4.8.2 The request shall include:
 - (1) the name of any retiring or withdrawn crew member, and
 - (2) the name and signed waiver for each new crew member
 - (3) the reason for the requested change.

5 FEES

5.1 Entry fees are as follows:

Youth boat	\$30 + HST
Single-handed boat	\$35 + HST
Double-handed boat	\$60 + HST

5.2 The youth fees apply if all competitors on the boat were born in 2008 or later.

5.3 Boats paying after the fleet cut-off deadline must pay a late fee of \$20 + HST.

5.4 The cancellation policy is as follows:

- 5.4.1 If the Organizing Authority cancels a fleet for failing to meet the fleet limits by the fleet cut-off deadline: entry fee for boats already registered in that fleet will be refunded in full
- 5.4.2 If a boat withdraws its registration for any other reason:
 - withdrawal prior to the fleet cut-off deadline, entry fee will be refunded less a \$10 administration charge;
 - withdrawal after the fleet cut-off deadline, no money will be refunded.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 Check-in is not required. Representatives of the Organizing Authority will be available at the following times to assist attendees:

1600 – 1800 Friday September 11 at Harbourview Hall, Nepean Sailing Club
0800 – 0930 Saturday September 12 at the tent next to the West dinghy ramp

6.2 The competitors' meeting will be at the dinghy yard tent at 09:30 Saturday September 12.

6.3 Dates of racing:

Date	Fleets	Scheduled activity
September 12	All fleets	Racing
September 13	All fleets	Racing

6.4 Number of races:

Fleets	Maximum races total
Martin 16, 2.4mR	10
All other fleets	12

6.5 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is

Date	Time
September 12	1100
September 13	1000

6.6 On the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1430.

6.7 The awards ceremony will be in the Harbourview Hall as soon as practical on the last scheduled day of racing.

7 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 7.1** [NP] Boats shall adhere to manufacturer's specifications or more recent class rules. This changes RRS 78.

8 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

- 8.1** RRS 40.1 (personal flotation devices) applies at all times.

9 VENUE

- 9.1** A plan of the Nepean Sailing Club is available in the venue section of the regatta website.
- 9.2** The racing area will be on the Ottawa River (Lac Deschenes), approximately north of the Nepean Sailing Club harbour.
- NOR Addendum A shows a chart of this area including three racing areas Alpha, Bravo and Charlie.

10 COURSES

- 10.1** The racing areas and courses, which will be windward/leeward or triangle, will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1** For the Martin 16 and Open Catamaran fleets, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.

12 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 12.1** A Protest Committee will be available to hear protests and requests for redress. Procedures for filing protests and attending protest hearings will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

13 SCORING

- 13.1** One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 13.2** Appendix A.2.1 is amended by substitution of the first sentence by the following:
- a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - b) When from 5 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - c) When 8 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 13.3** The Open Catamaran fleet handicap races will be scored using the International Small Catamaran Handicap Rating System (SCHRS) handicaps as of January 1 of the current year.
- 13.4** The ICLA fleet will be sailed as a single handicapped fleet using the Royal Yachting Association Portsmouth Yardstick handicap system.

13.5 The Open Dinghy fleet (Albacores and Fireballs) will be sailed as a single handicapped fleet using the Royal Yachting Association Portsmouth Yardstick handicap system.

14 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

14.1 [DP, NP] Support person vessels shall be declared to the Organizing Authority no later than 24 hours before the first scheduled race. The Organizing Authority may provide a flag to identify a support person vessel, which shall be flown by that support person vessel.

15 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

15.1 A chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provided that the Race Officer has approved her sail identification before the first race. The request shall be made by email to fanfare@nsc.ca. See RRS G3.

16 [DP] LAUNCHING

16.1 [NP] Each race day, all boats shall launch and land at the Nepean Sailing Club. Boats from other Lac Deschenes clubs may request an exemption from this rule by contacting the regatta chair.

16.2 [NP] Boats and their trailers shall be kept in their assigned places while at the Nepean Sailing Club.

16.3 Boats from clubs other than NSC, who need access to the NSC yard before 16:00 on Friday, should notify the FANFARE Chairs (fanfare@nsc.ca) by Monday September 7, so that access arrangements can be made.

17 DATA PROTECTION

17.1 Personal information will be managed according to the Privacy Policy of the Nepean Sailing Club. This policy is available at <https://nsc.ca/an/about-nsc/governance-administration/>.

18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

18.1 Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. By participating in the regatta, each competitor agrees to release the organizers from any and all liability to the fullest extent permitted by law.

18.2 Each competitor is required to submit a signed waiver of liability as a condition of entry. For competitors under the age of 18, the waiver must be signed by their parent or guardian. The waivers should be read and understood in advance of registration and payment. The waivers are available at the regatta website.

19 CONCUSSION

19.1 [DP, NP] The person in charge of each boat and support vessel shall comply with the Nepean Sailing Club concussion code-of-conduct protocol for Boat Owners. Crew persons shall comply with the Nepean Sailing Club concussion code-of-conduct protocol for Racing Crew. These protocols are available at <https://nsc.ca/an/racing/race-registration/concussions> .

20 INSURANCE

20.1 [NP, DP] Each boat and support vessel shall carry valid third-party liability insurance with coverage as follows:

20.1.1 Each Canadian boat and support vessel shall have a minimum coverage of \$1,000,000 CAD.

20.1.2 Each American boat and support vessel shall have a minimum coverage of \$300,000 USD.

20.2 The organizing authority does not accept any responsibility for verifying that a boat has valid third-party liability insurance.

21 PRIZES

21.1 Prizes will be awarded for 1st and 2nd place boats in each fleet. Additional prizes may be awarded.

22 CONSENT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

22.1 By entering the regatta, competitors accept that they may be photographed and/or video-recorded participating in the regatta and/or using club facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitors name or not, without compensation and without the competitors approval of such images or any use thereof.

23 FURTHER INFORMATION

23.1 For further information please contact:

Chair, FANFARE 2026
email: fanfare@nsc.ca

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Regatta website <https://fanfare.nsc.ca>

24 ADDENDUM A: LAC DESCHENES CHART

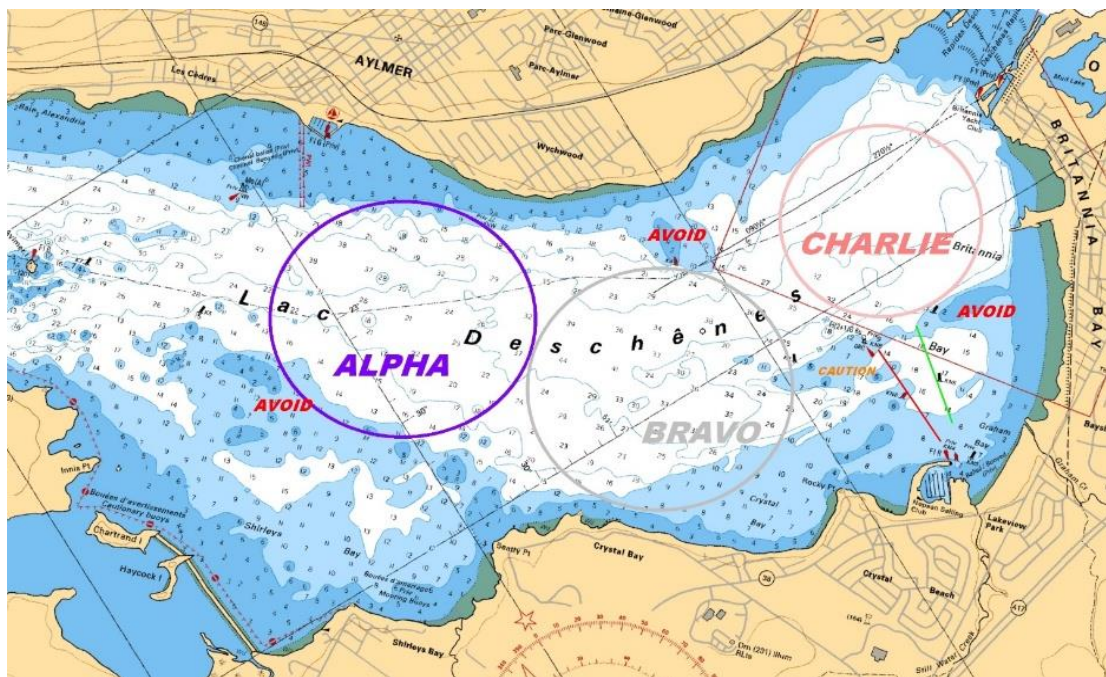
Boats and support vessels are advised to study a navigational chart and obey all navigational markers. Attention is drawing to the following areas in particular:

Solid rock at near-zero depth:

- Extended area starting immediately to the East of K1 (Britannia Shoal)
- Immediately to the North of K4 (Blueberry)

Solid rock at shallow depth, known to be a risk to dinghies and catamarans boats with deep foils, and a risk to keelboats:

- West of KN8 (Shirleys Bay)
- Unmarked region South-East from K5 (Nepean Sailing Club channel)
- Region South of F16 (Aylmer) outside marked channel



ADDITIONAL USEFUL INFORMATION

FACILITIES

More information about the Nepean Sailing Club and its facilities is available at the venue section of the regatta website.

Attendees are advised to obey City of Ottawa rules in the public parking area. Parking on any grass verge is forbidden by City of Ottawa rules and the City may issue parking tickets. Immediately upon arrival, visitors are advised to consult a member of the organizing committee or the Nepean Sailing Club staff to verify that they are properly parked and to obtain a temporary parking permit if parking overnight.

Boats and their trailers may be kept at the Nepean Sailing Club, from 2 days before the regatta to 1 day after the regatta, without charge.

Empty trailers will be permitted to park within the Nepean Sailing Club yard or in the reserved grass area outside. Use of a trailer lock is advised.

The ramps in the dinghy yard are not rated for vehicles. All vessels that launch using a towing vehicle should use the public launch ramp to the west of the harbour.

FOOD AND BEVERAGE

The Nepean Sailing Club Galley will be open for food and beverage service at its usual current hours.

The Club is also holding its annual “Pig and Corn Roast” on the evening of Saturday September 12th 20 and will be available on the FANFARE Clubspot site.