



## **Notice of Race**

### **Saratoga Multi-hull Open Regatta (SMOR)**

### **July 29-30, 2023**

**COVID 19 Restrictions:** COVID restrictions that may be prescribed by the Saratoga Lake Sailing Club (SLSC) Board at the time of racing will be enforced.

**Organizing Authority and Rules:** The Saratoga Lake Sailing Club (SLSC) is the organizing authority for all club-sponsored racing. All racing events sanctioned by the club are governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association, these instructions, the rules of the individual classes, except as any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions. **Notices to Competitors** will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board located on the front porch of the SLSC clubhouse.

#### **Single Use Water Bottle Policy:**

SLSC will **NOT** provide single use water bottles. Competitors are encouraged to bring their own refillable water bottle. SLSC will provide purified water to fill the bottles.

**Eligibility:** This is an open invitation event for all Multi-hull boats. All competitors are encouraged to invite sailors from other Clubs to attend. Competitors should feel free to sail as much of the regatta as they want. The goal is to run as many races as possible. There will be no starting signal made after 3PM on Saturday and after 1PM on Sunday. All competitors must register for the competition. Boats that have not been registered will not be scored. Rule A5.3 will apply for scoring. Registrations and payment will be taken online prior to the regatta. Navigate to the SLSC Multihull Class web page at <https://sailsaratoga.org/multi-hull-fleet>

**Fleets** - Any Fleet with five or more one-design boats will be given separate starts and prizes. All other boats will compete in the Open Class, with a separate start and prizes. The intention to race a separate one-design fleet should be communicated in advance to Tony Massa at [ammassa@gmail.com](mailto:ammassa@gmail.com) so that prizes can be acquired.

**Boat storage, rigging, and launching:** SLSC has boat park space and lawn space for rigging your boat. You can launch from your trailer at our boat ramp or from beach wheels at our lawn ramp. **Tow vehicles are not allowed on the lawn.** A SLSC member will move your trailer to the lawn using the club tractor.

**Fee:** The entry fee is \$95 for each skipper. The meal plan is \$30 for crew, spouses, or other non-sailors. The fee includes light breakfast, light lunch, and dinner on Saturday; light breakfast, lunch, and awards on Sunday; and beverages.

**Schedule of events:**

7/28 Friday - Competitors can arrive, rig boats, and practice sailing at SLSC.

7/29 Saturday 0800 - Breakfast and Sign-in. Competitors must sign-in for the regatta before racing. **We will not return to shore for lunch. Plan to bring food and drink on your boat.**

7/29 Saturday 0900 - Skippers' meeting.

7/29 Saturday 1000 - Shore signal, 1 long horn blast, indicating that racing will start at 1030.

7/29 Saturday 1800 - Dinner

7/30 Sunday 0900 - Breakfast and Skipper's meeting.

7/30 Sunday 1000 - Shore horn

7/30 Sunday - Lunch and Awards Ceremony will be held after racing is completed.

**Race Scoring:** One race constitutes a regatta. All boats in the Open Class will be scored with the Portsmouth Yardstick. Any separate Class will be scored based on the order of finish. The Low-Point Scoring System (Appendix A4 of RRS) is used with one modification: one throw-out is allowed if six or more races are completed.

Each boat finishing a race and not being disqualified will be scored as follows:

<u>Finishing Place</u>	<u>Score</u>
First	1
Second	2
and so on	

A boat disqualified will receive a score of the number of boats finishing plus one for that race. Boats that do not finish a race will not be scored.

Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each Class. Prizes will be awarded after completion of racing.

**Accommodations:** There are toilet and shower rooms available in the Clubhouse. Sleeping accommodations are available on a first come, first served basis. SLSC has parking space available for motorhomes. There is one electrical hookup available. There is ample space on the lawn for tent camping. **Room reservations at local hotels must be made early.** The horse racing season at Saratoga National Race Course will be in full swing and nearby hotels will be full. Late reservations may require up to a 60 minute drive to distant hotels.

**DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY/RISK:** It is the competitor's decision to enter the regatta and to start or continue any race and each competitor is ultimately responsible for the risks of sailing and racing. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The competitor will accept full responsibility for all his/her actions during any activity related to the event. This includes all race preparation activities, racing and post-race activities, and boat & trailer storage. Neither the Organizing Authority, nor the Host Club will accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.