



# Back to School Regatta and 4th Annual Dinghy Challenge Cup September 9–10, 2017

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## NOTICE OF RACE

**1. Rules:** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), class rules of participating classes, this notice of race, and the sailing instructions.

### **2. Eligibility**

**2.1 Fleets:** Flying Scot, Laser Radial, Sunfish, Optimist (red, white, blue, and green fleets), Club 420 (with spinnaker and trapeze), Viper 640, and/or any other class with three or more boats. There will be a Portsmouth class for boats of all classes less than 3 boats.

**2.2 Dinghy Challenge Cup:** Each competing team is limited to one boat in each of the following classes: Optimist, Club 420 (with spinnaker), Flying Scot, and singlehanded dinghy. A team may enter one of the following classes as a singlehanded dinghy: Finn, RS Aero, Sunfish, Laser full rig, Laser radial. Dinghy Challenge Cup scoring counts the best 3 in each race. Teams need only have three of the above classes to enter the Dinghy Challenge Cup and teams with 4 will discard their highest score for each race.

### **3. Entry:**

**3.1** Registration will be held online at <http://www.nextsailor.com/regatta/bts2017> by 2000 on September 9, 2017, or at Pontchartrain Yacht Club on September 10, 2017 beginning at 0900, in the Regatta Room.

**3.2** For Dinghy Challenge Cup classes of boats participating on a team, unlimited substitution of skipper and/or crew is allowed between individual races.

### **4. Entry Fees:**

**4.1** Optimist and Optimist Green: \$35.00 US Sailing Membership number required, otherwise \$40.00.

**4.2** All other entries: \$45.00 US Sailing Membership number required, otherwise \$50.00.

**4.3** Fees may be paid online using a credit card, or in the Regatta Room Saturday, September 10, by cash, GYA club charge, or check payable to Pontchartrain Yacht Club.

### **5. Schedule of Events:**

#### **Saturday September 9, 2017**

0900 - 1030 Registration

1030 Skipper's Meeting - At the meeting the Optimist PRO will announce a time and meeting place for the Opti sailors to have another meeting before going on the water.

1125 Warning signal for all classes.

1700 Family spaghetti dinner

**Sunday September 10, 2017**

1025 Warning Signal for all classes, additional races to follow. No warning signal after 1430.

Awards ceremony will be as soon as possible following the conclusion of all races.

**6. Number of Races:**

The race committee will attempt as many races as possible each day.

**6.1 Dinghy Challenge Cup**

The first 5 races of the Dinghy Challenge Cup fleets will count towards Dinghy Challenge Cup scoring.

**7. Sailing Instructions:** Sailing Instructions will be available at the registration desk.

**8. Venue:** The sailing area will be in Lake Pontchartrain east of the Lake Pontchartrain Causeway and south of the Pontchartrain Yacht Club, in the vicinity of mark M-1.

**9. Penalty System:** For all classes, Appendix V applies.

**10. Scoring:**

**10.1** One (1) completed race will constitute a regatta.

**10.2** The Portsmouth and singlehanded Dinghy Challenge Cup fleets will use the DP-N rating as published at <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/offshore-big-boats/portsmouth-precalculated-classes/> where applicable.

There will be no correction for wind speed.

**10.3 Dinghy Challenge Cup Scoring**

The first five fleet races shall count towards the Dinghy Challenge Cup with no discard. Each team's score for each race shall be the sum of the finishing scores of the best three team boats in the race.

**11. Disclaimer of Liability:** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, 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.

**12. Contact:**

Pontchartrain Yacht Club General Manager: 985-626-3192 [office@pontyc.org](mailto:office@pontyc.org)

### **13. Lodging:**

#### **Area Hotels**

Comfort Inn & Suites	Covington, LA 985-809-1234
Courtyard Marriot	Covington, LA 985-871-0244
Hampton Inn	Covington, LA 985-809-0019
Holiday Inn & Suites	Covington, LA 985-893-3580
Homewood Suites	Covington, LA 985-809-6144
La Quinta Inn & Suites	Covington, LA 985-871-0356
Super 8	Covington, LA 985-892-4470

#### **Bed & Breakfast**

Mar Villa Guest House	Mandeville, LA 985-626-5975 <a href="http://www.marvilla.com">http://www.marvilla.com</a>
Pontchartrain Winds	Mandeville, LA 985-727-2444 <a href="http://www.pontchartrainwinds.com">http://www.pontchartrainwinds.com</a>
Blue Heron B & B	Mandeville, LA 985-373-8902 <a href="http://www.blueheronmandevillela.com">http://www.blueheronmandevillela.com</a>

#### **Fontainebleau State Park**

Mandeville, LA 70448 877-226-7652 877-226-7652  
<http://www.stateparks.com/fontainebleau.html>

