

# NOTICE OF RACE FINN NATIONALS FAIRHOPE YACHT CLUB FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA 10-13 April 2014



### 1. <u>Rules</u>

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the 2013-2016 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Prescriptions thereto, the International Finn Association Class Rules and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 RRS 62.2 and 66 will be changed to shorten the time limit for filing requests for redress based upon actions of the jury and requests to reopen a hearing on the last day of racing. The changes will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.3 International Finn Association Class Rules will apply.
- 1.4 Measurement may be performed at Fairhope Yacht Club. Boats must comply with current Class measurement rules and have a copy of their measurement certificate available for inspection. Boats must have a current IFA sticker. Skippers may be asked to show compliance with all safety gear as required by US Coast Guard and Class rules.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

## 2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 This regatta is open to all boats of the Finn class. Competitors shall be members of the USA Finn Association or their relevant national Finn class association. Competitors must arrange for the registered boat to be present at the event.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached Entry Form and sending it, with the required fee, to: Fairhope Yacht Club, Attn: Finn Nationals, P. O. Box 1327, Fairhope, AL 36533. Mailed entries must be postmarked on or before 1 April 2014.
- 2.3 Registration is not complete until Entry Form and required fee are received by Fairhope Yacht Club.
- 3. <u>Fees</u>
- 3.1 The entry fee for this event is \$175.00 if received or postmarked on or before 15 March 2014, with a \$10.00 discount if presented with a current U.S. Sailing membership card. A \$25.00 late registration fee will be applied to entries postmarked on or after 16 March 2014. Entry fee includes regatta shirt, racing, on-the-water snacks and water, post-race libations, meals as outlined in #5 below, cocktail party, social activities and awards banquet
- 3.2 Guests may purchase a ticket for regatta events at a cost of \$50.00 (includes the above except regatta shirt, racing and on-the-water provisions).
- 3.3 Only boats that have registered by 1030hrs on 11 April 2014 may compete unless the Organizing Authority, in its sole discretion, extends the deadline.

## 4. <u>Registration and Schedule</u>

4.1 Registration must be completed and received no later than 1030hrs, 11 April 2014.

<u>Thursday, 10 April</u>	
1325hr <i>s</i>	Practice Race Warning
<u>Friday, 11 April</u>	
0930-1030hrs	Late Registration
1100hrs	Competitors' Meeting
1300hrs	First Warning Signal; three (3) races will be attempted.
<u>Saturday, 12 April</u>	
1100hrs	First Warning Signal; three (3) races will be attempted.
<u>Sunday, 13 April</u>	
1100hrs	First Warning Signal, two (2) races will be attempted. No warning signal will be made after 1400hrs.
4.2 Number of races scheduled:	Eight (8)

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5.	Food and Social Activities	
	Thursday, 10 April:	Libations and snacks following practice race(s) (Tiki Bar area)
	Friday, 11 April:	Continental breakfast, 0930-1030hrs (FYC Ballroom)
		Sandwich buffet, 1130hrs (Jubilee Room)
		Libations and snacks following racing (Tiki Bar area)
		Dinner Buffet, 1900hrs (Jubilee Room)
	Saturday, 12 April:	Breakfast Buffet, 0830-1000hrs (Jubilee Room)
		Libations and snacks following racing (Tiki Bar area)
		Cocktail Party and heavy hors d'oeuvres - 1900hrs (Ballroom)
		Entertainment by The Kyle & Karl Band 1900-2100hrs
	Sunday, 13 April:	Breakfast Buffet, 0830-0930hrs (Jubilee Room)
		Awards Banquet, heavy hors d'oeuvres 1630hrs (FYC Ballroom)

### 6. Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be available at Fairhope Yacht Club no later than 1700hrs on Thursday, 10 April 2014.

### 7. Scoring

- 7.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply, except that the number of races <u>completed</u> to permit a throwout shall be four (4). This changes *RRS A2*.
- 7.2 Three (3) races shall constitute a series.

### 8. <u>Awards</u>

Overall: Top five (5) finishers

### 9. <u>Attire</u>

Shoes and shirts (no tank-tops or offensive writing on shirts) are required in the club house.

#### 10. Housing

Limited housing is available on a first-option basis. Housing requests must be made no later than 1 March 2014. See Registration Form for housing request. NOTE: <u>Housing will not be assigned until Registration Form and</u> <u>Payment are received by FYC</u>. Camping will be permitted on the south side of FYC property.

### 11. Local Accommodations

Hampton Inn Fairhope: 251-928-0956; Holiday Inn Express: 251-928-9191; Key West Inn: 251-990-7373; Barons on the Bay: 251-928-8000 Other hotels are located in the <u>Fairhope</u> and <u>Daphne</u> areas.

### 12. <u>Disclaimer of Liability</u>

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. Neither the Organizing Authority nor the Host Club will accept any liability for property damage or personal injury or death in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the regatta. See *RRS 4*.

### 13. Right to Use Likeness

By entering the regatta a competitor grants the Organizing Authority and/or the Host Club in perpetuity to make, use and/or show, from time to time at their discretion, any photographs, motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him/her taken during the period of competition without compensation.

## Organizing Authority & Host Club:

Fairhope Yacht Club 101 Volanta Avenue Fairhope, AL 36532 251.928.3276 --<u>Directions</u>--

### Regatta Contacts:

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