

2016 LAKE BEULAH OPTIMIST DINGHY REGATTA

1. Date and Venue

The LBSS Optimist Dinghy Regatta –will be held on Monday, June 27, 2016. The venue will be Lake Beulah located in East Troy, Wisconsin.

2. Organization and Rules

2.1 The regatta will be organized by the Lake Beulah Sailing School in conjunction with the Lake Beulah Yacht Club and will be sailed under the "rules" as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

3. Eligibility

- 3.1 International Optimist Dinghies may enter based on completion of the on site registration requirements.
- 3.2 Opti Red, Blue and White Fleet assignments will be based on the competitor's attained age on June 27, 2016. The Opti fleets will be as follows: Red Fleet/Competitors aged 13-15; Blue Fleet/Competitors aged 11-12 years; White Fleet/Competitors aged 10 years and under.
- 3.3 Competitors must have completed **all** parts of the registration form together with all fees, **received** by the Lake Beulah Sailing School by 9 AM CST, Monday June 27, 2016. A late fee in the amount of \$15 will be assessed to registrations postmarked after June 20, 2016.

4. Format of the Regatta

For the Championship or the Green Fleet, in the event that there are more than 80 sailors registered per fleet, that fleet may be divided into divisions.

5. Schedule Date of racing June 27

0800 - 0900 Check in

0845 Coaches and Parents' meeting

0900 Skippers' meeting – Championship

0915 Harbor Start (Championship)

Racing to follow

Lunch at the LBYC Clubhouse

15:00 No warning signal after this time

After racing Awards Ceremony

The Green Fleet sailors' schedule will be the same through the Championship Skipper's Meeting, at which point, a second separate Skipper's Meeting for Green Fleet sailors will be conducted and the remainder of the schedule for that fleet will be announced.

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6. Racing

The racing area will be the waters of Lake Beulah, west of the clubhouse of the Lake Beulah Yacht Club.

7. Course

- 7.1 The course for the Championship Fleet will be windward leeward with a gate at the leeward mark.
- 7.2 The course(s) for the Green Fleet will be announced at the Skipper's Meeting for Green Fleet sailors on Monday morning.

8. Scoring

- 8.1 The Low-Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A, will be used.
- 8.2 One race is required to complete the regatta.
- 8.3 There will be no throw outs.

9. Sailing Instructions

9.1 Sailing Instructions will be available at the onsite registration.

10. Protests

- 10.1Boats are not exempted from displaying a red flag according to the second sentence of RRS 61.1(a).
- 10.2This paragraph changes RRS 61.1(a), third sentence. A boat required to display a flag shall do so until it is no longer racing, and shall inform the Race Committee of the boat being protested immediately after finishing. This instruction amends RRS 61.1(a), fourth sentence.

11. Personal buoyancy

11.1 Each competitor must wear a US Coast Guard approved personal flotation device (PFD), properly secured at all times, from dock to dock except when temporarily adding or removing clothing. Wet suits, dry suits and inflatable PFD's do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy. Failure to wear one will result in a penalty up to and including disqualification.

12. Safety

- 12.1 Parents/guardians are responsible for the safety of the sailor. It is the responsibility solely of the parent(s) of the sailor to decide if the sailor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. Parents not personally attending any part of the event must ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their sailor.
- 12.2 A whistle must be attached with a lanyard to clothing. Competitors not complying with this instruction shall be given a penalty of five (5) points for each race in which they have failed to observe this instruction.

13. Support boats

All support boats must stay outside the course area at all times. It is the intention of this provision that each sailor shall have a support boat on the course.

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14. Measurement

- 14.1 Competitors are allowed to use only one hull, dagger board, rudder (with tiller and extension), mast, boom, sprit and sail during the regatta. Substitution of such equipment shall occur only with the Jury's approval.
- 14.2 There will be no measurement inspection other than safety checks.
- 14.3 All equipment may be subject to a safety check.

15. Liability

15.1 Participants compete entirely at their own risk. A waiver must be signed by all competitors and their parent/guardian.

16. Entry fee

16.1 The Optimist entry fee will be \$50.00. A late fee in the amount of \$15 will be assessed to registrations postmarked after June 20, 2016. No registration will be accepted if not received by the Lake Beulah Sailing School by 0900 AM CST on Monday, June 27, 2016.

17. Awards

Championship Fleet:

Overall: $1^{st} - 10^{th}$ Place

Red Fleet: 1st – 3th Place

Blue Fleet: $1^{st} - 5^{th}$ Place

White Fleet: $1^{st} - 5^{th}$ Place

Green Fleet: Participation awards for all competitors.

18. Designated Adult

- 18.1 Each competitor shall indicate in writing a parent or adult representative that shall responsible for the competitor throughout the event.
- 18.2 It is the competitor's parents (or designated adult) decision to enter the regatta and to start or continue any race. The adults supervising the competitors are ultimately responsible for the risks.
- 18.3 The designated adult will accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

19. Additional information

19.1 For additional information contact: nancy.p.schmidt@pfizer.com

20. Effective Date.

20.1 This Preliminary Notice of Race is effective May 27, 2016.