SAISA SOUTH POINTS REGATTA SERIES SP 7 NOTICE OF RACE

HOST: Ransom Everglades School March 1-2, 2014

SITE: Harry Anderson Water Sports Center (Ransom Everglades School Waterfront) 3575 Main Highway, Coconut Grove, Miami 33133

1. RULES

This regatta will be governed by the current ISSA Procedural Rules and SAISA Supplementary Rules, *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the prescriptions of US SAILING, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions. Advertising will be restricted to Category A.

2. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Saturday, March 1

0800 - Arrival, boat rigging (check in if providing a boat)

0845 - Registration CLOSES

0900 - Competitors' Meeting

1000 - First Warning Signal.

The R/C reserves the right to start any race if it feels teams have been given ample time to transit to the starting area from the rigging area or rotation location. If the minimum number of races cannot be completed on Saturday, it will be determined if racing will resume on Sunday, or not meet the minimum race requirement.

Sunday, March 2

0830 Competitor's meeting 0930 Start of the first race

No race to be started after this time

3. FORMAT

This will be a two-division regatta; teams will rotate through the boat per a rotation posted on the day of the event. A Sound Signal Starting System shall be used. Competitors should expect numerous short races of 15-20 min in duration with boat rotations as set forth at the skipper's meeting. Three races in each division must be completed to constitute a regatta. It shall be the goal of the race committee to complete one full round robin rotation of boats. If racing is needed on Sunday; school teams should be prepared to race. Three races in each division must be completed to constitute a regatta. All coaching, including instruction, assistance, equipment or sustenance shall be provided only on shore or on a designated vessel on the water.

4. SCORING

4.1 Low point system for individual races as modified by ISSA Rule 9. Ties will be resolved per procedural rule 11(c). Note that when the school "team" is composed of two (2) or more sailors from different schools the composite team sailor's schools will be indicated on the results & viewed as developmental team.

A Regatta Report (race highlights with results without spread sheets), will be forwarded to SAISA for processing & points will be awarded to qualify for participation in the district championship & qualifier for the ISSA Mallory Trophy regatta. (Final results include the regatta name, venue, date, highlights, and the divisional scores' summary for each school. Separate divisional itemization per race follows in order of the teams finish with the final score, additionally a section identifies both skippers & crew, their grade level with the races sailed & footnoted identifying a composite team. The winning team is identified at the bottom listing sailors and crew sailed. The PRO & scorer submitting the highlights & results are both identified on the results.)

4.2 Protests hearings, if any, may take place between races. We will attempt to post preliminary results in real time between races

4.3 Race Participation (RP) Forms must be completed legibly by the participating sailors per team. The team representative signs the form assuring that it was completed properly and that the stated conditions were met. Incomplete forms &/or substitution issues can result in penalties ranging from disqualification to 20 points or 2 losses added, depending on the event. Forms are due before the end of the protest period at the end of the day.

5. AWARDS

Prizes may be awarded after completion of the last race with results to follow.

6. FEES

The entry fee shall be \$45.00 per each school team, paid in advance by using the <u>registration</u> and <u>waiver</u> forms available on the South Atlantic Interscholastic Sailing Association website (http://saisa.hssailing.org/), listed under "General Forms"

Pay in advance by check made payable to Ransom Everglades School along with Registration Form, & Waivers.

Send To:

Ransom Everglades School Gonzalo Crivello – Coach, Harry Anderson Water Sports Center 3575 Main Highway; Miami, FL 33133

Registration Deadline: All participating teams must pre-register for this event by Wednesday February 26th at 6 pm. Contact Gonzalo Crivello; Harry Anderson Water Sport Center gcrivello@ransomeverglades.org.

7. ELIGIBILITY

7.1 All current member school teams of the South Atlantic Interscholastic Sailing Association (SAISA) are welcome. The regatta is a South Points Regatta. Points will also be awarded to qualify for participation in the Mallory District Championship & Qualifier for ISSA fleet racing nationals, within the South Atlantic District.

7.2 All teams must be members in good standing with SAISA. If a team wishes to participate, and has not yet paid the ISSA/SAISA dues, they will be provided the opportunity to pay dues at check-in.

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7.3 Registration is on a first paid/first allowed basis. Once 15 teams have registered, each team after the 15th will be notified by the venue that their entry shall be contingent upon their ability to bring their own 420 sailboat to add to the rotation. Schools providing a 420 for the rotation must be rigged and ready prior to the Skippers Meeting and shall also notify the Race Committee upon arrival so that identification and modifications may be made as necessary. Teams bringing boats will be assigned their own boat for the first A division rotation.

If a North Point or Caribbean team wishes to participate they may be required to provide their own 420 (please confirm availability with the venue). The North Point team may be scored in place similar to a JV team.

7.4 Competitors must attend the school they represent full time and must be in the 8-12 grades, as of the date of the Regatta and must be listed on their ISSA/SAISA online team roster. If your school does not have sufficient sailors to form the necessary teams, we will attempt to "mix and match" sailors from different registered member schools. Note that 8th grade competitors may sail, but will be scored as a developmental team; the regatta will not count toward entry into a championship event. A team lacking sufficient skippers to compete in both divisions of a two-divisional point's event may register to sail as a one division team and will be scored DNS for each race in the division in which they do not field a team. One-division teams will be scored in place, will be eligible for divisional honors, and will receive points according to their over-all place. Teams without skippers may attend point's regattas and may register as 'present'; their sailors may be substituted in crew positions as a composite developmental team.

7.5 An adult school representative/advisor is required to accompany each team and be responsible for their conduct on and off the water. The team representative, who may be an advisor, coach, or parent, is expected to have full authority to obtain medical treatment for their team members and have the ability to monitor his/her teams' experience in their proficiency to sail in varied conditions as may be encountered including appropriate protective clothing.

7.6 Eligible SAISA schools with 12 or more sailors may enter both varsity and JV teams, however only the varsity team score will be used to determine the events usable scores. A JV team from eligible schools may also be entered only when pre-approved by SAISA and the venue. Depending on boat availability, each JV team may be responsible for providing their own 420; preference will be given to high schools with only one team. JV teams may use the boat they bring and not rotate to other boats. All schools shall be members in good standing with SAISA.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available upon check-in.

9. BOATS

Collegiate 420's will be used, and 16 will be provided by the venue. Inherently buoyant Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) including US Coast Guard Type III or V PFDs must be furnished by the competitors. PFDs shall be warn outside of all clothing and foul weather gear, except for a thin athletic (synthetic) T-shirt or team pinny, which may be worn over a lifejacket to prevent snagging of lines or equipment. Inflatable type PFDs are not permitted. Each sailor must have suitable safety gear for weather and temperature conditions.

10. RACING AREA

The regatta will be held on Biscayne Bay south and east of the entrance to Dinner Key Channel.

11. LUNCHES

Please plan to bring your team's lunch as lunch will be held between rotations on the water. The use of disposable plastic water bottles is HIGHLY DISCOURAGED. Large Igloo containers of ice water will be available to all competitors, coaches, and spectators for refilling your re-usable canister (e.g. Nalgene).

12. DAMAGE

Damage that requires more than normal maintenance is considered a serious incident. If the Regatta Chairman determines that reasonable care was not used and resulted in damage one or both boats may be disqualified regardless of any alternative penalties already taken. In extreme cases, either or both boats (skipper & crew) may be excluded from the rest of the regatta and held financially responsible for the damages. Due to varied conditions that may be encountered, and the skill level of individual sailors and teams, it is the advisor &/or coaches' decision to sail and participate and their Decision to Race.

13. DIRECTIONS

Ransom Everglades Upper School is approximately 20 minutes from Miami International Airport and lies on the waterfront of Coconut Grove just south of Dinner Key. Detailed directions to Ransom Everglades Upper School are available from the contacts below or at www.mapquest.com.

14. LODGING

Contact The Hampton Inn - Central Reservations 800-426-7866. There are 2 locations near Coconut Grove:

Hampton Inn Coconut Grove

Hampton Inn Key Biscayne

Other options:

Holiday Inn, University of Miami (305) 667-5611

DoubleTree Coconut Grove (305) 858-2500

Residence Inn by Marriott

Extended Stay America - Coral Gables

15. INFORMATION

15.1 For additional information, you may contact Gonzalo Crivello; Harry Anderson Water Sports Center: (305) 460-4359/B or (305) 942-3178/C, email gcrivello@ransomeverglades.org

16. SPECIAL CLOTHING/SAFETY GEAR

If appropriate, while on the rotation dock and on the water, competitors shall wear clothing appropriate for water & wind conditions. This includes a PFD & can include a dry suit, wet suit or a thermal polyester layer covered by a windproof shell, head cover/protection, etc. Cotton clothing including jeans, sweat suits and t-shirts are prohibited. It shall be the responsibility of the school that all competitors must be able to swim at least 50 yards and tread water for 5 minutes.

17. CONDUCT

No contestant shall use, either on or off the water, alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, or distilled spirits, each as defined in Chapter 51 of the US Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use), or marijuana, cocaine, or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 US Code 802), the possession of which, by that contestant is unlawful under 21 US Code 841. Infringements of this regulation and/or other inappropriate conduct occurring during this event, may be the basis for a hearing under RRS 69.1. The protest committee for such a hearing shall include a member of the ISSA Board of Directors &/or Regatta Chair, the Chief Umpire of the event, and at least one other person. This protest committee shall, at a time and place selected by it, meet to hear said protest, and it may impose scoring penalties, or other sanctions that it deems appropriate, including summary removal from the regatta, shall be final, without appeal.

18. DISCLAIMER OF LIBAILITY

Competitors participates in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority and host 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.

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