



**2018 Thistle Great Lakes Championships**  
**Seneca Yacht Club**  
**June 30 - July 1, 2018**  
 Organizing Authority: Seneca Yacht Club, Geneva, NY 14561



**NOTICE OF RACE**

**1 RULES**

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)* and Thistle Class Rules as documented in the Thistle Class Constitution, TCA Bylaws, Chief Measurement Rulings and Specifications.

**2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 2.1 The Regatta is open to boats and competitors meeting the eligibility requirements as described in the (TCA) rules. **All Skippers must be TCA members. All boats must be Registered and TCA Dues Paid.**
- 2.2 Eligible participants should register in advance for the regatta by completing the on-line registration. Registration can be found on Yacht Scoring - **2018 TCA Thistle Great Lakes Championships**. Information can also be found at the Seneca Yacht Club website – [www.Senecayc.org](http://www.Senecayc.org).

**3 FEES**

- 3.1 Entries received by June 15, 2018                    \$100.00 (Sign up early!)  
**Entries received June 16-24, 2018                    \$125.00**  
**Entries received after June 24, 2018                \$150.00**
- 3.2 This entry fee includes continental breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, dinner on Saturday, keg beer and box wine Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

**4 VENUE**

Races will be sailed on north end of Seneca Lake in Geneva, NY

**5 SCHEDULE**

**Friday, June 29**

- 1500                    Tuning Clinic and short course informal racing with video taping
- 1700-1900            Check in and late registration
- 1700                    Free keg beer, pass the hat for pizza

**Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup>**

- 0900                    Competitor’s meeting
- 1000                    First warning signal
- 1800                    Munchies, wine and spirits tasting, Free keg & Dinner

**Sunday, July 1**

- 0930                    First warning signal
- 1400                    No warning after this time



## 6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and on the event website by June 1.

## 7 THE COURSE

- 7.1 The courses to be sailed will be either multiple leg windward-leeward or triangle-windward-leeward
- 7.2 Offset marks and leeward gates may be used.

## 8 PENALTY SYSTEM

Appendix V – Alternative Penalties will apply.

## 9 SCORING

- 9.1 A boat's regatta score will be the total of all her race scores.
- 9.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 9.3 A maximum of nine (9) races are scheduled.

## 10 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 10.1 Pursuant to Chief Measurer's Rulings 65 and 74, competitors may receive VHF radio transmissions from the Race Committee concerning safety, notice of on-course-side (OCS) boats and general information to assist in the management of the event.
- 10.2 The RC will monitor VHF for use in emergency and safety related situations.

## 11 PRIZES

Prizes will be given to the top five teams.

## 12 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.

## 13 OTHER

Camping is available at Seneca Yacht Club. There may be some limited local housing. Call Joy Martin to get on the list. RVs can be parked at the club but hookups are not available. Please note we have limited shower and rest room capabilities (1 shower, 2 toilets in each rest room). Port-A-Johns use will be encouraged as we are still on a septic system.

## 14 FURTHER INFORMATION

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