

Notice of Race

Thistle Fleet 48 and the Atlanta Yacht Club cordially invite you to attend the 66th Dixie Regatta to be held May 27 & 28, 2017, on Lake Allatoona, Acworth, Georgia. For full details, go to http://www.AtlantaYachtClub.org/Dixie.

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2. Junior Regatta: At least four boats must be registered by 0900, Saturday, May 27, in order for the Junior Regatta to be held.
- 1.3. Alternative Penalty, System US Sailing Prescription Appendix V1 and V2 will be in effect. Note: one turn and two turn penalties apply while racing.
- 1.4 A boat's sail number provided at registration and/or on the Entry Form will be the number of the boat scored. In the event a boat races with a sail number other than its registered number, it will be scored as DNC without a hearing (Changes RRS 90.3(c) & 62.1).

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1. Participation is open to registered Thistle Class yachts and dues-paid members of the Thistle Class. R&D cards are required a \$5.00 fee will be required for all non-US Sailing members.
- 2.2. Eligible boats may enter by properly filing the registration form and paying all fees.
- 2.3. Early Registration may be completed online at: http://AtlantaYachtClub.org/Dixie-Regatta-2017
- 2.4. The Junior event is open to any skipper who has not reached his or her 19th birthday. One crew may be an Adult, a second crew member must be a Junior.

3. Fees

- 3.1. Regatta fees are as indicated on the registration form and do not include Thistle Class Association Dues.
- 3.2. There are no fees associated with the Junior Event.

4. Series

- 4.1. At the discretion of the Race Committee, three races are scheduled.
- 4.2. Registrants will be split into four Divisions (Black, Orange, Yellow and Blue), designated with corresponding colors of pennants to be attached to the mainsail in the vicinity of the lower batten on the mainsail leech. There will be two flights for all races. Each flight will include two of the Divisions, rotated after every race, so that if all races are completed each Division will have competed against all three of the others during the course of the regatta. Placards on the Race Committee Signal Boat will correspond to the Division colors.

5. Schedule

5.1. Registration:	Saturday, May 27	
•	0830 - 0900	Junior registration at the Point
	0900 - 1200	Dixie registration at the clubhouse
5.2. Racing:	Saturday, May 27	
	0925	Junior race Warning signal;
		2nd and 3rd scheduled races to follow
	1200	Competitors' meeting at the Point
	1325	1st race Warning signal:
		Second race to follow
	Sunday, May 28	
	0925	Warning signal for subsequent race(s)

5.3. All races will be scored (Changes RRS A2).

6. Sailing Instructions

6.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available at the Registration table in the AYC Clubhouse and PRELIMINARY Sailing Instructions will be posted online at http://www.AtlantaYachtClub.org/Dixie

7. Radio Communication

7.1 All VHF radio announcements from the Race Committee to the competitors will be on Channel 69. No broadcast communication from the competitors is allowed except for safety reasons.

8. Prizes

8.1. Trophies will be awarded to the top five finishers of Dixie Regatta and to the top three finishers of the Junior Regatta.

9. Disclaimer of Liability

9.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race of the RRS. 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.

10. Further Information

10.1. For further information, please visit http://www.atlantayachtclub.org/dixie

Please note: No pets, motorcycles, or firearms are permitted on AYC property