



Thistle Oyster Roast Regatta

October 9 & 10, 2021

A Thistle East Coast Fall Series Event



Hosted by Thistle Fleet 34 and Severn Sailing Association
311 First Street • Annapolis, Maryland 21403

NOTICE OF RACE

1. **Rules:** This regatta will be governed by the current edition of the Racing Rules of Sailing, the requirements of the Thistle Class Association, the current Severn Sailing Association Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, as amended, and this Notice of Race.
2. **Sailing Instructions:** Paper copies of the Sailing Instructions, including any amendments, will be available at Registration Saturday morning. The SSA Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions is available online at www.severnsailing.org under Racing. Amendments to the SSA NoR/SI will be available on the online registration page.
3. **Eligibility and Entry:**
 - This regatta is open to all R&D Thistle Class boats. Current membership in the Thistle Class Association is required for all skippers.
 - Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form (available at www.severnsailing.org) and paying the required fee, no later than 2 hours before the boat's first scheduled warning signal.
4. **Fees:** \$70 / \$80 after October 4
 - The entry fee includes racing, continental breakfasts each day, and appetizers Saturday evening.
5. **Schedule:**
 - The preliminary schedule of events is as follows:

<u>Saturday</u>	
0830	Check-In & Continental Breakfast
1000	Competitors' Meeting
1030	Harbor Start
1130	Warning signal for Race 1, additional races to follow as conditions permit
~1645	Appetizers and Happy Hour (Cash Bar)
	—Includes oyster stew, but no oyster shucking this year
~1745	Dinner (separate ticket)
 <u>Sunday</u>	
0830	Continental Breakfast
1000	Harbor Start
1100	Warning Signal, additional races as conditions permit (no start after 1400)
	Awards to Follow
 - The number of races each day may vary as weather conditions permit. The total number of races for the regatta shall not exceed seven (7); one (1) completed race shall constitute a regatta.

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6. Communication:

- Competitors may receive courtesy VHF radio transmissions from the Race Committee over VHF channel 65a (or as announced) concerning safety, notice of on-course-side (OCS) boats and general information to assist in the management of the event. The use of any other electronic communication devices, including cellular phones, is prohibited except in an emergency.
- Except in an emergency, a participating boat shall neither make nor receive radio communications not available to all participating boats.

7. **Venue:** The racing area will be in the Chesapeake Bay, near the mouth of the Severn River.

8. **Penalty System:** RSS/US Appendix V1 and V2 shall be in effect. This modifies SSA NoR/SSI 17.1.

9. Scoring:

- A boat's regatta score shall be the total of her race scores.
- A minimum of one completed race will constitute a regatta.

10. **Prizes:** Prizes will be awarded to skippers and crew placing first, second, and third in the regatta.

11. **Further Information:** Please contact Cairn Krafft (cairnkrafft@comcast.net or 443-975-0220).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

COVID 19: All participants and their guests are expected to follow CDC, State of Maryland, Thistle Class Association, and Severn Sailing Association guidance as appropriate.

Clean Regatta: We have registered as a Clean Regatta with Sailors for the Sea (www.sailorsforthesea.org). Please: bring and use refillable water bottles, bring your own refillable coffee cup, and discard items in the appropriate receptacle (compost/landfill/recycle).



Crew Clearinghouse: Please contact Bill Krafft (bkrafft@triconmail.com) if you need crew or know of people available to crew.

Happy Hour:

- Appetizers including oyster stew, baked brie, hot chili dip, pepper jelly, and vegetable platter. Please note we are unable to offer oyster shucking this year.
- Cash bar
- Included for 3 people in entry fee; additional wristbands for guest are \$7 each.

Dinners:

- Dinners are not included in the entry fee but can be purchased separately for \$19 per person.
- BBQ chicken, pulled pork, coleslaw, potato salad, baked beans, garden salad, and dessert.
- To guarantee dinner, payment must be received online by **Monday, October 4**. Only a limited number of dinners will be available for purchase after this time.
- Please contact Cairn Krafft for information regarding vegetarian or children's dinners.
- We plan to eat outdoors, so please plan your wardrobe appropriately.

United States Boat Shows:

Please note that the Powerboat Show coincides with our event this year. The Sailboat Show is October 14-18.

Fleet 34 looks forward to welcoming you to Annapolis!