

COMMODORE LAW TROPHY

Indian Harbor Yacht Club

Tuesday June 29th - Wednesday June 30th, 2004

**THIS REGATTA WILL BE THE JSA of LIS FINALS OF THE
BEMIS & SMYTHE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
Each Competitor shall provide and sail his/her own boat**

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2001-2004*, the *US SAILING Junior Championship Conditions*, and the *rules* for the JSA of LIS (JSA) events.

2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 The Regatta is open to any JSA member sailing a Laser, Laser Radial or Club 420 who meets at least one of the following criteria: 1) Finished in the top 30% in 2003 in their division of the Eastern Districts, Western Districts, Larchmont Race Week or 420, Laser, Laser Radial Race Week. 2) Sailed in 2003 Area B semi-finals of the Sears, Bemis or Smythe; 3) Was invited to sail in the 2004 US Sailing Junior Olympic National Sailing Championship. 4) Was accepted by resume at the discretion of the Chairman of the JSA. Submit resumes to the Chairman of JSA c/o JSA Office, 1 Woodbine Avenue, Larchmont, NY 10538, or by FAX 914-834-4237 no later than June 15, 2004.
- 2.2 Competitors shall have reached their 13th but not their 19th birthday in the 2004 calendar year.
- 2.3 Competitors who are not members of a sailing club located in the geographic area represented by the YRA of LIS, but meet all other eligibility requirements, may sail in the Laser Radial division only.
- 2.4 Competitors must be members of US SAILING.
- 2.5 The winners of the Club 420 division and the top two finishers in the full-rigged Laser division will be eligible to represent the JSA at the Area B Finals of the Bemis and Smythe National Championships.

3 ENTRY

Entry forms, fees, housing requests (Long Island sailors only), JSA waivers, and Participation & Medical Information sheet with medical authorization for each competitor must be delivered to Indian Harbor Yacht Club, to the attention of Fotis Boliakis / LAW Trophy, no later than 1700 on Tuesday, June 22nd, 2004.

4 FEES: \$70 per sailor; \$35 per instructor.

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Tuesday, June 29 th	0830-1000	Registration
	1000	Competitors' Meeting; Instructors' meeting to follow
	1030	Harbor Start
	1130	Warning, first start
	1700	No warning signal will be made after this time
Wednesday, June 30 th	1730-1900	Dinner
	0930-1000	Check in
	1000	Harbor Start
	1100	Warning, racing resumes
	1700	No warning signal will be made after this time

Lunches will be provided both days for all competitors and registered instructors.

Presentation of Awards will be made as soon as practicable after the conclusion of the series.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available at registration and on the web at www.indianharboryc.com.

7 RACING AREA

Courses will be set within approximately 1.0nm southwest of Bell "1" at the east entrance to Captain's Harbor, or - if conditions warrant - inside Captain's Harbor.

8 BOAT AND TRAILER STORAGE

Launching, trailer storage & haul-out will be provided from 0800 on the first race day. Competitors arriving by water must register ashore and attend the skippers' meeting. All boats must depart within three hours of completion of the awards ceremony.

9 MEASUREMENT AND OTHER CONDITIONS

- 9.1 All boats are subject to inspection by the organizing authority or the judges at any time during the regatta.
- 9.2 Modified International 420s are required to present a statement of compliance to JSA regulations for modification of the International 420.
- 9.3 Competitors subject to JSA minimum weight restrictions may be weighed at any time during the regatta.
- 9.4 Skippers shall be designated for the entire regatta. Co-skippers will not be allowed.
- 9.5 There will be no substitution of crew or skipper without written approval from the jury.
- 9.6 All competitors shall wear, while on or near the water, a US Coast Guard approved PFD.
- 9.7 All boats shall have complete and clearly visible sail numbers. In addition, 420s shall also have matching sail numbers on the main and spinnaker if there are numbers on both. Boats not complying with this instruction shall either be warned and given time to comply or shall be protested by the Race Committee.

10 TIME LIMIT

- 10.1 The time limit for the first boat to finish will be 1¼ hours. If one boat finishes within the time limit, boats failing to finish within 1½ hours after the start will be marked TLE (time limit expired) and scored as specified in 11.2(SCORING) below. This modifies RRS 35.
- 10.2 If a boat, as the result of an unrighted capsized, has unreasonably delayed the completion of a race, the Race Committee may order her rescued and score her DNF.

11 SCORING AND PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 Six races are scheduled. One race shall constitute a series. If six races are completed, a boat's worst score will be excluded subject to rule 88.3(b).
- 11.2 The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A of the RRS, will apply, except that those boats scored TLE(time limit expired, see 10.1 above) shall be awarded the number of points for the position midway (rounded-down, if necessary) between the last boat to finish within the time limit and the number of boats in that race. This modifies Appendix A4.
- 11.3 There will be no redress for breakdowns except as provided in rule 62.1(b).
- 11.4 Appendix N will apply, modified as follows:
 - a. N2.2 is changed to "second time and subsequent times"
 - b. N2.3 is deleted
 - c. N3 is changed to read: "If a boat has been protested under rule N1 and the race committee signals a postponement, general recall, or abandonment, the penalty or penalties are cancelled".

12 DECISIONS OF THE JURY

Decisions of the jury cannot be appealed as per rule 70.4 (a).

13 CHANGES TO THE RACING RULES

US Sailing Junior Championship Condition 6.4(see section 14) and Appendix N (see section 11.4) are changed for this series.

14 SAFETY AND SUPPORT CRAFT

A Regatta Safety Patrol System will be established at the instructors' meeting and used while boats are on the water. Clubs are requested to send powerboats with qualified operators and functioning marine radios for this purpose. Instructors and/or other support personnel are to check in at registration and attend the instructors' meeting. Coaching will be permitted as prescribed in the JSA rules for Championship Events. This changes US Sailing Junior Championship Condition 6.4. Instructors not participating in the Safety Patrol will be considered part of the spectator fleet.

15 SPECTATOR CRAFT

Spectator boats will stay clear of the race area(s) at all times. Coaching from spectator boats is prohibited.

16 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded for first to third in each class to skippers and crews. The winning Laser, Laser-Radial and 420 skipper and crew names will be inscribed on the permanent Commodore Law Trophy, which remains at IHYC.

17 RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY

As a condition of the participation of any boat in any race or related activity sponsored or undertaken by the Indian Harbor Yacht Club: the owner, helmsman and each crew member agree that the safety of the boat and the crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility, and each of them waives all claims which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against the Indian Harbor Yacht Club or the JSA, and any of their officers, trustees, members, committees, employees or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity. Responsibility for evaluating wind, sea and weather conditions rests with each competitor as does the responsibility for the safe condition and operation of their boat including safety equipment and rigging and for wearing a life jacket. Assistance from the race committee, patrol boats, or other support boats and from personnel manning them is at the risk of the participant.

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