

US JUNIOR NATIONAL ALBACORE CHAMPIONSHIP
West River Sailing Club, Galesville, Maryland, USA
18-19 August 2012

Official Website: <http://usaa.albacore.org/node/341>

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 This regatta is governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) for 2009-2012, the prescriptions of the US Sailing Association, the 2010 Albacore Class Rules and any temporary rules or interpretations as published on www.albacore.org, except as any of these is altered by this notice, and by the sailing instructions.
- 1.2 The US Albacore Association is the organizing authority for this event.
- 1.3 Publication and change status to Notice of Race document
- This document will be published on the official website (shown above). Other electronic and physical copies may be distributed for convenience, but the version on the official website shall govern.
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2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Competitors must not have reached their 20th birthday as of September 30, 2012, except that crews for in the 13 and under fleet may be any age. Albacore class rules require skippers be members of a national Albacore association, and a complimentary membership in the US Albacore Association is included with the entry fee.
- 2.2 Eligible skippers may enter by registering online or completing the attached entry form. Entry forms should be sent, together with the required fee, to Susan Zeisler, 8103 Ventnor Road, Pasadena, MD 21122, or submitted at event registration.
- 2.3 All competitors must submit a signed Waiver of Liability before the close of registration. Parents or legal guardians must sign for minor age skippers or crew.
- 2.4 Competitors will be placed in fleets as shown below according to age of the oldest competitor in the boat as of September 30, 2012.
- 19 years old and under (skipper and crew may not have reached 20th birthday)
 - 16 years old and under (skipper and crew may not have reached 17th birthday)
 - 13 years old and under (skipper may not have reached 14th birthday. Crew may be any age)
- The organizing committee may combine starts of fleets based on number of entries and other factors. Fleet grouping will be announced at the Competitors Meeting.

3 FEES

- 3.1 The entry fee is \$40 per boat. This includes regatta entry, complimentary 2012 membership in US Albacore Association and two meal tickets.
- 3.2 Additional meal tickets will be available on a first-come basis at registration.

4 SCHEDULE

4.1 Saturday, August 18

1500 – 1600 Registration

1600 – 2000 Albacore Tips clinic conducted by Peter Duncan (land and water session)

Club available for boat rigging and practice sail. Picnic cookout, music and lawn games for competitors following clinic.

Sunday, August 19

0800-0930 Registration

0930 Competitors Meeting

1025 Warning Gun, Race #1

1600 No race will be started after this time

1700 Awards, to follow racing

4.2 The Race Committee will run as many races as weather and time permit.

4.3 Any changes to the schedule will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

5 MEASUREMENTS

All boats must conform to class requirements. No provision will be made for issuing new measurement certificates or endorsements at the regatta.

6 SAIL NUMBERS

6.1 **Sail Numbers on Charter Boats:** Albacore class rules require that sail numbers match hull numbers. The organizing committee will consider requests for exceptions until the close of registration. Requests must be made in writing by submitting the hull number and sail number to be used together.

7 SAFETY

7.1 Each boat must carry safety equipment according to US Coast Guard Regulations (e.g. one PFD per person, sound signal, paddle, bailer...). In addition, each boat must carry on board during the regatta a line suitable for towing, at least 30 feet in length and 1/4 inch thickness.

7.2 Competitors must wear PFD at all times while afloat.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at registration. They may also be available in advance of the regatta on the official website.

9 VENUE

9.1 West River Sailing Club is located at 4800 Riverside Drive, Galesville, MD 20765. Directions are available at: www.sailingsource.com/wrsc/towrsc.html.

9.2 Course area will be announced at the Competitors Meeting. Most likely areas are the Dock or Cove areas as shown on the map at: www.sailingsource.com/wrsc/RaceManagement/2006_SI_Simplified.pdf

10 SCORING

10.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply, subject to modification as noted in the sailing instructions.

10.2 A minimum of one race will constitute the championship. There are no drop races.

10.3 Where fleets are grouped together, they will be scored together. Fleet prizes will be awarded to the top ranked teams meeting the criteria within the overall standings.

11 PARKING OF BOATS AND CARS

Car parking at WRSC is very limited. Boats should be kept on lawn area and cars should be parked as close together as possible. Families should try to bring only one car onto club property.

12 LAUNCHING

Beach launching is available as well as two cranes. The use of dollies is encouraged.

13 TROPHIES

Trophies will be awarded to skipper and crew as follows:

- Lockley-Newport Trophy- Top overall team in 16 & 19 and under group
- Byron Family Trophy- Top overall team in 16 & 19 and under group with helm of different gender than winner of Lockley-Newport Trophy
- Top 3 places 19 years or under fleet
- Top 3 places 16 years or under fleet
- Top 3 places 13 years or under fleet

14 BOAT CHARTER

A limited number of boats will be available for charter. Please contact Peter Duncan for further information:
Email: sailfaster@aol.com Phone: (410) 431-5480

15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 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. Competitors who are minors must have parent or legal guardian sign Waiver of Liability before the end of registration.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact Peter Duncan: Email: sailfaster@aol.com Phone: (410) 431-5480

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ENTRY FORM

COMPETITOR INFORMATION:

Skipper: _____ **Crew:** _____

Birth date: _____

Address: _____ **Address:** _____

Phone: _____ (H) _____ (M) **Phone:** _____ (H) _____ (M)

E-mail: _____ **E-mail:** _____

US Sailing/CYA/RYA # _____ **Club Affiliation:** _____

Sail Number: _____ **Boat Name:** _____

Boat Measurement Cert. (Yes) (No) **Most recent buoyancy test date** _____

We will be sailing in the (circle one):

19 & under fleet

16 & under fleet

13 & under fleet

Entry Fee: \$40. Make checks payable in US dollars to USAA; Mail to: Susan Zeisler, 8103 Ventnor Road, Pasadena, MD before August 15, 2012 or bring to registration

WAIVER OF LIABILITY:

I agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing, and by all other rules that govern this event. By participating in this regatta I voluntarily assume, and am knowledgeable of the risk of sailing and I assume sole responsibility for myself, my crew/team and boat. I agree to hold harmless and free of liability the West River Sailing Club, its employees and officers; all individuals volunteering for the Regatta, and the United States Albacore Association, its officers and volunteers, for any damage, material or personal, suffered by me or by my crew during the event or otherwise.

Skipper's signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent signature: _____

Date: _____

Crew's signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent signature: _____

Date: _____