New England Match Race Championship
Larry White Trophy
Corinthian YC/MIT
Marblehead, MA
October 14-15, 2017

NOTICE OF RACE

1. **RULES**
   1.1. This regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (2017-2020), including Appendix C, the Procedural Rules (PR) and Class Rules for Intercollegiate Sailing Competition, and the NEISA Rules and Regulations, and the Sailing Instructions. Sailing Instructions will be available on Tech Score and posted on the Official Notice Board.

   1.2. Any questions regarding these Sailing Instructions should be submitted in writing to Chief Umpire John Pratt at pratt@mit.edu. Please cc event chair Matt Lindblad at mitsail@mit.edu.

2. **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**
   Saturday 0930 Report Time and Weigh In
   0945 Competitors Meeting
   ASAP First Warning Signal
   Sunday 0930 Report Time
   1000 Competitors Meeting
   1630 No Flight Will Start After

3. **ELIGIBILITY**
   3.1 Eight berths will be awarded in the following manner:
      3.1.1 Top four finishers at the 2017 Pine Trophy.
      3.1.2 Top three finishers at the 2017 Harmon Cup.
      3.1.3 One host.

4. **ENTRY FEE**
   4.1 An entry fee of $250 per team shall be paid at registration.
   [AMENDMENT #1]
   4.2 Entry fee will be included in annual NEISA bill to each competitor school.

5. **DAMAGE DEPOSIT**
   5.1 A $500 damage deposit must be completed prior to participation.

6. **LIABILITY WAIVER**
   6.1 The attached liability waiver must be completed prior to participation.

7. **FORMAT**
   7.1. The format of the regatta is as follows:
      7.1.1 Stage 1 – Round Robin of all eight teams.
      7.1.2 Stage 2 - Quarter Finals
      7.1.3 Stage 3 – Semi-Finals and 5th-8th Series
      7.1.4 Stage 4 – Finals and Petit Finals

8. **BOATS & EQUIPMENT**
   8.1. *Sonar*-type sailboats will be provided by the host.
[AMENDMENT #2]
8.2 Each team shall bring a handheld VHF for communication with the RC.

9. CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)
9.1 The number of crew (including skipper) shall be three or four. All registered crew shall sail all races. Each team shall include at least one female.
9.2 The maximum total crew weight, including the skipper, dressed in at least shorts and shirts, shall not exceed 660 lbs. determined at the time of registration.

10. PRIZES
11.1 The winning team will have their name engraved on the Larry White Trophy perpetual.
11.2 The top three teams will receive keeper NEISA plaques.
11.3 The top two teams will advance to the ICSA Match Race National Championship.

11. COACHING
11.1 PR 19 will apply. Coaches will be stationed on a large motorboat anchored in close proximity to the race course. [Amendment #3]
11.2. Coaches and competitors will be permitted to communicate via cell phone from the time of the finish of their race until the warning of their next race. Competitors and coaches are solely responsible for providing their own cell phone devices. Private channel radios or other non-standard cell phone devices are not permitted for this purpose. Loss or damage to cell phone is not grounds for redress. This modifies PR 19.

12. VENUE SPECIFIC INFO
12.1. The GPS address for the Corinthian Yacht Club is 1 Nahant St, Marblehead, MA. 01945. Contact event chair, Matt Lindblad at mitsail@mit.edu with any questions.

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Liability and Damage Deposit

In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in the NEISA Match Racing Championships (the “Regatta”), related events and activities, the undersigned acknowledges, appreciates, and agrees that:

1) The risk of injury from the activities involved in the Regatta is significant, including the potential for damage, injury, permanent disability and death, and while particular rules, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious injury does exist; and,

2) I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, both known and unknown, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES or others, and assume full responsibility for my participation; and,

3) I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. I am familiar with and understand Racing Rules of Sailing rule 3, Acceptance of the Rules, and, in particular, rule 4, Decision to Race. I agree to uphold both the letter and spirit of the Racing Rules of Sailing with fair play and honesty, and show responsible conduct toward all race officers, umpires, judges, regatta volunteers, staff, fellow competitors and crew members. I will respect the property of the Corinthian Yacht Club, its members, guests and fellow competitors.

4) I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, executors, administrators, successors, assigns and next of kin, HEREBY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS the Corinthian Yacht Club and Massachusetts Institute of Technology, any sponsors and affiliated companies, each of their officers, directors, officials, agents, and/or employees, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, including the Organizing Authority, Race Committee, Protest Committee, volunteers, or any other affiliated organization or official, (collectively as “Releasees”) WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, DISABILITY, DEATH, or loss or damage to person or property, WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.

I will wear a U.S. Coast Guard-approved personal flotation device whenever I am on a boat unless actively changing clothes.

I verify that I can swim 20 yards and tread water for 3 minutes.

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In accordance with the Notice of Race, all teams will be required to provide a $500 damage deposit prior to the start of racing by providing a Visa or MasterCard (no debit-cards) at check-in. In addition to damage of the provided boats, the damage deposit(s) may be used for the repair of damage to official boats caused by competitors. $500 is the extent of each skipper’s liability for any one incident. If the damage deposit is partially or wholly used, the skipper may be required to replenish the deposit.

Competitors should note that this event is possible due to generous donations from the Corinthian, Eastern and Pleon Yacht Clubs. In light of this, any contact between boats will be reviewed by umpires and/or members of the Organizing Authority and will likely result in scoring penalties and/or disqualifications.

Damage Deposit

Team:                                                                                                                                  Name on card
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