

# Pine Trophy



U.S. Coast Guard Academy  
New London, CT  
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## INFORMATION FOR COACHES AND COMPETITORS

Welcome to the 2026 Pine Trophy. Please read the following information, to supplement the already published Sailing Instructions. This is for your information only and will not take precedence over the previously mentioned official document.

### Arrival/Parking

- All passengers travelling to the US Coast Guard Academy should have a REAL ID to present to the guard at the front gate. They do not always ask for everyone's IDs. But if they do and you don't have it you will likely be turned around. A passport will suffice for passengers, but not for drivers.
- The 15 mph speed limit is strictly enforced on campus.
- We are trying to clear out and reserve space near the Jacobs Rock causeway but teams might be forced to park further North or up the Hill. Teams should be prepared for a "commute" to your vehicle.

### Jacobs Rock

- Bathrooms and locker rooms on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor are open for all competitors. Please do not leave gear in the locker rooms as space is tight.
- Feel free to use the Silo, the Circle, overhanging areas or the top deck for gear storage. Do not leave gear in stairwell.
- The Large Classroom will be closed off for CGA sailors and regatta management, competitors and spectators are welcome on the second floor, but please NO FOOD on the second floor
- NO DOGS ARE ALLOWED INSIDE JACOBS ROCK
- The bathrooms on the second floor of Jacobs Rock will be reserved for coaches and race officials only. Competitors are to use the bathrooms on the bottom floor ONLY.
- Competitors may not change under layers in public places. Use the locker rooms. This will be strictly enforced!

### Racing

- The Sailing Instructions are posted online.
- It is our intention to go for 14 races
- Rotations are scheduled every 2 races
- Depending on weather we may hold a brief lunch break on or off the water on Saturday and Sunday
- CGA 2 is ineligible to qualify for the NEISA Match Race Championship.
- 4 knot wind minimum

### Boats

- Our J-70 fleet is tired. We spent all week working on the boats replacing parts, fixing sails, setting rakes, tuning rigs, etc.
- We have plenty of spare parts should any additional discrepancies arise.
- Please read Appendix A- Care and Handling of Boats. This will be strictly enforced.

### Coaching

- Coach boats may be provided. However, the race course will be in very close proximity to Jacobs Rock. If coaches go on the water, a USCG approved PFD must be worn at all times.