New England Women’s Championship  
Jerry Reed Trophy

U.S. Coast Guard Academy  
New London, CT  
April 21-22, 2018

INFORMATION FOR COMPETITORS AND COACHES

Coast Guard is looking forward to hosting the 2018 edition of the NEISA Women’s Championship for the Jerry Reed Trophy. Please read the following information carefully as there will be no competitor’s meeting on Saturday morning. This is for your information only and will not take precedence over the Sailing Instructions or the Notice of Race.

Arrival/Parking

• All passengers travelling to the US Coast Guard Academy should have some form of legal ID to present to the guard upon entry at the 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.
• The 15 mph speed limit is strictly enforced on campus.
• Make sure to park in a lined spot on Eagle Drive or in the parking lot surrounding Pine Hall. All lined spots are on the east (river) side of Eagle Drive. No cars can be parked on the west side.
• Please do not arrive prior to 10:00 on Saturday and 9:00 on Sunday.

Jacobs Rock Seamanship and Sailing Center

• The second floor of Jacobs Rock and all floating docks will be off limits to spectators. Please help us police this by letting any parents or other spectators know. We will have signage, but need your help in making this happen.
• The two bathrooms on the second floor will be reserved for coaches, judges, and staff. All competitors should use the locker rooms or bathroom on the first floor.
• The running water at Jacobs Rock is non-potable. We will have large jugs of water on land and on the coach boats.
• Competitors MUST use the locker rooms if they are planning to change under layers. Coaches need to help us police this as well.
• Please do your part to help us keep our building clean and tidy this weekend. Keep your gear in your gear bag. Throw your trash out.
• There has been a lot of recent construction both inside and outside of Jacob’s Rock. It is highly advised to wear shoes at all times as there could be some leftover debris.
**Sailboats/Sails/Rotations**

- Our boats have been thoroughly checked and tuned during the past two weeks. If you do find anything wrong with your boat, report it to a CGA staff member ASAP so we can get it fixed.
- Do not put your rudder on until your boat is in the water. Do not raise your jib until you are ready to go sailing. Make sure to tie your sail bag down to the cradle.
- Our sails are brand new. Please treat them with care. We will have the tool to adjust your compression batten tension on the coach boats and on the docks if you choose to do so.
- We will be using the southern dock for rotations. Land on the leeward side of the dock. If there isn’t enough room for you to land, wait. Rotations will always happen on shore.
- In-set substitutions will be allowed but at the risk of missing the next warning signal. You must still land on the leeward side of the dock.

**Racing/Regatta Personnel/Announcements**

- Conditions permitting, the first race will start promptly at 11:00 on Saturday and 10:00 on Sunday.
- Unless the conditions force us to do so, we will not take any extended breaks during racing. Competitors may be given short breaks during rotations.
- The Sailing Instructions, Notice of Race, and Course Diagrams are posted on Tech Score. If you have questions about any of these, send an email to the Regatta Chair and the Chief Judge.
- Regatta Personnel
  - Regatta Chair – Brian Swingly
  - Principal Race Officer – John Storck III
  - Chief Judge – Sue Reilly
  - NEISA Representative – Stan Schreyer
- Courtesy regatta announcements will be made via text messages. Official notices will be posted on the notice board. To sign up for the announcements, text “@reeditro” to 81010.

**NEISA Women’s Awards Ceremony**

- The 2018 NEISA Women’s Awards Ceremony will take place on the Observation Deck at the conclusion of racing on Sunday. Competitors should be wearing team apparel for the awards ceremony.
- The NEISA Awards Committee is soliciting votes for the NEISA Sportswoman of the Year. Each team will have one vote and should submit their vote via text message to Mike Kalin (415-361-1287) by 9am on Sunday.

**Questions?**

- Send any questions about logistics to Brian Swingly – Brian.W.Swingly@uscga.edu.
- Send any questions about the SIs or NOR to Brian Swingly and Sue Reilly – Sue.Reilly@sbcglobal.net.