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<http://www.lmsc.org/> and look for this link: **2008 SailFest**

2008 SailFest Regatta Lake Murray Sailing Club

NOTICE OF RACE

1.0 CLASSES

This regatta is open to all center board and keelboat classes desiring competitive racing, enjoyable sailing and quality shore-side foods and entertainment. Expected fleets include Ultimate 20, MC Scow, Laser, JY 15, FJ*, Flying Scot, Thistle, Melges 17, PHRF, and San Juan 21. There will also be Cruising fleets for long/island distance courses. Each one design “class” requires a minimum of three like boats, and a Portsmouth class may be assigned for those boats not having enough for a class. PHRF keelboats will be broken into divisions as numbers permit and according to sail inventory and the desired course to be sailed. Other classes and courses will be assigned according to interests.

* Flying Juniors (12 boats) are available from LMSC for a nominal fee (gift to the youth sailing program) upon proper reservation. Boats will be assigned at race time based upon a draw.

2.0 RULES

The regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) 2005-2008 and the **Sailing Instructions for 2008 SailFest Regatta**.

3.0 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the top finishers in each class according to fleet size (approximately one award for every 3-4 boats). Additional awards may be presented to recognize special efforts, unusual occurrences or other remarkable feats of interest.

4.0 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

This regatta is open to competitors who properly complete the registration process and pay all required fees prior to the close of registration. The Entrant (boat owner or owner’s representative) shall be the person in charge and assume responsibility for that boat and crew during the event. PHRF competitors should have a valid certificate or other basis which will be factored into an assigned final handicap for this regatta. Final approval of all registrants and class assignments is the right of the Regatta Committee.

5.0 FEES

The entry fee per boat for competition is \$20.00 US. An additional fee for the use of one of the LMSC FJs is \$20. Fees for meals are additional and specified on the registration form.

6.0 SCHEDULE

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| Friday, April 25. | 1500 1800 1800 to 2030 | Club Grounds open for Guests Welcome Aboard Party Registration (make reservations for meals!) |
| Saturday, April 26 | 0830 to 0930 0900 to 1030 1100 1230 | Complimentary Breakfast Registration (Make reservations for meals) Skippers Meeting Warning - First Race of the Day Subsequent Races to follow Warning – Cruising Fleet Race (1 race only) |
| | 1730 1830 to 1930 1930 1945 to 2200 | Post Race Adjustment Party Catered Dinner (\$10 each) Awards Party Door Prizes/Live Entertainment/Dancing |
| Make-Up day (if necessary) | | |
| Sunday, April 27 | 0830 to 0930 1030 1400 | Breakfast Warning - First Race of the Day Subsequent Race to follow Trophy Presentations |

7.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

SIs will be available during registration, and in advance on the regatta web site as time permits.

8.0 VENUE

The beautiful grounds and clubhouse of your host, **Lake Murray Sailing Club** (LMSC), is located at 235 Old Forge Road, Chapin, SC 29036. GPS at front gate: N34 06.251 W81 13.284. Club House Phone: 803 345-0073. The regatta racing area will be on Lake Murray approximately 1/2 mile east of LMSC near Susie Ebert Island or closer to the club according to courses and wind conditions.

9.0 COURSES

Drop mark buoy courses will be set up to accomplish windward-leeward and/or Olympic type courses of single or multiple laps for the one design and Portsmouth/PHRF racing fleets. A separate Cruising fleet course will be provided to accomplish a long distance/island course for those competitors wishing to compete in one race only. Special courses may also be used for board boat challenges and boat handling exercises.

10.0 PENALTY SYSTEM

The “Two-Turns Penalty” RRS 44.1, 44.2 and 44.4 shall be in effect and the decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in RRS 70.4

11.0 SCORING

The Low Point System of Appendix A of the RRS will apply with no throw out races or scores excluded. The regatta will consist of as many as five races of which one completed race will constitute a regatta. The Cruising fleet regatta will consist of one race. Any ties will be broken as per Appendix A7 and A8 as appropriate.

12.0 ADVERTISING

Advertising may displayed in Category C.

13.0 SUPPORT BOATS

Primary support boats will be marked LMSC. Other volunteer unmarked boats may be used.

14.0 RADIO COMMUNICATION

The Race Committee will use a VHF channel to broadcast communications to the support boats and to make general announcements to the racing fleets concerning its intentions, course(s) to be sailed, time sequencing, etc. These communications constitute a courtesy and will not take any precedence over Race Committee signals or sailing instructions.

15.0 MEASUREMENTS

No measurements are planned unless required due to valid protests.

16.0 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors shall 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.

17.0 AMENDMENTS TO THIS NOTICE

The organizing authority for this event reserves the right to amend this Notice of Regatta (NOR). Any amendments of this NOR made prior to Thursday, April 24, 2008 will be posted on the event web site. Amendments after April 24, 2008 will be posted on the Official Notice Board at LMSC patio.

18.0 FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact Regatta Chairman – Frank McKinnon @ (803) 749-2070 or fmckinnon1@sc.rr.com

GROUND RULES

No pets.

No unaccompanied children on docks.

No smoking inside the clubhouse.

Please place all refuse and debris in proper containers.

Please observe parking directions.

Baby sitting service will be available during racing for a nominal fee.

REGISTRATION

Please **mail the registration form with check included** postmarked by April 21, 2008 to: Frank McKinnon 1211 Elletts Rd., Chapin, SC 29036. This method triples your chances of winning a door prize. Or **e-mail pre-registrations with all of the entry information** to fmckinnon1@sc.rr.com with payment by the close of registration. This method doubles your chances of winning a door prize. Or **complete your registration at the registration desk** (only one chance to win a door prize). In all cases, please check in at the registration desk to complete the process and get all of your tickets.

NEARBY HOTELS

Please check the www.lmsc.com website for hotel information.

CAMPING AT LMSC

Bring your tent and sleeping bag and camp at the Club. We can accommodate several camping groups. The downstairs clubhouse shower, dressing room and toilet facilities will accommodate all your needs. Of course all camping sites have a great water view and picnic tables and grills are scattered around the grounds for your enjoyment. Cruising boaters desiring to raft up on Friday night before the regatta or after dinner on Saturday night are welcome to use the Club house facilities too.