

— GIBSON ISLAND, MD - 2010 —

Hosted by The Gibson Island Yacht Squadron and J/35 Fleet 7
Sanctioned by the J/35 Class Association
10, 11, 12 September 2010

NOTICE OF REGATTA

1 RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 (RRS), except as any of these is altered by this Notice or by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 The organizing authority for this regatta is the Gibson Island Yacht Squadron (GIYS).

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising will be Category C.
- 2.2 Competitors are permitted to display sponsorship advertising per ISAF regulations.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Open to all J/35 Class boats meeting Class Rules for sanctioned events.
- 3.2 Eligible boats must enter no later than midnight Monday 16 August 2010 by mailing the attached form together with the required fees to:
Gibson Island Yacht Squadron, J/35 NAC Regatta, PO Box 600, Gibson Island, Maryland 21056.

4 FEES

- 4.1 The entry fee is \$500 (USD) per boat.
- 4.2 The entry fee includes certain social activities organized by J/35 Fleet 7 for the skipper and up to eight (8) registered crew of each boat. Food and beverage purchases from the Gibson Island Club beyond what is covered in the entry fee will be billed to the Visitor Card holder's account provided at registration.
- 4.3 Gibson Island Club Visitor Cards will be provided to each registered skipper and crew, procedures for which are described below. J/35 Fleet 7 organized events are intended to include food, entertainment, and J/35 Fleet 7 sponsored beverages only. Admission to J/35 Fleet 7 social events for additional guests may be purchased at registration for a fee to be determined.
- 4.4 Dockage at GIYS is offered at no charge on regatta days to competing boats.

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration and measurement will be conducted 1500-1800 on Wednesday 08 September 2010 and 0900-1800 on Thursday 09 September 2010 at Gibson Island Yacht Squadron.
- 5.2 Races will be held Friday through Sunday, 10-12 September 2010 with the warning signal for the first race at 1000 each day.
- 5.3 Minimum of eight races are scheduled. Three races are scheduled on Friday, three races on Saturday and two races on Sunday. Races not completed on the day scheduled will be rescheduled for the following day. Races not completed on Sunday 12 September 2010 will not be sailed. No more than four races may be sailed per day.
- 5.4 No start signal will be made after 1400 on Sunday 12 September 2010.

6 MEASUREMENTS

- 6.1 Float lines and flotation of each boat will be checked. Class Rule 3.3 (Hull Weight).
- 6.2 Boats will be inspected for compliance with the Class Rule 5.5 (Racing Restrictions).
- 6.3 Skippers and crews will be weighed at registration to ensure compliance with Class Rule 5.5.1.

7 CREW

- 7.1 A crew list, including any scheduled substitutions, must be submitted at registration. Any changes to this list during the regatta will require prior written approval.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1 Sailing Instructions will be available at registration. They will be posted on line at <http://gibsonislandys.org/sailinginstruction.html> when available.

9 VENUE

- 9.1 The racing area will be the Chesapeake Bay off the mouth of the Magothy River in the vicinity of Baltimore Light (CBYRA Region 2 Mark "T" at 39° 03' 33.1"N, 76° 23' 56.3"W). The regatta harbor will be the Gibson Island Harbor, the location of the Gibson Island Yacht Squadron.

10 THE COURSES

- 10.1 Courses will be windward/leeward. Windward offset marks and leeward gates may be used.

11 ARBITRATION

- 11.1 For protests involving the rules of RRS Part 2, an arbitration meeting may be held prior to the protest hearing.

12 SCORING

- 12.1 Three completed races are required to constitute a championship.
12.2 When fewer than seven races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores. When seven or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

13 HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 13.1 Boats shall not be hauled during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

14 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 14.1 The race committee intends to use VHF marine radio frequencies to broadcast courtesy information to competitors, including OCS hails after starts.

15 PRIZES

- 15.1 Regatta overall prizes will be awarded for 1st through 5th at the final award ceremony to be held at 1600 Sunday 12 September 2010.
15.2 Daily awards for each day of one or more races may be presented for 1st through 5th at the social event each evening.

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

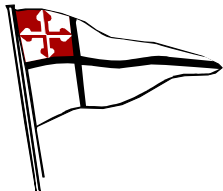
- 16.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. The organizing authority, host club, sponsors, their associates and appointees will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

17 OTHER INFORMATION

LODGING --

- For house rentals, please contact Barbara Ann Watson, phone (410) 255-1341 or bawatson@gibsonisland.com. Limited housing will be available on the island at rental rates to be agreed between renter and home owner.
- Gibson Island Club has ten (10) guest rooms available for rental, please contact Heather Herfel, phone (410) 255-1000 or hherfel@gibsonisland.com to make reservations.

VISITOR CARD INFORMATION -- Gibson Island Visitor Card privileges will be established upon registration and Visitor Cards will be issued to each boat's skipper and registered crew by name. Registrants will be sponsored by the Gibson Island Yacht Squadron for the event duration. Visitor Cards entitle the holder to charge food and beverages other than J/35 Fleet 7 organized events that are covered by the entry fee. All areas of the Gibson Island Club normally available for use by Visitor Card holders will be available for J/35 registrants. Golf, Tennis, Swimming and other club sports facilities are available to Visitor Card holders at the prevailing daily guest fee. For more information contact Mark McGonigle, Regatta Chairman, 1009 Poplar Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21401-3337. Phone: 703-338-1666. Email: classpresident@j35.org. See the J/35 Fleet 7 website, www.j35-fleet7.com and Gibson Island Yacht Squadron site www.gibsonislandys.org for more information.



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ENTRY FORM

2010 J/35 North American Championship
Hosted by The Gibson Island Yacht Squadron
10, 11 & 12 September 2010
Gibson Island, Maryland

Instructions:

Complete this form and send via US Mail with check to:

Gibson Island Yacht Squadron, J/35 NAC Regatta, PO Box 600, Gibson Island, Maryland 21056

Skipper Name: _____ Yacht Club: _____

Boat Name: _____ Sail #: _____ Hull #: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Postal Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Email Address: _____ @ _____ . _____

Entry Fee: \$500 per boat.

Includes certain social activities for the skipper and up to eight (8) registered crew of each boat.

DEADLINE: Entries must be RECEIVED by Monday 16 August 2010

Being knowledgeable of the risks of competitive sailing and recognizing that it is my sole responsibility to decide whether or not to enter, start, or continue to race, I hereby agree that Gibson Island Yacht Squadron and Gibson Island Club, its officers committee members, agents and employees, shall in no way be responsible for accidents, damage to yachts, or injuries to me as a competitor suffered in any way from any cause related to this event. I waive all claims including those arising from lack of due care, which I may have against Gibson Island Yacht Squadron and Gibson Island Club, its officers committee members, agents and employees arising out of or in any way connected with this event.

Signature: _____ Date: _____