

THE DINGHY RACE



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The Dinghy Race by Volvo Construction Equipment

A CLUB TO CLUB MULTI LEG DISTANCE RACE WITH TWO DAYS OF RACING AND AN OVERNIGHT STAY ON FISHERS ISLAND!

STARTING WEDNESDAY JULY 11TH – FRIDAY JULY 13TH, 2018
FROM NIAN TIC BAY, CT TO FISHERS ISLAND, NY ENDING IN MYSTIC, CT
– ALMOST 20 MILES OF RACING PLANNED!

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: MUDRATZ

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ELIGIBILITY:

Class legal 420s with one skipper and one crew. Junior skippers and crew must be at least 13 years old (under 13 may apply for waiver by email to chair@thedinghyrace.com with sailing experience) but cannot reach 19 years of age in the current calendar year. Adult skippers can be over 19 years old with crews of any age (min of 5 teams will allow this subdivision to be created). Each team must be assigned to a coach with a crash boat in attendance. Please have clubs submit written requests to chair@thedinghyrace.com; we will find local crash boats for coaches to ride along.

ENTRIES:

Early bird entry fee of \$200 per team - \$250 after June 15th - Limit of 100 teams. Wait list will be available.

REGISTRATION:

Opens May 1st at www.thedinghyrace.com Registration closes July 11, 5pm.

SCHEDULE:

Wednesday July 11th

5PM ON SITE REGISTRATION, SKIPPERS MEETING, & PRE-RACE PARTY at Niantic Bay YC

Thursday July 12th

9AM THE DINGY RACE START DAY ONE in vicinity of Niantic Bay YC.
3PM THE DINGY RACE FINISH DAY 1 at Fishers Island YC with Welcoming Party to follow.
7PM DINNER PARTY with Volvo Banquet & DJ - at Pequot House.

Friday July 13th

10AM THE DINGY RACE START DAY 2 in vicinity of Fishers Island YC
3PM THE DINGY RACE FINISH DAY 2 At approx. 3pm at Mystic Shipyard
4PM AWARDS DINNER PARTY Complimentary beverages and a food truck will be on site.

COURSES:

The course to be sailed will be further defined in the sailing instructions and at daily skipper's briefings. RC will run numerous races as "legs" per day. Charts of possible legs will be provided.

TRACKING & MEDIA:

Boats will be provided with real time tracking devices. Various parts of the racing will be broadcast LIVE on Facebook @TheDinghyRace. By competing in this race, you give the organizing authority permission to use your images on social media.

PENALTIES:

Appendix V ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES will be in effect.

SCORING:

Scoring will be Low Point as outlined in RRS Appendix A, with each Leg counting as a race, except there will be no throw-outs.

AWARDS:

The Zim Trophy - First Overall (being one boat skipper and crew.)

Top Female Team Overall (being one boat skipper and crew.)

Top Club Trophy Club trophy goes to 3 boat group from one club. Enter three boats from any one club or association. Fleet rules and scoring, but the club team with the three lowest combined point totals win.

Keeper trophies shall be presented to the top 5 teams overall.

Fastest Recorded Speed Trophies will be presented for the fastest recorded speed based on trackers.

The Dinghy Race OBR for the best video, photos, or written combination of "on board reporting" from the race! This report must be submitted by July 20th to chair@thedinghyrace.com

Adult skipper teams do not qualify for the trophies above. Awards will be provided for adult teams.

STORAGE, DOCKING, & TRANSPORTATION:

Boats will be launched at Niantic Bay YC on Thursday, July 12th and shall remain in the water until haul out on Friday, July 13th at Mystic Shipyard unless written approval is granted by the race committee.

Boats will be given the chance to rinse off upon arrival at Fishers Island YC and then stored in the safe and secure lagoon on streaming moorings overnight. Teams are asked to arrange to move their tow vehicles, trailers, and dollies from Niantic Bay YC to Mystic Shipyard before the finish on Friday. We will have a U-Haul available to move assembled dollies and volunteers to help move tow vehicles with trailers for teams needing this assistance.

HOUSING FOR FISHERS ISLAND OVERNIGHT:

All teams competing will be staying at the Fishers Island School gym. There will be a ONE BAG limit plus sleeping bag to be placed on the ferry boat before racing Thursday AM. It is MANDATORY that each team have one chaperon or coach per every 10 sailors. **This chaperone or coach will stay with the kids at the Fishers Island School for the full overnight stay. There will be no exceptions.**

Parent Shoreside Hotels – New London, CT to Mystic, CT is central to both the start and finish. Suggested hotels in the greater Mystic area: Steamboat Inn, Whaler's Inn, and Inn at Mystic

SAILORS FOR THE SEA CLEAN REGATTA:

- We support the Clean Regatta Commitment
- Put recyclables IN the RECYCLING BINS
- Do NOT litter at any host venues
- Do not throw litter overboard during racing
- No Discharge in no-discharge zones, use Green Cleaning Products
- Rule 55 will not be altered
- Check out: sailorsforthesea.org for more info.