

Parent/Child Regatta - Freaky Friday

Date: Sunday, July 25th **Theme:** Freaky Friday - Everything is switched!

Schedule: 10:00am - Skipper's Meeting
10:30am - Dessert for Breakfast
11am - Off the Dock
Awards & treats after racing

Details: Parents dress like kids, kids like parents. Bring colorful decorations for your boat - the crazier the more likely to get an award! Have fun!!

RSVP by July 20th: juniorsailing@riversideyc.org

Parent/Child Notice of Race

1 RULES

1.1* The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *Fun Racing Rules of Sailing*

1.1a - **Most Important** Wake up in the morning on July 25th with a smile on your face, be relaxed, you're going to get away from all that is crazy in the world and head out to enjoy all that is right with the world - sailing in freedom with your loved one. If you have an arch enemy, figure out how to make him or her your friend - or soak them with a water gun. If you're a screamer, recognize it in yourself and try to change - or maybe yell something kind. If you believe in the philosophy that "Yelling shall continue until morale improves" try a different approach. Make everyone around you laugh, not just a little, but roaring laughter. Fun must rule the day when sailing!

1.1b **Start & Finish Line Rules:** The rules are different based on your experience level:

- Experienced: If the skipper of the boat is over 15 and has previously won a sailing award at any official event - including Vespers - they are required to proceed over the finish line sailing backwards.
- Less-experienced - If you are unclear of the rules of the start or finish - it is OK - just be sure to have your bumper installed on the front of the boat and follow the others - except the more experienced boaters at the finish - you don't have to cross backwards and this is your chance to pass them!

1.1c **Powering your boat** - The only vessel type allowed for this sailing regatta is an Opti - and the only way of powering said boat is either by wind or human propulsion. No engines or mechanical gear of any kind allowed.

1.1d **Distracting the competition** - Distracting the competition is key to winning the race - all environmentally friendly forms of distraction are welcome (examples: water guns, whistles, awkward dance moves) - as long as they don't leave anything in the Sound (banned items include water balloons - even the biodegradable kind!)

1.1e **Crew Age Limits** - At least 50% of your crew shall be 15 years of age or less, none can have sole duty as rail meat.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Opti class.

2.2 Crew Age Limits - At least 50% of your crew shall be 15 years of age or less, none of these can have sole duty as rail meat.

3 SCHEDULE

3.1 Registration: by July 20th

3.2 Skipper's Meeting: July 25th 10am

3.3 Dates of racing: July 25th 11am

4 VENUE

4.1 Skippers meeting & launch will occur on the Opti Dock

5 THE COURSES

5.1 The courses to be sailed will be as follows: in a fun a light hearted way - following the rules that are determined on the day of racing at the Skippers meeting - don't be late.

6 PENALTY SYSTEM

6.1 The penalties are as follows: If there is a protest in the middle of the race - one must yell "PROTEST!" loudly so everyone can hear, the skipper of the boat that has supposedly broken a rule (we will assume they did) shall have 3 (three) options to serve their penalty:

- Go to a safe zone and jump into the harbor (not the channel - that is definitely not allowed),
- yell out something personally embarrassing,
- or voluntarily navigate to a JI or Sailing Instructor and say "I have committed a penalty" to receive a water gun soaking.

6.2 Decisions of the protest committee will be final as soon as protest is yelled.

7 SCORING

7.1 The scoring system is as follows: The winners of this race will be determined based on a complex calculation that has taken months to form.

8 SUPPORT BOATS

8.1 Support boats shall be marked with water guns

9 RADIO COMMUNICATION

9.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

10 PRIZES

10.1 Prizes will be given as follows: Head to the beach after the race for prestigious awards. The exact award types have yet to be determined. Some examples may include: best capsize, best dressed pair, best dressed boat, most creative alternative source of energy, cannonball, most soaked boat, the boat that soaked others the most, etc.