

**Cornish Hen Open Regatta**  
(Including RHYC Access Dinghy 2.3 Championship, Laser and Laser Radial District 3  
Gold Cup #6, and Ontario Sailing Women's Dinghy Championship)

**September 9 and 10, 2006**  
**Royal Hamilton Yacht Club**  
**Hamilton, Ontario, Canada**

## **NOTICE OF RACE**

### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
  - 1.2 The prescriptions of the Canadian Yachting Association will apply and will be posted in full on the official notice board.
  - 1.3 The class rules of the participating classes will apply. Boats in the 420 class may use any recognized 420 hull form and the standard club training rig (with non-tapered mast) and shall have a minimum weight of 100 kg fully rigged for sailing and in dry condition but without sails and personal equipment.
  - 1.4 The preamble to Part 4 and rule 40.1 is changed to require nationally approved personal buoyancy to be worn at all times while afloat except while changing clothing between races.
- Racing rule A4 and 35 will be changed to allow boats to be scored DNS and DNF in certain circumstances. Rule 60.1(a) will be changed to restrict boats protesting boats in certain circumstances. Rule 66 will change the time limit for delivering a request to reopen a hearing. Appendix P will apply and be changed to delete rule P2.3. Other rules may be changed by the sailing instructions. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions.
- 1.5 Rule G1.1 (b) will not apply.

### **2 ADVERTISING**

Advertising will be permitted under Category C in accord with ISAF Regulation 20.

### **3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Laser, Laser Radial, Laser II, Byte, Byte CII, 29er, Optimist, 420 and Access Dinghy 2.3 and OPEN BIC classes.
- 3.2 Competitors in the Optimist class will be required to show proof of age. The Optimist class will compete together and be scored in separate fleets as follows: Red 13–15 years of age, Blue 11–12 years of age, White 10 years of age and under as of December 31, 2006. If a sufficient number of novice Optimist competitors register, there will be a separate Green fleet.
- 3.3 Participation in the Access Dinghy 2.3 class is restricted to competitors with physical disabilities.

- 3.4 Eligible boats may enter by completing the registration form and sending it, together with the required fee, to be received at RHYC on or before 11:59 pm, Monday **September 4, 2006**. Registration is available on line at through Ontario Sailing. After September 4 registration will be with the appropriate late fee. A signed waiver form must be received by the close of registration.
- 3.5 Late entries will be accepted under the condition that the required late fee has been paid.
- 3.6 The following restrictions on the number of boats apply: Events for classes for which there are fewer than three entries by September 5, 2006 may be cancelled and the entry fees returned.

#### 4 FEES

- 4.1 Required fees (includes lunch on the water both days and dinner on Saturday, and t-shirts for the first 150 competitors to register) are as follows:

##### *Class Fee*

All single-handed classes \$55.00 CDN (\$45.00 US) per boat  
 All double-handed classes \$110.00 CDN (\$90.00 US) per boat

- 4.2 Other fees:

##### *Class Late fee*

All single-handed classes \$20.00 per boat  
 All double-handed classes \$40.00 per boat.

#### 5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration:

Friday, September 8, 2006 from 1830 to 2000 hrs  
 Saturday, September 9, 2006 from 0800 to 0945 hrs

- 5.2 A competitor's briefing will be held at 0930 on Saturday, September 9, 2005.

- 5.3 Dates of racing:

Date Class

Saturday, September 9, 2006 All classes  
 Saturday, September 10, 2006 All classes

- 5.4 Number of races:

Class	Number of Races	Maximum Races per day
All Except Optimist Green Fleet and Access 2.3	7	4
Optimist Green Fleet and Access 2.3	32	No maximum

- 5.5 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on Saturday is 1100 hrs.  
 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on Sunday is 1030 hrs.  
 On Sunday, no warning signal will be made after 1500.

## 6 MEASUREMENTS

Each boat may be required to produce a valid measurement certificate.

## 7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available after 1830 on Friday, September 9 at the registration desk.

## 8 RACING AREAS

Racing will take place in the waters of Hamilton Harbour. Racing for the Optimist Green fleet and Access Dinghy 2.3 class may take place inside the break wall if conditions warrant.

## 9 THE COURSES

The courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

## 10 SCORING

10.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

10.2 (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. If ten or more races are completed in the Optimist Green Fleet and Access 2.3 fleet, a boat's series score will be her total score excluding her two worst races.

## 11 SUPPORT BOATS

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel (including parents of competitors) intending to be on the water during the regatta shall register with the organizing authority. Support boats will be assigned a berth or mooring area for the duration of the regatta. Such berth or mooring is subject to the terms and conditions for all boats using RHYC controlled facilities.

## 12 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## 13 PRIZES

13.1 Cornish Hen Awards will be presented to the boats finishing first, second and third in each class with 5 or more boats registered.

13.2 Access Dinghy 2.3 Championship – Awards will be presented to the boats finishing first, second and third provided there are 5 or more boats registered.

13.3 OSA Women's Dinghy Championship – Awards will be presented to the boats finishing first, second and third in Laser Radial and Byte for single handed, and 29er, Laser II and 420 with both female skipper and crew, with 5 or more boats registered in each class.

13.4 Prizes to be awarded per usual Gold Cup presentations

#### 14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See 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.

#### 15 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per event or the equivalent.

#### 16 HOSPITALITY

Meal packages (box lunch both days and dinner on Saturday) for team leaders, coaches, parents and other support personnel may be purchased at the registration desk at a cost of \$30.00 CDN. Breakfast will be available, for an additional fee, both days in the Evergreen Lounge beginning at 0800.

#### 17 ACCOMMODATIONS

Information on accommodations may be found at [www.tourismhamilton.info](http://www.tourismhamilton.info). Ramada Inn, Staybridge Suites by Holiday Inn, Admiral Inn, Sheraton Hotel and Visitor's Inn are all within a short drive from RHYC. For information on or requests for billeting, please e-mail [cornishhen@rhec.on.ca](mailto:cornishhen@rhec.on.ca).

#### 18 FURTHER INFORMATION

Registration on line [www.ontariosailing.ca](http://www.ontariosailing.ca) or by mail (***must be received by 11:59pm Monday, September 4, 2006 to be eligible for early registration discount***) or in person at Ontario Sailing, 65 Guise Street East, Hamilton ON L8L 8B4  
Attention: Cornish Hen Regatta

Registration after 11:59pm on September 4<sup>th</sup> can still be done on-line at [www.ontariosailing.ca](http://www.ontariosailing.ca) by paying the late fee.

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