

**Bottoms Up
and
Carolinas District Championship
Regatta**

NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority and Host: Thistle Fleet 155
Jordan Lake
Pittsboro, NC
April 28 & 29, 2018

1. Rules
 - 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the current rules of the Thistle Class Association, the Notice of Race (except as any of these are altered by the sailing instructions) and by the sailing instructions.
 - 1.2. The Organizing Authority is Thistle Fleet 155
2. Advertising
 - 2.1. This regatta is classified ISAF advertising code Category C, Appendix 1.
3. Eligibility and Entry
 - 3.1. This event is open to all Thistle Class Boats with dues paid.
 - 3.2. Register in advance at the [Registration Page](#) by April 27, 2018 or on site. Pre-registration is not required but is appreciated.
4. Fees
 - 4.1. Regatta Entry
 - \$45 per boat, \$10 discount for all US Sailing Members. \$15 late fee for all registrants after April 20, 2018
 - All skippers **25 years or younger** sail for free. Under 25 skippers will be reimbursed on-site if the skipper registers prior to April 16th and starts a minimum of one (1) race.
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 - 4.2. Saturday Dinner
 - \$6 per person. Dinners can be purchased during on-line registration or on site.
 - 4.3. State Recreation Area Usage Fee
 - \$6 per car for each entry into park, payable at the gate, or be able to show a season pass (available from the NC Parks and Recreation Department)
5. Sailing Instructions
 - 5.1. Sailing instructions will be available at on-site registration the first day of the regatta
6. Venue
 - 6.1. The regatta will be sailed out of the Jordan Lake State Recreation Area at Vista Point. Use this address in a mapping program or GPS: **3199 N Pea Ridge Rd Pittsboro, NC 27312**
7. Schedule of Events:

Friday April 27, 2018

- Park is open 0800 – 2000 for those who want to set up boats. Boats can be left mast-up overnight in the designated trailer parking area.

Saturday April 28, 2018

- Vista Point gates open at 0800
- Registration – 1000 to 1130
- Regatta competitors meeting 1145
- Warning for 1st race Saturday 1300
- (Races to follow as time permits)
- Boats will be left mast-up overnight in the designated trailer parking area.
- Hors D'oeuvres and dinner will be after racing on Saturday at the clubhouse, home of Howard Mendlovitz and Sara Paisner. Directions will be provided at registration.
 - 6:00 pm Hors D'oeuvres
 - 6:30 pm Dinner
- Vista Point gates close at 2000

Sunday April 29, 2018

- Breakfast at clubhouse or local hosts 0700
- Vista Point gates open at 0800
- Warning for 1st race - Sunday 0930
- (Races to follow if time permits)
- No warning signal shall be made after 1230 on Sunday
- Awards presentation ASAP after racing
- All boats must be removed from Vista Point by 2000 when gates close.

7.1. One race will constitute a regatta. Up to 5 races will be sailed.

8. Radio Communication

8.1. The Sailing Instructions will change RRS 41 to permit the use of hand-held VHF radios, but only for receiving communications from the race committee, and in emergencies. Use of any other electronic communication devices, including cellular phones, is prohibited.

8.2. The following additional stipulations apply to the Thistle Class Association's Chief Measurer's Rulings 65 and 74: VHF radios may be utilized to monitor the weather channels at any time. The Race Committee may communicate safety or race related information on a designated channel. Competitors are encouraged to monitor the safety channel throughout the race when conditions warrant. Communication between competitors regarding any race information not related to safety is expressly prohibited.

9. Lodging

9.1. Housing: Limited housing and camping is available at the clubhouse. Additional housing will also be available at other local fleet member homes. Please sign up [here](#) to let us know if you would like housing.

9.2. Hotels

<u>Closer to the dinner:</u> in Chapel Hill (about 5 miles north of the dinner location, about 20 miles (30 min) north of the sailing venue)	<u>Closer to the lake:</u> in Apex (about 18 miles (20 min) east of the sailing venue)
Courtyard Chapel Hill	Comfort Inn

100 Marriott Way, Chapel Hill, NC (919) 883-0700	1411 E Williams St, Apex, NC (919) 387-4600
Hampton Inn & Suites Chapel Hill/Carrboro 370 E Main St, Carrboro, NC (919) 969-6988	Candlewood Suites Apex Raleigh Area 1005 Marco Dr, Apex, NC (919) 387-8595