

2020 WET Fall What Could Go Wrong? #NoHugs Regatta 10-11 October 2020 Seaford, VA

Notice of Race

Event

The Windsurfing Enthusiasts of Tidewater (WET) Fall Fun Regatta will be held at the home of Melissa and David Kashy on York Point where the Poquoson River and Chisman Creek flow into the lower Chesapeake Bay in Seaford, VA, USA. Address: 131 York Point Drive, Seaford, Virginia, 23696 USA (Map).

Organizer and Hosts

This event is organized and hosted by Dave and Melissa Kashy and WET, under specified conditions laid down by US Windsurfing.

Venue & Conditions

- Racing will take place on the Chesapeake Bay off York Point in Seaford, VA.
- Races may be started/finished at the beach or pier
- Wind conditions range from light to moderate thermal breezes to full on Nor'easters.
- Average air temperature: 56-72 F
- Average water temperature: 70 F
- Typical wind direction/speed: SW, E, NE, or NW winds, which can be light or howling!

Rules

- This event will be governed by the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing. But due to COVID-19, the event will be geared toward fun-style racing.
- Participants must complete the COVID-19 health <u>questionnaire</u> sign the WET COVID-19 waiver in advance.
- The garage bathroom will be available for guests to use, but guests must wipe down surfaces (i.e., toilet seat, faucet, door handles) with disinfectant wipes (provided) after use.

- Participants agree to practice physical distancing and avoid congregating in the garage. #NoHugs
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Eligibility

All competitors must sign a waiver and follow physical distancing rules.

Classes, Divisions & Equipment

Competition will be held in the following classes:

- Open Unlimited/Longboard (any gear allowed). If there are more than 5 racers, then a 7.5 sail size limit class may be added. A Novice class will be added if there are enough registrants to make the class
- Foil Limited will allow only recreational foil systems. Masts must be aluminum and 90cm maximum length. Foiling sails designed for foil racing will not be allowed in this class. All other sails in any size are allowed. Boards are not restricted.
- Slalom racing (if held) can be raced on any gear.
- Paddle Board racing (if held) can be raced on any gear.
- Free style competition (if held) can be raced on any gear.

Racing Conditions

- Foiling Classes: Winds between 7-25 knots, or at the discretion of the PRO.
- Open class: Winds between 3-25 knots or at the discretion of the PRO
- Novice: Racing will be held in safe and fun conditions
- Slalom Racing: Possible in winds above 15 knots
- Long Distance races/cruising/multi-activities competition may also be held

Divisions

Fleets may be divided into divisions as applicable, depending on the number of registrants per fleet.

Fees and Provisions

The regatta registration fee includes 2 days of racing, Saturday dinner, and lunches.

Prodigy (beginner) boards will be available to novice racers. Please contact Dave Trumpoldt (shorelife@cox.net) by October 3rd if you would like to reserve one.

Please register at http://www.sailwet.com/

- Advance Online Registration Fee: \$45.00; WET members: \$40
- On-site Registration Fee (cash or check (US\$) only): \$60
- Novice/One-day Registration Fee (Saturday only—dinner included): \$25
- Prodigy board rental: \$10
- Extra lunch: \$10Extra dinner: \$15

Prizes

The top three racers in each division with more than 5 participants, who race both days will be awarded prizes.

Sail Insignias

Make sure sail insignias are legible so the race committee can accurately record your status.

Courses

Courses will be specified on the Official Notice Board.

Liability

Competitors participate at their own risk. US Windsurfing, US Sailing, ISAF, IWA, and the hosts, or any of their officials or representatives or the sponsors or their officials or representatives are not responsible, under any circumstances, for any damage, loss, or injury either ashore or on the water to either persons or equipment, which may result. Participation in this event, supporting events, and in each race is at the sole discretion of the sailor and at their own risk.

<u>Scoring</u>

The RRS Low Point scoring system (App. A2) will apply.

Protest Committee

A Protest Committee will be appointed.

Sailing Instructions (SIs)

The SIs will be available at registration and the daily event schedule will be determined and posted on the Official Notice Board each morning.

Television and Media

By registering for the event, competitors automatically grant to US Windsurfing, US Sailing, and WET the right in perpetuity to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures, including live recordings, whether electronic or otherwise, and other reproduction or derivative of them, taken during the period of this event without compensation.

Schedule

**Please do *not* arrive prior to Saturday without advance permission from Dave Kashy.

Saturday, October 10th

- Registration opens at 9:30 for all classes and Saturday events
- Racing possible between 10:30 and 18:00
- Novice races
- Post-race, physically-distanced outdoor dinner

Sunday, October 11th

- 9:30-10:00: Sign up for Sunday events
- Racing possible between 10:00 and 15:00
- Awards as soon as possible after racing

Accommodations

Lodging Options:

- 1. At Dave and Melissa's place (the event site): camping space available on site. Space is NOT available in the unfinished attic. Please contact Dave Kashy in advance regarding this option. *No breakfast will be provided*.
- 2. <u>Bay Tree Manor Bed & Breakfast</u>: 1.2 miles (2 minutes driving) from the event site. Special rates available, but limited number of rooms so reserve early!

<u>Special Note from Dave Kashy:</u> Presently, my yard has NO burr grass, but with windsurfers transporting equipment from all over, there is a high likelihood that some burrs will arrive and then I will battle them forever! Please check all your gear for sand burrs and remove them prior to arrival. THANKS!