

Pirates on the Pungo Sailboat Regatta

July 20 – 22, 2007
Belhaven, NC



NOTICE OF RACE

The ***Pirates on the Pungo Regatta*** is an annual fundraising event for the Pungo District Hospital Foundation. It is sponsored by the Pamlico Sailing Club, the River Rat Yacht Club, and the Belhaven Yacht Club.

RULES

The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008*, except as modified by the sailing instructions. Sails and appendages of boats racing in a "one design" class must comply with the rules governing that one design fleet.

ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

The regatta is open to any sailboat in seaworthy condition.

Boats may complete the registration form presented at the ***Pirates on the Pungo Regatta*** website (www.piratesonpungo.org) or the Pamlico Sailing Club website (www.sailingsource.com/psc) and send the registration, together with the required fees, to **Pirates on the Pungo, PO Box 707, Belhaven, NC 27810**. Please mail your registration to arrive by July 16, 2007.

Registration may also be entered on line, with payment by credit card, using the registration form on the ***Pirates on the Pungo Regatta*** website.

A special, reduced entry fee is available for boats that will be sailed single-handed and skippered by a person 18 or younger. See the information on fees below, and the registration form on the website.

Late entries will be accepted until 8:30 AM on Saturday, July 21 at River Forest Manor in Belhaven, at the location of the Skipper's Meeting.

CLASSES

Sailing dinghies will compete both Saturday and Sunday, using Portsmouth ratings, on triangular courses inside Pantego Creek.

Multihull sailboats will compete both Saturday and Sunday. Racing will be on courses in Pantego Creek or the Pungo River.

Monohull boats will compete both Saturday and Sunday, using PHRF ratings, on windward or triangular courses in the Pungo River. PHRF boats must have a valid NC-PHRF certificate or obtain a temporary rating from the event organizers. Boats may enter in the following classes:

Spinnaker
Performance Non-Spinnaker
Recreational Non-Spinnaker

Recreational Non-Spinnaker class is provided for boats which may race regularly, but have white sails and cruising equipment aboard. Boats registered in this class may not use laminated sails or those constructed with Kevlar, carbon fiber, or other "high tech" materials. For purposes of this class, "Pentex" and similar high modulus woven fabric will not be classified as "high tech" materials.

A special Cruising Class is provided for skippers and crew whose boats are not normally used for racing, but who want to participate in a fun event. Cruising Class will race only on Saturday, using government marks in the Pungo River.

Additional "One-Design" Classes may be established when (5) or more boats of a single type (i.e. Jet 14, Lightning, Hobie 16, Buccaneer 18, San Juan 21, Catalina 22, J/22, J/24, etc.) are entered in the regatta by July 16.

Each class may be subdivided, at the discretion of the event organizers, based on the number of boats registered. Classes and divisions will be announced at the skippers' meeting. Prizes will be given for first, second, and third place for all divisions.

FEES

The entry fee for all classes will be \$85, which includes (1) regatta t-shirt, (1) ticket to the *Buccaneers' Good Grub and Grog* dinner/dance on Saturday evening, and participation in the Captain's Reception on Friday evening, Happy Hour on Saturday, and continental breakfasts on Saturday and Sunday. Each ticket to the shoreside events includes all beverages.

Additional t-shirts may be purchased for \$15 each. Crew tickets for the shoreside events (the *Buccaneers Good Grub and Grog* dinner/ dance, Captain's Reception, Happy Hour, breakfasts, and beverages) may be purchased for \$35 each. See the Pirates on the Pungo website for other ticket options.

There is a special NO CHARGE "Youth Registration" for boats that will be sailed single-handed and skippered by a person 18 or younger. This registration is provided to encourage participation among families that may have a young sailor. With this "Youth Registration", shoreside tickets and regatta t-shirts are not included and must be purchased separately. "Youth Registration" must be received by July 16th.

SCHEDULE

Registration: Friday, July 20 - 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Saturday, July 21 - 8:00 AM to 8:30 AM

Captain's Reception and Entertainment: Friday, July 20 - 5:00 to 8:00PM at River Forest Manor

Skipper's Meeting: Saturday July 21 - 8:30 AM at River Forest Manor

The Regatta will consist of one or more races conducted in Pantego Creek (Dinghies) or the Pungo River off Belhaven (PHRF classes) on Saturday and Sunday. Warning signal for the first race is 10:55 AM on Saturday.

Happy Hour at River Forest Manor: Saturday, July 21 – 4:00 to 6:00 PM

Buccaneers Good Grub and Grog Dinner/Dance and Cruising Awards: Saturday, July 21 - 6:00 PM

Awards for Dinghy and PHRF classes: Sunday, July 22 - 1:30PM at River Forest Manner

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available after 5:00 PM on Friday, July 20 at the Registration desk on the grounds of River Forest Manor. Sailing instructions may also be available on the websites of the ***Pirates on the Pungo Regatta*** and the Pamlico Sailing Club.

SCORING

The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply, with the exception that the first place finisher in each race will be awarded .75 points. A boat's standing in the regatta will be determined by adding the total of

points awarded for finishing position in each race. Ties will be broken by comparing the total adjusted times of the boats for all races, with the boat having the lower total time taking precedence.

Dockage and Accommodations

Reduced rate dockage for the event is available at the River Forest Manor. Phone (252) 943-2151 for reservations.

A special rate of \$90 for launching of keel boats on Friday evening or Saturday morning, with haul out on Sunday afternoon, is available at the River Forest Shipyard for boats that will be competing in the ***Pirates on the Pungo***. Phone (252) 943-2151 for arrangements.

Trailer launchable boats can be put in at the NC Department of Conservation launch site on Pantego Creek, about ½ mile from River Forest Manor and 3 blocks from the Wilkinson Center.

Camping will be permitted in a designated area adjacent to the Wilkinson Center, a few blocks from the River Forest Manor. A list of local Bed & Breakfast accommodations is available on the event website.

Limited free dockage in Pungo Creek is available for boats which will be in the area before or after the event due to transportation logistics. Contact the event organizers to discuss availability.

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.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

Brett Auer at (252) 947-1193 – Dinghy Racing
Rick Brass at (252) 946-2244 – PHRF Racing
Bob Haynes at (252) 964-3442 - Shoreside Event Details
Event website: www.PiratesonPungo.org