



**US Sailing Area E
Junior Championship
For the Sears, Bemis and Smythe Trophies
July 23-26, 2005**



Organizing Authority: United States Sailing Assn. & Inter-Lake Yachting Assn.



**Host: North Cape Yacht Club
LaSalle, Michigan**

NOTICE OF RACE

1. **RULES** – All elimination events as well as the Nationals will be governed by the current ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS); the prescriptions of US Sailing; the current Conditions published for this championship; the appropriate class rules (except as altered by the Sailing Instructions); this NOR; and by the Sailing Instructions.
2. **CLASS RULES** – The Jury will determine applicable class rules for the championship event. RRS 60.1 (a) is changed to prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged breach of a class rule requiring class membership or imposing a weight limit.
3. **ALTERATION OF THE RACING RULES** - Rules 61.1(a), Protest Requirements and Appendix A2, Scoring Systems, are modified for this series. Appendix P, Immediate Penalty for Breaking Rule 42, is modified as follows: P2.2 is changed to second time and subsequent times; P2.3 is deleted; P3 is changed to read: “If a boat has been protested under Rule P1 and the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall, or abandonment, the penalty or penalties are cancelled
4. **CLASSES**
Sears – Lightning (with spinnaker) – team of 3. Boats will be provided.
Sailed Round Robin
Bemis – Club 420 (with spinnaker and trapeze) – team of 2. (Bring your own boat)
Not sailed Round Robin
Smythe – Laser – team of 1. (Bring your own boat)
Not sailed Round Robin
5. **ADVERTISING** – All elimination series as well as the Finals are classified as Category A in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20 (Advertising Code).
6. **ELIGIBILITY** – All competitors, including alternates, **MUST**:
 - A. Have reached their 13th birthday, but not their 19th birthday, during the calendar year; and
 - B. Be members of US Sailing at all levels of competition; and
 - C. Be members of the same sailing club as defined in the Condition 1.3.
7. **FEES for the Area E Championships**

Entry Fee	\$125
*Damage Deposit:	\$250
*Borrowed Boat Insurance	\$ 25
Food and Event Package	\$ 50 per person

*Borrowed boat insurance applies to all Sears and to those Bemis and Smythe teams using borrowed boats. A limited number of 420's are available from North Cape Yacht Club for loan or charter.
8. **HOUSING** – Teams must stay with a parent or adult chaperone designated by the parents. Motels along I-75 in the Monroe, Michigan, area are nearby, and a campground is located near the I-75 Exit 11 (LaPlaisance Rd, Monroe, Michigan).

9. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, July 23

Checkin/Registration:	1300 – 1430 hours
Clinic	1500 hours
Cookout and Beach Party	After clinic
Parents/Chaperones Pickup:	2100 hours

Sunday, July 24

Breakfast:	0800 hours
Skippers' Meeting:	0900 hours
Warning Signal for Race 1:	1000 hours – Additional races to follow
Lunch on Shore	
Racing Resumes after Lunch	
Dinner:	1800 hours
Parents/Chaperones Pickup:	2000 hours

Monday, July 25

Breakfast:	0800 hours
Warning Signal:	1000 hours – Additional races to follow
Lunch on Shore	
Racing Resumes after Lunch	
Dinner:	1800 hours
Parents/Chaperones Pickup:	2000 hours

Tuesday, July 26

Breakfast:	0800 hours
Warning Signal:	1000 hours – Additional races to follow
No warning signal after	1200 hours.
Lunch on Shore	
Awards and Departure:	1400 hours
Boats off NCYC Property:	2100 hours

- 10. REGISTRATION** – Pre-registration by July 15, 2005, is encouraged. Registration must be on the Official Entry Application form. The Entry Forms are the same ones used for the Finals and can be downloaded from the US Sailing website under: Racing, US Championships, Cups, and then download the Regatta Info. Only the first page of the Entry form is needed for the Area E Finals, which are the semi-finals for the Championship event. If you do not have Internet access, please contact a chairperson and a form will be mailed to you. The completed form can be mailed to:

Barbara Shaffer
2444 Barrington Drive
Toledo, OH 43606

- 11. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** – Sailing Instructions will be provided at Registration.
- 12. NUMBER OF RACES** – Maximum of 10 races are scheduled with 3 constituting a series. For the Sears fleet, each skipper/team will race in each boat 2 times if there are 5 teams or as many races as required to make an even round robin.
- 13. SCORING** – The Low-Point Scoring System of the RRS, as modified in the Championship Sailing Instructions and/or the Conditions for this championship will apply. As provided in Condition 4.3, there shall be one throwout after seven races have been completed.
- 14. DECISIONS OF THE JURY** – Decisions of the Jury at the Area Championships will not be subject to appeal per RRS 70.4(a). The right of appeal will not be denied at the National Championships.

15. SAFETY – A US Coast Guard approved personal flotation device shall be worn, properly fastened, at all times while launching and when sailing. Failure to comply with this rule can result in disqualification as deemed appropriate by the Protest Committee. A boat retiring from a race shall notify a Race Committee vessel before leaving the course, or when that is impossible, the Regatta officer ashore immediately after arriving ashore.

16. DISCIPLINE -Per US Sailing Regulation 5.03 no contestant shall use, either on or off the water, during any US Sailing Junior Championship event: marijuana or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine and beer, each as defined in Chapter 51 of the U.S. IRC Code and intended for beverage use.) This regulation is in effect from the date and time of arrival through the date and time of departure from the locale. The penalty shall be that the contestant after a proper hearing, be immediately removed from the regatta venue and, where practical, sent home.

16.1 All competitors are expected to maintain the highest level of conduct throughout the entire event. When the Protest Committee, from its own observation or a report received from any source believes that a competitor may have committed a breach of a rule, good manners, or sportsmanship, or may have brought the sport into disrepute, it may call a hearing. After a proper hearing the penalty may range from a reprimand to dismissal from the regatta and additional action may be taken under RRS 69.

16.2 Hearings will be held generally in accordance with the recommendations of Appendix M5 of the RRS. The officers for hearing a violation will consist of the Chief Judge, acting as chairman of the hearing, the Protest Committee and the Chairman of the Area E Championship Committee or his or her designee in the event he or she is not present. The regatta chairs shall serve ex officio as nonvoting members of the panel and will have an open right to express their views during the course of the hearing process.

17. SPECTATOR BOATS - Spectator boats will be restricted to those areas designated by the Race Committee and Jury.

18. PRIZES - Prizes will be awarded to the teams finishing in the top 3 positions in each fleet. Perpetual trophies include the following:

Sears – Com Edwin C. Theisen, Jr., Trophy for the Area E Sears Cup

Bemis – Area E Bemis Trophy

Smythe – Area E Smythe Trophy

Judges' Trophy – Awarded at the discretion of the Judges

It is expected that the highest placed eligible finishers will compete in the US Junior Championships to be held as follows:

Sears Championships	Balboa Yacht Club, Corona del Mar, CA	Aug. 9-12	Governor's Cup
Bemis Championships	Newport Harbor Yacht Club, Newport Beach, CA	Aug. 9-12	Club 420
Smythe Championships	Newport Harbor Yacht Club, Newport, Beach, CA	Aug. 9-12	Laser Full

19. FURTHER INFORMATION – Contact your Area E Representative of the US Sailing Junior Championships Committee, event coordinator of the local Sailing Association, the Junior Championships Committee Chairperson, John Strassman, or visit the US Sailing website at www.ussailing.org/championships

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