

2105 Fishers Island Sound Viper Championship
September 5 and 6, 2015
Mystic River Mudhead Sailing Association
Fishers Island Sound

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the Viper 640 Class Rules.
- 1.2** The prescriptions of the US Sailing will not apply except the US Sailing prescriptions to Rule 67.
- 1.3** Boats failing to finish on Sunday within 20 minutes of the first boat to finish will be scored Time Limit Expired and receive points equal to the number of finishers plus one. This changes Rules 35, A4 and A5.
- 1.4** For Sunday's racing, Rule 44.1 will be changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty for all violations of Part 2 except for violations that occur within the Zone around a Mark, other than a starting mark, there the penalty shall be two-turns. Please check the Fishers Island Yacht Club (FIYC) Sailing Instructions for any changes to Rule 44.1 on Saturday.
- 1.5** For Sunday's racing, Rules A4 and A5 will be changed to state that a boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1** The regatta is open to all Viper 640 sailboats whose skipper has submitted an entry form to FIYC for Saturday's race, and an entry form to the Mystic River Mudhead Sailing Association (Mudheads) for Sunday's races.

3 FEES

- 3.1** Fees for Saturday's race are per the FIYC on Yacht Scoring. Please remember to buy party tickets in advance. There are no fees for Sunday's racing.

4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1** Registration:
For Saturday 9/5's FIYC race, see Yacht Scoring
For Sunday 9/6's races, any time before launching on Sunday

Launching:

The visiting Vipers will be guests at the Ram Island Yacht Club (RIYC), 60 Front Street, Noank, CT 06340. Tows will be provided from RIYC to the starting areas if needed, about 90 minutes before the first signal for the Viper Class each day.

- 4.2** Number of races: Saturday – one. Sunday – up to four.

- 4.3** Warning signal for the first class on Saturday is 10:00. Starting order of the multiple classes will be provided in the FIYC Sailing Instructions. Warning signal on Sunday for Vipers only will be at 12:00.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions for Saturday will be available at FIYC.net and on Yacht Scoring after 18:00 on Saturday, August 29, 2015. Sailing instructions for Sunday will be available Sunday morning at RIYC.

6 VENUE

- 6.1** Saturday the starting area is West Harbor, Fishers Island, NY and the race will be sailed around Fishers Island, about 15 miles. Sunday the starting area is in the general vicinity of Horseshoe Reef, just west of Nun 24 off of Groton Long Point. Courses on Sunday will be within Fishers Island Sound.

- 6.2** Attachment A shows the location of the starting areas.

7 SCORING

- 7.1** For the overall two day regatta, all races will be scored equally.
- 7.2** One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. No scores will be excluded.

8 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile/smart telephones except that mobile/smart telephones may be used as GPS and chart plotter devices for navigation.

9 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded on Saturday for that day's race by FIYC. Following racing on Sunday, prizes for the overall two-day regatta will be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

10 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, FIYC, nor RIYC, nor the Mudheads 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.

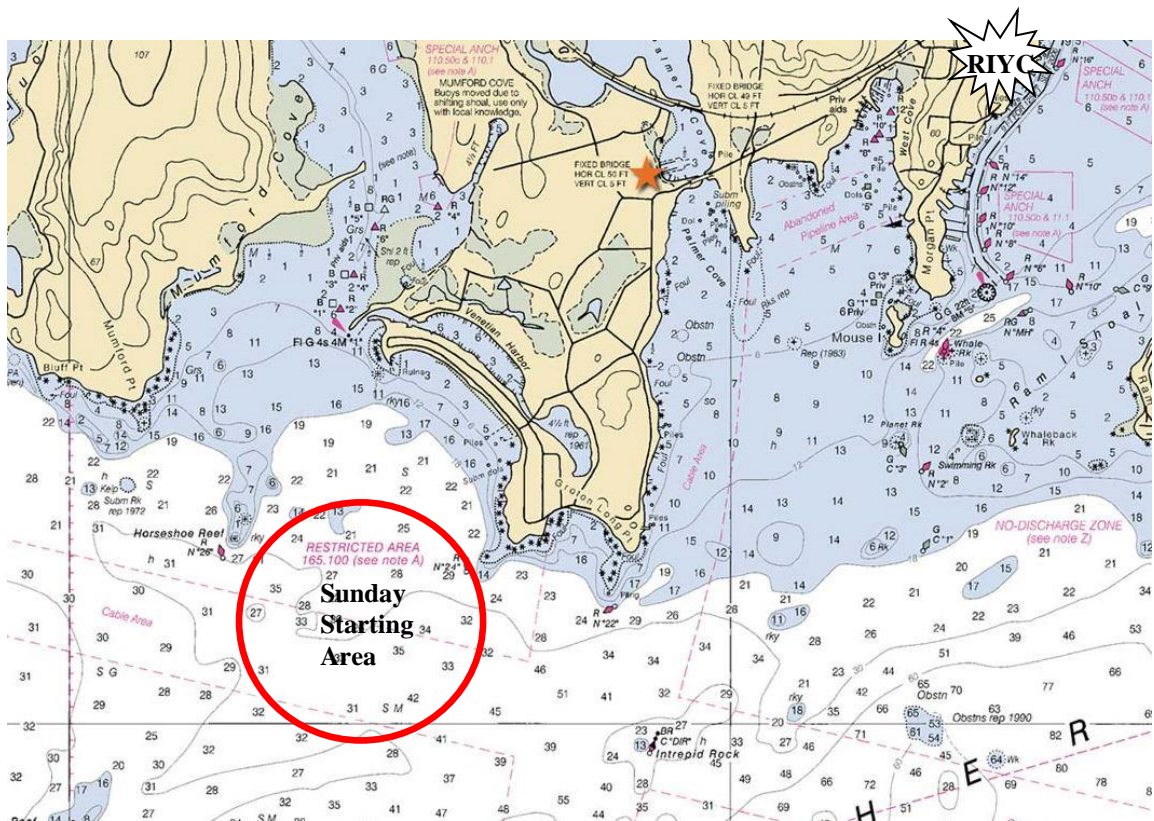
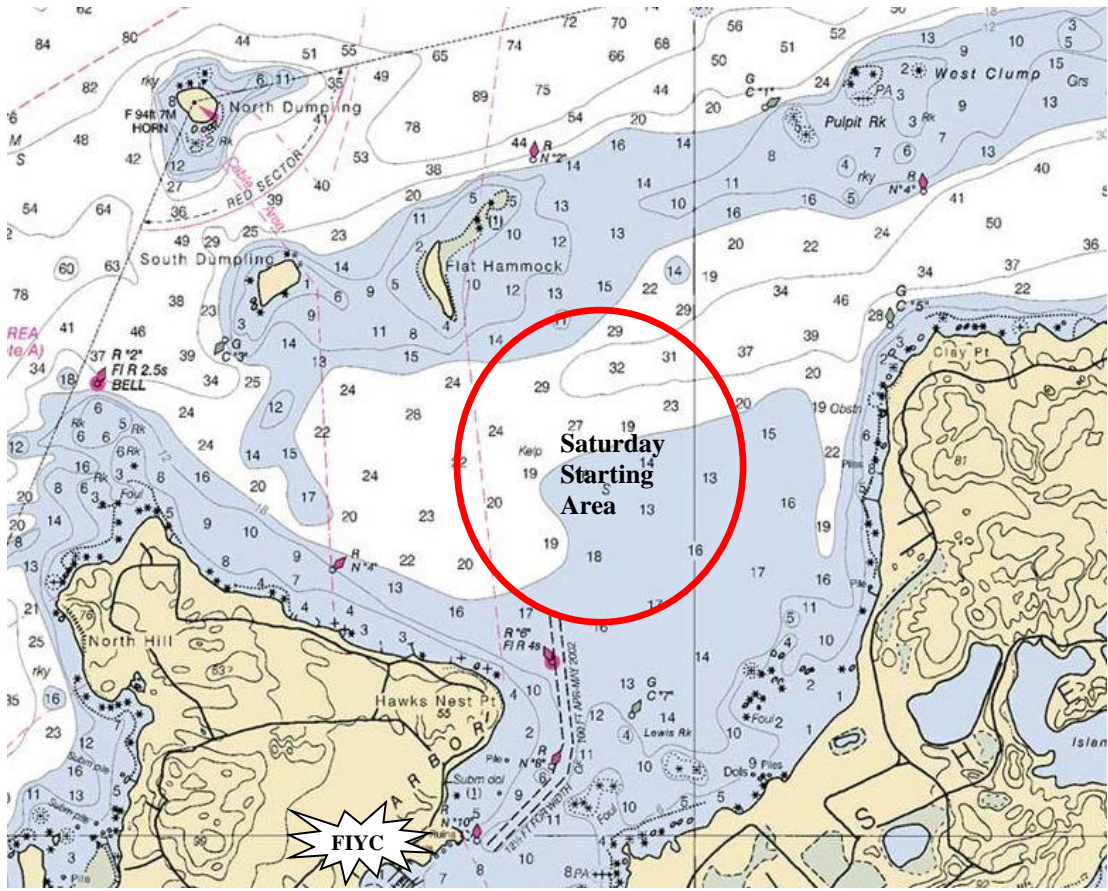
11 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

12 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact Dave Nickerson. Email dave AT nickersons DOT org or Mobile (781) 910-9736.

Attachment A



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Mystic River Mudhead Sailing Association
Entry Form for Sunday Racing

Viper Sail Number: _____

Skipper: _____

Crew 1: _____

Crew 2: _____

Crew 3: _____

Home Club/Organization: _____

Waiver:

I accept full responsibility for the conduct of each member of my crew and guests during this Mudhead event. I acknowledge that I have sole responsibility for the safety of my crew and yacht. The Mystic River Mudhead Sailing Association nor Ram Island Yacht Club is in no way to be held responsible for accidents, damage or injury to property or to yachts, crew or guests rising from any cause during or related to any race or activities of the this event. Weather and sea conditions must be evaluated by each skipper and his crew and each participant is responsible for determining whether it is safe for him/her to participate. The responsibility of wearing a life jacket rests upon the skipper and his crew. If assistance is provided by the Committee vessels and personnel, it is at the risk of the participants.

I hereby agree to all of the conditions of this Mudhead event and shall inform each member of my crew of these conditions. I hereby warrant that my yacht will be outfitted, equipped and handled in accordance with these conditions; that she will have all of the required equipment aboard; that she is seaworthy in hull, rig and gear; that she will be completely manned. In consideration of your accepting my entry for this Mudhead Event, I do for myself, my executors, my administrators and assigns waive and release any and all claims that I have against the Mystic River Mudhead Sailing Association, the Ram Island Yacht Club and sponsors, and any other sponsors, their officers, directors, members, committee men/women, volunteers, employees and agents or any one or more of them or their executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, successors, or assigns, including any or all claims for damage caused by the negligence of any of them arising out of my participation or that of my yacht in this Mudhead event and its related activities, including pre-start and post finish operations and shore activities together with any costs and expenses including attorney's fees that may be incurred as a result of any such claims that any officer, member of my crew or one of my guests (or the executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, and assigns of any of them) may have or assert together with any costs and expenses including attorney's fees with respect thereto.

Skipper Signature: _____ Date: _____