



**2011 Race Cayman Optimist Open &
Western Caribbean Optimist Championship**
16th – 19th March 2011
Cayman Islands Sailing Club
George Town, Grand Cayman

Notice of Race

1. INVITATION

The Cayman Islands Sailing Club welcomes all Optimist sailors and their families to the Optimist Open & Western Caribbean Optimist Championship as part of Race Cayman Sailing Week 2011.

2. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority is Cayman Islands Sailing Club, PO Box 32137, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands KY1-1208 (CISC).

3 RULES

- 3.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, including Appendix P, the rules of the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 3.2 If there is a conflict between languages the English language will take precedence.

4 ADVERTISING

The Organizing committee may ask competitors to display Event and/or Class sponsor advertising material and boats may be asked to carry stickers carrying sponsor advertising provided at registration. These should be attached to the boat in accordance with the instructions provided by the organizer.

5 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 5.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Optimist class. All competitors must be a member of their National Optimist Class Association.
- 5.2 Eligible competitors must register, as soon as they are able to, on the Race Cayman website www.sailing.ky by February 1st, 2011.
- 5.4 There is no limit on the number of entries per nation but entries of those competitors who are chartering boats may be limited by the number of charter boats available. Charter boats will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. See Para 14.

6 FEES

- 6.1 The fee for entries received by 15th January 2011 is US\$150 per competitor. The fee for entries received after 15 January is US\$200 per competitor. Entry fees must be paid by Credit Card (excluding American Express). If this is not possible, to make arrangements for payment, contact: admin@sailing.ky

You may telephone **1 345 947 7913** with your CC number or use the Fee Payment Form in Para. 21 to fax or mail your CC details.

- 6.2 For non-competitors, a fee may be required for social functions.

7 SCHEDULE

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| 7.1 | Wednesday 16th March | Registration and Measurement | 0900 to 1800 |
| 7.2 | Thursday 17th March | Mandatory Skippers meeting
First Race | 0900
Warning 1100 |
| 7.3 | Friday 18th March | Championship race(s) | Warning 1100 |
| 7.4 | Saturday 19 th March | Championship race(s) | Warning 1100 |
- 7.5 A maximum of fifteen (15) Championship races are scheduled, with 5 races scheduled each day. The Race Officer, at his discretion, may get one race ahead of schedule but shall not sail more than 6 races on any one day.
- 7.6 The schedule of social events will be available at registration and will be posted on the regatta website.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at registration on March 16th and may be posted on the event website prior to registration.

9 VENUE

The venue is North Sound, Grand Cayman. All sailing activity will be based at Cayman Islands Sailing Club. The racing will be conducted in North Sound.

10 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be included in the sailing instructions.

11 SCORING

11.1 One completed race is required to constitute a regatta.

11.2 (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When 5-9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(c) When 10 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

12 PRIZES

12.1. The overall results will be split into Gold and Silver Fleets, the top half of the Fleet (50 % of the entrants rounded up) will be the Gold Fleet, the lower half will be the Silver Fleet. Prizes will be awarded to the first three sailors in the Gold fleet and the first three sailors in the Silver fleet.

13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority and the CISC, their officers, members, servants and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the Championship regatta and competitors' parents or guardians will be required to sign the following waiver to be presented at registration.

" I hereby acknowledge that Cayman Islands Sailing Club, the Organizing Committee, the Race Committee, McLaughlin, the Regatta Sponsors and their representatives, officers, members and volunteers accept no liability whatsoever for any loss of life, property, personal injury or damage caused by or arising out of the Regatta. Participants compete entirely at their own risk. I further agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2009 - 2012, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions."

14 CHARTER BOATS

A limited number of charter boats will be available on a first come first served basis. Deadline for charter reservations is **1st February 2011**. Charter boat reservation and payment is available from McLaughlin Boat Works. Please contact Alisa Forrester at alisa@optistuff.com or 1-423-875-0740. Charter details including reservation form can also be found at www.optistuff.com. Competitors must bring their own sails.

15 SUPPORT BOATS

Support (including coaches) boats are available on a first come, first served basis. The fee is \$100 per day. Support boats must register with the organizing committee, and nominate each competitor they are supporting. Support boats may be called upon by the Race Committee to assist with rescue operations. Support boats must have a working VHF and must monitor the Race Committee channel. To request a support boat please contact admin@sailing.ky

16 TELEVISION AND MEDIA

In entering for this event, competitors automatically grant the Organising Authority and Class Association(s) the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show from time to time, at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and any other reproduction of them taken during the event, for the said Championship as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, in which he/she participates, without compensation.

17 TRAVEL, LODGING, ACTIVITIES

Information with regard to air travel, accommodation, and other tourist resources including a recommended list of hotels is available on the event website at www.sailing.ky.

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:-

Rick Caley, Manager
Cayman Islands Sailing Club, PO Box 32137
Grand Cayman KY1-1208
admin@sailing.ky

19 FEE PAYMENT FORM

Surname : First name

Address :

Phone:.....Email.....Nation.....

Credit card number: start date.....exp date.....

Security number on back of card.....

Boat number if known:

Competitor is registered:.....

Competitor is not yet registered (tick one):

Signed:.....

Copy this form and return to CISC by fax (do not email your C/C number!)

Fax: **1 345 947 4904**

or mail to:

Rick Caley

Cayman Islands SC,

PO Box 32137, Grand Cayman,

Cayman Islands KY1-1208

Any other inquiries re payment: admin@sailing.ky