



Lake Champlain Soling Fleet



2009 Soling North American Championships

Notice of Race

Valcour Sailing Club, Inc.
Post Office Box 1362
Plattsburgh, New York 12901 USA
Friday, August 14 thru Sunday, August 16, 2009

1 Organizing Authority

The Organizing Authority is the United States Soling Association (USSA), in conjunction with the Valcour Sailing Club, Inc.

2 Rules

The event will be governed by the 2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), and the Rules of the International Soling Association (ISA). This Notice of Race will rule except as amended or altered by the Sailing Instructions, or properly posted amendments on the Official Notice Board. All racing will be fleet racing.

3 Advertising

The Championship will be a category C event in accordance with RRS 79 and Appendix G.

4 Eligibility and Entry

4.1 The regatta is open to all yachts declared eligible by the USSA, CISA or their national Soling association. All skippers and crews must be members of the USSA, CISA, or the ISA. Proof of membership shall be demonstrated prior to the start of Race # 1 of these championships, by the display of the current Soling class sticker in accordance with class rules.

5 Schedule of Events

5.1 On-site registration will be at Plattsburgh Boat Basin Marina, Plattsburgh, New York, on Thursday, August 13th, 2009 from 12:00 noon until 9:00 p.m. There will be representatives of the Lake Champlain Soling Fleet there to help with registration, parking, and rigging.

5.2 Competitor's meeting will be held at 0900 on Thursday, September 16th, 2009.

5.3 Fleet Racing:

Race 1	Friday, Aug 14th	Warning Signal at 10:55
Race 2	Friday, Aug 14th	following the conclusion of Race 1
Race 3	Friday, Aug 14th	following the conclusion of Race 2
Race 4	Saturday, Aug 15th	Warning Signal at 10:55
Race 5	Saturday, Aug 15th	following the conclusion of Race 4
Race 6	Saturday, Aug 15th	following the conclusion of Race 5
Race 7	Sunday, Aug 16th	Warning Signal at 9:55
Make-up racing		following Race 7 if possible

5.4 Every attempt will be made to end racing after Race 7 as early as possible to allow competitors to plan return travel.

5.5 Social Activities – A pizza party for all competitors will be provided on Friday, Aug 14th, compliments of CAN225. A casual barbeque will be on Saturday afternoon after racing. Prize-giving ceremony promptly after the last race on Sunday.

6 Registration/Entry Fee

The entry fee is \$175 usd. If postmarked prior to July 15th, 2009. \$225 usd after. There is an additional fee of \$75 usd for the use of the hoist, payable at the boatyard. Entrants are encouraged to register by mail, by completing the official entry form attached to this notice, and enclosing a check, payable to the Valcour Sailing Club, P. O. Box 1362, Plattsburgh, NY 12901. Boats may also register Thursday, Aug 13th, 2009 and Friday morning Aug 14th, 2009 at the regatta site.

7 Measurement and Safety

Regatta Officials reserve the right to measure and/or stamp all sails and ask each yacht to submit a valid measurement certificate. Random inspections for class safety rules will be conducted.

8 Liability

The organizing authorities and/or any part, person involved in the regatta, will accept no liability and responsibility for any personal or material damage sustained prior to, during, or after the regatta.

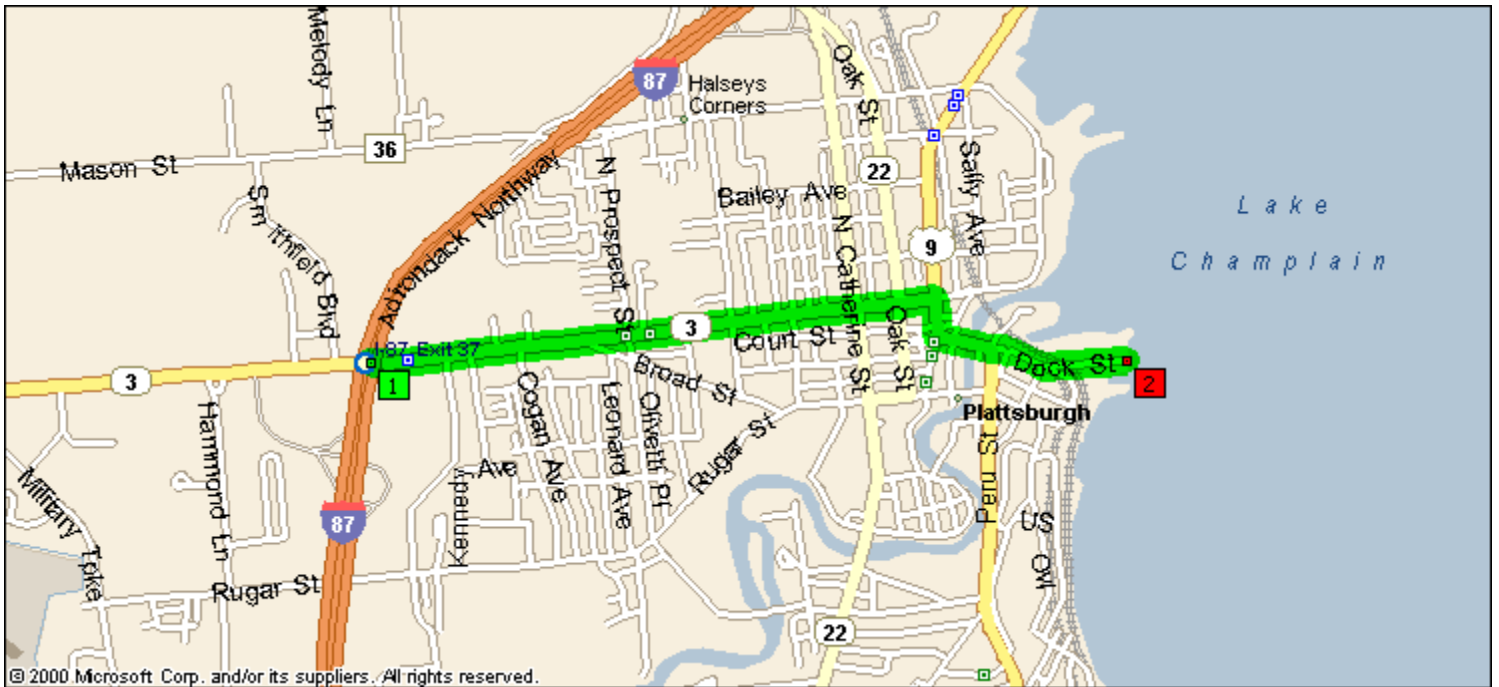
9 Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions shall be available at registration.

10 Regatta Site

The regatta site is at Plattsburgh Boat Basin Marina, 1 Dock Street, Plattsburgh, NY 12901. From Interstate 87, take exit 37 and turn right (east) on Route 3. This becomes Cornelia Street. Stay straight and continue on Cornelia St., still going east. At downtown Plattsburgh, turn right at City Hall onto Route 9. Go one block, and turn left onto Bridge Street, following the waterfront signs to the marina. This is also the location of the Naked Turtle Bar and Restaurant.

Plattsburgh, New York, United States



11 Racing Areas

The racing area shall be in Cumberland Bay, at Plattsburgh, N.Y., on Lake Champlain. This is also labeled as Plattsburgh Bay on some road signs.

12 Courses

Are windward/leeward with 2 laps each, with windward offset mark.

- 13 Scoring**
The low point scoring system, RRS Appendix A2 scoring system will apply. There are seven races scheduled for the North American Championships. Four races completed shall constitute a regatta. In RRS A2.1, if five races are completed, each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst for a score prohibited from exclusion by Rules A1-3.
- 14 Penalties**
The 720- degree turns penalty, and RRS 44.1 and 44.2 of the rules will apply.
- 15 Haul –out restrictions**
No hauling is allowed during the regatta unless specifically authorized by the PRO in special cases. New docks will be available free of charge, donated by the city of Plattsburgh. They are located in front of the Clare and Carl's RedHots Michigans stand/restaurant immediately adjacent to the hoist, and must be used by all competitors. Do not use any marina docks except when launching and hauling. Please bring fenders and docking lines.
- 16 Prizes**
Prizes will be awarded.
- 17 Additional Information and charter boats**
For questions and help of any kind, please call Brian White at 518 561 2983 or email brianewhite@yahoo.com
For charter boat information, contact Chris Duley by email at topher@westelcom.com
Our fleet will help crews and families in any way possible. Just let us know what you need!
- 18 Lodging**
The Lake Champlain Soling Fleet will do its best to house as many visiting skippers and crewmembers as possible. Please contact Sarah Tucker by email; sarahtuck19@hotmail.com

Enjoy sailing on Lake Champlain!

ENTRY FORM
2009 SOLING NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS
AUGUST 14TH – AUGUST 16TH, 2009
LAKE CHAMPLAIN SOLING FLEET & THE VALCOUR SAILING CLUB, INC.

Sail Number: _____ Boat Name: _____

Skipper name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Crew name and address: _____

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Fee: Please complete this form and enclose your check, cashier's check or money order made out to The Valcour Sailing Club, Inc., in the amount of \$175 usd if postmarked prior to July 15th, 2009. \$225 if later. Mail to: The Valcour Sailing Club, Inc., PO Box 1362, Plattsburgh, New York 12901. Questions? Call Brian White, at 518 561 2983 or brianewhite@yahoo.com

Waiver:

I agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2009- 2012 (RRS), the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions and all other rules that govern this event. I acknowledge that RRS Rule 4- Decision to Race, places the sole responsibility for a boat deciding to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone. I understand that neither the Organizing Authority and its officers, members and servants nor any other persons assisting with the conduct of this regatta accept any responsibility in respect of any injury or loss to person or property that may be sustained by reason of participation in the regatta or howsoever arising in connection with this regatta.

Competitors' signatures:

Skipper

Date

Crewmember 1

Date

Crewmember 2

Date