



2017 SECOR Volvo Fishers Island Sound Race!
A club to club multi leg distance race with two days of racing and an OVERNIGHT stay on Fishers Island!

WEDNESDAY JULY 12TH – FRIDAY JULY 14TH 2017
Starting at Niantic Bay, CT to Fishers Island, NY
ending in Mystic, CT – almost 20 miles of racing planned!

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ELIGIBILITY:

Class legal 420s with one skipper and one crew.
Junior skippers and crew must be at least 13 years old (under 13 may apply for waiver by email to mudratzRacing@gmail.com with listed past sailing experience), but cannot reach 19 years of age in the current calendar year. Adult skippers can be over 19 years old with crews of any age (min of 5 teams will allow this subdivision to be created). Each team must be assigned to a coach for the entire duration of the event. Limit 6 teams per coach.

ENTRIES:

Early bird entry fee of \$125 per sailor - \$75 per coach. Limit of 75 teams.
Wait list will be created based on registration date.

REGISTRATION:

Starting March 21st 2017 at MudRatz.com. Registration closes July 11, 17:00.

SCHEDULE:

Skippers Meeting & Pre-Race Party: Wednesday July 12th at 17:00 @ NBYC
START DAY 1 -9:00 Thursday July 13th in vicinity of NBYC.
FINISH DAY 1 -approx. 15:00 at FIYC with Welcoming Party to follow.
DINNER PARTY -Volvo Banquet & DJ - at The Pequot House, 20:00 -22:30
START DAY 2 -9:00 Friday July 14th in vicinity of FIYC.
FINISH DAY 2 -at approx. 15:00 at Mystic Shipyard with Awards and Racers Jam Party to follow. Complimentary beverages will be available at Mystic Shipyard. A pizza truck will be on site for food purchases.
No leg will start after 14:00.

COURSES:

Each leg will have a finish and a restart.
Charts of legs will be provided at skippers meeting.
Legs will be further defined on course boards before each restart.
This is an "offshore" race with sailors competing around the Sound.
One leg can constitute a series.

RULES:

Racing will be governed by The Rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing. Please reference 420 class rules. Sailing Instructions will be on line at: MudRatz.com at least 24 hours prior to the first race.

TRACKING & MEDIA:

Boats will be provided with real time tracking devices. Racers will have to check in and out with their device at the start and end of each day. Various parts of the racing will be broadcast LIVE on Facebook #MudRatz.

By competing in this race, you give the organizing authority permission to use your images on social media.

SCORING:

Scoring will be Low Point as outlined in RRS Appendix A, with each Leg counting as a race, except there will be no throwouts. However a boat's final score from the July 12th Niantic Bay US Sailing Area B finals will be considered as her Leg 0 score. Any boat with a Leg 0 score will have Leg 0 included in her overall score and will then have her worst score excluded per Appendix A.

AWARDS:

Zim Trophy – First Overall

Top Female Team Overall

Team Trophy – Enter three boats from any one club or association. Trophy goes to top 3 boat group from one club. Fleet rules and scoring, but the club team with the three lowest combined point totals win.

Keeper trophies shall be presented to the top 5 overall.

Trophies will be presented for the fastest recorded speed based on trackers.

Win a FREE Wasp Camera for the best video, photos, or written combination of on board reporting from the race!

This report must be submitted by July 20th to mudratzracing@gmail.com

Adult skipper teams do not qualify for the trophies above. Separate awards will be provided for adult teams.

STORAGE, DOCKING, & TRANSPORTATION:

Boats will be launched at Niantic Bay YC on Thursday, July 14th and shall remain in the water until haul out on Friday, July 15th at Mystic Shipyard unless written approval is granted by the race committee. Boats will be given the chance to rinse off upon arrival at Fishers Island YC and then stored in the safe and secure lagoon on streaming moorings overnight. Teams are asked to arrange to move their tow vehicles, trailers, and dollies from Niantic Bay YC to Mystic Shipyard before the finish on Friday. We will have a U-Haul available to move assembled dollies and volunteers to help move tow vehicles with trailers for teams needing this assistance.

HOUSING:

Fishers Island Overnight - All teams competing will be staying at the Fishers Island School gym.

Please pack appropriate sleeping bags and pads to be placed on the ferry boat before racing Thursday AM. It is expected that each team have one chaperon or coach per every 12 sailors.

This chaperon or coach will sleep with the kids at the Fishers Island School for the island overnight stay.

There will be no exceptions. Other housing requests will be made available on a first come, first served basis by email inquiry to mudratzracing@gmail.com

Suggested hotels in the Greater Mystic area: Steamboat Inn, Whaler's Inn, and Inn at Mystic

Hotels – New London, CT to Mystic, CT is central to both the start and finish.

GREEN REGATTA: ***We support the Clean Regatta Commitment***

- Put recyclables IN the RECYCLING BINS
- Do NOT litter at any host venues
- Do not throw litter overboard during racing
- No Discharge in no-discharge zones , use Green Cleaning Products
- Rule 55 will not be altered
- **Check out: sailorsforthesea.org for more info.**

