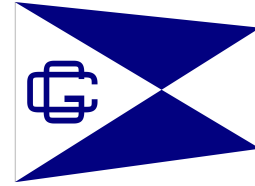




2014 ICSA National Championship Semi-Finals

NEISA – Coast Guard



NEISA and the U.S. Coast Guard Academy would like to put in a bid for the 2014 ICSA National Championship Semi-Finals. Both the Eastern and Western Semi-Final would be run concurrently out of Jacobs Rock, the Academy's Sailing and Seamanship Center. Set on the end of a 600' causeway on the Thames River in New London, CT, Jacobs Rock offers sailors, coaches, and spectators one of the best regatta experiences in college sailing.



Boats:

Fleet 1: 18 2013 LP FJs (CGA)

Fleet 2: 18 2010 LP 420s (CGA)

Fleet 3: 18 2013 LP Bulletproof FJs (Connecticut College)

Fleet 4: 18 2014 LP Evo 420s (Yale or Brown)**

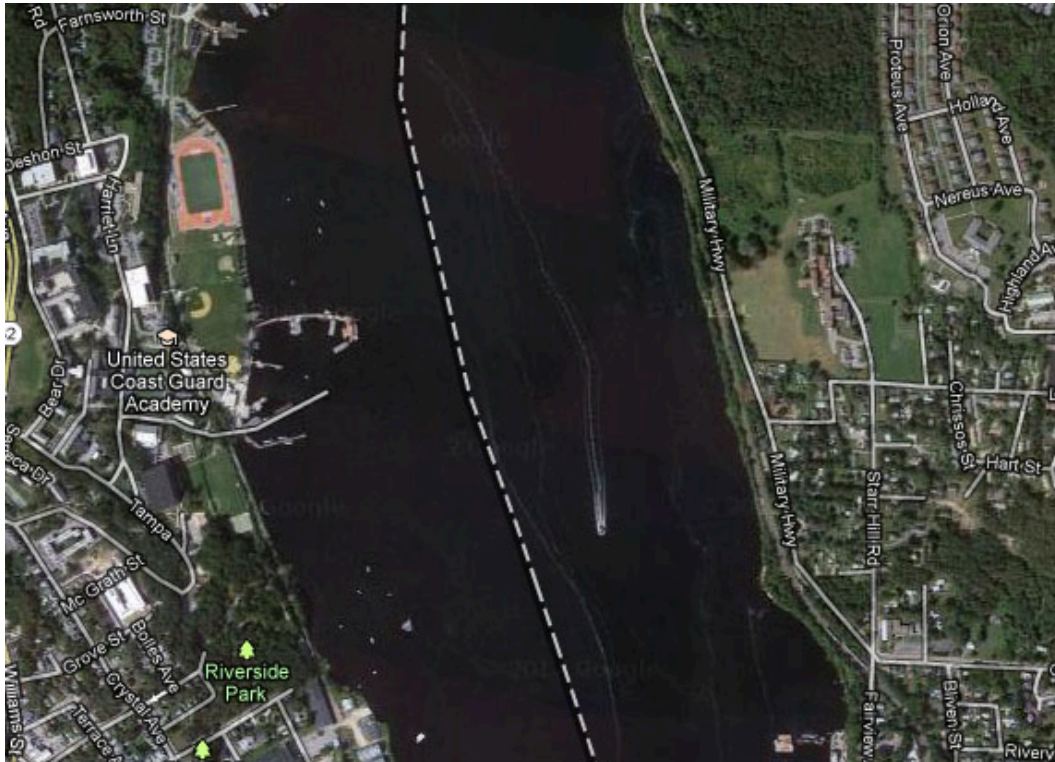
**It is our intention to run this regatta with four fleets. However, the details to have Yale's 420s delivered to CGA have not yet been finalized. In the rare case that this simply isn't feasible we will run the event with three fleets in an MIT-style rotation.

Racing Area/Course:

Several racing areas can be used in close proximity to Jacobs Rock. Rotations will be a mixture of on land and on the water to allow for a maximum number of quality races. Two courses will be used unless one course allows for better efficiency.

A variety of conditions can be found on the Thames in late spring. Breeze from the north or south are relatively steady and allow for several different racing areas to be

utilized. Fronts can bring strong northwest to west wind that will be quite shifty and puffy. Current is almost always a factor in the spring with fresh water run off from the mountains making its way to the ocean.



Regatta Management:

Each year the Academy hosts several of the most prestigious and competitive regattas on the college sailing circuit and has hosted every major championship, most recently the 2010 Sloop National Championship. Race management will be by professional coaches and/or PROs, with the assistance of well trained cadets. Two Eastern 20's will serve as Race Committee with up to 12 RHIBS for mark boats, judge boats, and coach boats.

Travel:

Coast Guard is accessible by many airports:
T.F. Green, Providence RI – 45 minutes
Bradley International, Hartford, CT – 55 minutes
Logan International, Boston, MA – 1 hour, 45 minutes

Lodging:

The Groton and New London areas have many affordable options for hotels, with the majority of major hotel chains in the area.

This proposal still requires final approval from CGA officials.