



The OYC Wednesday Night Series

Lake Norman, NC

A Lakewide Event

April 17 through August 14, 2019

Organizing Authority & Host: Outrigger Yacht Club



Notice of Race & Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

- 1.1. This event will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the [Racing Rules of Sailing](#) (RRS). In particular, competitors will be well familiar with and adhere strictly to the “*Basic Principles*”, the entirety of Part 2 - “*When Boats Meet*”, RRS 31 – “*Touching a Mark*” and RRS 44 - “*Penalties at the Time of an Incident*”.
- 1.2. The Lake Norman Keelboat Council (LNKC) [Lakewide Sailing Instructions](#) (LSI) and Standard Sail Equipment Specifications apply.
- 1.3. Competitors agree to be bound by all rules that govern this event.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1. This is a Lakewide event. The LSI apply.

3. RACE COMMITTEE

- 3.1. All registrants agree to perform Race Committee (RC)/Committee Boat (CB) duty as an entry requirement. Every registrant will be assigned to Committee Boat duty over the course of the series. This requires being at Peninsula Yacht Club by 4:30pm on one Wednesday during the series to perform RC/CB duty.
- 3.2. Any registrant who indicates on their registration that they are not completely qualified and comfortable running the Committee Boat must register for and attend one of three Committee Boat training sessions that have been scheduled between the first and second races of the series. If such a registrant cannot attend one of those sessions, it is their responsibility to contact the race organizer and arrange a time for training. Failure to attend training will result in not fulfilling Committee Boat duty and not being eligible to drop any scores in the calculation series total per 12.2.

Committee Boat Training Sessions

Location: Peninsula Yacht Club boat landing (near dock A).

Saturday, April 13th, 10:30 am

Sunday, April 14th, 2:30 pm

Monday, April 15th, 6:00 pm

To attend, you must register with Richard Blocker, rrb@compuserve.com or 704-451-1160

- 3.3. Participants will perform RC duty on their appointed date or provide/arrange for qualified personnel having experience and success performing such duty to do so on their behalf. Under no circumstance may a participant race on their appointed date for RC duty. Participants who provide/arrange for someone else to perform their duty are still required to perform RC duty on another race date by contacting the race organizer to be rescheduled.
- 3.4. A boat entered by a participant who performs RC duties during a race in which that boat does not participate will be awarded points for that race equal to the average score (rounded to one decimal place) of all races that boat raced in the Series, but not to exceed the number of boats that raced that race. A boat may receive a maximum of two average scores for the series. Participants cannot race on those dates they have listed themselves as unavailable for CB duty.

4. REGISTRATION & FEES

- 4.1. Registration is available online at <http://www.outriggeryachtclub.org/WNS.php> or by following the instructions in the attached Entry Form.
- 4.2. Entry Form and payment must be received by 5PM of the day before the registrant's first race to be sailed.
- 4.3. US Sailing Member Fee: \$75. Non US-Sailing Member Fee: \$80.

5. CLASSES

- 5.1. Competitors may register for either Spinnaker or Non-Spinnaker Fleets which may be further separated into divisions. Competitors must register for a Division within either the spinnaker or non-spinnaker fleet. These Divisions may be further divided.
- 5.1.1. There will be two Divisions within the spinnaker fleet. These divisions may be further divided:
- Spinnaker: Any competitor with an S-spin or A-spin PHRF certificate from LNKC intending to race with a spinnaker must enter in this division.
 - Sport Boat: Any competitor with a sport boat PHRF certificate from LNKC intending to race with a spinnaker must enter in this division.
- 5.1.2. There will be two Divisions within the Non-Spinnaker fleet. These divisions may be further divided:
- Non-Spinnaker: Any boat intending to race without a spinnaker may enter in this division.
 - Cruising: Any boat intending to race without a spinnaker and seeking a less competitive race experience may enter in this division, subject to Race Organizer's discretion. Competitors in this division are expected to be less experienced racers, less well equipped boats or in other ways in need of a racing experience that is lower intensity than the Non-Spinnaker Racer Division.
- 5.2. Competitors may change their fleet declaration during the Series by submitting an additional completed Entry Form with their new fleet declaration properly noted. There is no additional fee for changing fleets.

6. CHANGING BOATS

- 6.1. Competitors may change boats by submitting an additional completed Entry Form with no additional fee.
- 6.1.1. The new boat will be scored separately from the original in tallying Series totals.
- 6.1.2. The boat being changed from will be retired for the rest of the Series.
- 6.1.3. Competitors can change boats only once per Series.

7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1. Warning Signals – 6:25PM Wednesday evenings, April 17, 2017 through August 14, 2018.
- 7.2. Awards celebration date Sunday, August 18. Location to be announced.

8. RACING AREA

- 8.1. The LSI apply.

9. COURSES

- 9.1. The LSI apply.

10. THE START

- 10.1. Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26. The class flag for the Spinnaker Fleet (Spinnaker and Sport Boat) will be Flag 1 and all divisions of the Spinnaker Fleet will be in the first start. The class flag for the Non-Spinnaker Fleet (Non-Spinnaker and Cruising) will be Flag 2 and all divisions of the Non-Spinnaker Fleet will be in the second start. This changes LSI 10.1.
- 10.2. The Preparatory Signal will be Flag "P". Course signals and any flag that makes part of Rule 30 applicable will be displayed prior to and separate from the starting sequence signals. This changes RRS 26 and the Preparatory Signals in Race Signals.

11. TIME LIMIT

- 11.1. All races, if not concluded earlier, will end promptly at 8:30 PM.

12. SCORING

- 12.1. The PHRF Handicap System will be used and the Time on Time Low Point Scoring System will apply. A boat that does not finish within the time limit will be scored points one more than the number of boats that finished that race and a boat that did not start, was disqualified, or retired will be scored one more than the number of boats that started that race. This changes RRS A9.
- 12.2. For every competitor that fulfills their assigned Committee Boat duty per Section 3, their best scores in 75% of the races conducted (rounded to an integer; .5 will be rounded up) will be added up to calculate their Series total. For example, if 16 races are conducted, the 12 best scores for each boat will be added up to calculate their series total. For any competitor that does not fulfill their assigned Committee Boat duty per Section 3, all of their scores in the series will be added up to calculate their series total.

12.3. Abandoned races will not be rescheduled.

12.4. Six races will constitute a Regatta.

12.5. Should the boat's PHRF rating be changed during the course of the event, the new rating will be applied for the remaining races.

13. PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

13.1. Competitors are encouraged to resolve all protests on the water according to the *Rules*.

13.2. Protests will be lodged per LSI instructions.

13.3. Scores will be posted but labeled as "Tentative" until any protests are resolved.

14. PRIZES

14.1. Prizes will be awarded based on the number of competitors in each division as follows: 2-4 boats – 1 prize, 5-7 boats – 2 prizes, 8 or more boats – 3 prizes.

14.2. Winners who do not attend the series-end awards ceremony are responsible for making arrangements to obtain their prize.

15. WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

15.1. Participants may check the Bulletin Board found on the OYC website at www.outriggeryachtclub.org for notification of weather cancellations before 4PM on race days.

15.2. Competitors will provide a mobile/cellular phone number so that RC can text them with status updates after 4PM. This changes LSI 5.1.

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

16.1. Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4 – Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.

17. CONTACTS

17.1. There will be no skipper's meeting. Entrants with questions may contact Race Chairman Richard Blocker by phone at 704-451-1160 or by email at rrb@compuserve.com.

18. CREW

18.1. Those requiring crew or looking for an opportunity to crew should post to the "Crew and Boat Forum" at www.outriggeryachtclub.org.

Last changes reviewed and approved by OYC Racing Committee – March 14, 2019

The 2019 OYC Wednesday Night Series - ENTRY FORM

Email completed form to rrb@compuserve.com then go to [Paypal](https://www.paypal.com) and send your fees to the same email address or mail completed form with check, payable to OYC, to: Richard Blocker / 9112 Laurel Ridge Tr., Charlotte, NC 28269.

Paypal transactions using a Bank or Paypal account are free. Credit/Debit Card transactions cost 2.9% of fees plus 30 cents.

Both Entry Form and payment must be received by 5PM of the day before the first race to be sailed

Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Cell #: _____

Boat Name: _____

Boat Make/Model: _____

Length Overall: _____

Sail Number: _____

Member in good standing of:

LNKC PHRF Certificate Number: _____

LNYC OYC PYC

LNKC PHRF Rating: _____

Fleet declaration (check one):

Spinnaker Fleet: Spinnaker Sport Boat

Non-Spinnaker Fleet: Non-Spinnaker Cruising

Dates you are NOT available for Race Committee Duty: 1 2 3

US Sailing Member: \$75

Membership #: _____

Non-US Sailing Member, add \$5: \$ _____

Total amount: \$ _____

I hereby agree to abide by the Racing Rules of Sailing and all other rules that govern this event. I further acknowledge that in consideration of the efforts of the host organization(s), for being allowed to participate in this regatta/races and the acceptance of this application to race, I hereby waive and release any and all claims I or my heirs or representatives may have against the hosts, its officers, directors or trustees, and its committee members, measurers, judges, agents and representatives, arising out of the activities required for the races on the water or at any event related to the races, including any where they may be alcohol available, and do further covenant not to sue or bring claim or claims of any nature whatsoever against the host organization(s) or any of the persons and offices, names or unnamed, above who may be acting on the host(s) or its/their behalf. I also acknowledge that alcoholic beverages may be available during this event and agree that if I or any of my crew or invited guests consume these alcoholic beverages we assume all responsibility for our actions. I certify that the boat listed above is in compliance with all safety requirements and the above information is true and accurate.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Typed signature acceptable if completing on-screen for emailing

