

Lorain Sailing and Yacht Club – 2017 Weekly Club Racing Notice of Race

The Lorain Sailing and Yacht Club (LSYC) is the organizing authority for a full season of weekly racing for one-design and auxiliary sailboats during the summer boating season of 2017. The season shall consist of two series, Spring/Summer and Summer/Fall and awards shall be offered at both the series and season overall levels.

1. Eligibility

- 1.1. Auxiliaries racing must conform to PHRF-LE rules and club eligibility requirements
- 1.2. One-Designs racing must conform to their national class rules and club eligibility requirements
- 1.3. All skippers shall complete the required entry form, sign the waiver of liability and pay their required entry fees
- 1.4. Sailors that did not compete in the 2016 LSYC Weekly Racing program are eligible to race their first day of races free of charge

2. Racing

- 2.1. Racing shall occur on the waters of Lake Erie immediately adjacent to the harbor of Lorain, Ohio
- 2.2. Auxiliaries shall race on a fixed-mark course to the northeast of the Lorain breakwaters according to the schedule of Wednesday night races. See the fixed-mark course diagram, available on the LSYC racing webpages, for more details. Auxiliaries shall race in classes designated as:
 - 2.2.1. PHRF-Spinnaker to include the use of a spinnaker
 - 2.2.2. PHRF-JAM to exclude the use of a spinnaker
 - 2.2.3. All boats will race JAM if there are insufficient Spinnaker boats to split into two fleets
- 2.3. One-Designs shall race on a movable course setup either east or west of the Lorain breakwaters at the discretion of the race committee. Classes presently included are:
 - 2.3.1. Star
 - 2.3.2. Other classes having at least three boats registered
- 2.4. On any one day's schedule, no races shall be conducted unless at least one class racing that day has at least three boats competing that day. Classes without at least three boats racing may still race provided at least one class on the course meets the three-boat requirement.

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3. Rules

- 3.1. Competition shall be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020 edition except where amended by the LSYC Club Racing Rules (CRR)
- 3.2. Time limits shall be imposed by CRR 11 amending RRS 35
- 3.3. Throw-outs shall conform to the schedule in CRR 12.5 amending RRS A2
- 3.4. Changes to the SI and rules shall be posted on the LSYC Official Notice board at least one (1) hour prior to the first race of any race day and will include the duration of time for which the rule change applies
- 3.5. RRS 18.3 (Mark Room) will also apply when the mark must be left to starboard by copying RRS rule 18.3 and replacing “port” with “starboard” and “starboard” with “port” in the copy text.

4. Schedule

- 4.1. Races shall be conducted according to the race schedule published on the LSYC Racing webpages
- 4.2. Start times vary by day, race course and time of year per the schedule

5. Sailing Instructions

- 5.1. The primary sailing instructions are provided on the LSYC Racing webpages as the “LSYC 2017 Racing Rules” (Club Racing Rules – CRR)
- 5.2. The Club Racing Rules (CRR) are further augmented on the fixed mark course for Auxiliaries by the Fixed Mark course diagram and instructions which is also available on the LSYC Racing webpages

6. Scoring

- 6.1. Scoring shall conform to RRS Appendix A “Low Point” system except as amended by CRR 12.5 regarding throw-outs
- 6.2. Weekly, series and seasonal results shall be provided on the LSYC racing webpages and optionally on the LSYC Official Notice board
- 6.3. Yachts shall be scored DNS until the skipper of that yacht has completed and submitted to LSYC:
 - 6.3.1. LSYC Racing Application (attached)
 - 6.3.2. LSYC Liability Waiver (attached)
 - 6.3.3. Racing fees (Checks to “LSYC” – Memo: “2017 Weekly Racing”)

7. Communications

- 7.1. On-water communications shall be over VHF Channel 6
- 7.2. Pre/Post-race communications shall be provided through the LSYC racing webpages and through cellphone text messaging. Entrants are required to provide a cell phone number to receive these text messages
- 7.3. The LSYC Notice Board is located on the front window of the Clubhouse

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8. Prizes

- 8.1. Prizes shall be offered at the series and seasonal levels
- 8.2. The season overall results consists of the combination of the results of the two series
- 8.3. Awards will be offered for any class with at least three (3) boats registered.
 - 8.3.1. Only first place will be awarded for classes with three (3) or four (4) boats registered.
 - 8.3.2. First, second and third place will be awarded to classes with five (5) or more boats registered.
 - 8.3.3. Additional awards may be offered at the Fleet Captain's Discretion

9. Liability and Insurance

- 9.1. All yachts competing must carry appropriate insurance to cover their boats, crews and all liability of the boat's operation
- 9.2. All skippers must sign the LSYC Liability Waiver before competing

