



The Wednesday Night Series

Notice of Race & Sailing Instructions

April 20, 2005 – August 31, 2005

A Lakewide event exclusive to members of OYC, LNYC and PYC

Organizing Authority – The Outrigger Yacht Club
Lake Norman, NC

Rules: This event will be governed by the “Rules” as outlined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (available at www.USSailing.org) except as altered by the current Lakewide Sailing Instructions (available at www.lnkc.com) and these Sailing Instructions. Race Committee reserves the right to revise these Instructions by posting any subsequent changes, notices, and/or announcements on the OYC official bulletin board located at www.outriggeryachtclub.org (hereinafter referred to as the “website”).

Eligibility: Members of Outrigger, Lake Norman and Peninsula Yacht Clubs maintaining rights to do so may enter a qualified keelboat with a LNKC PHRF Rating Certificate or a centerboard sailboat with a Portsmouth rating that will be converted to PHRF by submitting the completed Entry Form with payment of appropriate fees. If the vessel to be entered does not have a current LNKC PHRF Certificate, a temporary rating may be obtained by completing a LNKC PHRF Rating Request Form (found at the website) and returning it with the Entry Form. No temporary ratings will be subject to appeal or change after the Warning Signal of the first race.

Classes: Entrants will be divided into Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker Fleets. Divisions will be based on the number of entries and will be posted as soon as possible after race #1. Entrants may change their Fleet declaration for the second half of the Series, but will become ineligible for the overall Series awards by doing so. Entrants wishing to change their declarations must contact Doug Riley at doug.riley@mindspring.com or at (704) 947-0470. Declarations will not be changed once an entrant begins participation in either half of the Series.

Changing boats: Competitors may change boats for the second half of the Series only by completing the registration form for the second boat and paying the additional fee as outlined. Otherwise, entrants must sail the boat that is entered as per the submitted registration form. Participants who change boats during the series will be ineligible for the overall Series awards.

Fees:	US Sailing Member	\$50.00 (Membership Number Required)
	Second half of Series only	\$25.00
	Non US Sailing member	Add \$5.00
	Late Registration	Add \$10.00 (Any entry submitted once the series begins)
	Changing boats for the second half	\$10.00

Schedule of Events: Wednesday nights April 20, 2005 through August 31, 2005 inclusive, 6:30 PM
Warning Signal, vicinity of Marker 2. Races, if not concluded earlier, will end promptly at 8:30 PM. Social gathering and presentation of awards after each Race at Midtown Sundries, Cornelius. First half trophies will be awarded at Midtown Sundries on June 29 after Race 11. Second half trophies and overall series trophies will be awarded at a social gathering to be held September 7 at Midtown Sundries beginning at 6:30 PM.

Scoring: The Time on Time Low Point Scoring System will apply with the following exceptions, which change Rule A9; boats that do not finish within the time limit or retire after finishing will be scored points one more than the number of boats who finish the race. Boats that do not start or are disqualified will be scored points one more than the number of boats that started the race. Each boat's results for each half of the series and for the entire series will be the total of her best race scores for three quarters (3/4) of all races conducted (rounded to an integer) in the series or half series for which results are being calculated Abandoned races will not be rescheduled. We will score and award three separate series: The Full Series, consisting of 20 races, and two Series halves, each consisting of 10 races.

Race Committee: Participants are asked to volunteer to perform Race Committee duties.

Participants may be randomly drawn for duty if we do not have enough volunteers. Participants will be asked to perform the duties for no more than one race. Training will be made available. To determine the total score for the half of the Series during which a participant performs race committee duties, the he/she will be awarded points for that race equal to the average score of all races the he/she sailed in that half of the Series. To determine the total score for the entire Series, a participant who performs race committee duties will be awarded points for that race equal to the average score of all races the participant sailed in the Series.

Starts: There will be one start for both Fleets. The Class flag will be the Numeral Flag “1”. Race Committee may provide separate courses for the Spin and the Non-spin fleets by flying separate courses under an “S” flag for the Spinnaker fleet and an “N” flag for the Non-spinnaker fleet.

Courses: The course marks as outlined in the current Lakewide Sailing Instructions will apply.

The Finish: The finish line will be between the Committee Boat and an orange pin used as one end of the starting line. This changes Lakewide Sailing Instructions Rule 14 for OYC events.

Time Limit: The time limit to the first mark is waived for this event. This changed LSI 15.1.

Protests: Competitors are encouraged to resolve all protest on the water according to the ‘rules’. If a protest cannot be resolved on the water, the following simplified protest procedure must be followed and changes Rule 63. Participants who intend to file a written protest will inform the Committee Boat prior to departing the Finish Area. The written protest must be submitted to the designated judge at Midtown Sundries no later than 9:30 PM on the day of the race. Protest forms will be made available at the after race event. A single judge hearing will commence immediately thereafter. The parties to the hearing, or their representatives, may each present one witness to the incident. The decision of the designated judge will be final.

Trophies: The traditional OYC winner’s mug will be awarded each week to the first place finisher in each Fleet. For the first half and second half of the Series and for the entire Series one trophy will be awarded for each two boats in a Division with a maximum of three trophies per Division.

Weather cancellations: If there is a question on the status of the race, participants may check the OYC Bulletin Board, found on the website for notification up until 4PM on race days. Every attempt will be made to provide a number, to be designated on the Bulletin Board on the day of the race, which may be called after 5:30 for further updates. Once in the Starting Area, the Committee Boat will monitor VHF Channel 71.

Mail completed form with check to:
Doug Riley, 9201 Trestlebrook Court, Huntersville, NC 28078

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERIES - ENTRY FORM

Skipper's Name: _____

Skipper's Phone Number: _____ Cell #: _____

Email Address: _____

Boat Name: _____

Boat Make/Model: _____ Length Overall: _____

Sail Number: _____ US Sailing membership number: _____

PHRF Certificate Number: _____ LNKC PHRF Rating: _____

If you do not have a LNKC assigned PHRF rating, please go to www.outriggeryachtclub.org, download a PHRF Ratings Request form, complete and return it with this Entry Form to obtain a temporary rating. This form will be forwarded to the LNKC to obtain a permanent rating.

Member in good standing of: OYC _____ LNYC _____ PYC _____

Fleet declaration: Spinnaker _____ Non Spinnaker _____

Volunteer For Race Committee: Yes _____ No _____

Preferred dates to volunteer: 1st choice _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____

Fees (make check payable to OYC)

US Sailing Member: \$50.00 _____

Second half of Series only: \$25.00 _____

Non US Sailing Member: Add \$5 _____

Late registration: Add \$10 _____

Change boats for 2nd half \$10.00 _____

Total enclosed..... _____

In consideration of this entry acceptance, I hereby agree that the safety of my yacht and her crew, and the decision, whether or not to start or continue to race is my responsibility and not that of any person sponsoring or undertaking such race or activity. I hereby waive any and all claims against the Outrigger Yacht Club and any of its officers or directors, or any member. I agree that this waiver is fully binding on my heirs, representatives, successors and assignees. I will inform all crewmembers of any yacht, which I sail in any such race, or activity of their responsibility for safety. I acknowledge that alcoholic beverages may be available to me during this event and agree that if I or any of my crew and invited guests consume these alcoholic beverages we will not operate a motor vehicle. I accept that I will be racing under the PHRF rating system, that I will race under the rules as sanctioned by US Sailing, and that I am in compliance with all safety requirements and that all of the above information is true and accurate.

Signature: _____ Date: _____