



THE LNKC ICICLE SERIES

Notice of Race & Sailing Instructions

Dates: January 7, February 4, & February 25, 2017
Make-up Date & Awards March 4

A lake wide event exclusively for members of OYC, PYC, & LNYC and to benefit the Lake Norman Keelboat Council

Organizing Authority & Host Club: Peninsula Yacht Club

1. RULES

- 1.1. This event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), available at www.ussailing.org, the Lake Norman Keelboat Council's (LNKC) Lake Wide Sailing Instructions (LSI), available at www.lnkc.com, and these Sailing Instructions.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1. Members of Outrigger Yacht Club, Lake Norman Yacht Club and Peninsula Yacht Club maintaining rights to do so may enter a boat with a LNKC PHRF Rating Certificate
- 2.2. If the boat to be entered does not have a current LNKC PHRF Certificate then a temporary rating may be obtained by completing a LNKC PHRF Rating Request Form (found at www.lnkc.com) and emailing it to the Race Chairman at least one week prior to the first race.
- 2.3. No ratings will be subject to appeal or change after the Warning Signal of the first race.
- 2.4. While racing, a boat shall have on board a person who is eligible to enter a boat in this event unless providing a substitute skipper and crew in order to perform volunteer Race Committee (RC) duties. A boat will not be scored unless all entry requirements are met.

3. CLASSES

- 3.1. Entrants will be divided into Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker fleets and may be further divided into Divisions. Declarations on the entry form will not be changed once the competitor has checked in for his/her first race.

4. FEES & REGISTRATION

US Sailing Member	\$38.00
Non US Sailing Member	Add \$5.00
Late Registration Fee	Add additional \$5.00 if not paid before January 2, 2017

- 4.1. Register online at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/13621>

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5.1. There will be two races on each race date. There will be one make-up day with a maximum of two races. The Warning Signal for the first race of any day will be at 10:30 AM. There will be no Skipper's meeting.

January 7, 2017	Race 1 & 2
February 4, 2017	Race 3 & 4
February 25, 2017	Race 5 & 7
March 4, 2017	Up to two make-up races, if necessary and Awards Ceremony

6. SCORING

- 6.1. The Time on Distance Low Point Scoring System A2 shall apply.
- 6.2. Series Longer Than A Regatta (RRS A9) applies. Any boat that scores DNC for a particular race will be scored as the number of Finishers +1 for that race.
- 6.3. Each vessel will be allowed two throw outs for the series

7. THE START

- 7.1. The starting line will lie in the vicinity of the Shoal Marker (SM) 0.4 NM WNW of channel marker 2. There will be one start to include both fleets. The Class Flag will be the Numeral Flag 1. Course signals and any flag that makes part of Rule 30 applicable will be displayed separate from the starting sequence signals. This changes RRS 26 and the Preparatory Signals in Race Signals.

8. COURSES

- 8.1. RC may provide separate courses for the Spinnaker and the Non-Spinnaker fleets by signaling the Spinnaker Fleet course under Flag "S" and the Non-Spinnaker Fleet course under Flag "N" on separate flagstaffs.

9. PROTESTS

- 9.1. Participants are encouraged to resolve any protests on the water as provided for in the rules. In the event the protest cannot be resolved on the water, the protesting party must inform the Committee Boat of their intent to do so before leaving the Race Area. Properly completed protest forms must be mailed to c/o Race Chairman Jim Hill to the Peninsula Yacht Club or emailed to jimhillnc@gmail.com and postmarked (or in the case of an email, dated) no later than the Monday following the Race being protested. The Race Chairman or designate will arrange to resolve any protests prior to the race being scored and results posted.

10. SAFETY

- 10.1. Each boat shall be equipped with safety gear, as required by federal, state, and local regulations. Any boat retiring before finishing is required to inform the RC before leaving the racecourse.

11. MISSING CHANNEL MARKERS AND/OR COURSE MARKS

- 11.1. If a Channel Marker and/or Course Mark are/is missing, RC may replace it with a temporary floating mark that may or may not display Flag "M". This changes RRS 34 (b).

12. TROPHIES

- 12.1. One trophy shall be awarded for each two boats in a Division with a maximum of three trophies for each Division.

13. COMMUNICATIONS

- 13.1. Radio Communications
 - 13.1.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats.
 - 13.1.2. The race committee will endeavor to hail each boat that is OCS on VHF radio. The timing of such hail, the sequence of hails, or the failure to make, or for the competitor to hear, such an announcement shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
 - 13.1.3. The RC will use VHF radio channel 71 to communicate with the fleet.

- 13.2. Email and Text Messaging

- 13.2.1. Email and text messaging may be used as a courtesy to inform participants of key information prior to the races, such as a weather cancellation. These communications are meant as a courtesy only and the Organizing Authority takes no responsibility for the lack of said communication to any group or individual. It is the responsibility of each participant to be informed via the standard means.

14. WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

- 14.1. A race will be canceled if at 8:00 PM on the day prior to the race the high temperature for the date of the race is forecast to be below 40 degrees. The forecast to be used will be that for Cornelius, NC posted on Weather Channel found at <https://weather.com/weather/today/l/USNC0157:1:US>

15. EVENT TRACKING

- 15.1. All participants are encouraged to use the mobile device application "RaceQs" (www.raceqs.com) . Those vessels wishing to participate should download the appropriate application (free) on their mobile device. There is NO COST for use of this application (normal mobile data rates still apply).

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 16.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk (See RRS4, Decision to Race). The Organizing Authority does not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- 16.2. The safety of a boat and its crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Skipper who shall ensure that the boat is fully sound, thoroughly seaworthy, and manned by an experienced and physically able crew. Neither the establishment of regulations or inspection of a boat in any way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the Skipper.