



The OYC 150 Bridge Race

March 23, 2019

Lake Norman, NC

Organizing Authority and Host Club: Outrigger Yacht Club

A Lakewide Event

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

This is a Lakewide event. The LSI apply.

3. REGISTRATION & FEES

- 3.1. Register by following the instructions in the attached Entry Form.
- 3.2. Entry Form and payment must be received by 5PM of the day before the event.
- 3.3. US Sailing Member Fee - \$30. Non-US Sailing Member – Add \$5.

4. CLASSES

Competitors may register for either Sport Boat, Spinnaker, Non Spinnaker, or Cruising, which may be further separated into Divisions.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5.1. Warning Signal – 9:25 AM, Saturday, March 23, 2019.
 - 5.1.1. 3/30/19 is the scheduled make-up date should there be cancellation due to weather.
 - 5.1.2. Further make-up dates may be determined if necessary.

6. RACING AREA

The LSI apply.

7. COURSES

- 7.1. The start / finish line will be in the vicinity of the shoal marker WNW across the channel from Channel Marker 2 on the south end of Lake Norman. The race will be round trip from the start to a floating mark in the vicinity of channel Marker 17A. Distance is approximately 16.6 miles.
- 7.2. Flag “M” denotes a floating mark in the vicinity of Marker 17A. This changes the description for Flag “M” as outlined under RRS “Race Signals” > “Other Signals”.
 - 7.2.1. If mark “M” is missing, make your turn past Marker 17A but before the power lines.
 - 7.2.2. A map of Lake Norman Navigational Aids can be found [HERE](#). Race Committee (RC) is not responsible if this map is no longer available or incorrect.

8. THE START

- 8.1. There will be one start for both fleets. The Class Flag will be the Numeral Flag 1. This changes LSI 10.1.
- 8.2. 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.

- 9. TIME LIMIT**
- 9.1.** No time limit.
- 9.2.** The race may be shortened after the start, or finish places assigned by boat position, if wind conditions change making finishing in a reasonable amount of time unlikely.
- 10. SCORING**
- 10.1.** The PHRF Handicap System will be used and the Time on Time Low Point Scoring System applies.
- 10.2.** Scoring will be calculated for top overall, and for each division.
- 11. CANCELLATIONS**
- Race Committee may determine beforehand to abandon racing or to postpone the Warning Signal. If so determined, competitors will be alerted by email and/or text by 7AM of the race day.
- 12. PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS**
- 12.1.** Competitors are encouraged to resolve all protests on the water according to the *rules*.
- 12.2.** Properly completed protest forms must be submitted to the Race Chairman or his/her designate by mail postmarked or by email dated the day after the race being protested.
- 13. PRIZES**
- The top overall finisher based on corrected time will have his/her entry fee refunded as a prize.
- 14. RADIO COMMUNICATION**
- The Race Committee will monitor and may communicate via VHF channel 69 to inform competitors of safety information, or to hail boats that are OCS. Any boat retiring before finishing should inform the RC before leaving the racecourse, or immediately upon returning to shore.
- 15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**
- 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.
- 16. CONTACTS**
- 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.