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Wednesday Night Offshore Series (WNOS):

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Organized by The Milwaukee Yacht Club, Milwaukee, WI, USA

Wednesdays, May 15, 2019 through September 25, 2019

Practice (non-counting) dates - May 15 & 22

Spring & Summer Season dates – May 29 to September 11

Fall Season dates – Sept 18 and Sept 27 (*tentative*)

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Milwaukee Yacht Club shall act as the Organizing Authority for the MYC Wednesday Night Offshore Series.

KEY DATES

Entry Deadline for the full WNOS: Friday May 24, 2019

Late entries will be accepted, but the MYC Office must receive a completed entry prior to the boat's first race. A boat may be scored only after a completed entry is received and accepted. For any race that occurs prior to a boat's accepted registration, that boat will be scored DNC.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The WNOS will be governed by the rules of The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) for 2017-2020, the rules of Lake Michigan PHRF (LMPHRF), except as any of these are changed by the sailing instructions.
- 1.2 The following racing rules will be changed as follows:
29.2 WNOS sections under General Recall will have their second start after all other sections have had one chance to start first.
40 All personnel on deck shall wear personal floatation while starting and finishing without exception, and at all other times, except when the Captain of the boat directs that it may be set aside.
60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65: Appendix T will apply.
75.1 To enter the WNOS, a boat shall comply with the requirements of the organizing authority of the race: The boat owner shall be a member of Milwaukee Yacht Club, South Shore Yacht Club, Milwaukee Community Sailing Center (MCSC), or US SAILING.
- 1.3 The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.4 This official notice of race will be available at the front office desk, posted on The Milwaukee Yacht Club web site, www.milwaukeeyc.com, and will also be available upon request from the Milwaukee Yacht Club by calling 414.271.4455.

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- 1.5 If there is a conflict between a handicap rule of a Section, this NOR, the Sailing Instructions (SI) or any Additional Sailing Instructions (ASI), Rule 63.7 shall apply.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 WNOS events are open to all LMPHRF boats and Solings that meet the requirements described in this notice of race. Guest boats - that is, any boat not registered for the entire season, may race on up to two (2) WNOS dates.
- 3.2 Boats shall register by completing the online registration form by going to www.milwaukeeyc.com/Fleets/2019 Race Documents. Acceptance of a boat's entry shall be contingent upon the completion of the online entry form, receipt of a certificate of insurance (proof of insurance with a minimum of \$300,000 of liability coverage), and receipt of a current LMPHRF certificate if racing in any of the PHRF sections. For assistance with registration, contact the MYC Office Manager, at 414.271.4455. Entry should be completed by Friday May 17, 2019. Should a PHRF boat not submit a valid handicap certificate by July 1, their series scores may be voided. Boats competing in the PHRF JAM section will not be required to submit a PHRF certificate. If one is not available, a rating will be assigned to those who do not submit a current certificate.
- 3.3 Registration of a minimum of 5 boats shall be required for any fleet, PHRF or One Design (OD), to qualify for a separate starting sequence of its own. Any One Design boat that registers for a OD fleet, and where that fleet fails to meet the minimum number of boats required for an individual start, will race in the equivalent PHRF/ handicap section.
- 3.4 Questions or issues relating to registration in the series online registration or this NOR shall be directed to info@milwaukeeyc.com, or the Office Manager, at 414.271.4455, or via US mail to:
WNOS
c/o Milwaukee Yacht Club
1700 N Lincoln Memorial Drive
Milwaukee, WI 53202

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4. FEES

4.1 Required WNOS fees that include Spring and Summer Series are as follows:

\$300.00 which includes sales tax per boat: if a member of MYC.

\$375.00 which includes sales tax per boat: if not a member of MYC.

Non US SAILING members shall pay the above fees plus a **\$100.00** US SAILING differential fee for the series. All other NOR and SI requirements apply.

NOTE: A rebate of \$100.00 per boat will be provided if that boat provides a **volunteer two times during the course of the 2019 season** for any MYC hosted racing event. Boats that either provide no volunteers or volunteer for a single event will not receive the rebate. If a volunteer is present on the date of their scheduled RC assistance and the race is not held, they will be credited with having provided said assistance to RC.

Scheduling of RC volunteers will be through the MYC Race Committee Chairperson.

Fees are payable by check to “Milwaukee Yacht Club – WNOS” or through a MYC charge account if applicable. MYC entrants will be charged through their club account if no prior arrangement is approved by the MYC RC Director.

4.2 There will be no registration fee for the Fall series.

5. SCHEDULE

5.1 The scheduled time of the first warning signal for the first WNOS race is 1810 (6:10pm CDT).

5.2 For all WNOS sections, one or more races are scheduled on each Wednesday night from May 15, 2019 through September 25, 2019 as specified in the 2019 Race Schedule.

5.3 **Scores for racing dates May 15, May 22 WILL NOT count.**

5.4 Racing dates Sept. 18 and Sept. 25 will be scored separately as the “Fall Series” and will have their own, separate, Sailing Instructions and awards.

5.5 The PHRF sections may have multiple divisions with multiple starting times depending on the number of registered participants.

6. MEASUREMENT

Each non - JAM PHRF boat shall have available, proof of holding a valid measurement or rating certificate issued by LMPHRF. Boats entering the JAM PHRF section shall submit a valid LMPHRF certificate, if they have one. For those JAM boats that do not have a valid LMPHRF certificate, the Race Committee Chair or the PHRF Fleet Captain shall assign a PHRF rating. The Soling class will not be measured, but will be expected to adhere to their one design class rules.

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7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on or about May 10st 2019 at the MYC club office or the MYC website.

8. VENUE

The racing area will be on Lake Michigan, East of the Milwaukee North Gap, with the gathering mark or starting pin approximately 1.6 nautical miles East, as described in the Sailing Instructions.

9. COURSES

The courses will *primarily* be windward-leeward, triangle, or triangle-windward-leeward as shown in diagrams attached to, and described in, the Sailing Instructions. RC reserves the right to change the available courses with proper notice.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

The Scoring Penalty, rules 44.1 (a) and 44.2, will apply for the Soling. The Scoring Penalty, Rule 44.3 shall apply for PHRF and PHRF-JAM boats. The penalty shall be the score the boat would have received without the penalty made worse by one place. The one-turn and two-turn penalties are not in effect for PHRF and PHRF-JAM boats. Rule 44.1(b) will apply to all boats.

11. SCORING

11.1 One race of a series is required to be completed to constitute the Spring series; one race of a series is required to be completed to constitute the Summer series.

The **Spring Series** dates are: 5/29, 6/5, 6/12, 6/19, 6/26, 7/10 (No race on 7/17. It conflicts with Area K and is cancelled), 7/24

The **Summer Series** dates are: 7/31, 8/7, 8/14, 8/21, 8/28, 9/4 & 9/11

The Fall Series dates are: 9/18 & 9/25

Scores for racing dates 5/15 and 5/22 WILL NOT count.

11.2 Each boat shall be ranked by her corrected time in Section, then the Low-Point System of Appendix A of the racing rules will apply. One design sections will use actual finishing order.

11.3 For the combined Spring and Summer Series overall, one throw-out for every 9 counting races completed will be applied to a boat's series score. Her score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score. This score will only apply to the overall season score and not to the individual spring or summer series scores.

12. PRIZES

Awards will be presented at the MYC Annual Awards Banquet as follows:

Spring Series:

- First, second and third in each section in which five boats or more boats are registered
- First and second in each section in which fewer than five boats are registered

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Summer Series:

- First, second and third in each section in which five boats or more are registered.
- First and second in each section in which fewer than five boats are registered

The Season Series:

- First, second and third place boats after combining the Spring Series with the Summer Series scores in each section in which five boats or more are registered.
- First and second place boats after combining the Spring Series with the Summer Series scores in each section in which fewer than five boats are registered

The *PHRF* boat placing 1st in the Season Series (combined Spring and Summer series, after throw-outs), will also be awarded the Marty Rieck Memorial Permanent Trophy (the first place trophy is the keeper trophy). The year, boat's name, and owner/skipper's name will be engraved on a plate, adhered to the trophy. The *PHRF JAM* boat placing 1st in the Season Series (combined Spring and Summer series, after throw-outs), will also be awarded the Jim Cerney Memorial Permanent Trophy. The year, boat's name, and owner/skipper's name will be engraved on a plate, adhered to the trophy (the first place trophy is the keeper trophy)

If a fleet does not meet the minimum number of registered boats to qualify for its own individual start, the Permanent Trophy **will not** be awarded.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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 a race in the series.

14. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with minimum coverage of \$300,000.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

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