



THE LAKE NORMAN
HOSPICE REGATTA

NOTICE OF REGATTA

May 29 – 31, 2015

15th Annual Lake Norman Hospice Regatta

To Benefit Hospice & Palliative Care Lake Norman

Presented by

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Lake Norman Yacht Club (LNYC; 297 Yacht Rd., Mooresville, NC) is the organizing authority and host of The Lake Norman Hospice Regatta. The Lake Norman Hospice Regatta is a proud member of the National Hospice Regatta Alliance, a national network of regattas that raise money and awareness for hospice care.

The Lake Norman Hospice Regatta is a qualifying event for the *Hospice Regattas Championship* to be held in 2016. The selected Champion of our Regatta will represent Hospice & Palliative Care Lake Norman and our community at the National Championship. The skipper and crew will compete against the winners of other Hospice regattas of 2015. (For more information, visit www.hospiceregattas.org).

Festivities include a Friday evening social, the Regatta, auction/raffle, games, an interfaith “Memorial Moment” for those interested in honoring or remembering loved ones, Saturday dinner, and Sunday donation cookout. Merchandise will be on sale, featuring artwork provided by Marine artist Willard Bond.

RULES

This Regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined by the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.

Presentation of Measurement certificates will not be required for any class.

ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

Eligible boats may enter the regatta by registering online: <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/10016>.

The regatta is open to all PHRF & One Design Keelboats and One Design Centerboard boats, subject to the following restrictions:

Division 1 One Design Keelboats

Division 2 Spinnaker PHRF Keelboats

Division 3 Nonspin/Cruiser PHRF Keelboats

All boats in Divisions 2 & 3 must be 18' LOA or longer & have a current Lake Norman PHRF certificate. If the boat has not been rated, submit pertinent information to the Lake Norman Keelboat Council at <http://www.lnkc.com> to have a provisional rating assigned. No rating will be changed after completing registration.

Three boats will constitute a fleet in Divisions 1, 2 & 3.

Division 4 Centerboard and Board boats

Expected Classes include Flying Scot, Thistle, Highlander, Lightning, Multihull. A Portsmouth fleet may be created with miscellaneous classes with less than three boats in Division 4, at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

Division 5 Laser, Sunfish, 420, and Optimist Dinghy (Blue, White, & Red)

Three boats will constitute a fleet for any Class in Divisions 4 & 5.

SCHEDULE

Friday, May 29th

1700 – 1800 Check-In/Late Registration
1800 – 2000 Sailor Social (Music by Cap'n Dar)

Saturday, May 30th

0830 – 0930 Check-In / Late Registration
1000 Competitors' Meeting
1055 First Warning
After racing Games and refreshments
1730 Memorial Moment
1800 Dinner, followed by Raffle & Auction

Sunday, May 31st

0925 First Warning
1400 No Warning Signal after this time
After racing Donation Dogs & Brats followed by Awards Celebration

Two races are scheduled (1 per day) for Division 3. 7 races are scheduled for 1, 2, & 4. As many races as possible will be run for Division 5.

FEES

Registration: \$60 Adult, \$20 Jr.
Late Penalty (after 5/15): \$20 Adult, \$5 Jr.
US SAILING member discount: \$5
Sat. Dinner Adult: \$17
Sat. Dinner 12 yrs. & under: \$8

DIVISIONS/FLEETS

Race Circle 1

Divisions 1 & 4 shall sail “around the buoys” and will be divided into fleets, based on their Class, plus the Portsmouth fleet, if formed.

Race Circle 2

Divisions 2 & 3 shall sail according to the LNKCLakewide Sailing Instructions.

Division 2 will be divided into fleets as determined by the Organizing Authority.

Division 3 shall sail “down the lake”. There will be one fleet for Division 3 (Nonspinnaker/Cruising class).

Race Circle 3

Division 5 shall sail “around the buoys” and will be divided into fleets for Optimist Blue, White, & Red, Sunfish, Junior Sunfish, Midget Sunfish, Laser, Junior Laser (including Radial and 4.7), and 420 classes.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at Check-in.

COURSES AND VENUE

Courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions. The racing venue will be on Lake Norman.

SCORING

Appendix A, Low Point Scoring System will be used. RRS A.2 is modified and will apply, except that for **Divisions 1, 2, & 4**, after sailing 5 races, a boat's score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score, and for **Divisions 3 & 5**, a boat's score will be the sum of all her races. PHRF classes shall be scored using Time on Distance.

One race is required to be completed to constitute a Regatta for all fleets/divisions.

PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded based on number of boats registered:

<u># boats in fleet</u>	<u>trophies</u>
3 -- 5	1
6 – 8	2
9 +	3

The winners of all Adult fleets will be entered in a drawing to determine who will compete in the 2016 Hospice Regattas Championship. The perpetual trophy will be awarded to the winner of the drawing.

The National Hospice Regatta Alliance is a national 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to support charity sailing regattas that raise funds for and awareness of non-profit hospice services in local communities. NHRA's members are the growing number of hospice regattas nationwide that further this mission, benefiting 25 hospices in their communities. The annual Hospice Regattas Championship is hosted by the NHRA to further promote the local regattas and hospice care.

Information about the National Hospice Regatta Alliance and the Hospice Regattas Championship may be found at: www.hospiceregattas.org.

LAUNCHING & FACILITIES

LNYC has two launch ramps suitable for trailer launching of boats up to 33', as well as a single-point hoist (4000 lb.).

Docking space is available. Keelboats shall use empty slips on A or B docks. Please contact Richard Blocker (rrb@compuserve.com) for slip assignment.

Camping is welcome. Shower and restroom facilities are available at the Clubhouse & the Pavilion. LNYC does not permit open fires on Club grounds. Pets are not permitted on regatta weekends.

MEMORIAL MOMENT

For those who have experienced the loss of a loved one, the Memorial Moment at the Lake Norman Hospice Regatta is a time to remember and celebrate those who have been a part of our lives. As we sail in our 15th annual regatta, we will pause to light a candle in memory of them during this special Memorial Moment; an interfaith candlelight service to take place on the lawn outside the Lake Norman Yacht Club clubhouse.

SUPPORT HOSPICE & PALLIATIVE CARE LAKE NORMAN

A portion of the Regatta entry fees; all proceeds from the Raffle and Auction, and your contributions to Hospice & Palliative Care Lake Norman will directly support the organization's mission to relieve suffering and improve the quality and dignity of life through compassionate hospice care for those at the end of life, palliative care for those with advanced illness, and through community education. **Many companies match gifts made by their employees**; we would be grateful if you would inquire to see if your gift is eligible to be matched. Thank you!

Hospice & Palliative Care Lake Norman is a regional office of Hospice & Palliative Care Charlotte Region, and together they serve eleven counties in the region, including all of the communities surrounding Lake Norman.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For more information about the 15th annual Lake Norman Hospice Regatta, please contact regatta chair John Carter at curragh48@gmail.com or 704.564.6289. For Hospice services call HPCCR at 704.375.0100 or visit www.hpccr.org.