39th J/24 Changing of the Colors Regatta



Friday-Sunday, September 29 – October 1, 2017 J/24, Fleet 24 welcomes you to the Lake George Club, Diamond Point, New York, 12824 (518) 668-5734

NOTICE OF RACE

- 1. **Rules.** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The 2017 2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 2. **Advertising** The regatta is designated a Category C event with restrictions as defined in Rule 2.6.1 of the IJCA Class Rules.
- 3. **Eligibility** The regatta is open to J/24 Class boats as defined by the IJCA Rules. All boats must have completed registration and paid all fees with the regatta organizing authority before becoming official competitors. Pursuant to rule 64.1, with reference to the ISAF eligibility code, regulation 21.2.1(h); the penalty for violation by a crew member, shall be a warning.
- Advanced registration is highly recommended and may be completed online at http://www.regattanetwork.com. Advanced registrations shall be received no later than September 22, 2017. All boats shall submit the entry form before launching. A maximum of 40 boats is set. Crew substitution is allowed. This changes the J24 class rule 5.3.
- 5. LCPC invasive species mandatory inspection. The Lake George Park Commission will be inspecting boats at The Lake George Club on Thursday, 1200 1900 and on Friday from 0800 1100. Make sure your bilge, wells, motor, lazarettes and lines are clean and dry! Any part of the boat holding water will require a trip to the cleaning station in Bolton Landing. Leave your mast down during inspection, in case you must take your boat to the cleaning station. All boats must have the LGPC wire and tag certifying that your boat has been inspected before putting your boat in position at The Lake George Club to launch. Additional LGPC inspection locations and hours of operation are found at www.LGBoatinspections.com.

6. Schedule

Thursday, September 28th

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• • •	LGPC Boat Inspection	0800-1900	LGC Boat Yard
	Check-in	1200-2000	LGC Junior Club Room
	Launching	1200-2000	LGC Hoist
	Lunch available (pay)	1200-1500	Grotto
	Welcome pary	1600 onwards	Grotto
Friday, September 29th			
• •	LGPC Boat Inspection	0800-1100	LGC Boat Yard
	Check-in	0800-1130	LGC Junior Club Room
	Launching	0800-1130*	LGC Hoist
	Skipper's Meeting	1200	LGC Front Steps
	Harbor signal	1230	LGC Harbor
	Warning signal, Race 1	1300	Starting Area
	Post racing keg	1600-1800	LGC Bar
	Hospitality Tent	1900-	Capri Village

*Launching after 1130 on Friday for preregistered boats will require preauthorization by the regatta chair.

Saturday, September 30th

Skippers Meeting	0830	LGC Front Steps
Harbor Signal	0900	LGC Harbor
Warning Signal, Race 1	0930	Starting Area
Post Racing Keg	1600-1800	LGC Bar
Cocktails	1830 1930	LGC Bar
Dinner (tickets required)	1930	LGC Main Dining Room
Entertainment/Dancing	2030-2300	LGC Main Dining Room

Sunday, October 1st

0900 LGC Harbor Harbor Signal Warning Signal, Race 1 0930 Starting Area No warning signal after 1200 ~1400-1600 Post Racing Keg LGC Bar Lunch (pay) Immediately following racing LGC Main Dining Room 1400 or ASAP LGC Main Dining Room Awards Presentation

- 7. A valid Measurement Certificate and a valid J/24 class transom sticker are required. Crew weight may be requested and/or inspected at any time at the discretion of the race committee.
- 8. Sailing Instructions will be available at check-in.
- 9. **Bow numbers**, determined by the order of receipt of entries, will be furnished to each competitor. The numbers shall be affixed on both port and starboard sides of the bow in accordance with Bow Number Instructions.
- 10. **Courses** The courses will be either an "I" Course (Start and Finish in the middle) or "W" Course (windward/leeward). Offset marks at the weather mark and gates at the leeward mark will be used.

11. Penalties

- 1) The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, will apply, as modified herein.
 - a) RRS 44.3(a) is changed such that code flag 'I' is an acceptable alternative to the yellow flag. The flag must have a hoist of not less than 150 mm and a fly of not less than 200 mm.
 - b) Rule 61.1(a) will be modified such that the protest flag must have a hoist of not less than 150mm and a fly of not less than 200 mm.
 - c) The Race Committee may also announce the numbers of the boats that have broken starting rules via VHF radio. Mediation will be used prior to hearings for protests involving RRS Part 2.
 - d) There will be a 10% scoring penalty for hitting a mark. All other infractions will receive a 20% scoring penalty.
- 12. **Scoring.** The scoring system will be as follows: The Low Point System defined in RRS Appendix A as modified herein. A minimum of one completed race is required to constitute a regatta. When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat/s series score will be the total of her race scores. When five or more races have been sailed, a boat/s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her one worst score.
- 13. **Waste disposal** or discharge of waste into Lake George, human or otherwise, is illegal and may be considered misconduct under RRS Part 5, in addition to fines and/or penalties as prescribed by the Lake George Park Commission and the Warren County Sheriff's Department.
- 14. **Personal flotation** is required for all competitors, due to water temperatures.
- 15. **Launching of boats** will be on Thursday, September 28th from 1200 to 2000, and on Friday, September 29th from 0800 to 1130. Launching after 1130 on Friday for preregistered boats will require preauthorization by the regatta chair or Race Committee. Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta, except with and according to the terms of, prior permission of the jury.

16. Haul-out sequence.

- Haul out at the end of the regatta is designated by the RC. The order will be determined by the
 distance travelled (boats that travelled the farthest will be hauled out first). Bow numbers
 CAN NOT be removed until after the boat is hauled out. Boats missing their bow numbers
 will be put at the back of the line.
- 2) A range of bow numbers may have the option to be hauled out at Yankee Marina, ½ mile south of the LG Club. Bow numbers that can haul out at Yankee will be posted on the official notice board and must travel to Yankee with their mast down in order of their bow number as they are called.

- 17. **Radio Communication.** Marine VHF radio channel 72 may be used to communicate with the fleet. A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 18. **Prizes** will be awarded to
 - $1^{st} 5^{th}$ place, helmsman & crew ($6^{th} 10^{th}$ place, helmsman recognition)
 - "Changing of the Colors Fleet Trophy" (awarded to the top visiting fleet)
 - "Best Local Boat Trophy" (awarded to the top finisher of Fleet 24)
 - "Mid-Fleet" award
 - North Sails "Best Family Boat" award (2 or more on boat)
 - North Sails "Most Improved During Regatta" award
 - North Sails "Best Female Helm" award
- 19. **Disclaimer of Liability.** Sailing is an activity that carries with it an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk, and are reminded to pay special attention to RRS rule 4, Decision to Race. J/24 Fleet 24 and The Lake George Club and their officers, members, staff, and volunteers, and any other affiliated organization or official, including the Town of Bolton and the State of New York and their departments and agencies ("Race Organizers"), will not be responsible for, and participants hereby release them from, any claim, cause of action or liability for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained in conjunction with, or prior to, during, or after this regatta on the water or ashore. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the Race Organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 20. **Insurance.** Owners of all boats wishing to participate in and/or registering for this regatta, or desiring to use any facilities of The Lake George Club in connection with this regatta, must first provide proof of liability insurance by a valid third-party insurer with coverage of **not less than \$100,000/\$300,000 personal injury and \$30,000 property damage**. A copy of current policy declarations is sufficient. Further, all boats are required to carry a current Lake George Park Commission registration sticker. For visiting boats only, these will be provided at registration, and the fee is included in the entry fee.
- 21. **Further Information** please contact Kyle Lavoy, COC Regatta Chairman, at his e-mail Address: kplpy23@yahoo.com.
- 22. **Measurement** will be by appointment only. Contact Rodger Voss, <u>rodgervoss@yahoo.com</u> There is a \$25 fee to offset the shipping of scales and templates.
- 23. **Lodging.** Again this year Capri Village will be our exclusive lodging sponsor providing a 50% discount for Thursday night if you book Friday and Saturday at the full rates. Docking included at no charge for up to 10 boats.

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For other accommodations see www.lakegeorgechamber.com/lake-george-lodging.htm