NOTICE OF RACE
The 2020 Northeast Championship J/22 Regatta
The Lake George Open
Saturday, September 26 and Sunday, September 27, 2020

J/22 Fleet 61 and The Lake George Club cordially invite all J/22 Skippers and Crews to participate in the 2020 Northeast Championship, THE LAKE GEORGE OPEN J/22 Regatta. This regatta on picturesque Lake George, the “Queen of American Lakes,” in the southern Adirondack Mountains of New York State features great hospitality, a beautiful setting, and lots of competitive racing, usually favorable winds, and live Saturday night entertainment.

Site: The Lake George Club, Diamond Point, New York--Founded in 1909, The Lake George Club is located five miles north of Lake George Village and is renowned for over 75 years of sailboat racing. Races normally take place in front of the Club with an excellent view from the Club for spectators.

Rules: This regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing, 2017 - 2020 (RRS), the United States Sailing Association Prescriptions, the current rules of the International J/22 Class, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.

Eligibility: Open to all J/22 class yachts as defined by Class rules. Competitors MUST meet ownership and membership requirements and must have paid all event fees before becoming official competitors. At registration, competitors must provide the following documentation: Proof of J/22 Class Membership, copy of a valid Measurement Certificate, and proof of insurance including the terms of insurance.

Registration: Pre-registration will be accepted via Regatta Network https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/19971 or by mail (an entry form on the Club website at www.TheLakeGeorgeClub.com). Registration must be completed including payment of fees and having required documentation, at the Club on Friday, September 25, 2020 between noon and 9:00 p.m.

Entry Fee: The entry fee of US $135 includes launch/haul-out, LG Park Commission sticker, docking/mooring, trophies, Friday night supper & free beer (up to 4 people/boat), Regatta Insurance and Saturday night band. It does not include additional meals or the cash bar.

Bow Numbers: Bow numbers will be assigned to all boats. Bow numbers for visiting boat entries postmarked or received before the 9/14/2020 entry deadline will be assigned in order received, lowest number first. Entries received thereafter will have bow numbers assigned in order received, lowest available number first. Haul out at the end of the regatta will be in ascending bow number order. Bow numbers must be affixed and displayed according to instructions at the regatta.

Races: Five races are planned, with up to seven races possible, with a maximum of four on Saturday and three on Sunday, at the discretion of the Race Committee. One race shall constitute a series. Plans for Sunday are that no race will be started after 1300 hours so that boats should be out of the water by approximately 1500 hours.

Scoring: The low point scoring system of Appendix A of the RRS will apply (as modified by the Sailing Instructions). A yacht's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races counted.

Penalties and Protests: Protests must be filed in writing within the one-hour Protest Time (approximately the hour following the Committee Boat reaching the dock). The Two-Turns Penalty, RRS 44.1 and 44.2, will apply.

Communications: In addition to the signal flags and sounds, the RC will communicate to all competitors using VHF Marine radio. Therefore, it is expected (but not required) that all yachts will carry a VHF radio while racing. The RC will
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not respond to communication from any competitor except in the case of an emergency or to acknowledge retirement from racing.

Prizes: Trophies for first through fifth place with prizes for the crew will be awarded as soon as possible after racing on Sunday. The first-place boat will also receive the Northeast District Championship perpetual trophy to hold until the next championship regatta. The "Best Local Boat" trophy for the highest placing boat from J/22 Fleet #61 will also be awarded, as will the traditional "Grab Bag" prize (position drawn on Saturday night).

Launch Facilities: Electric hoist facilities, staffed by qualified and experienced Club members, are available at the Club. There is ample parking on-site for vehicles and trailers. There is plenty of room to leave boats in the water on Friday and Saturday nights. No yacht shall be hauled out during the regatta except with the permission of the Race Committee.

NOTE: For launching the hoist will CLOSE at 2100 hours on Friday, Sept. 25 and only be open from 0800 to 0830 on Saturday, Sept. 26. It is requested that all boats be in the water by 2100 on Friday, Sept. 25.

Insurance and Permits: 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.

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/22 Fleet 61 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.

Required Boat Inspections: The Lake George Park Commission will be inspecting boats at The Lake George Club on Friday from 1200 – 1930 and on Saturday from 0730 - 0830. Make sure your bilge, wells, motor, 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.LGBoatinpections.com.

Social Events: Friday night supper buffet and free beer; Breakfast and Lunch Saturday and Sunday; seated Dinner Saturday night (dress for dinner is business casual, jackets for men are preferred and now customary, but not mandatory); Live Music and Dancing in the club ballroom following dinner. Lake George is a family resort area and there are many attractions, including tour boats, amusement parks, and historical sites, so bring your families even if they’re not interested in sailing!

Meals: All meals are presented by the Club. Off season it is hard to get last minute provisions, so we ask that you PLEASE help us plan by telling us the number of crew and guests in advance, if possible. Meals may be purchased individually at serving time (cash or check only, sorry, no credit cards). Due to requests and rave reviews in previous years, we will again have a large breakfast with eggs, hash browns, meat, juices, coffee, etc., etc. Breakfasts will be $13 each. Lunches will be our usual stick-to-the-ribs fare and will cost $15 each; Saturday’s dinner dance will cost $42 each. All prices include tax and gratuity (no tipping). Cash bar is separate.
Mail Entry to: 2020 Lake George Open J/22 Regatta
(or see fax on form) The Lake George Club, 4000 Lake Shore Drive, Route 9N
P.O. Box 175 Diamond Point, New York 12824

Regatta Network Website: https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/19971

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, September 25, 2020
12:00 to 9:00 P.M.-- Launching and Registration (The Lake George Club)
NOTE: Hoist closes at 9:00 P.M. All boats should be in the water
6:00 to 9:00 P.M.-- Social in the Grotto (The Lake George Club) with Free Beer/Soda and Hot Buffet--Cash Bar

Saturday, September 26, 2020
8:00 to 8:30 A.M.-- Launching & Registration (The Lake George Club)
NOTE: The hoist will be closed at 8:30 A.M. No boat may launch after this time.
8:00 to 9:30 A.M.-- Breakfast in the Clubhouse
9:00 A.M.-- Skippers Meeting-- LGC front steps
9:30 A.M.-- Harbor Signal-- ½ hour to start of first morning race
12:30 P.M. (approx.) -- Lunch in the Clubhouse
1:00 P.M.(approx.) -- Harbor Signal-- ½ hour to start of first afternoon race
6:30 P.M.-- Cocktails (cash bar) -- Dinner/Dance at the Lake George Club

Sunday, September 27, 2020
8:00 to 9:30 A.M.-- Breakfast in the Clubhouse
9:30 A.M.-- Harbor Signal-- ½ hour to start of first race
12:30 P.M. (approx.) -- Lunch in the Clubhouse, haul out, awards, cash bar
**LGPC invasive species - mandatory inspection.** All boats must have the LGPC wire and tag certifying that your boat has been inspected **before** arriving at The Lake George Club to launch. LGPC inspection locations and hours of operation are found at www.LGBoatinspections.com.
Partial List of Available Accommodations

**Accommodations:** There are a number of motels within minutes of The Lake George Club. Camping is available nearby. Camping or overnight parking of motor vehicles **IS NOT PERMITTED** on Lake George Club property. Reservations are required at the motels and campgrounds as the regatta weekend is the beginning of the fall foliage season.

The motels listed are in close proximity to the Lake George Club and are considered moderately priced. There are many more motels in the Lake George Village and Bolton Landing area with a wide assortment of recreational facilities.

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**MOTELS**
- Treasure Cove Resort Motel, Lake Shore Drive, Diamond Point 518-668-5334  
  *Offers 5% Discount*
- Capri Village, Lake Shore Drive, Diamond Point 518-668-4829  
  *Offers 5% Discount and Free Dock Space*
- Chelka Lodge, Lake Shore Drive, Diamond Point 518-668-4677  
  *Offers 10% Discount*

**CAMPING**
- Adirondack Camping Village, Route 9, Lake George 518-668-5226
- King Phillip's Campground & Resort, Lake George 518-668-5763
- Lake George RV Park, Rt. 149, Lake George 518-792-3775

**NO CAMPING TRAILERS OR RVs ON CLUB GROUNDS!!!**

**DIRECTIONS**

**From the south**— Take the Adirondack Northway (Interstate 87) north from Albany, NY (NY Thruway Exit 24) to Exit 22 “Lake George Village/Diamond Point.” Stay left on the exit ramp to “Diamond Point.” At the light at the end of the exit ramp turn left and follow NY Route 9N approximately five miles to The Lake George Club on the right.  
**From the north**— Take the Adirondack Northway (I87) south to exit 22 and follow the directions above.  
**From the west**— Take the NY Thruway (I90) east to Albany Exit 24 and then the Adirondack Northway (I87) north to exit 22 as above.  
**From the east**— Take the Mass Pike and the Berkshire Spur of the NY Thruway (both Interstate 90); exit the Berkshire Spur at Exit B1, staying on I90 for Albany and Buffalo; 190 meets the Adirondack Northway (I87) just past Albany-- take the Northway (I87) north to exit 22 as above.