



2021 Highlander Pipers Regatta
Lake Norman Yacht Club
297 Yacht Road, Mooresville, NC 28117
October 16-17, 2021
NOTICE OF RACE

The notation [DP] in a *rule* means that the penalty for a breach of the *rule* may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

The notation [NP] in a *rule* means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes rule 60.1(a).

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2. The rules are changed as follows:
 - 1.2.1. Rules 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10 are amended to add: "Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of the first boat to finish in its class and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing and scored for the finishing place one more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within her Finishing Window."
 - 1.2.2. The following is added to rule 62.1: "If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number orally or orally and via VHF radio. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress request."
 - 1.2.3. The US Sailing prescriptions to rules 63.1 and 63.2 are deleted.
 - 1.2.4. Appendices A5.1 and A5.2 are amended to add: "A boat that has not met the definition of *start* 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS.
 - 1.2.5. Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, will be in effect.
- 1.3. [DP, NP] Competitors and *Support Persons* are reminded that they must follow local, state, and federal guidance on safety related to COVID-19. Any person refusing to comply with a reasonable request by a race official may be subject to an RRS 69 hearing.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available online at <https://regattanetwork.com/event/23205>. A limited number of printed Sailing Instructions will be available at the registration desk.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The official online notice board is located at <https://regattanetwork.com/event/23205>.
- 3.2. On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF channel 71, including courtesy broadcasts.
- 3.3. [DP, NP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency or to inform race committee that a boat is retiring before finishing, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The event is open to the Highlander Class.
- 4.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration at <https://regattanetwork.com/event/23205>. Registrations must be completed online, including any late registrations.
- 4.3. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees prior to 10:00 on October 16.

5. FEES

- 5.1. Entry Fee: \$50 per boat/per skipper.
- 5.2. Late Fee: \$10 for registrations received after Tuesday, October 12.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1. Registration

Date	From	To
October 16	08:00	10:00

6.2. Competitors' Meeting

The Competitors Meeting will be held at 10:30 on October 16 at the Clubhouse.

6.3. Racing

Day	Date	1 st Warning Signal	
Saturday	October 16	12:00	Additional races to immediately follow
Sunday	October 17	09:30	Additional races to immediately follow

- 6.4. On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 12:30.

7. VENUE

Racing will be in the vicinity of Lake Norman Yacht Club.

8. COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be windward-leeward.

9. SCORING

The low-point scoring system, RRS A2, shall apply with the following additions.

- 9.1. Unlimited races are scheduled. One race is required to be completed to constitute an event.
- 9.2. A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.

10. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

11. INSURANCE

It is recommended that each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

12. PRIZES

- 12.1. Prizes below will be awarded following the racing

1 st place skipper
1 st place crew
2 nd place skipper
3 rd place skipper
4 th place skipper

13. FURTHER INFORMATION

For additional information, please contact the event chair, Steve Hesler at shesler@carolina.rr.com

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. ADDITIONAL ENTRY FEES

- 1.1. Lunches are available for pre-order only on Saturday and Sunday. Cost is \$8 per day. Lunch orders must be placed on the Event registration site <https://regattanetwork.com/event/23205> by end of day Tuesday, October 12.
- 1.2. Saturday dinner is available for pre-order only. Cost is \$15 adult and \$10 for children under 12. Dinner orders must be placed on the Event registration site <https://regattanetwork.com/event/23205> by end of day Tuesday, October 12.
- 1.3. Registration fee includes continental breakfast on Saturday and Sunday. Beer will be provided as well as non-alcoholic drinks.

2. ONSHORE ACTIVITIES

Date	Time	Activity
Friday, October 15	10:00	Club is open for early arrivals
Saturday, October 16	08:00 – 10:00	Late Registration and dinner tickets (Clubhouse)
Saturday, October 16	08:00 – 09:30	Continental Breakfast (Clubhouse)
Saturday, October 16	10:30	Competitor's Meeting (Clubhouse)
Saturday, October 16	18:30 – 21:00	Dinner (Clubhouse)
Sunday, October 16	08:00 – 9:00	Continental Breakfast (Clubhouse)
Sunday, October 17	After Racing	Awards Ceremony (Clubhouse)

3. Club hoist is available near the North launch ramp for boats under 4,000 lbs.

4. LODGING / TRANSPORTATION

- 4.1. **Hotels:** There are several chain hotels at exits 33 and 36 (Mooresville, NC) off I-77. These are approximately 8-9 miles from the club.
- 4.2. **Camping:** Camping is welcome on the grounds of Lake Norman Yacht Club. Campers are invited to use the showers and restroom facilities. If coming by RV, there are no hook-ups and parking is at the main clubhouse parking lot.
- 4.3. Club rules **DO NOT ALLOW PETS** or open fires on the club grounds during club events or regatta weekends.
- 4.4. **Airport:** Charlotte International Airport (CLT) is located south of Lake Norman and is a 38-mile drive to Lake Norman Yacht Club (approximately 45-60 minutes).

5. DIRECTIONS

- 5.1. **GPS:** 297 Yacht Road, Mooresville, NC
- 5.2. From I-77 (northbound or southbound), take exit 35, Brawley School Road. Go WEST on Brawley School Road approximately 7 miles to the roundabout/traffic circle. Take the second exit off the roundabout to remain on Brawley School Road. Go about 0.5 miles from the roundabout. Turn left on Yacht Road. The entrance to Lake Norman Yacht Club is 0.9 miles on the left.