



NOTICE OF RACE

Westlake Yacht Club,

Shamrock Regatta, March 17, 2024

Westlake Village, California

1. Schedule

1.1 The Shamrock regatta will be held on Sunday, March 17, 2024, at the Westlake Yacht Club (WYC).

1.2 Competitors bringing boats must notify the WYC Rear Commodore (or designee) by email no later than 1 p.m. two days prior to the event and get confirmation from the Rear Commodore. The Rear Commodore will direct you when to be at the Westlake Boat Launch Ramp for Quagga Mussel Inspection. Boats that arrive after the designated time risk not being inspected and then not allowed on the lake.

1.3 The clubhouse and docks will open at 10:30 a.m. on the day of the regatta.

1.4 Competitors are required to enter the event on-line either through Regatta Network website at <https://www.regattanetwork.com/html/calendar.php#> or through the WYC website at <https://westlakeyc.org/Regattas>, or the Constant Contact email blast (for WYC members) which will both re-direct to Regatta Network. Registration will be open until 11:30 AM on the day of the regatta.

1.5 A Competitors Meeting will be held in the clubhouse or on the clubhouse deck at 12:30 p.m. on the day of the regatta.

1.6 The warning signal for the first race is scheduled at 12:57 p.m. The order of class starts, and other notices will be announced at the Competitors Meeting.

1.7 As many as four races may be run, wind and weather permitting. No warning signal will be made after 3:30 p.m.

1.8 The Club offers lunch and beverages during and after the regatta. As the clubhouse is next to the start line, competitors can visit the clubhouse between races. A break may be provided between races. Guests may utilize our deck for viewing of the races.

1.9 Approximately 30 minutes after the last race is completed, an award ceremony will be held on the clubhouse deck.

2. Entry

2.1 Entrants must be members of a yacht club or sailing association affiliated with the Southern California Yachting Association (SCYA), or current member in good standing with the U.S. Sailing organization.

2.2 Regular racing classes include RS-Tera Sport, Laser, CFJ, Capri 14.2 and Catalina 18. Other dinghy fleets may be established and are welcome. At least two entries are required to establish a fleet/class.

2.3 Because of Quagga/Zebra mussel intrusion in freshwater lakes in California, Westlake Lake Management (WLMA) has established a mandatory protective process that must be followed prior to placing a visiting boat on the lake. It includes inspection and a Lake Operations Manager's written approval on the day of the regatta. The process does not take long, but it applies to all boats and equipment [sails, life vests, anchors and line, fenders, trailers, etc.] coming to the Lake/using boat launch. For the WLMA inspection, a boat, trailer, or other object must be certified to have not been in fresh water within the prior 90 days, be dry, and be free of mud and vegetation (or undergo WLMA's decontamination treatment). Visiting competitors may use the gated launch ramp and guest dock adjacent to the clubhouse. The WYC Rear Commodore must be notified by email no later than 1 p.m. two days prior to the regatta to arrange for the WLMA inspection.

3. Courses

3.1 Race courses start and finish in front of the clubhouse deck, and are along the western side of the lake, as shown on the WYC course chart (version last updated 2024_03_02) available on the WYC website and at the regatta registration desk.

4. Sailing Instructions

4.1 Sailing instructions will be available on the WYC website page for the event, and at the registration desk for the event.

5. Rules

5.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, 2021-2024 (RRS).

5.2 A low point scoring system will be used based on accumulated finish scores.

5.3 The start/finish line, which is delineated as that area between and including the two marks in front of the yacht club, is restricted to sailing except when starting or finishing a race and during each fleet's relevant "starting sequence" period which begins 3 minutes prior to the start of each race. Keep clear of the start/finish area when you are not racing. The start/finish line is to be treated as an obstruction of the race course per RRS rules 19 and 20.

5.4 Any competitor colliding with a docked boat is automatically disqualified from that race and shall promptly inform the Race Committee of the collision and retire from that race.

5.5 WYC reserves the right to disqualify any boat involved in a collision.

5.6 Each competitor under 21 years of age must wear a personal flotation device. RRS 40.1 is always in effect in this race venue for under-age competitors.

6. Contact

6.1 For more information, contact the WYC Rear Commodore Michael Koslow, (661) 816-4141, caccm2011@gmail.com