LMYRA Overnight Race

Lake Murray Yacht Racing Association June 7, 2025

NOTICE OF RACE

1 Rules

- 1.1. This race is governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028* (RRS), and as modified by this Notice of Race (NOR), and the Sailing Instructions (SI).
- 1.2. Boats that receive a PHRF rating based on their one-design class rules must conform with their one-design class measurements.
- 1.3. [DP] Each boat shall display sail numbers in accordance with RRS Appendix G. Any request to change sail numbers shall be submitted to the LMYRA Scorer at least 72 hours before the new numbers are used.
- 1.4. Only one headsail shall be used at a time. Spinnakers are not headsails. Exceptions may be made for cutter rigs. Staysails in the foretriangle are considered headsails.
- 1.5. When in use, whisker poles shall be affixed to, or otherwise in contact with, the mast.

2 Sailing Instructions

2.1. Sailing Instructions will be available no later than 20 May 2025 on the Notice Board of Regatta Networks at URL: <u>https://www.lmyra.net/regatta-network</u>.

3 Communication

- 3.1. The official notice board is located online at URL: https://www.lmyra.net/regatta-network
- 3.2. All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 66 and 16.
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors via VHF radio channel 66, or audibly after hoisting code flag "L".
- 3.4. [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the race, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that are not available to all boats.

4 Eligibility and Entry

- 4.1. The event is open to all cruiser-class sailboats as defined in the LMYRA Bylaws as monohull, ballasted, self-righting sailboats, at least 20' in length, with a cabin and operable engine.
- 4.2. Boats must have received a PHRF rating assigned by the LMYRA Rating Chair. A boat that does not have an LMYRA rating shall submit a rating request via email to LMYRA Sailing Committee at rd5274@sc.rr.com not less than 72 hours prior to the registration deadline.
- 4.3. There will be a Spinnaker Class and a Non-Spinnaker Class.
- 4.4. Within each class there may be additional divisions, depending on the number of registrations and the diversity of boat characteristics.
- 4.5. Eligible boats may enter by registering online at Regatta Network, and paying either the registration fee for this race or the annual fee.

5 Schedule of Races

5.1. One race is planned. The race will be sailed as a pursuit event, with handicaps taken at the start based on PHRF rating and the planned race duration or distance. The starting

time of the scratch boat will be 7:00 PM on Saturday, June 7, 2025. A table showing the starting times for each competitor will be published on the official notice board

6 Course

- 6.1. The course will be defined by a combination of island marks and floating marks, with a likely target sailing time of six to eight hours, or a target sailing distance of 30-50 miles depending on wind and weather conditions.
- 6.2. The starting location will be approximately one-half mile southwest of the Columbia Sailing Club.
- 6.3. The location of the finish line will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.

7 Ratings

7.1. Ratings of registered boats will be displayed on the Official Notice Board.

8 Scoring

- 8.1. Finishing positions will be assigned based on order of crossing the finish line after the race distance or duration has elapsed.
- 8.2. The low point scoring system as defined in RRS A4 will apply for each class, or if a class is subdivided, for each division.

9 Prizes

9.1. In each division, the number of prizes awarded will be 30% of the number of registered competitors.

10 Safety

- 10.1. The safety of a boat is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the skipper who must decide whether to start or continue racing.
- 10.2. Boats shall comply with all applicable laws regarding required safety equipment including, but not limited to, navigation lights, approved life jackets (PFD) for all persons onboard and a throwable floatation device that is accessible for immediate use.
- 10.3. All competitors shall have a VHF marine band radio tuned to Ch 66 to receive race information. Competitors should also scan Ch 16 and give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger (see RRS 1.1 Helping those in danger).
- 10.4. Each boat shall have a working motor and enough fuel/energy to return to harbor.
- 10.5. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity. If possible, immediately notify race committee using VHF Ch 66.
- 10.6. The race will be abandoned if the National Weather Service issues a storm warning for portions of Richland, Lexington, Newberry or Saluda counties that include Lake Murray. An alert or watch is not the same as a warning.
- 10.7. Additional safety information and protocols may be published as an addendum to the Sailing Instructions.

11 Revision Record

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