

# LMYRA Spring Series

Lake Murray Yacht Racing Association

Feb 21 – May 23, 2026

## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1 Rules

- 1.1. This series is governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028* (RRS), this Notice of Race (NOR), the Sailing Instructions (SI), and the LMYRA PHRF Handbook.
- 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.

### 2 Sailing Instructions

- 2.1. Sailing Instructions will be available no later than 7 February 2026 on the Notice Board.

### 3 Communication

- 3.1. The Official Notice Board is online at <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/30687>
- 3.2. Time sensitive pre-race communications, such as if a scheduled race will be abandoned or postponed ashore because of predicted weather threats, will be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than 09:00 on the day of the race, and courtesy emails and text messages will be sent to registered competitors at their registered communication addresses.
- 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 last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that are intended to benefit or influence a boat’s racing, 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. Entrants must have paid their 2026 LMYRA Membership fee, and the entry fee for this series.
- 4.3. 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 to the Rating Chair via the form linked on this web page <https://www.lmyra.net/phrf-lmyra> no less than 72 hours prior to the first race that boat will sail.

- 4.4. Entrants must choose whether to compete in the Spinnaker Class or the Non-Spinnaker Class.
- 4.5. Within each class, boats may be assigned to divisions depending on the number of registrations and the diversity of boat characteristics.

## **5 Fees**

- 5.1. The early entry fee is \$50 until Feb 01, 2026. Thereafter, the entry fee is \$60.

## **6 Schedule**

- 6.1. A competitors' meeting will be held on Friday Feb 13, 2026, at 18:00 at the Columbia Sailing Club.
- 6.2. On each race day, the first warning signal will be made at 11:00.
- 6.3. Race days and race types are:
 

21 Feb	Race #1	Island
07 Mar	Race #2, 3	Buoy
21 Mar	Race #4	Island
11 Apr	Race #5	Island
25 Apr	Race #6, 7	Buoy
09 May	Race #8	Island
23 May	Race #9	Island

## **7 Race Committee Duties**

- 7.1. Each competitor shall serve one day on Race Committee unless excused by the RC Scheduler. The schedule of RC duty assignments will be published on the LMYRA website at <https://www.lmyra.net/race-committee>.
- 7.2. For each race completed on the day that a boat's crew serves on Race Committee, that boat will be awarded points equal to the average of her non-excluded race scores, computed to the nearest tenth of a point. NOTE: The final value of this average can only be computed after all races have been scored. During the series, a temporary placeholder score will be displayed as "RC/1.5". At the end of the series, this temporary score will be replaced with the boat's actual average score.

## **8 Ratings**

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

## **9 Scoring**

- 9.1. Finishing positions will be assigned based on corrected times calculated according to the time-on-time method, using A=720 and B varying with windspeed as:  
B= 600 for wind 4-7 kts, 550 for wind 6-10 kts, 500 for winds 9-15 kts or higher
- 9.2. The low point scoring system as defined in RRS A4 will apply for each class, or if a class is subdivided, for each division.
- 9.3. RRS A5.3 will apply, with the following change to its final phrase: "...and a boat that did not come to the starting area shall be scored points for the finishing place *two more than the number of boats that came to the starting area.*"

- 9.4. Races abandoned, either before or after starting, will not be scored.
- 9.5. At least two races must be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.6. The number of excluded worst scores will be defined in the SIs.

## **10 Prizes**

- 10.1. In each division, the number of prizes awarded will be approximately 30% of the number of competitors who completed two or more races.

## **11 Safety**

- 11.1. The safety of a boat is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the skipper who must decide whether to start or continue racing.
- 11.2. Boats shall comply with all applicable laws regarding required safety equipment including, but not limited to, having a wearable, approved life jacket (PFD) for each person onboard and a throwable floatation device that is accessible for immediate use.
- 11.3. Each boat shall have a working motor and enough fuel/energy to return to harbor.
- 11.4. Each boat shall have and use a VHF marine band radio tuned to the race committee communication channel while racing. Competitors are encouraged to also monitor channel 16.

## **12 Revision Record**

Ver 1.0	Dec 23, 2025	Original release