



THE LAKE NORMAN
HOSPICE REGATTA

NOTICE OF REGATTA

May 31 – June 2, 2013

Raising Sails ~ Raising Spirits ~ Raising Funds

Please join us for the

13th Annual Lake Norman Hospice Regatta

To Benefit

Hospice & Palliative Care Lake Norman

Lake Norman Yacht Club (LNYC), 297 Yacht Rd., Mooresville, NC, is the organizing authority and host of The Lake Norman Hospice Regatta. The Lake Norman Hospice Regatta is a proud member of the National Hospice Regatta Alliance, a national network of hospice regattas that raise money and awareness for hospice care.

The Lake Norman Hospice Regatta is a qualifying event for the *Hospice Regattas National Championship* to be held in St. Petersburg, FL in April, 2014. The selected Champion of our Regatta will represent Hospice & Palliative Care Lake Norman and our community at the National Championship. The skipper and crew will compete in Sonars and Ideal 18s (borrowed boats) against the winners of other Hospice regattas of 2013. For more information, visit www.hospiceregattas.org.

Festivities include a Friday evening social, the Regatta, auction/raffle, games, an interfaith "Memorial Moment" for those interested in honoring or remembering loved ones, Saturday dinner, and Sunday donation cookout. Merchandise provided by Coral Reef Sailing Apparel will be on sale, featuring artwork provided by Marine artist Willard Bond.

RULES

This Regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined by the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.

Presentation of Measurement certificates will not be required for any class.

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible boats may enter the regatta by registering online: <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/6656>.

The regatta is open to all PHRF & One Design Keelboats and One Design Centerboard boats, subject to the following restrictions:

Division 1 Spinnaker Keelboats

Division 2 Non-Spinnaker Keelboats

Division 3 Cruiser Keelboats

All boats in Divisions 1, 2 & 3 must be 18' LOA or longer & have a current Lake Norman PHRF certificate. If the boat has not been rated, submit pertinent information to the Lake Norman Keelboat Council at <http://www.lnkc.com> to have a provisional rating assigned. No rating will be changed after completing registration.

Three boats will constitute a fleet in Divisions 1, 2 & 3.

Division 4 Centerboard and Board boats

Expected Classes include Flying Scot, Thistle, Multihull, Highlander, Laser, and Sunfish. A Portsmouth fleet may be created with miscellaneous classes with less than three boats in

Division 4, at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

Division 5 Junior Sunfish, Laser, 420, and Optimist (Blue, White, & Red)

Three boats will constitute a fleet for any Class in Divisions 4 & 5.

SCHEDULE

Friday, May 31st

1700 -- 1830 Check-In/Late Registration

1800 – 2000 Sailor Social

Saturday, June 1st

0830 -- 0930 Check-In / Late Registration

1000 Competitors' Meeting

1055 First Warning

After racing Games and ice cream

1730 Memorial Moment

1800 Dinner donated by *Outback Steakhouse®*

Sunday, June 2nd

0925 First Warning

1400 No Warning Signal after this time

After racing Buck Burgers or Brats lunch followed by Awards Celebration

Two races are scheduled (1 per day) for Division 3. As many races as possible will be run for Divisions 1, 2, 4 & 5.

FEES

Registration: \$55 Adult, \$15 Jr.

Late Penalty (after 5/16): \$20 Adult, \$5 Jr.

US SAILING nonmember: \$5

Sat. Dinner: \$17 Adult, \$8 < 12

DIVISIONS/FLEETS

Race Course 1

Divisions 1 & 2 shall sail “around the buoys”, and will be split into fleets as determined by the Organizing Authority.

Division 3 shall sail “down the lake”. There will be one fleet for Division 3 (Cruising Division class).

Race Course 2

Division 4 shall sail “around the buoys” and will be divided into fleets, based on their Class, plus the Portsmouth fleet, if formed.

Race Course 3

Division 5 shall sail “around the buoys” and will be divided into fleets for Optimist Blue, White, & Red, Junior Sunfish, Junior Laser, and 420 classes.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at Check-in.

COURSES and VENUE

Courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions. The racing venue will be on Lake Norman.

SCORING

Appendix A, Low Point Scoring System will be used. RRS A.2 is modified and will apply, except that all races will be scored. PHRF classes will be scored using Time on Distance.

One race will constitute a Regatta for all divisions.

PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded based on number of boats registered by May 24 as follows:

<u>boats in fleet</u>	<u>trophies</u>
3 -- 5	1
6 – 8	2
9 +	3

The winners of all Adult fleets will be entered in a drawing to determine who will compete in the 2014 Hospice Regattas Championship in St. Petersburg, FL. A perpetual trophy will be awarded to the winner of the drawing. Information about the National Hospice Regatta Alliance and the Hospice Regattas Championship may be found at: www.hospiceregattas.org.

LAUNCHING & FACILITIES

LNYC has two launch ramps suitable for trailer launching of boats up to 33', as well as a single-point hoist (4000 lb).

Docking space is available. Keelboats shall use empty slips on A or B docks. Centerboard boats shall use North and South docks in the cove, leaving launch areas clear. Sunfish, Lasers, & Optis, please use the beach.

Camping is welcome with plenty of lakefront sites available. Shower and restroom facilities are available at the Clubhouse & the Pavilion. Open fires and pets are not permitted at LNYC.

MEMORIAL MOMENT

For those who have experienced the loss of a loved one, the Memorial Moment at the Lake Norman Hospice Regatta is a time to remember and celebrate those who have been a part of our lives.

As we sail in our 13th annual regatta, we will pause to light a candle during this special Memorial Moment; an interfaith candlelight service to take place on the lawn outside the Lake Norman Yacht Club clubhouse.

SUPPORT HOSPICE & PALLIATIVE CARE LAKE NORMAN

A portion of the Regatta entry fees, and all proceeds from the Raffle and your contributions to Hospice & Palliative Care Lake Norman will directly support the organization's mission to relieve suffering and improve the quality and dignity of life through compassionate hospice care for those at the end of life, palliative care for those with advanced illness, and through community education. Many companies match gifts made by their employees. We would be grateful if you would inquire to see if your gift is eligible to be matched. Thank you!

Hospice & Palliative Care Lake Norman is a regional office of Hospice & Palliative Care Charlotte Region, and together they serve eight counties in the region, including all of the communities surrounding Lake Norman.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For more information about the 13th annual Lake Norman Hospice Regatta please contact regatta chair Treez Decker at treez.decker@gmail.com or 704.287.5254. For Hospice services call HPCCR at 704.375.0100 or visit www.hpccr.org.

The **National Hospice Regatta Alliance** is a national 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to raise awareness of hospice care through charity sailboat regattas -- helping and promoting local hospice regattas, providing a communications network among them, and by hosting a national championship event that publicizes them and Hospice care. NHRA's members are the growing number of hospice regattas nationwide that raise both money and awareness for hospice care, benefiting over 35 hospices in their communities. The annual Hospice Regattas National Championship is hosted by the NHRA to further promote the local regattas and hospice care.