SYC Wednesday Night Series 2019

May 15th – October 23th, 2019
Saylorville Yacht Club
Polk City, Iowa (USA)

Notice of Race

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the Notice of Race (NOR) means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. **Rules**
   1.1. The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020* and the *2019 Saylorville Yacht Club (SYC) Racing Rules*.
   1.2. Item 8.1 deletes RRS 90.3.
2. **Eligibility and Entry**
   2.1. Eligible boats shall be owned or chartered by a current member of the SYC, register in the event, pay the SYC racing fee, and have proof of insurance. This series is open to all boats registered and measured for the event in accordance with the 2018 SYC Racing Rules and holding a 2019 SYC PHRF rating. This is a PHRF handicap event.
   2.2. Eligible boats shall complete the entry form for this series and pay the appropriate racing fees to be eligible to be scored for a race of the series. Registration must be received prior to 1000 hours on the date of the event in ordered to be scored for the event.
   2.3. Guests Skippers may compete in up to two races upon receiving an invitation to sail from the designated principal race officer or a flag officer. Subsequent to that, they shall have a membership status appropriate for a boat owning member.
3. **Schedule**
   3.1. A Wednesday night Race will be held every Wednesday from May 15 through to October 23, 2019.

Wednesday Night Races		
May 15, 2019	July 10, 2019	September 4, 2019
May 22, 2019	July 17, 2019	September 11, 2019
May 29, 2019	July 24, 2019	September 18, 2019
June 5, 2019	July 31, 2019	September 25, 2019
June 12, 2019	August 7, 2019	October 2, 2019
June 19, 2019	August 14, 2019	October 9, 2019
June 26, 2019	August 21, 2019	October 16, 2019
July 3, 2019	August 28, 2019	October 23, 2019

   3.2. One race each evening is planned.
   3.3. A brief competitor's meeting will be held at 1745 hrs to determine the race course and insure that individuals find a boat that they can sail on for the race. Beginning on Wednesday, Sept 4, the competitor's meeting will begin at 1715 hrs, beginning on Wednesday October 2, 2019, the competitors meeting will begin at 1645 hrs.
   3.4. Warning signal is scheduled for 1820 hrs for boats with a PHRF rating of greater than 200 or boats assigned to the "over 200 fleet" for races held in May – August.
   3.5. Warning signal is scheduled for 1825 hrs for boats with a PHRF rating of less than or equal to 200 or boats assigned to the "under 200 fleet" for races held in May – August.

3.6. Warning signal for races beginning on September 4 until October 1 will be at 1755 hrs.
3.7. Warning signal for races beginning on October 2, 2019, will be at 1725 hrs.

4. Sailing Instructions

4.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available on the SYC web site http://saylorvilleyachtclub.org/ prior to May 15, 2019.

5. Venue

5.1. The location for racing will be Saylorville Lake.

6. Courses

6.1. Courses start near the outer channel marker buoy. The course will be decided upon during the skippers meeting.
6.2. Courses will be announced using VHF radio communication (Channel 72).

7. Penalty System

7.1. RRS Appendix V1 will apply.

8. Scoring

8.1. There are no scores kept for this series. This deletes RRS 90.3.
8.2. The boats finishing at or near the end of the race are asked to pick up the start/finish line, deflate the buoys and return them the Club's dock box.

9. Radio Communications

9.1. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP]
9.2. Information pertaining a race will be made by the assigned/designated Race Committee boat using VHF channel 72.

10. Prizes

10.1. There are no prizes, other than bragging rights, for this series.

11. Insurance

11.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of $300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

12. Disclaimer of Liability

12.1. Competitors participate in the SYC Wednesday Night Race Series entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

13. Further Information

13.1. Contact the SYC Race Director, Fields Gunsett, using the information available on the SYC web site.