

# Saylorville Yacht Club

# 17th Annual SYC Regatta 2021 Corn Coast Regatta

August 28 & 29, 2021

Saylorville Lake - Saylorville Lake Marina, Polk City, Iowa

# **Notice of Race**

#### 1. Rules

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*,
- 1.2. Appendix I of the SYC Racing Rules 2021 (https://saylorvilleyachtclub.wildapricot.org), and
- 1.3. Any rules applicable to Saylorville Reservoir as set by the U. S. Army Corp of Engineers and the lowa DNR.
- 1.4. RRS 90.3 (e) shall apply, except that "24 hours" is changed to "72 hours".

### 2. Sailing Instructions

2.1. Sailing Instructions will be available on August 27, 2021.

# 3. Communication

- 3.1. The official notice board will be the Power Distribution Panel on the 400 dock of Saylorville Lake Marina.
- 3.2. [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 16 and 72.
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee (RC) will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio channel 72.
- 3.4. The race committee (RC) may report any visual signals displayed by the RC and report OCS boats after the start on the courtesy channel for each circle. Information reported by the RC is provided as a courtesy to competitors. The failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress for request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 3.5. [DP] From the warning signal of the first race of the day until the end 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 is not available to all boats.

# 4. Eligibility and Entry

- 4.1. The event is open to all boats sailed by members of the Saylorville Yacht Club or any guest wishing to participate in the event.
- 4.2. Each participant will be assigned a PHRF rating for the event.
- 4.3. A Jib and Main (JAM) fleet will be included if a minimum of three (3) boats register for this fleet.
- 4.4. Register on-line at <a href="https://saylorvilleyachtclub.wildapricot.org/event-4448309?">https://saylorvilleyachtclub.wildapricot.org/event-4448309?</a> CalendarViewType=1&SelectedDate=8/15/2021/

# 5. Fees

Fee	Item
\$25	Buoy and Distance race – Saturday and Sunday
\$15	Buoy race – Saturday only
\$15	Distance race only – Sunday only

#### 6. Schedule of Races

August 28, Saturday	0830-0915 hrs	Registration (Upper parking lot)	
	1000 hrs	Competitor's Meeting (Upper parking lot)	
	1125 hrs	Warning Signal for first start of buoy races.	
		No races will start after 1630 hrs.	
August 29, Sunday	1025 hrs	Warning Signal for first start of the distance	
		race. No races will start after 1330 hrs.	

Finishing positions will be announced Sunday afternoon after racing, awards will be presented at the Annual Banquet.

#### 7. Venue

7.1. Racing will be conducted on Saylorville Lake between the dam and the bridge.

#### 8. Courses

- 8.1. Windward/Leeward courses will be sailed that utilize the racing area on Saylorville Reservoir on Saturday for the buoy races, three races are planned.
- 8.2. Sunday a distance race with an expected duration of approximately 3 hours will be sailed using the area of the Saylorville reservoir between the dam and the bridge.
- 8.3. Diagrams of the respective racing areas on the lake are available in the Sailing Instructions for the Buoy and Distance Courses.

# 9. Penalty System

9.1. US Sailing Prescription Appendix V1 shall apply.

#### 10. Scoring

- 10.1. One race is required to constitute a regatta.
- 10.2. A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.
- 10.3. Times will be corrected using the Time-on-Time adjustment.

#### 11. Risk Statement

11.1. RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees to acknowledge that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent to the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

# 12. Insurance

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

#### 13. Prizes

- 13.1. Separate trophies will be awarded to the buoy race, the distance race, and the overall highest placing boat when both the buoy and distance races are combined.
  - 13.1.1. Dan Wisnousky Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the boat with the lowest score for the buoy races.
  - 13.1.2. The Coors Cup will be awarded to the boat with the lowest score in the distance race.
  - 13.1.3. The Commodore's Trophy will be awarded to the boat with the lowest score when all fleets are combined for the distance race.
- 13.2. A keeper trophy for first and second place finishers for the buoy races and distance race will be awarded..
- 13.3. All three traveling trophies (Commodore's Trohpy, Dan Wisnousky Memorial Trophy and the Coors Cup) are the property of the Saylorville Yacht Club and are retained by the Saylorville Yacht Club.
- 13.4. Trophies and awards for this event will be presented at the Saylorville Yacht Club's annual banquet.

#### 14. Contacts

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# **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a)

#### 1. Rules

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. Appendix I of the SYC Racing Rules 2021.
- 1.3. The rules applicable to Saylorville Reservoir as set by the U. S. Army Corp of Engineers and the Iowa DNR.

# 2. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 2.1. Instructions and Amendments presented at the Competitors' Meeting shall be posted on the Race headquarters' Bulletin Board within 15 minutes following the end of the Competitors' Meeting.
- 2.2. Changes in the Schedule of Races will be posted before 1900 Hours on the day before it will take effect.

### 3. Signals Made Ashore

- 3.1. Signals made ashore shall be displayed on the docked Committee Boat and announced as a courtesy on the competitors' VHF radio channel.
- 3.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with *not less than 30 minutes* in Race Signals AP. This modifies Racing Signals.

# 4. Handicap System

4.1. Handicap scored yachts racing in fleets other than One Design fleets may request non-standard rating adjustments in accordance with Appendix I to the SYC Racing Rules 2021. All yachts participating must have an assigned SYC handicap rating. Guests or boats without a SYC PHRF rating will be given a provisional rating by the SYC PHRF Rating Chairman.

# 5. Schedule of Races

August 28, Saturday	0830-0915 hrs	Registration (Upper parking lot)	
1000 hrs Compe		Competitors' Meeting (Upper parking lot)	
	1125 hrs	Warning Signal for first Start. No races will start after 1630 hrs.	
August 29, Sunday	1025 hrs	Warning Signal for first Start. No races will start after 1330 hrs.	

Finishing positions will be announced Sunday afternoon after racing, awards will be presented at the SYC Annual Banquet.

Note: It is the intent of the Race Committee to have a combination of both Buoy courses and Distance courses over the two days. An attempt will be to sail 3 buoy races on Saturday and a single distance race on Sunday, additional races will be sailed if time allows.

# 6. Class Flags

6.1. Class flags shall have a green field with white Arabic numbers. Fleets will be assigned Class Flag numbers at the competitor's meeting and posted on the Race Headquarters Bulletin Board immediately following the meeting.

# 7. Racing Area

7.1. Approximate racing areas are shown on the attached maps. (Attachment 1)

### 9. Courses

9.1. Buoy Course will be a Windward/Leeward course – shown below



9.1.1. For the buoy course, Marks will be designated as W (Windward) and L (Leeward).

- 9.2. Distance racecourse will set one mark towards the Dam which will be designated as mark D and one mark towards the Bridge which will be designated as B. The start/finish line will be between these two marks.
- 9.3. No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the course, the approximate compass bearing to the first mark and the approximate distance to the first mark.

#### 10. Obstructions

10.1. All lowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) or Corps of Engineers designated anchorages and swimming areas are restricted areas and boats are not permitted to sail in these areas. All racers shall note that the area off Sandpiper Beach/Sandpiper Point (the notched-out part of the Racing Area on the northern most part of the Buoy Course map) is a shoal area at normal lake levels and ranks as an obstruction. The shoal extends out approximately 125 yards from the beach and is not well marked (pink highlighted area on attached map). Note also that in periods of high water that Sandpiper Point and all jetties (red highlighted areas on attached map) may be submerged and pose a hazard to navigation as they are not marked. Floating debris, such as logs and large tree branches, of a size considered to be a Hazard to Navigation shall also be an obstruction for any course.

#### 11. The Start

- 11.1. The starting line is between the staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark.
- 11.2. The Race Committee may fly code flag 'E' prior to the warning and during the race to indicate that boats are required to sail through the gate established between the anchored Race Committee vessel and the pin of the start/finish line. The gate is defined as the line between two inflatable marks or between an inflatable mark and the race committee flag flown from the Race Committee boat located approximately mid-way between the windward and leeward marks. This modifies RRS 32.2.
- 11.3. A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

#### 12. Change of the Next Leg of the Course

12.1. The RC may move the finish line or change the course configuration using radio transmissions with the fleet. This changes RRS 32.2 and RRS 33.

#### 13. The Finish

13.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee vessel and the course side of the nearby mark.

#### 14. Time Limits

14.1. For races designated as a Buoy Course - The Time Limit to reach the weather mark (W), Race Time Limit (see RRS 35) and the finishing window are shown in the table below,

Weather Mark Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
45	150	30

- 14.1.1. If no boat has passed the windward mark (W) within the weather mark Time Limit, the race shall be abandoned.
- 14.1.2. The finishing window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sail the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the finishing window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized, or given redress, will be scored time limit expired (TLE) without a hearing. Boats scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place two (2) more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window, not to exceed the boats registered in the class. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 14.2. **For races designated as a Distance Course -** The time limit for each fleet is four (4) hours, beginning from the Starting Signal for each fleet. Yachts failing to finish within 45 minutes

after the first yacht of their fleet or the first boat with a PHRF rating greater than 200 finishes shall be scored DNF. This Item modifies RRS 35.

# 15. Hearing Requests

- 15.1. Protest forms are available from the Race Committee.
- 15.2. Protests shall be delivered to the Committee Boat at the dock within 30 minutes after the Committee Boat has returned to the dock.
- 15.3. Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the end of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

# 16. Scoring

- 16.1. The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A except as follows:
  - 16.1.1. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 16.2. This event shall be scored using the PHRF Time-on-Time (ToT) method.

# 17. Safety Regulations

- 17.1. [DP] Prior to the first race of each day, boats shall check-in on the water while the Committee Boat is flying code flag L. Boats shall sail past the stern of the Committee Boat on starboard tack and hail their sail number. The Race Committee will attempt to acknowledge the check in.
- 17.2. [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

#### 18. Risk Statement

18.1. RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees to acknowledge that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent to the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.

# **Attachment 1. Racing Areas**

