



South Whidbey Yacht Club (SWYC) 2020 Summer Sailing Series Notice of Race (NOR),

Competition Period - May 19 – September 23, 2020
The Organizing Authority (OA) - the South Whidbey Yacht Club
Locations - Holmes Harbor, Deer Lake and Lone Lake, Washington

SPECIAL SCHEDULE PROVISION NOTICE - In view of the COVID-19 public health situation in 2020, a flexible schedule will be in effect as follows:

As of 6/27/2020, the schedule is per 5.1 below. If public health conditions change during the season such that additional cancellations or postponements are appropriate, notice of such will be distributed via email to racer email addresses on file with SWYC and will be published on the SWYC website www.swyachtclub.org.

SPECIAL PARTICIPATION NOTICE - All persons participation in races conducted under this NOR, whether as a competitor or in a support role, must act responsibly with respect to their own health and their potential impact on the health of others. If you have or have recently had a fever or any other COVID-19 symptoms or are under a self quarantine advisory due to COVID-19 virus exposure, STAY HOME, get well and keep us all safe. **Additionally, participants are advised to bring and use their own personal protective equipment (PPE) - Masks, hand sanitizer, etc. and to wear masks and observe social distancing while ashore.**

1 RULES

1.1 - The racing series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020*.

1.2 - For the purposes of the definition of *rule*, the Class rules shall be the rules of the boats entering the race (i.e. Laser, Lido 14, etc), except that the San Francisco Pelican Class shall be governed by the rules and customs as adopted by Viking Fleet 3 of that Class.

1.3 - Certain rules may be changed and these changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. Of particular note, 360 degree penalties will apply for ALL rule of part 2 or rule 31 infractions. This modifies rule 44.1

2 VENUE - The primary racing venue will be Holmes Harbor in Freeland, WA. On each scheduled race day, the Principle Race Officer (PRO) of the day will evaluate the prevailing and forecast weather with regard to safety and potential damage to boats during launch and recovery. The PRO is encouraged to consult with those present racers during such evaluation. A subsequent decision will be made for all races to proceed on Holmes Harbor as scheduled or for one or more classes to move to Lone Lake, to move to Deer Lake or to abandon racing for that day. **NOTHING IN THIS PROVISION MODIFIES OR SUPERCEDES RRS 4 (DECISION TO RACE) OR ITEM 12 BELOW (DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY).**

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 - The SWYC 2019 Summer Sailing Series is open to all non-fixed keel boats having a Portsmouth yardstick handicap (DP-N) current or inactive of 83.0 or greater. See <https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/2017-Portsmouth-Precalculated-Classes.pdf> for tables of DP-Ns.

3.2 - All boats eligible under 3.1 above are welcome to participate in our races. SWYC members are eligible to be scored for series points and awards without preregistration; just show up and check in with the Race Committee ashore or at the Committee Boat. For SWYC non-members to be scored for series points and be eligible for series awards, skippers or a team member must preregister prior to the second race day on which they compete for series points by submitting the registration form (See Attachment 1.), and paying the guest racing fee of \$25.00. Registration form and payment can be made to the Race Committee of the day or to Bill Brown or Mike Scott. Make checks payable to SWYC. Make sure the Committee knows who is skipper, as scoring will be by skipper and not by boat.

3.3 - All boats must have a sail number unless a boat is specifically authorized to sail without one by the Race Committee of the day. Approval to sail without a sail number on any race day does not constitute approval for future race days, and such approval must be each race day.

4 CLASSIFICATION

4.1 - **Classes will be as follows: Pelican (full crew), Pelican (single handed) Laser, Lido 14 (full crew), Lido 14 (single handed) and El Toro.** Other boat types are invited to participate. Boats with a DP-N less than or equal to 105 should start and race with the Lasers (Fast Boat Fleet) and boats with a DP-N greater than 105 should start and race with the Pelicans (Not so Fast Boat Fleet) with the following exception: for each race day, Lido 14's may choose as a class which fleet they will start with and if there are multiple courses, which course they will sail. A representative of the Lido 14 must inform the Race Committee of their start and course intention before the first warning signal of the day.

4.2 - Competitors are encouraged to bring their own boats. There are a limited number of Lasers, Lido 14's, Pelicans and El Toros available with priority given to SWYC members. Contact the following to make arrangements to borrow and race one of these boats:

Bill Brown (360) 222-3178 bbrown99@whidbey.com (Pelicans and El Toros) or
Michael Scott (360) 331-2795 chaiwood@hotmail.com (Lasers and Lido 14's)

4.3 - Competitors will be responsible for their boats being in compliance with the Class rules. (See 1.3)

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 - Dates of racing:

May 19	Tuesday	4:25 p.m. First Warning	Holmes Harbor	PP'd to Sep 12
June 3	Wednesday	4:25 p.m. First Warning	Holmes Harbor	PP'd to Sep 15
June 16	Tuesday	4:25 p.m. First Warning	Holmes Harbor	
July 1	Wednesday	4:25 p.m. First Warning	Holmes Harbor	
July 29	Wednesday	4:25 p.m. First Warning	Holmes Harbor	
Aug 11	Tuesday	4:25 p.m. First Warning	Holmes Harbor	
Aug 26	Wednesday	4:25 p.m. First Warning	Holmes Harbor	
Make-up Days				
Sep 12	Saturday	12:55 p.m. First Warning	Holmes Harbor	- Now a race date
Sep 15	Tuesday	4:25 p.m. First Warning	Holmes Harbor	- Now a race date
Sep 23	Wednesday	4:25 p.m. First Warning	Holmes Harbor	

5.2 - The number of races may vary each race day.

5.3 - The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is as indicated in 5.1 above with first start 5 minutes later.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available from the Race Committee at each race and online at the SWYC web page, <http://www.swyachtclub.org/>

7 VENUE & LAUNCH FACILITIES

7.1 - HOLMES HARBOR - Located at the Freeland Park boat launch, Freeland, WA

7.2 - LONE LAKE PARK- Located at the south end of Lone Lake Road in Langley, WA

7.3 - DEER LAKE PARK - Located at the end of Bucktail Lane in Clinton, WA

8 COURSES - Course diagrams and corresponding course numbers will be included in the Sailing Instructions.

9 SCORING - In that skipper/boat pairings may vary over the course of the season, scores will be accumulated by skipper or team within Fleets and Classes.

9.1 TEAM PARTICIPATION - A team may be scored as a unit, as opposed to being scored as individual skippers, provided that:

- The team registers their intention and team membership before the first race to be scored for the team
- At least one team member is aboard for each race counted toward the team's series score
- Team members do not sail on more than one boat in any race to be scored for the team
- The finish position of any boat is not scored as both a team race and an individual skipper race

9.2 - RACE DAY SCORING - For each race day, the Fast Boat and Slow Boat Fleets will sail on a boat-for-boat basis with no handicaps except that Lido 14's will be scored only against other Lido 14's and will not intervene into the scoring sequence of the fleet with which they started. Fleets will be scored for the day on the low point system per RRS, Appendix A.

9.3 - SERIES SCORING - The Summer Series will be scored as a series for the Pelican, Laser, Lido 14 and El Toro Classes and will consist of the races listed in 5.1 above provided at least three (3) Class boats compete in a race and at least five (5) such 3 or more boat races are sailed. Laser, Lido 14 and El Toro series will be scored using the low point system per RRS, Appendix A, EXCLUDING Rule 9, (Race Scores in a Series Longer Than a Regatta), plus the following provisions:

9.3.1 - For series scoring, 15% (rounded down) of all competitors worst scores will not be counted.

9.3.2 - Racers who serve as R/C (Race Committee) will be scored the average score of their other series scores, after throw-outs, for all races on their first R/C day. For teams, only one team member need serve on the R/C for the team to qualify for this provision.

9.3.3 - TIES AND OTHER RULES

Race ties will be handled using rule A7. Series ties will be broken using rule A8.1. Rules A1, A3, A5, A6, A10 and A11 also apply.

9.4 The Pelican Series will be scored using the HIGH-POINT PERCENTAGE SCORING SYSTEM as follows:

9.4.1 - RACES TO COUNT AND MINIMUM REQUIRED

The series will consist of the races as defined in 9.3 above. To qualify for inclusion in the final series results a boat shall compete in (i.e., come to the starting area for) at least 66 percent of the races completed. A skipper or team that serves on race committee shall count as participating in the races on their first R/C day for purposes of qualifying for final series results. For teams, only one team member need serve on the R/C for the team to qualify for this provision.

9.4.2 - RACE SCORES

Define 'N' to be the number of boats that compete in a particular race. Each boat finishing that race and not thereafter retiring or being disqualified will be scored as follows:

Finishing place	Score
First	N
Second	N-1
Third	N-2
Fourth	N-3
Each place thereafter	Subtract 1 point

All other boats that compete in that race, including any that finish and thereafter retire or are disqualified, will score 0 points. Boats that do not compete in that race (DNC) will not be scored.

9.4.3 - SERIES SCORES

The series score for each boat will be a percentage calculated as follows: *Divide the sum of her race scores by the sum of the points she would have scored if she had placed first in every race in which she competed; multiply the result by 100. The qualified boat with the highest series score is the winner, and others are ranked accordingly.

*Note: For these calculations, exclude each skipper's/team's 10%, rounded down, worst score(s). A worst score is the one that most adversely affects the skipper's/team's percentage calculation. An excluded race counts as a race to qualify for inclusion in the final series results, but not as one of her scored races.

9.4.4 - TIES AND OTHER RULES

Race ties will be handled using rule A7. Series ties will be broken in favor of the boat finishing ahead of the other more often in all races except excluded races in which both skippers/teams competed. Remaining ties will be decided in favor of the skipper/team finishing ahead of the other in the last non-excluded race in which both competed. Rules A1, A3, A5, A6, A10 and A11 also apply.

10 AWARDS

10.1 - INDIVIDUAL RACE DAYS - Finishing positions and low point totals for individual race days will be published on the SWYC web page, but no awards will be made for individual race days.

10.2 - SERIES AWARDS - Series trophies will be awarded for the first three positions in the Laser and Pelican, Lido 14 and El Toro Classes provided at least five (5) qualifying races per 9.3 above are sailed for a given Class. The "Port Light" rotating trophy will be awarded to the SWYC member who places highest in the Pelican Fleet standings, and a SWYC Laser championship rotating trophy will be awarded to the SWYC member who places highest in the Laser Fleet standings.

11 HOLMES HARBOR VENUE CAUTIONS - Experience has proven that landing at the Holmes Harbor dock under significant north wind conditions can be challenging. For boats planning to land at the dock (vs. on the beach), we recommend that they carry and rig both bow and stern lines and adequate fenders prior to approaching the dock. To the degree possible on race days, we plan to start the fast boats first for the last race of the day so that Laser sailors can get to shore ahead of the docking boats to handle lines for docking boats.

12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta 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 racing.

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact
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