



2013 LAKE PONTCHARTRAIN RACING CIRCUIT

Friday Oct. 25, Saturday Oct. 26, Sunday Oct. 27

LPRC c/o Southern Yacht Club
105 N Roadway Drive,
New Orleans, LA 70124
LPRC Web address: <http://www.sailprc.org/>
Online registration:
<http://www.nextsailor.com/lprc2013>

Notice of Regatta

1. Organizing Authority

The Organizing Authority is the Lake Pontchartrain Racing Circuit Committee consisting of Southern Yacht Club, New Orleans Yacht Club, Pontchartrain Yacht Club and Tammany Yacht Club.

2. Location

Lake Pontchartrain, Louisiana – (NOAA. Chart 11369).

3. Rules

The regatta will be governed by rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013-2016, including U.S. Sailing Prescriptions, and GYA PHRF By-Law rules.

4. Advertising

The OA will not require competitors to display advertising. Competitors who wish to display advertising shall comply with RRS 80, especially ISAF Regulation 20.2.4.

5. Eligibility – PHRF Spinnaker, PHRF Non-Spinnaker, Portsmouth, and Multihull.

5.1 The regatta is open to sail boats skippered or owned by a member of a U.S. Sailing Association Member Yacht Club or a member of a Yacht Club or Sailing Organization recognized by the U.S. Sailing Association and meeting the requirements of its specific fleet below.

5.2 PHRF Spinnaker and Non-spinnaker Fleet

5.2.1 PHRF Boats must be single hulled and must have a valid PHRF rating certificate issued by the GYA PHRF Rating Committee with a PHRF rating in the range of -48 to 249. The LPRC Committee must receive a valid PHRF certificate no later than the Skipper's Meeting. Boats without a GYA PHRF Certificate may apply online at <http://www.gya-phrf.com/>.

5.3 Multihull Fleet

5.3.1 Any multihull boat over 22.5 feet in length having a current PHRF Handicap number from a US Sailing recognized multihull association.

5.4 Portsmouth Fleet

5.4.1 The Portsmouth Fleet is for mono-hull boats with a LOA of 24 feet or less. Portsmouth Fleet may be divided into classes based upon participation.

5.4.2 A listing of boats in eligible to compete in the Portsmouth Fleet and their ratings is available at http://offshore.ussailing.org/Portsmouth_Yardstick.htm. Portsmouth Classes with a provisional rating must provide evidence of such to the race committee prior to racing.

5.5 Crew Limits on all boats are limited to a maximum crew, indicated on the GYA PHRF certificate as "recommended crew limit". Boats sailing with a class certificate must comply with their respective class rules.

6. Registration and Entry

Skippers wishing to enter shall submit a completed entry form, and pay required fees.

The LPRC Committee requests that skippers register early so that trophies and merchandise items may be ordered and engraved well in advance of the regatta.

7. Schedule

Skippers Meeting - Thursday 10/24 at 1930 at NOYC.

Late entries may be accepted until 1900 hours, at the Skipper's Meeting.

| PHRF and Multihull Fleet Schedule | | | |
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| Race | Date | 1st Warning Signal | Description |
| Race I | Fri. 10/25 | 1155 | Custom course at Southern Yacht Club. |
| Race II | Fri. 10/25 | After Race I | Custom course at Southern Yacht Club. |
| Race III | Sat. 10/26 | 0955 | Distance race from NOYC to TYC. |
| Race IV | Sun. 10/27 | 0955 | Custom course at Tammany Yacht Club. |
| Race V | Sun. 10/27 | After Race IV | Custom course at Tammany Yacht Club. |
| Portsmouth Fleet Schedule | | | |
| | Sat. 10/26 | 0955 | Additional races to follow at TYC |
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Total scheduled races – five (5). There shall be no make-up races.

On Saturday, a bus will provide transportation to NOYC. The bus will load at TYC and depart at 7:00 am. Bus fare will be approximately \$10.00 and will be collected by the bus driver.

8. Fleets and Divisions

There shall be four separate fleets: PHRF Spinnaker Fleet, PHRF Non-Spinnaker Fleet, Multihull Fleet and Portsmouth Fleet. Five boats are needed to constitute a Fleet. Fleets may be further separated into classes based upon participation. PHRF Spinnaker Fleet Class Breaks are tentatively set as follows: Spinn A -48 to 90; Spinn B 93-105; Spinn C 108-135; Spinn D 138; Spinn E 141 or more. At least three boats are needed to constitute a class.

9. Courses

PHRF & Multihull - Four custom course races and one distance race.

Portsmouth Fleet – Custom course races at Tammany Yacht Club located between I-10 and Hwy 11 bridges.

10. Scoring

In determining the series winner of each class, Appendix A, Paragraph A2 and the Low Point System of Paragraph A4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing will apply as altered herein. Each boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races (Alters A2) with no races excluded. PHRF boats will be scored time on distance. One race will constitute a series. Portsmouth Fleet will be scored with a boat's worst score excluded if five or more races are completed. Portsmouth Fleet will be scored time on time based upon the wind-handicap (HC) rating with no modifications for allowances.

11. Awards

11.1 PHRF Division: First, second and third place awards will be given in each class of five or more boats for each race and for the regatta. First place awards will be given if a class has less than five boats. Daily trophies and "Boat of the Day" prizes will be awarded at the end of each day's racing at the Club where the race ended and is scheduled for approximately 90 minutes after the Committee boat docks.

11.2 Best PHRF Spinnaker Boat of the Regatta Award, the "Red Jacket Award", will be awarded on the last day of the regatta. The Committee will award a Best Multihull and/or Best Non-Spinnaker Boat of the Regatta if 10 or more boats register and sail in any of those fleets. All races will count in Boat of the Regatta awards (this alters rule A2 of Appendix A), except as noted here. In the event that all classes in a fleet do not finish a race due to time limits or a race is abandoned, that race will not count in determining the Boat of the Regatta for that fleet. Failure of one fleet to finish will not affect the other fleets. The Julian Richards Memorial trophy will be awarded to the overall series winner of PHRF Spinnaker Class A as determined by the series results.

11.3 Portsmouth Fleet: First, second and third place awards will be given in each class of five or more boats for the regatta. First place awards will be given if a class has less than five boats. "Boat of the Day" prizes will be awarded at the end of each day's racing and is scheduled for approximately 90 minutes after the Race Committee boat docks.

12. Special Rules for Non-Spinnaker Fleet

12.1 Only one headsail may be carried at any time except when changing headsails. The Non-Spinnaker fleet may use a headsail that is roller furling, a headsail that is attached with a twin foil headstay or a headsail that is hanked to the headstay with hanks no further apart than 48 inches. Whisker poles must be affixed to the mast, see RRS 50.2. The length of the whisker pole shall not exceed the spinnaker pole dimension, "SPL" or J dimension listed on the PHRF certificate whichever is larger. No spinnaker may be carried. No bloopers may be carried. No poleless spinnaker or gennaker may be carried. Staysails are permitted; however, the tack must be attached no less than 1/3 the distance of the "J" measurement behind the jib tack point. The distance behind the jib plus the LP of the Staysail must not be greater than the rated LP of the boat. Yawl and Ketch rigged vessels may carry mizzen staysails.

13. Skipper's Meeting

The Skipper's Meeting will be held at New Orleans Yacht Club at 1930 hours on Thursday, at which time Sailing Instructions will be distributed to the entrants. A representative of each boat is highly recommended to attend this meeting. All crewmembers are encouraged to attend the meeting.

14. Disclaimer Of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 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.

15. Youth Sailing Programs

A portion of the proceeds of the LPRC Regatta will be used to assist youth sailing programs.

16. Contacts

Regatta Chairman: Kevin Blank (TYC), (504) 400-4171 Email: kblank@gmail.com



Lake Pontchartrain Racing Circuit

<http://www.sailprc.org/>

Entry Form

Online Registration is available thru: <http://www.nextsailor.com/lprc2013>

Or fill out this form and mail with payment to:

LPRC Committee,
C/O Southern Yacht Club
105 N Roadway Drive,
New Orleans, LA 70124

Name of Boat: _____
Skipper's Name: _____
Address: _____

Phone (H): _____, (Cell): _____, EMAIL: _____
Make of Boat: _____ LOA: _____
Sail #: _____ PHRF Rating: _____ PHRF Certificate#: _____
Portsmouth D-PN Rating: _____
Attach PHRF certificate to this entry form if certificate is not currently online at
<http://www.gya-phrf.com/>

Select one of the following fleets.
PHRF Spinnaker: ____, PHRF Non-Spinnaker: ____, Multihull: ____, Portsmouth Keelboat: ____,
Portsmouth Centerboard: _____
Yacht Club/Sailing Assn: _____ Home Port: _____

Online Registration is available however fee payment schedule is:
Entry Fee: PHRF \$125.00 / Portsmouth \$65 for fees sent/postmarked before October 21
PHRF \$150.00 / Portsmouth \$75 for fees received October 21, or later
Make check payable to "LPRC"
USSAILING # _____ (USSAILING Members \$5.00 discount)

I agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and by all other rules that govern this event.
(MUST BE SIGNED TO BE VALID)
Signature _____ Date _____