



2014 LAKE PONTCHARTRAIN RACING CIRCUIT

Friday Oct. 24, Saturday Oct. 25, Sunday Oct. 26

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/lprc2014>

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. US Sailing Prescriptions of Appendix T, Parts A, B, and C shall apply.

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, One Design.

5.1 The regatta is open to sailboats 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/>.

5.4 One Design Fleet.

5.4.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Viper 640 and VX One classes.

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

6. Registration and Entry

6.1 Skippers wishing to enter shall submit a completed entry form, and pay required fees. Late entries may be accepted until 30 minutes before the Skipper's Meeting.

6.2 One Design registration cut-off. A minimum of 5 boats intending to sail as a one design class (VX One or Viper 640) must be registered and paid by September 26. If not, the one design class will not sail and fees will be refunded.

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

PHRF Skippers Meeting - Thursday 10/23 at 1930 at Pontchartrain Yacht Club.

One Design Skippers Meeting – Saturday at 1030 at New Orleans Yacht Club.

PHRF and One Design - Five races are scheduled. There shall be no make-up races

PHRF Fleet Schedule			
Race	Date	1st Warning Signal	Description
Race I	Fri. 10/24	1155	Custom course at Pontchartrain Yacht Club.
Race II	Fri. 10/24	After Race I	Custom course at Pontchartrain Yacht Club.
Race III	Sat. 10/25	0955	Distance race from Pontchartrain Yacht Club to NOYC
Race IV	Sun. 10/26	0955	Custom course at Southern Yacht Club.
Race V	Sun. 10/26	After Race IV	Custom course at Southern Yacht Club.
One Design Fleet Schedule - Viper 640 & VX One			
	Sat. 10/25	1155	At NOYC - Additional races to follow
	Sun. 10/26	0955	At NOYC - Additional races to follow

On Saturday, a bus will provide transportation to Pontchartrain YC. The bus will load at SYC & NOYC 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, and One Design Viper 640 / VX One Fleet. Five boats are needed to constitute a Fleet. PHRF Fleets may be further separated into classes based upon participation.

9. Courses

PHRF - Four custom course races and one distance race.

One Design Fleet – Custom course races at New Orleans Yacht Club.

10. Scoring

PHRF - In determining the PHRF 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.

One Design - One Design Fleet will be scored with a boat's worst score excluded if five or more races are completed.

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 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 One Design Fleet: First, second and third place series awards will be awarded for each one design class. "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 head stay or a headsail that is hanked to the head stay 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 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.

14. Youth Sailing Programs

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

15. Docking and Launching

Mandeville has a public boat launch and public docking located in the 100 block of Jackson Ave. Call Pontchartrain Yacht Club (985) 626-3192 or Mandeville Police department to register for overnight mooring. Transient slips are also available in Bayou Castine; contact Prieto Marina, LLC at: <http://www.prietomarina.com/>

The New Orleans Municipal Yacht Harbor (MYH) owns and operates all slips near NOYC and SYC. The MYH has not yet been repaired after hurricanes Katrina, Rita, and Isaac. Slips are available without power and water. Contact MYH at: <http://nomunicipalharbor.com>

Orleans Levee District owns and operates the Orleans Marina with transient slips, power and water. Contact: <http://www.marinasinneworleans.com/OM.htm>

16. Contacts

Regatta Chairman: Norman Vallette (SYC), 504-488-6292 Email: nvallettejr@gmail.com



Entry Form

Online Registration is available thru: <http://www.nextsailor.com/lprc2014>

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#: _____
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: ____, One Design: Viper: ____, VX One: ____
Yacht Club/Sailing Assn: _____ Home Port: _____

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Online Registration is available however fee payment schedule is:
Entry Fee: PHRF \$125.00 / One Design \$65 for fees sent/postmarked before October 17
PHRF \$150.00 / One Design \$75 for fees received October 17, 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 _____