



NOTICE OF RACE
July 18 – July 24, 2015
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Welcome to a NEW Whidbey Island Race Week in 2015

In 2015, we promise you'll recognize the great racing in Penn Cove and Saratoga Passage - that never changes. You'll recognize Charley Rathkopf as the Primary Race Officer and many faces on the Race Committee - many whom have worked together for over a decade now. You'll recognize the friends you've made and the boats you've raced against over the years. You'll recognize the Oak Harbor Yacht Club and, you'll recognize the Oak Harbor Marina.

But, all the rest of it? You may not recognize it at all. But, we think you'll be happy with the changes.

Whidbey Island Race Week and event partners including the City of Oak Harbor, the Oak Harbor Yacht Club, the Oak Harbor Marina, the Oak Harbor Junior Sailing Program and the Kitsap Sailing & Rowing Foundation welcome you to a racing event that is well on its way to becoming the best Race Week in the country.

Over the past 12 years as your Race Committee at Whidbey Island Race Week, we've walked the docks. We've attended the parties. We've listened to your ideas and now we're gearing up to deliver the best destination sailboat regatta in the Pacific Northwest that the entire family can enjoy.

A sincere thank you goes out to our current 2015 sponsors including Fisheries Supply, CSR Marine and Best Western Plus, the Official Hotel of Whidbey Island Race Week. Their support (in addition to the support of the sponsors we add in the upcoming year) will play a significant role in our growth. Thank you all in advance for adding them to your preferred vendor list.

It's a new Race Week and we're looking forward to seeing you (and many new faces) there.

Cheers,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charley Schelleen".

Charley and Schelleen Rathkopf

2015 Whidbey Island Race Week Sponsors
(For sponsorship opportunities, please visit the event website)





NOTICE OF RACE

With Amendment 1 in Red (February 15, 2015)

July 18 – July 24, 2015

Dinghy/Small Boat Racing, July 18 – July 19

Large Boat Racing, July 20 – July 24

1 EVENT MANAGEMENT

- 1.1 The Organizing Authority for Whidbey Island Race Week 2015 (WIRW 2015) is Whidbey Island Race Week LLC.

2 GENERAL INFORMATION

2.1 Event Website

The latest information on the event, as well as any amendments to this NOR will be available at whidbeyislandraceweek.com.

2.2 Race Headquarters

Race headquarters will be located at the entrance to the fenced shore-side activities area on the South lawn of the Oak Harbor Yacht Club.

2.3 Contact Information

Whidbey Island Race Week LLC

2400 NW 80th St, #130

Seattle, WA 98117

raceweek@whidbeyislandraceweek.com

(206) 384-5254 – Schelleen Rathkopf (General inquiries)

(206) 973-7286 – Charley Rathkopf (Racing specific inquires)

2.4 Customs

Oak Harbor is not a Port Of Entry. Canadian vessels should clear customs at Friday Harbor, Anacortes, Bellingham, or any other Port of Entry.

3 COMPETITOR LIMITS

- 3.1 **Dinghy/Small Boat Racing** registration will be limited to the first 100 boats that register. Boats after the first 100 boats may be put on a waiting list and informed if there are cancellations.

- 3.2 **Large Boat Racing** registration will be limited to the first 150 boats that register. Boats after the first 150 boats may be put on a waiting list and informed if there are cancellations.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 **Dinghy/Small Boat Racing**, July 18 – July 19 is open to boats 24 feet and under, including dinghies, small monohulls, and catamarans that are in seaworthy condition and comply with all their Class Rules.

4.1.1 To qualify for one-design class scoring, four boats of a class must be registered. Multiple classes may be started together. Classes with fewer than four registered boats will be grouped into an Open Fleet that will be scored using the current Portsmouth Yardstick tables. (http://bit.ly/2015WIRW_portsmouth)

Note that boats up to 24 feet including, but not limit to San Juan 24 and J 24 are welcome to form a fleet for the weekend racing, however they are encouraged to participate in the full week of racing for the best competition (as Vipers and Melges traditionally have). Please contact the Charley Rathkopf directly to discuss options and to find the portion of the regatta best suited for your class.

4.2 **Large Boat Racing**, July 20 – July 24 is open to cruising/racing yachts 19 to 75 feet LOA that comply with the sub-rules of 4.2 enumerated below.

4.2.1 Monohulls must be self-righting.

4.2.2 A multihull class will be included provided there are at least 6 multihull yachts entered.

4.2.3 Boats shall confirm to current **PIYA Safety Equipment Requirements (SER) for Nearshore racing with the following modifications:**

4.2.3.1 PIYA SER 2.7.2 (Mechanical Propulsion) is eliminated for Etchells and 6 Meter classes which are racing either in one-designed fleets that do not require motors, or have PHRF ratings that account for no motor. Boats sailing under the change provided by this NOR rule acknowledge that they are assuming increased risk sailing without a motor and the OA and RC will not be responsible for towing these boats. For this reason they are encouraged to have a tender or make other arrangements for assistance. Other classes of boats interested in eliminating PIYA SER 2.7.2 may contact the OA and RC prior to the event for possible amendment to this NOR.

4.2.3.2 Boats not required to fulfil PIYA SER 2.7.2 are also not required to fulfil PIYA SER 3.4.

4.2.3.3 PIYA SER 3.6.4 is replaced with “A boat shall fulfil US Coast Guard requirements for carrying flares.”

4.2.3.4 PIYA SER 3.8.2 is modified to remove the second sentence.

4.2.3.5 PIYA SER 3.19.1, 3.24.3, and 3.26.1 are eliminated.

4.2.4 Boats sailing in PHRF fleets must have a current PHRF-NW valid speed potential rating and certificate.

Non PHRF-NW members may contact PHRF-NW to request a temporary certificate at:

PHRF Northwest Business Office

PO BOX 489

Gig Harbor, WA 98335

(253) 857-8858
phrfnw@gmail.com
phrf-nw.org

- 4.2.4.1 It is the responsibility of each boat's skipper to ensure that the PHRF-NW data is current and correct and that she/he accepts the published or temporary PHRF-NW rating for his/her yacht.
- 4.2.4.2 Prior to the start of racing, if there are multiple entries of identical boats with different ratings, WIRW LLC will work with the skippers and PHRF-NW to resolve the discrepancy.
- 4.2.5 One design classes and groups of yachts wishing to race level (without PHRF handicaps) will be given separate starts provided there are at least 8 yachts entered. Each yacht in a one-design class must comply with their Class Rules as well as other rules governing this event.
 - 4.2.5.1 One design or level fleets with less than 8 yachts will be considered on a case-by-case basis by the Organizing Authority.
- 4.3 Complete, sign and mail an entry form, release, and entry fees or complete an on-line entry at yachtscoring.com (<http://bit.ly/wirw2015>). (On-line entries will be required to sign a release upon registration at event.)
 - 4.3.1 For boats sailing PHRF, a valid rating certificate shall be submitted with the entry form or, if entry is completed on-line, mailed or emailed to Whidbey Island Race Week LLC at 6727 36th Ave NW, Seattle, WA 98117, raceweek@whidbeyislandraceweek.com.

5 FEES

- 5.1 Dinghy/Small Boat Racing July 18 – July 19
 - One person boats: \$50
 - All other boats: \$75
 - 5.1.1 Registration on or after July 1, 2015 must pay a \$20 late fee.
 - 5.1.2 Cancellations received prior to July 1, 2015 will be refunded less a \$20 administrative fee. Cancellations on or after July 1, 2015 will not receive a refund.
- 5.2 **Large Boat Racing** July 20 – July 24
 - Registrations postmarked on or before **March 15**, 2015: \$400
 - Registrations postmarked after **March 15**, 2015: \$500
 - 5.2.1 **Referral Bonus:** Refer a boat/skipper that has not been to WIRW in the last 3 years and receive a \$50 voucher for merchandise at the new WIRW wearables store. (Be sure to have the referred boat note that you referred them.)
 - 5.2.2 Registration after July 1, 2015 will be considered on a case-by-case basis by the Organizing Authority based on the effect they will have on class breaks, and will be charged a \$100 late fee.
 - 5.2.3 Cancellations received prior to July 1, 2015 will be refunded less a \$100 administrative fee. Cancellations on or after July 1, 2015 will not receive a refund.

6 MOORAGE

- 6.1 Whidbey Island Race Week entry does not include moorage.
- 6.2 Whidbey Island Race Week moorage is available at the Oak Harbor Marina, which has two-thousand feet of guest floats inside the breakwater. For reservations and rates contact the Oak Harbor Marina, 865 SE Barrington Drive, Oak Harbor, WA, 98277, (360) 279-4575, Fax (360) 240-0603, csubset@oakharbor.org, or whidbey.net/ohmarina.
- 6.3 Yachts may anchor at no charge outside the breakwater.

7 LAUNCHING

- 7.1 There is a cement boat launch at Oak Harbor Marina that can be used to launch small boats, catamarans, and dinghies.
- 7.2 **There is a launch ramp at Captain Coupe Park, just east of Coupeville that can be used to launch small boats, catamarans, and dinghies, with overflow parking 2 blocks away.**
- 7.3 There is a hoist at Oak Harbor Marina that can launch yachts up to 6500 lbs. Larger boats can check event website for launching alternatives.

8 ACCOMMODATIONS

- 8.1 Oak Harbor Best Western (<http://bit.ly/oh-bw>) is the Official Hotel of Whidbey Island Race Week 2015. For reservations call (360) 679-4567.
- 8.2 Other accommodations are available in hotels, vacation rentals, and campgrounds in Oak Harbor and the surrounding areas. Contact the Greater Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce, (360) 675-3535 for more information.

9 CAMPING

- 9.1 Camping at the Navy Base is available for free on a first come/first serve basis. There will also be a "Quiet Area" in Tent City on the Navy Base where people are urged to respect those campers who have families or wish to get a more complete night sleep. Failure to respect the "Quiet Area" may result in a boat being protested by the Race Committee.

10 EVENT NAME AND LOGO

- 10.1 Any commercial or editorial reference to this event must use the regatta's official name, Whidbey Island Race Week. Any commercial video of the event, including website productions, must be licensed by Whidbey Island Race Week LLC. Any use of the event logo on merchandise or gear without license by Whidbey Island Race Week LLC is prohibited.

11 ADVERTISING

- 11.1 Advertising shall conform to the current ISAF Regulation 20.
- 11.2 Boats that intend to display advertising must so indicate on their entry form and the advertising must be approved by the Organizing Authority, but no advertising fee will

apply.

- 11.2.1 Competitors are requested to respect the brand exclusivity of official sponsors of the event, and advertising that competes with the official sponsors will not be approved by the Organizing Authority and must not be displayed at the event.
- 11.3 If provided, all boats shall display sponsor's advertising on bow stickers for the duration of the event. These bow stickers will be supplied free of charge by the Organizing Authority at registration.
- 11.3.1 Boats not bearing the event bow sticker on both sides are subject to protest by the Race Committee only. The protest committee may impose a penalty as it deems appropriate. This changes rule 60.1 (a).

12 INSURANCE

- 12.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid, third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 USD per event or the equivalent. **Dinghy/Small Boat Racing** insurance coverage of \$100,000 USD per event or equivalent is required.

13 PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, July 17

1500-2000 Registration for **Dinghy/Small Boat Racing**

Saturday, July 18

0800-1000 Registration for **Dinghy/Small Boat Racing**

1000 Skippers Meeting for **Dinghy/Small Boat Racing**

1200 First Race Warning for **Dinghy/Small Boat Racing**

1800-2000 Post-Race Party

Sunday, July 19

1200 First Race Warning for **Dinghy/Small Boat Racing**

No starts after 1530

1200-1800 Registration for **Large Boat Racing**

1730 **Dinghy/Small Boat** Awards

1800 Skippers Meeting for **Large Boat Racing**

1700-2000 Opening Party

Daily, Monday, July 20 – Friday, July 24

0800-1030 Shore-Side activities such as clinics, demonstrations, sponsor programs etc.

1000 Parents Drop Off Children For Kids Camp at Race Headquarters

1200 First Race Warning for **Large Boat Racing**

1800 Parents Pick Up Children For Kids Camp at Race Headquarters

1800-2000 Post-Race Party (may be delayed if racing runs late)

- 13.1 Any updates to the schedule of events will be posted at the event website.

14 SHORE-SIDE PASSES

- 14.1 The Shore-Side Event Pass provides entry into all shore activities (July 18 – July 24) at WIRW 2015, including pre and post-race functions and will be required for any person (including skippers, crew members, and guests) participating in any shore-side activity. Shore-Side Event Passes are \$70 (advance purchase price) for the week for adults (\$80 at the event). Junior passes (for participants under 21) for the week are \$20 (advance purchase price/ \$25 at event). Daily Passes will be available on-site for \$20 (\$5 for juniors). A Junior Shore-Side Event Pass will be included with each Kids' Camp registration. Shore-Side Event Passes for participants in Dinghy/Small Boat racing are valid for Saturday and Sunday and costs \$25.
- 14.2 Shore-Side Event Passes give access to the site and are not drink tickets. The pass fee is to offset the cost of all activities at the site, including live music, seminars, games and adult and junior beverages.
- 14.3 Only registered skippers may buy Shore-Side Passes. Skippers should purchase one pass for themselves and one for each crew member or guests when registering.

15 AWARDS

- 15.1 **Dinghy/Small Boat Racing** awards will be presented on Sunday at the WIRW Opening Party
- 15.1.1 Awards will be presented to the top 3 finishers in each fleet with 7 or more starters.
- 15.1.2 Awards will be presented to the top 2 finishers in fleets with 4 to 6 starters.
- 15.1.3 Awards will be presented to the top finisher in fleets with 3 starters.
- 15.2 **Large Boat Racing** awards
- 15.2.1 Daily awards will be presented at the Post-Race Party to the top 3 finishers in each fleet. (Fleets with 6 or fewer boats will only receive awards for the top 2 finishers.)
- 15.2.2 Overall awards will be presented at the awards presentation of the Post-Race Party on Friday to the top 3 boats in each fleet. (Fleets with 6 or fewer boats will only receive awards for the top 2 finishers.)
- 15.2.3 A special award will be given to the outstanding yacht of the regatta.
- 15.3 **Large Boat Racing** Yacht Club Team Trophy
- 15.3.1 Yacht clubs may enter one team of 3 boats from 2 or more different fleets to compete for the Yacht Club Team Trophy. The winning team will be determined by the best combined scores of the team's members as a percentage of the number of boats in their fleet.

16 RULES

- 16.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016* (RRS) including **Appendix T, Sections B and D**.
- 16.2 This Notice of Race and the published Sailing Instructions, and any amendments to

- either.
- 16.2.1 In the case of a conflict between the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions take precedence.
 - 16.3 **Large Boat Racing** (July 20 – July 24) boats must carry and monitor a working VHF radio.
 - 16.4 The Class Rules of the fleet
 - 16.4.1 For boats sailing in PHRF fleets, the Class Rules are the 2015 Regulations of PHRF NW (published with the PHRF NW 2015 roster), modified so that radar reflectors are not required.
 - 16.4.2 For boats sailing in one-design fleets, their individual One Design Class Rules.
 - 16.5 The protest committee may impose suitable penalties, other than disqualification, (suggested to be a 40% scoring penalty) for violations of the Class Rules or other Non-Part 2 rules. This changes RRS 64.1.
 - 16.6 RRS 34 (b) is changed to read, “Substitute an object displaying flag M” striking out “~~and make repetitive sound signals.~~” This also changes RRS Signals description of the M flag.
 - 16.7 The first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are replaced with: “A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when it may have broken a rule of Part 2 or Rule 31 while racing.”
 - 16.8 RRS 44.3, Scoring Penalty, shall not apply.
 - 16.9 RRS 55, Trash Disposal, is in effect. This shall include Water Balloons. *Let’s do all we can to keep our NW waters clean and our wildlife healthy.*
 - 16.10 **Large Boat Racing** (July 20 – July 24) boats may not be removed from the water without prior written approval of the race committee between or during races.
 - 16.11 RRS 82 shall not apply.
 - 16.12 **Small Boat Racing** (July 18 – July 19) RRS 40 changed by remove the first clause, up to the first coma, to read “~~When flag Y is displayed with on sound signal or with the warning signal~~ Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wetsuits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices.



End of Big Boat and Dinghy Notice of Race



July 18 – July 24, 2015

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Dinghy/Small Boat Racing, July 18 -- July 19

Large Boat Racing July 20 -- July 24

Yacht Name _____ Sail Num. _____

Model _____ LOA _____ PHRF Rating _____

Skipper _____ Yacht Club _____

Tel (pref Mobile) _____ Alt Tel _____

Address _____ City _____ State/Prov _____ Zip _____

Email _____

I hereby agree that the above named yacht will be outfitted and equipped in accordance with One-Design rules for the class for Dinghy/Small boat racing and PIYI Special Regulations Governing Minimum Equipment and Accommodations Standards Category III. I have read and executed the waver, Release and Indemnification Clause attached with this entry form.

I also agree that by participating in Whidbey Island Race week all competitors, crew and their guests automatically grant to the organizers and their sponsors the absolute right in perpetuity to use, publish and show, from time to time at their discretion, any video, live or taped, and photographs of themselves or their boat, to be published in any media for press, promotional, editorial or advertising purposes.

Signature _____ Date _____ [] Owner/Owners rep [] Charterer

Entry must be accompanied by:

- 1. Entry Fee: \$ _____
One person Dinghy/Small Boat \$50
Other Dinghy/Small Boat \$75
Large Boat on or before March 15, 2015 \$400
Large Boat after March 15, 2015 \$500
2. Shore-side Passes for Week (\$80 at event) \$70 x _____ = \$ _____
3. Rating Certificate or copy of application for same
4. Proof of Insurance (please email copy or bring to check-in/registration)

TOTAL: \$ _____

Make checks payable in US Funds to:

Whidbey Island Race Week LLC
2400 NW 80th #130
Seattle, WA 98117
raceweek@whidbeyislandraceweek.com
(206) 384-5254



Waiver, Release and Indemnification

I, _____ Skipper of the yacht _____,

Accept full responsibility for the conduct of each member of my crew and guests during the activities associated with Whidbey Island Race Week 2015. I acknowledge that I have sole responsibility for the safety of my crew and yacht.

Whidbey Island Race Week LLC, Whidbey Island Race Week Race Committee, Oak Harbor Yacht Club, The City of Oak Harbor, Greater Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce, Corinthian Yacht Club of Seattle, and any other sponsors and event partners of Whidbey Island Race Week 2015 are in no way to be held responsible for accidents, damage or injury to property or to yachts, crew or guests arising from any cause during or related to any race or activities at Whidbey Island Race Week. Each Skipper and his crew must evaluate weather and sea conditions and each participant is responsible for determining whether it is safe for him to participate. The responsibility of wearing a life jacket rests upon the Skipper and his crew. If Committee vessels and personnel provide assistance, it is at the risk of the participants.

I hereby agree to all of the conditions that Whidbey Island Race Week 2015 laid out in the Notice of Race and shall inform each member of my crew of these conditions. I hereby warrant that my yacht will be outfitted, equipped and handled in accordance with these conditions; that she will have all of the required equipment aboard; that she is seaworthy in hull, rig and gear; that she will be completely manned. I agree that the rating with my entry as filed with the Committee will be the applicable rating for the yacht at the time she starts the race.

In consideration of your accepting my entry for Whidbey Island Race Week 2015, I do for myself, my executors, my administrators and assigns waive and release any and all claims that I have against Whidbey Island Race Week LLC, Whidbey Island Race Week Race Committee, Oak Harbor Yacht Club, The City of Oak Harbor, Greater Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce, Corinthian Yacht Club of Seattle and any other sponsors and event partners of Whidbey Island Race Week 2015, their officers, directors, members, committeemen, volunteers, employees and agents, or any one or more of them or their executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, successors, or assigns, including any or all claims for damage caused by the negligence of any of them arising out of my participation or that of my yacht in Whidbey Island Race Week 2015 and its related activities, including pre-start and post-finish operations and shore activities together with any costs and expenses including attorney's fees that may be incurred as a result of any such claim whether valid or not, and I do hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless each of them against any such claims that any officer, member of my crew or one of my guests (or the executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, and assigns of any of them) may have or assert together with any costs and expenses including attorney's fees with respect thereto.

Executed,

Signature

Date

Print Name



**Youth Sailing Circle
NOTICE OF RACE
July 18 – July 19, 2015**

1 EVENT MANAGEMENT

- 1.1 The Organizing Authority for Whidbey Island Race Week 2015 (WIRW 2015) is Whidbey Island Race Week LLC.

2 GENERAL INFORMATION

- 2.1 Event Website
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- 2.2 Race Headquarters
Race headquarters will be located at the entrance to the fenced shore-side activities area on the South lawn of the Oak Harbor Yacht Club.
- 2.3 Contact Information
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3 COMPETITOR LIMITS

- 3.1 **Youth Sailing Circle Racing** registration will be limited to the first 75 boats that register. Boats after the first 75 boats may be put on a waiting list and informed if there are cancellations.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all youth sailors in dinghies. Crews must not have reached their 19th Birthday as of July 18, 2015. The age rules of the Optimist Class will apply.
- 4.2 Expected classes are: CFJ (non-spinnaker), Laser (Standard and Radial), and Optimist (including Green fleet).
- 4.2.1 Fleets must have four boats registered by July 15, 2014 (3 days prior to the regatta) to qualify for a start.

- 4.2.2 Classes not mentioned with at least four boats sailed by eligible competitors and registered by July 15, 2015 may also be given their own start.
- 4.3 Complete, sign and mail an entry form, release, and entry fees or complete an on-line entry at yachtscoring.com (<http://bit.ly/wirw2015>). (On-line entries will be required to sign a release upon registration at event.)

5 FEES

- 5.1 One person boats: \$25
All other boats: \$50
- 5.1.1 Registration on or after July 1, 2015 must pay a \$10 late fee.
- 5.1.2 Cancellations received prior to July 1, 2015 will be refunded. Cancellations on or after July 1, 2015 will be refunded less a \$10 administrative fee.

6 BOAT LAUNCHING AND STORAGE

- 6.1 There is a cement boat launch at Oak Harbor Marina that can be used to launch small boats, catamarans, and dinghies.
- 6.2 Competitors' boats may be stored at the Oak Harbor Marina Boat Launch Parking area or in the campground on Friday and Saturday night in an area designated by the Organizing Authority. Coach and Support Boats may be kept in the water at the Oak Harbor Marina. (Moorage fees will be apply and space is limited. Please check with the harbormaster.)

7 ACCOMMODATIONS

- 7.1 Oak Harbor Best Western (<http://bit.ly/oh-bw>) is the Official Hotel of Whidbey Island Race Week 2015. For reservations call (360) 679-4567.
- 7.2 Other accommodations are available in hotels, vacation rentals, and campgrounds in Oak Harbor and the surrounding areas. Contact the Greater Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce, (360) 675-3535 for more information.

8 CAMPING

- 8.1 Free camping at near the OHYC is available for free on a first come/first serve basis.

9 EVENT NAME AND LOGO

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- 10.2.1 Competitors are requested to respect the brand exclusivity of official sponsors of the event, and advertising that competes with the official sponsors will not be approved by the Organizing Authority and must not be displayed at the event.
- 10.3 If provided, all boats shall display sponsor's advertising on bow stickers for the duration of the event. These bow stickers will be supplied free of charge by the Organizing Authority at registration.
- 10.3.1 Boats not bearing the event bow sticker on both sides are subject to protest by the Race Committee only. The protest committee may impose a penalty as it deems appropriate. This changes rule 60.1 (a).

11 INSURANCE

- 11.1 All club boats are covered under their organizations insurance policy. Those sailors bringing their own boat must be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$100,000 (USD) per event or the equivalent.

12 PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, July 17

1500-2000 Registration

Saturday, July 18

0800-1000 Registration and Rigging

1000 Competitors Meeting

1100 Launch

1200 First Race Warning

1800-2000 Dinner

Sunday, July 19

1100 Launch

1200 First Race Warning

No starts after 1530

1730 Awards

- 12.1 Any updates to the schedule of events will be posted at the event website.

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- 13.2 Junior Shore Side passes for Saturday and Sunday are included for each competitor.
- 13.3 Shore-Side Event Passes give access to the site and are not drink tickets. The pass fee is

to offset the cost of all activities at the site, including live music, seminars, games and adult and junior beverages.

14 AWARDS

- 14.1.1 Awards will be presented to the top 3 finishers in each fleet with 7 or more starters.
- 14.1.2 Awards will be presented to the top 2 finishers in fleets with 4 to 6 starters.
- 14.1.3 All Opti Green Fleet competitors will receive a participation award.

15 RULES

- 15.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 15.2 This Notice of Race and the published Sailing Instructions, and any amendments to either.
 - 15.2.1 In the case of a conflict between the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions take precedence.
- 15.3 Class rules are changed to allow competitors to use “club sails” in place of class sails, provided each sail’s dimensions and construction are not different in a manner that provides any added advantage.
- 15.4 In the event of a protest, boats are exempt from displaying a red flag. This modifies Opti Class rules. Boats intending to protest should inform the Race Committee at first opportunity after finishing or retiring.
- 15.5 RRS 34 (b) is changed to read, “Substitute an object displaying flag M” striking out “~~and make repetitive sound signals.~~” This also changes RRS Signals description of the M flag.
- 15.6 RRS 44.3, Scoring Penalty, shall not apply.
- 15.7 RRS 55, Trash Disposal, is in effect. This shall include Water Balloons. *Let’s do all we can to keep our NW waters clean and our wildlife healthy.*
- 15.8 RRS 40 changed by remove the first clause, up to the first coma, to read “~~When flag Y is displayed with on sound signal or with the warning signal~~ Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wetsuits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices.

16 COACHING

- 16.1 Coaching on the water is permitted between races.
- 16.2 After the warning signals for a given race, coaching shall cease until the competitor has finished that race.
- 16.3 To avoid interference with boats still racing, competitors are required to sail at least 75 feet away from the start/finish and racing area before meeting with coach/support boats.
- 16.4 Coaching while racing is permitted with RC approval in cases where novice races are slowing the progress of the regatta. Coaches shall only coach the back 20% of the fleet

in this case.

17 SUPPORT AND SPECTATOR BOATS

- 17.1 Except in the case of emergencies, or in accordance with section 16.4 support and spectator boats must remain at a distance of 75 feet from the racing area and any racing boats at all time, and shall not cause significant wake in the racing area.



End of Youth Circle Notice of Race



**Youth Racing Circle
July 18 – July 19, 2015**

Yacht Name _____ Sail Num. _____

Model _____ Yacht Club _____

Skipper _____ Skipper Age 7/18/2015 _____

Crew _____ Crew Age 7/18/2015 _____

Tel (pref Mobile) _____ Alt Tel _____

Address _____ City _____ State/Prov _____ Zip _____

Email _____

I hereby agree that the above named yacht will be outfitted and equipped in accordance with One-Design rules I and my legal guardian have read and executed the waver, Release and Indemnification Clause attached with this entry form.

I also agree that by participating in Whidbey Island Race week all competitors, crew and their guests automatically grant to the organizers and their sponsors the absolute right in perpetuity to use, publish and show, from time to time at their discretion, any video, live or taped, and photographs of themselves or their boat, to be published in any media for press, promotional, editorial or advertising purposes.

Skipper Signature _____ Date _____ [] Owner/Owners rep
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Parent or Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Entry must be accompanied by:

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| 1. Entry Fee: | | \$ _____ |
| One person boat | \$25 | |
| Other boat | \$50 | |
| 2. Adult Shore-side passes for Weekend \$25 | \$25 x _____ = \$ _____ | |
| 3. Proof of Insurance (please email copy or bring to check-in/registration) | | |
| | TOTAL: | \$ _____ |

Make checks payable in US Funds to:

Whidbey Island Race Week LLC
2400 NW 80th #130
Seattle, WA 98117
raceweek@whidbeyislandraceweek.com
(206) 384-5254



Waiver, Release and Indemnification

I, _____ (age __) Skipper of the yacht _____,

If skipper is under 18 years old, parent or legal guardian must also agree to and sign release.

_____ Parent of _____,

Accept full responsibility for the conduct of each member of my crew and guests during the activities associated with Whidbey Island Race Week 2015. I acknowledge that I have sole responsibility for the safety of my crew and yacht.

Whidbey Island Race Week LLC, Whidbey Island Race Week Race Committee, Oak Harbor Yacht Club, The City of Oak Harbor, Greater Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce, Corinthian Yacht Club of Seattle, and any other sponsors and event partners of Whidbey Island Race Week 2015 are in no way to be held responsible for accidents, damage or injury to property or to yachts, crew or guests arising from any cause during or related to any race or activities at Whidbey Island Race Week. Each Skipper and his crew must evaluate weather and sea conditions and each participant is responsible for determining whether it is safe for him to participate. The responsibility of wearing a life jacket rests upon the Skipper and his crew. If Committee vessels and personnel provide assistance, it is at the risk of the participants.

I hereby agree to all of the conditions that Whidbey Island Race Week 2015 laid out in the Notice of Race and shall inform each member of my crew of these conditions. I hereby warrant that my yacht will be outfitted, equipped and handled in accordance with these conditions; that she will have all of the required equipment aboard; that she is seaworthy in hull, rig and gear; that she will be completely manned. I agree that the rating with my entry as filed with the Committee will be the applicable rating for the yacht at the time she starts the race.

In consideration of your accepting my entry for Whidbey Island Race Week 2015, I do for myself, my executors, my administrators and assigns waive and release any and all claims that I have against Whidbey Island Race Week LLC, Whidbey Island Race Week Race Committee, Oak Harbor Yacht Club, The City of Oak Harbor, Greater Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce, Corinthian Yacht Club of Seattle and any other sponsors and event partners of Whidbey Island Race Week 2015, their officers, directors, members, committeemen, volunteers, employees and agents, or any one or more of them or their executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, successors, or assigns, including any or all claims for damage caused by the negligence of any of them arising out of my participation or that of my yacht in Whidbey Island Race Week 2015 and its related activities, including pre-start and post-finish operations and shore activities together with any costs and expenses including attorney's fees that may be incurred as a result of any such claim whether valid or not, and I do hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless each of them against any such claims that any officer, member of my crew or one of my guests (or the executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, and assigns of any of them) may have or assert together with any costs and expenses including attorney's fees with respect thereto.

Executed,

Signature

Date

Print Name

Parent or Guardian Signature

Date

Parent or Guardian Print Name