

**August 26-27, 2016**

**Hosted by the Columbia Yacht Club**

## Notice of Race

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The Leukemia Cup Regatta weekend starts with the Red Sky Night Silent Auction held at Columbia Yacht Club on Friday evening, August 26, 2016. The race will be held on Saturday, August 27. The starting sequence for the Short Handed division will begin at noon and the starting sequence for all other classes will begin at 1:00. Prizes will be awarded at the party following the race.

### RULES

The Organizing Authority for the regatta is the Columbia Yacht Club. The regatta will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing for 2013-2016* (RRS), the *Prescriptions of US Sailing*; and this Notice of Race. For One Design Classes, the rules and regulations of the local class shall apply; however all crew number and/or weight limitations shall be waived.

RRS 60.1 is changed such that a boat shall not protest another boat under RRS 5 with respect to those compounds that are prescribed for that treatment of Leukemia, Lymphoma or other cancers or for the treatment of post chemo side effects prior to and during the Leukemia Cup Regatta.

### ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

The regatta is open to all sailing yachts equipped for offshore racing and which comply with USCG Regulations.

- The **SPINNAKER RACING DIVISION** will consist of One Design and handicap classes and will race on a windward/leeward or trapezoid course. If a competitor racing in a handicap class does not hold a current LM-PHRF certificate or wishes to race in a configuration different from that declared for their LM-PHRF handicap, the Organizing Authority will issue a temporary handicap.
- The **CRUISING DIVISION** will consist of Jib & Main, Cruising Spinnaker, and Catalina classes; and will race on a two or three leg course using existing fixed marks. Competitors will be assigned handicaps by the Organizing Authority. Equipment limitations and a general description of the handicap formula are on the reverse side.
- The **SHORT HANDED** Division will consist of single and double handed classes and will race on a medium distance, random leg course. It has not been decided whether there will be a single, combined start or it will be a pursuit type race; but in either case the two classes shall be scored separately. Mechanical and electro-mechanical steering devices are permitted in the Short Handed Division. This changes RRS 52.
- Competitors may be further subdivided into racing classes based on entries received prior to noon, August 17. Any group of FOUR (4) or more boats desiring to race as a separate class may submit a written petition to the Organizing Authority at Columbia Yacht Club prior to noon, August 17. The Race Committee, at its sole discretion, shall determine eligibility and placement within classes.
- For each \$1,000 donation raised in the name of an individual competitor prior to August 15, a three second per mile rating credit will be awarded, up to a maximum of 12 seconds per mile.

Early Bird entry fee is \$150 through July 16. The regular entry fee is \$175 and is \$225 on the day of the race. There will be a discount for entries received during the Boat, RV and Strictly Sail Show on January 14-18. Checks may be made payable to The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Illinois Chapter. The registration form and entry fee must be received by August 1 in order for the boat's name to appear on the event t-shirt.

### WAIVER OF LIABILITY

Each participating boat shall carry liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per event or the equivalent. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See *RRS 4, Decision to Race*. The Organizing Authority, Race Committee, Protest Committee, sponsors, or any other organization or official will not accept liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. By participating in this regatta each competitor assumes the risks associated with yacht racing and agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

# CRUISING DIVISION DEFINITIONS AND HANDICAPS

## Jib & Main

Boats that race in the Jib & Main and the Catalina classes may use a headsail with a mid-girth no greater than 50% of the length of the foot. Spinnakers including Code 0 and cruising spinnakers are prohibited. A whisper pole may be used to “pole out” the headsail clew. There is no restriction on the length of the pole.

## Cruising Spinnaker Class

The requirements for the Cruising Spinnaker class are modeled on the Cruising Class for the Chicago to Mackinac race. Boats are required to be a cruising type design and have a roller furling headsail. In addition, boats may fly an asymmetric “cruising” spinnaker tacked on centerline. The boat may be equipped with a short sprit or prod which may not extend forward of headstay by more than 25% of the J dimension. A whisker pole may be used to pole out the clew of the headsail, but may not be used with the spinnaker.

## Cruising Division Handicaps

The Cruising Division boats will be handicapped using the Columbia system of handicaps:

Base handicaps will be the LM-PHRF base handicap, when available. If there is no base handicap for a specific boat, the Organizing Authority shall assign one. The following adjustments may be made to the boat’s base handicap:

- Boats with exposed solid (fixed blade) propellers shall receive a 6 seconds per mile credit for a 2 blade or 9 second per mile credit for a 3 blade.
- If not already included in the base boat handicap assumptions, boats that have a roller furling headsail or luff furled main sail shall receive a 6 seconds per mile credit each.
- Boats that carry an undersized headsail may receive a rating credit. For a typical boat designed to carry a 150 to 155% Genoa, the credit is as follows:
  - A headsail with a 105 to 135% overlap +3
  - A headsail with a maximum overlap less than 105% +6
- Boats that race in the Jib & Main classes shall receive a non-spinnaker rating credit based on the percentage loss in downwind sail area.
- Boats that race in the Cruising Spinnaker class that were originally designed with a pole tacked spinnaker shall receive the following handicap adjustments:
  - Displacement to Length Ratio of 90 to 150 +3
  - Displacement to Length Ratio of 150 to 250 +6
  - Displacement to Length Ratio over 250 +9
  - For each 12% increment of spinnaker area over standard -3