

# 57th Annual Fighting Island Regatta

**Saturday August 22, 2020**

**Hosted by the LaSalle Mariner's Yacht Club (LMYC) LaSalle, Canada**

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

### **COVID-19 Requirements (Stage 3):**

- Club grounds are limited to 100 persons and the clubhouse is "limited to the posted amount of people" while maintaining social distancing and wearing of masks indoors. Participants are encouraged to stay outdoors;
- Masks must be worn when social distancing can't be maintained on the land, folding sails, etc.;
- For contact tracing per the Health Unit, each skipper must sign in and confirm the number of crew on his/her boat. In the event of an outbreak, these sheets will be used to contact the Skippers who are responsible to contact their crew members in the event of an outbreak. All persons not competing but attending must sign in as an individual. Sheets will be available in the barbecue area; and
- If any participant's health status changes, you must advise the Race Director **immediately @ 226-350-3315**.

In the spirit of cooperation amongst our club, I say thank you and have a great race.

### **1 RULES**

**1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020. The Prescriptions of Sail Canada will apply. These can be found at <http://www.sailing.ca/>

**1.2** Sailing Instructions will be posted on the LMYC website, and available at LMYC anytime.

**1.3** The Essex County PHRF Class Rules will apply <http://ec.phrf.ca/rules.html>

**1.4** The Equipment Rules of Sailing shall be used

<http://www.sailing.org/documents/equipmentrules/index.php>

**1.5** The Canadian Shipping Act - Small Vessel Regulation (required safety equipment) shall apply -

<http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-2010-91>

**1.6** Yachts shall carry proper sail numbers on mainsails, spinnakers and any head-sails attached having a luff perpendicular exceeding 130%. Yachts without proper sail numbers shall be subject to protest.

### **2 ENTRIES**

**2.1** Competitors may enter by delivering a completed entry form and paying the \$30.00 entry fee to LMYC 2640 Front Road, LaSalle Ontario before 1900 hrs on August 21, 2020. A late fee of \$20.00 applies after that time. Online registration is possible on the NoticeOfRace.net event website via our website <http://www.lasallemarinersyachtclub.com>

### **3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

**3.1** Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 2000 hrs Friday August 21, 2020 on the event website, via NoticeOfRace.net and on the LMYC website

**3.2** Changes to class splits will be posted by 2000 hrs Friday August 21, 2020 at L.M.Y.C. on the event website, via NoticeOfRace.net and on the LMYC website.

#### **4 DISCLAIMERS of LIABILITY**

**4.1** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing - 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.

#### **5 INSURANCE**

**5.1** Each participating boat must carry liability insurance. Proof of Insurance is to be provided as a part of the registration requirements.

#### **6 CUSTOMS**

**6.1** Not applicable in 2020

#### **7 FURTHER INFORMATION**

**7.1** Please contact the Race Director Walter Argent at (226) 350-3315 (cell) or ([wargent1961@gmail.com](mailto:wargent1961@gmail.com)) for further information.

**7.2** The LMYC Web site: <http://www.lasallemarinersyachtclub.com/racing/>

#### **8 RACING AREA**

**8.1**The racing area will be the Detroit River, around Fighting Island

#### **9 COURSES and MARKS Also see 17 and Attachment A**

**9.1 START** The starting area will be SE of the north tip of Fighting Island in the Fighting Island channel.

**9.2 The starting line** will be between green spar DF27 and an orange flag on a R.C. boat

**9.3 The course** shall be designated by a number board on the Race Committee boat

**9.4 The finishing line** shall be between an orange mark in the water just off the south tip of Grassy Island (near LMYC) and a blue flag on a Race Committee Boat approximately perpendicular from said mark

**9.5** The distance for handicaps is listed for each course – see section **17**

#### **10 TIME LIMITS**

**10.1** There shall be no time limit.

#### **11 PROTESTS**

**11.1** A protesting yacht shall lodge a written protest with the Race Committee no later than 1 hour after finishing.

**11.2** All provisions of Rule 60 shall apply.

#### **12 SCORING**

**12.1** In accordance to Rule 89.3(a) Appendix 'A' will apply. A boat's corrected time shall determine her finish position. The Low Point scoring system will be used.

#### **13 AWARDS**

**13.1** Awards will be presented at LMYC after the race.

#### **14 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

**14.1** The Race Committee will monitor V.H.F. channel 68.

**14.2** Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

**14.3** Competing yachts withdrawing from the Race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

## 15 PRIZES

**15.1** If there are 1-3 boats in a division, 1 flag (first place) is awarded. If there are 3-5 boats, the first two positions awarded. If there are 6 or more boats in a division, then 1st, 2nd and 3<sup>rd</sup> positions will be awarded.

**15.2** The Commodore Alan Moore Trophy will be presented to that boat with the overall best corrected time.

**15.3** The Inter-Island Perpetual Trophy will be presented to the boat with the fastest elapsed time.

**15.4** This Fighting Island Regatta is a counter towards the ECPHRF Lake Erie Boat of the Year

## 16 START RULES, SEQUENCE, CLASSES, CLASS FLAGS, CLASS PENNANTS

**16.1** Rule 26 will be in effect for all starts.

**16.2** Rule 30.1: "Round the End Rule" is in effect for all starts. Code flag "I" will not be displayed from the Race Committee boat.

**16.3** The Race Committee will issue 5 blasts of a horn approximately 1 minute prior to the warning signal for the first class, unless the race has been postponed, then the normal postponement procedure will take over and 5 blasts will not occur.

**16.4** The warning signal for the first class will be 11:55

**16.5** Class Rating and Start Order      Class Flag and Pennant Colours

P.H.R.F. A 114 & lower                      - Yellow

P.H.R.F. B 117 thru 144                      - Green

P.H.R.F. C 147 & higher                      - Orange

J.A.M.    - All White

**NEW!** Short Handed Class                      - Pink

**16.6** Short Handed Class: Any boat that does not meet the minimum crew requirement of 3 (see ECPHRF rules) and does not wish to sail in J.A.M. can race in our new Short Handed Class. They may also sail single handed if they wish. They may fly a spinnaker and as such their spinnaker rating will be used for handicap purposes. If they do not have a spinnaker rating, the Regatta Chairperson will assign one. They will not be eligible for "Best Corrected Time" prize but are eligible for "Fastest Elapsed Time" prize.

**16.7** Class pennants (not smaller than size 6"x6") shall be displayed from the aftermost backstay at least six feet above the deck of each yacht. Yachts without a proper pennant shall be subject to protest.

## 17 RACE COURSE – Also see attachment A

**17.1** Race course number will be displayed on the committee boat as **1, 2 or 3**

**17.2**

**COURSE #1** – Downstream from DF27 using Fighting Island Channel, through cut at south end of Fighting Island (DF8 to port), continue downriver and round green spar (DF1) to port, upstream leaving Turkey Island to starboard and Bifurcation Buoy DGB to port, to finish between Race Committee and a mark near LaSalle Mariner's Yacht Club off of the south tip of Grassy Island... (8.78 nm)

**COURSE #2** - Downstream from DF27 using Fighting Island Channel, through cut at south end of Fighting Island (DF8 to port), continue downriver and round green spar (DF3) to port, upstream leaving Turkey Island to starboard to the Bifurcation Buoy DGB and Race Committee boat to finish. (6.55 nm)

**SHORT COURSE #3** - (To be used at discretion of Race Committee) - Exactly as Course No. 2, but shortened to finish between red spar (DF8) and the Race Committee boat to the west of it. The R/C boat will fly code flag "S". (5.83 nm) **This course may be further shortened based on conditions as determined by the Race Committee.**

**Course 1 Start:**  
RC/Tug and DF27  
north of Grassy  
Island. Downriver  
to DF1 to DGB to  
LMYC

**Course 2 Start:**  
RC/Tug and DF27  
north of Grassy  
Island. Downriver  
to DF3 to DGB

**Course 3 Start:**  
RC/Tug and DF27  
north of Grassy  
Island. Downriver  
to DF3 to DF8



**NOTICE!! The course lengths are: Course #1: 8.78 nm, #2: 6.55 nm, and #3: 5.83 nm**

Fighting Island Regatta 2020, should see no interference from commercial vessels as we stay out of the main channel but participants are to be mindful of all river traffic and take the necessary precautions to stay safe. Patrol boats and the LaSalle Fire and Rescue will be monitoring participants. Your co-operation is always appreciated when yacht racing on the river.

Thank you.