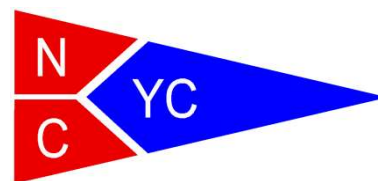




**Thistle Great Lakes  
Championship  
2020**  
*North Cape Yacht Club*



**NOTICE OF RACE**

LaSalle, Mi.

July 25-26, 2020

THE GREAT LAKES ARE EXPECTED TO GO FORWARD AND WE DO NOT ANTICIPATE HAVING TO CANCEL. HOWEVER DUE TO UNCERTAINTY CAUSED BY COVID-19 A FINAL DECISION WILL BE MADE ON JUNE 20<sup>TH</sup>.

ANYONE PRE-REGISTERED WILL RECEIVE 100% REFUND IF THE EVENT IS CANCELED DUE TO THE PANDEMIC. NO REFUNDS IF AN INDIVIDUAL CANCELS AFTER JULY 15TH.

**1. RULES**

- 1.1. This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in current *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS). US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 60.3, 63.2, and 63.4 will not apply.
- 1.2. The organizing authority is North Cape Yacht Club.

**2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 2.1. All competitors shall be Thistle Class Members and all boats shall conform to Thistle Class Rules.
- 2.2. Registration is available at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=12948>
- 2.3 Registration deadline will be July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 10:00 hrs.
- 2.4 A boat is considered registered when the Organizing Authority has received her completed entry form, entry fee, and forms required by class rules.

**3. FEES**

- 3.1. Entry fees with early registration discount, if received and completed on or by July 15, 2020: \$100.00. Non US Sailing Members add \$10.00
- 3.2. Entry Fees, under 25 years old July 25 and member of US Sailing, if received and completed on or by July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020: \$50.00
- 3.3. Entry Fees, if received & completed after July 15<sup>th</sup> but prior to close of registration, \$125.00. Non US Sailing members add \$10.00
- 3.4. Entry fee includes, launching, trailer storage, racing.
- 3.5. Due to Covid-19 food prices are changing rapidly and cannot be predicted. Meal prices will be established by early July and sign-up sheet emailed out to those who are registered.

**4. PELIMINARY SCHEDULE**

- 4.1. A maximum of seven (7) races may be sailed.
- 4.2. The preliminary schedule of events is as follows:

Friday, July 24

1700-2000 Skipper's packets available

1800-2100 Regatta Party

Saturday, July 25

1030 Skipper's Meeting

1200 1st Warning Signal, Additional races to follow

After Racing Hosted Dinner at NCYC

Sunday, July 26:

0955 1st Warning Signal

1400 No further Warning Signal shall be made

After Racing Awards ceremony with hosted beer social/ hors d'oeuvres

4.3. The Race Committee may adjust the number of races each day to accommodate weather conditions.

## 5. MEASUREMENTS

- 5.1. All Boats shall have a valid Thistle Class Measurement Certificate and shall produce it upon request.
- 5.2. A boat or its equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with ***Thistle Class Rules, RRS or Sailing Instructions.***

## 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. Sailing Instructions will be posted on Yacht Scoring ([www.yachtingscoring.com](http://www.yachtingscoring.com)). Paper copies will be available at registration.

## 7. COURSES & RACING AREA

- 7.1. Courses will be as determined by the Race Committee.
- 7.2. The racing area will be on Lake Erie approximately one mile east of North Cape Yacht Club.

## 8. SCORING

- 8.1. Back-to-Back races are scheduled for each day, up to seven races total.
- 8.2. Scoring shall be according to appendix A, except there will be no throw-outs. This changes RRS Appendix A.
- 8.3. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

## 9. AWARDS

- 9.1. Trophies for first through fifth will places be presented. Class provided perpetual trophies will also be presented.

## 10. PHOTOGRAPHY CONSENT

- 10.1. Competitors entering the regatta accept that they may be photographed and/or

videotaped participating in the race and/or using North Cape Yacht Club's facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitor's name or not, without compensation and without the competitor's approval of such images or any use thereof.

## **11. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

11.1. 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. Competitors are encouraged to have a VHF aboard to hear instructions broadcast to all competitors during the racing and for safety reasons.

## **12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY/RISK**

12.1. It is the competitor's decision to enter the regatta and to start or continue any race and each competitor is ultimately responsible for the risks of sailing and racing- See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The competitor will accept full responsibility for all his/her actions during any activity related to the event. This includes all race preparation activities and postrace activities. 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.

## **13. INSURANCE**

13.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with minimum coverage of US \$300,000.00 per event or the equivalent.

## **14. PARKING AND CAMPING**

14.1 Camping is allowed on yacht club property.

With prior notice, between Great Lakes and the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary National Championship, a limited number of boats can be stored at Cleveland Yachting Club. Storage will be limited and in a specific area of the club and must be pre-arranged.

## **15. ATTIRE**

15.1 Appropriate for a family yacht club. Six foot "social distancing" will be expected and competitors may be required to wear masks during periods defined prior to the close of registration.

## **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

16.1. Further Information. contact Peter Frissell at (419-376-8557)  
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