Silver bay Scramble August 19th 2017 Wayzata Yacht Club (WYC) - Apostle Islands Station (AIS) NOTICE OF RACE and SAILING INSTRUCTIONS REVISED August 18th 2017

1. Rules.

- 1.1. The races will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. The following Racing rules will be changed as follows.
 - 1.2.1.NOR/SI 6.2 changes RRS Race Signal AP
 - 1.2.2.NOR/SI 9.2 changes RRS 60.1
 - 1.2.3.NOR/SI 13.2 changes RRS 27.2
 - 1.2.4.NOR/SI 13.5 changes RRS 29.1
- 1.3. [DP] and [NP]
 - 1.3.1. The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NOR/SIs means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee ("PC"), be less than disqualification. SI 1.3.1 changes RRS 64.1.
 - 1.3.2. The notation '[NP]' in a rule in the NOR/SIs means this rule may not be protested by a boat. SI 1.3.2 changes RRS 60.1(a).

2. ENTRIES / ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1. The event is open to seaworthy and self-righting sailboats 20 feet in length or greater,
- 2.2. All boats must comply with the safety requirements see NOR/SI 18
- 2.3. It is the intention of the race committee ("RC") to run a pursuit start if winds are greater than 5 knots. Start times will be calculated using a boat's LMPHRF rating with the slowest boats starting first and the fastest boats starting last. Start times will be posted by 2100 in the Friday evening before the race. See NOR/SO 7.1.
- 2.4. In the event of lighter winds, and at the discretion of the RC, the RC may announce their intention for a delayed pursuit start in the vicinity of the R N "2" at the North end of the Sand Island Shoals. Start times will be posted by 2100 in the Friday evening before the race. See NOR/SO 7.1.
- 2.5. In the event of winds less than 5 knots, a single start will be run. The use of motors will be allowed. Each competitor will log the total number of hours the engine is run. This number will be multiplied by a motoring penalty of 1.2 1.5 as determined by the race committee [NP]. This time penalty will be added to the elapsed time on the race course.
- 2.6. All boats may use autopilots and power winches.
- 2.7. All eligible boats must enter by delivering a completed entry form online or by handing to OA by 2000 on Friday 18th August 2017.

3. FEES

- 3.1. WYC/AIS Members FREE (included in fleet dues)
- 3.2. Non WYC/AIS Members \$30
- 3.3. Fees must be received and acknowledged by the OA prior to *Racing* for entry to be scored.

4. Notices to Competitors

4.1. Official notices to competitors will be posted on the Yachtscoring event page.

5. Changes in Sailing Instructions.

- 5.1. Changes to the NOR/SIs will be posted on the Yachtscoring event page by 0900 on the day of the race; changes to the SIs will also be announced approximately 60-minutes prior to the first warning signal by the RC on VHF Radio Channel 72.
- 5.2. In accordance with RRS 90.2(c) the RC may alter these SIs by hailing the fleets and making the change on VHF CH 72.

6. Signals Made Ashore

- 6.1. Signals made ashore will be announced via VHF CH72.
- 6.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 1 hour' in the Race Signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signal AP.

7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1. 2100 Friday Each boat's start time will be posted on the Yachtscoring event page.
- 7.2. 0900 Saturday OA will hold a Skipper's meeting via radio call on VHF CH 72
- 7.3. 1000 Saturday Warning signal for the first boat.
- 7.4. Saturday evening Social to be held Silver Bay

8. Class Flags

8.1. Class Flags will not be used

9. Measurement

- 9.1. Each boat must have a valid 2017 Lake Michigan PHRF (LMPHRF) certificate.
- 9.2. If a boat does not present a valid LMPHRF rating certificate a PHRF rating for this boat will be assigned by the OA. The assigned handicap rating will not be subject to protest or request for redress by the boat assigned a handicap; or any other boat. This changes RRS 60.1.

10. Racing Area

10.1. The race will be in western end of Lake Superior including the Apostle Islands and Silver Bay.

11. Course

- 11.1. The starting line will be the extension of Rittenhouse Avenue and a mark set approximately 100 yards off shore. You shall keep Red Cliff buoy and Sand Island R N "2" buoy to port and finish off the south end of the west breakwall of the Silver Bay Marina. Be advised that a shallow area of ~9 feet exists just south of the breakwall.
- 11.2. In the event the RC chooses to use a Sand Island Pursuit Start, the start will in the vicinity of the Sand Island R N "2" buoy. Finish off the south end of the west breakwall of the Silver Bay Marina. Be advised that a shallow area of ~9 feet exists just south of the breakwall.

12. Marks

- 12.1. Marks may be:
 - 12.1.1. Temporary buoys
 - 12.1.2. Islands,
 - 12.1.3. Government navigation marks/buoys,
- 12.2. All boats will obey all government navigation marks/buoys along the rhumb line while racing, except if the navigation mark/buoy is a mark of the course, when such navigation mark/buoy may be rounded pursuant to RC instructions.

13. The Start

- 13.1. The starting line will be between a staff ashore displaying an orange flag or shape and an Inflatable Mark located approximately 100 yards off the Fishing Pier. RRS 27.2 is changed to allow the PRO to adjust the starting line at any time.
- 13.2. In the event the RC chooses to use a Sand Island pursuit Start (see NOR/SI 2.4), the start will be a 3-boat length line at a bearing of 045-degrees from the R N "2" buoy at the north end of the Sand Island Shoals.
- 13.3. Each boat's start time will be posted on the Yachtscoring event page See NOR/SI 7.1.
- 13.4. In the event the RC chooses to use a single start (see NOR/SI 2.3 and 2.4), this will be communicated at the skippers meeting via VHF CH 72 at 0900 on the day of the race.
- 13.5. Racers are expected to monitor their own start time. There will be no sound signals or flags.
- 13.6. Racers are reminded of RRS 24.1.

14. The Finish

- 14.1. The finishing line will an imaginary line extending 0.25nm due south from the Pellet Island FL G 10s buoy off the West Breakwall of the Silver Bay Marina.
- 14.2. Boats finishing shall log their GPS time in hours-minutes-second, and the sail number of the boat ahead and behind their finish position if available.
 - 14.2.1. If a pursuit start is not run, the finishing time and total engine running time will be handed into the designated person who will then pass information to the scorekeeper.

15. Penalty System

- 15.1.RRS Appendix V1 will apply
- 15.2. RRS Appendix T ARBITRATION will be in effect.

16. SCORING

- 16.1. If a pursuit start is used, a boat's score will be the finishing position within the race.
- 16.2. If a pursuit start is not used, the boat's score will be the finish position after PHRF correction and motoring penalty are considered.

17. Protests and Request for Redress

- 17.1. Protests must be delivered to RC PRO within the protest time limit.
- 17.2. The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished.
- 17.3. Notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board as soon as reasonably possible of receiving the protest/request for redress to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Where reasonably possible, hearings will be scheduled for the day the protests were received and in the order the protests were received. In unusual circumstances and with sufficient notice, the Protest Committee ('PC') may schedule a hearing for a different day, time or order.
- 17.4. Failure to hear radio communication required by the RC by items NOR/SI 5.1, NOR/SI 5.2, NOR/SI 7.2, and NOR/SI 13.4 shall not be grounds for redress.
- 17.5. Each boat may rely on verbal communications made by RC; RC verbal statements will take precedence over flags and signals.

18. Safety Regulations.

- 18.1. Each boat must comply with the following:
 - 18.1.1. All U.S. Coast Guard and other applicable governmental laws, rules and regulations.
 - 18.1.2. The 2017 US Sailing Nearshore Safety Equipment Requirements, as modified by AIS, which can be found at www.wyc.org/ais and the Yachtscoring.com page for each event.
 - 18.1.3. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC as soon as possible via VHF CH 72.
 - 18.1.4. All boats over 22 feet must have a working motor.
 - 18.1.5. Each boat must have a functioning VHF marine-grade radio while racing. [DP], [NP].
 - 18.1.6. At the start and finish, each person on board each boat is required to wear a USCG or ISO approved personal flotation device (PFD) while racing. The use of an ISO approved PFD does not negate the USCG requirement that each vessel must have at least one (1) USCG approved Type III or V life jacket for each person on board. Belt pack style PFD's are not allowed.

19. RADIO COMMUNICATION

19.1. Boats are reminded of their obligation to maintain a radio watch on VHF Channel 16 to be compliant with USCG regulations.

20. PRIZES

20.1. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places.

21. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, WAIVER AND RELEASE

- 21.1. Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury, including without limitation bodily injury, personal injury, permanent disability, and death. Each person (including without limitation owner, skipper, crew, spectators, officials, and others) participates in each race, social event, and/or associated activity(ies) entirely at his/her own risk. See RRS *Rule* 4, "Decision to Race".
- 21.2. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY, RACE COMMITTEE, PROTEST COMMITTEE, SPONSORS, HOST CLUB AND VENUE (AND EACH OF THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, CONTRACTORS, OFFICIALS, MEMBERS, GUESTS, VOLUNTEERS, REPRESENTATIVES AND ALL OTHER PERSONS IN THEIR CAPACITY OF ASSISTING A RACE, SOCIAL EVENT AND/OR ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES) (COLLECTIVELY, "RACE ORGANIZERS") WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE OR LIABLE FOR ANY ACTION, CLAIM OR SUIT (COLLECTIVELY, "CLAIMS") OR LIABILITY, LOSS, DAMAGE, ACCIDENT OR INJURY WHATSOEVER (INCLUDING BODILY INJURY, PERSONAL INJURY, PERMANENT DISABILITY OR DEATH) (COLLECTIVELY, "DAMAGES") TO ANY PERSON, PROPERTY OR BOAT WHETHER CAUSED BY, ARISING OR RESULTING FROM THEIR ACT, ERROR, OMISSION OR ALLEGED NEGLIGENCE OR MISCONDUCT, WEATHER OR SEA CONDITIONS, HAZARDS OF ANY KIND, DEFECTS OR FAILURE OF BOATS TO BE SEAWORTHY IN HULL, RIGGING OR GEAR, OR ANY ACTS, ERRORS OR OMISSIONS OR ALLEGED NEGLIGENCE OR MISCONDUCT OF RACE ORGANIZERS OR OTHER PARTICIPANTS OR BOATS WHICH MAY OCCUR DURING OR ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH ANY RACE, REGATTA, EVENT, CRUISE, SPECTACLE, SOCIAL EVENT, RACE FACILITIES OR ANY ACTIVITY SCHEDULED, SPONSORED OR AIDED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY ANY RACE ORGANIZER(S), TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW.

- 21.3. By participating, each participant (and in the case of children and minors, each participant's parent or guardian) forever waives, discharges and releases any and all CLAIMS whatsoever against Race Organizers for any DAMAGES to any person, property or boat (i) sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after each race, social event and associated activities; or (ii) arising, relating or resulting from use of race facilities or participation in any race, social event or associated activities, to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 21.4. Participant releases all Race Organizers from any Claim on account of giving assistance, aid, care, advice, rescue, first aid, treatment or services.
- 21.5. Owners and skippers of all participating boats are required to inform all crewmembers of this Disclaimer of Liability and Release as a Condition of Entry.

22. INSURANCE

22.1. All boats must maintain Liability Insurance in full force and effect during *Racing* which will include a General Liability policy written by a reputable insurance company insuring the owner and any operators against liability for bodily injury in limits of not less than \$300,000 and for property damage of not less than \$100,000. Each boat will present proof of insurance upon OA's request.

23. PUBLICITY AND PHOTOGRAPHER'S RIGHTS

23.1. As a condition of participation, each participant (on behalf of him/herself and their children and minors) grants OA, sponsors and their designated photographers the perpetual, irrevocable right, license and permission to use, publish and distribute the participant's name, photos, video, images and statements of them and their boat and crew in all forms and media worldwide (including without limitation Internet) for any purposes whatsoever (including without limitation advertising, promotions, sales of pictures, etc.) without compensation or further permission.

24. FURTHER INFORMATION

24.1. Organizing Authority (OA) and host club is the Apostle Islands Station of the Wayzata Yacht Club. For further information, contact AIS Fleet Captain, David Crum, by emailing ais@Q-iii.com or calling 612.804.2390.