



August 28, 2021
Hosted by the Columbia Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE

This Notice of Race provides information about the 2021 Chicago Leukemia Cup Regatta. This regatta is designed to provide on the water enjoyment and a relaxed fun competition for boats wishing to participate in this charitable cause while adhering to mandates of the State of Illinois and the City of Chicago during the COVID-19 pandemic. All competitors are urged to use good sense and adhere to all appropriate governmental advice concerning health and safety during the pandemic.

The Chicago Leukemia Cup Regatta offshore keel boat race will be held on Saturday afternoon August 28th.

Support The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's mission to cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and improve the quality of life for patients and their families by registering to sail and joining your crew, family and friends in raising funds to accelerate cures.

RULES

The Organizing Authority for the regatta is the Columbia Yacht Club. The regatta will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021-2024 (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 numbers must also adhere to the City of Chicago and the State of Illinois regulations per the COVID pandemic. All weight limitations shall be waived. In the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall govern.

All applicable governmental regulations regarding health, safety and infectious disease control shall be strictly followed by all competitors, specifically including any crew limits to adhere to social distancing and requirements for personal protective equipment (PPE).

COVID-19 can be a serious health concern and each competitor should judge his or her own ability to participate in light of this health threat. Violations of any COVID section of this Notice of Race shall not be protestable by a competitor but may be protested by the Race Committee or CoIYC, the Organizing Authority. Competitors are reminded of Racing Rules of Sailing, Rule 3 DECISION TO RACE: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

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ELIGIBILITY

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.

Handicap classes shall be scored using LM-PHRF Time on Distance scoring. 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.

For a One-Design class to be recognized, a minimum of FOUR (4) or more entries must be registered prior to noon, August 21, 2021.

- The **CRUISING DIVISION** will consist of a Distance Race with Short Handed, Jib & Main, Multihull, Catalina, and Classic Yacht classes; and will race on a two or three random leg course using a combination of drop marks and/or existing fixed marks. Competitors will be assigned handicaps by the Organizing Authority.

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. A whisker pole may be used to “pole out” the headsail clew. There is no restriction on the length of the whisker pole.

The **SHORT HANDED** Division will consist of single and double handed classes. Mechanical and electro-mechanical steering devices are permitted in the Short Handed Division. This changes RRS Rule 52.

- Competitors may be further subdivided into racing classes based on the number of entries received prior to noon, August 21, 2021. The Race Committee, at its sole discretion, shall determine eligibility and placement within classes.
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ENTRY

Early Bird entry fee is \$125 through March 31, 2021. The general entry fee is \$150 through August 9, 2021 increasing to \$175 through August 27, and is \$225 on the day of the race. The registration must be received by August 1, 2021 in order for the boat's name to appear on the event t-shirt.

Register <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14314>

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Skipper packets will be available for pick up at Columbia Yacht Club Wednesday evening August 25th, 2021 through Friday evening August 27th 2021 at the club White Cap on the rail deck, and on Saturday morning August 28th 9 am-12 noon on the rail deck.

The offshore races will be held on Saturday, August 28th, with a single race for each class.

The starting sequence for the Distance Race will begin at 12 noon followed by the Short Handed and Multihull Divisions at 10 minute intervals.

The starting sequence for all other offshore classes will begin at 1 pm.

Prizes will be announced at the virtual post race party, held via zoom, following racing, and subsequently delivered to competitors' yacht clubs for them to pick up.

PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place boats at a virtual awards ceremony held via zoom, for those boats that have raised a minimum of \$1,000.00 per boat, per The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's established minimum fund raising amount of \$1,000.00 per boat to be scored in the 2021 Chicago Leukemia Cup Regatta.



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BERTHING

Consistent with health guidance from the State of Illinois and the City of Chicago, no docking at CoLYC's dock will be provided to 2021 Leukemia Cup Regatta competitors pre nor post racing.

SOCIAL

Consistent with health guidance from the State of Illinois and the City of Chicago, there are no pre nor post race social activities scheduled nor planned in conjunction with the 2021 Chicago Leukemia Cup Regatta at this time. If and when that may change an amendment to this NOR will be posted at www.yachtscoring.com.

Awards will be presented in a virtual post race awards ceremony via zoom. All competitors will be provided a link to connect to the zoom awards ceremony.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

ISs will be available no later than August 23, 2021 at www.yachtscoring.com

WAIVER OF LIABILITY

Each participating boat shall carry liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$500,000 per event or the equivalent. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, see *RRS Rule 3, Decision to Race*. The Organizing Authority, Race Committee, Protest Committee, sponsors, Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, or any other organization or official will not accept liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, 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 and all associated personnel from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

CONTACTS

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