

Welcome to the 2024 annual Two Against the Lake event.

• Look at the Rules - remember to call on Ch 68 or TYC or any of the Lake Yacht Clubs that are open if you drop out. An attempt will be made to hail on channel 68, but due to distances we request cell phone numbers and will use them.

Phone numbers to call if you drop out:

RC – Bobby Tassin 985-290-4026

Tammany YC 985-649-5222

- Official time is GPS Time
- Have a great race!

Tammany Yacht Club Two Against The Lake Race Lake Pontchartrain – N.O.A.A. Chart 11369 May 5th, 2024

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 **RULES** This race will be sailed under the jurisdiction of the Tammany Yacht Club in accordance with the 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing. These Sailing instructions shall govern in the event of a conflict.
- 2 ELIGIBILITY Eligibility shall be limited to mono-hull or multi-hull sailing yachts 20 feet LOA or above with a valid PHRF certificate. All yachts must have a valid PHRF certificate or be assigned a handicap by the race committee to include a six second per mile penalty. All yachts must have navigation lights.
- 3 **CREW** Crew is limited to the skipper and one crew member only. Use of Autopilots is allowed for all divisions and classes.
- 4 **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS** Notices to competitors will be broadcast via VHF (Ch. 68) as necessary.
- 5 CHANGES TO SI's Any change to the sailing instructions will be broadcast via VHF (Ch. 68) as necessary. Changes to SI's may also be presented at the Skippers meeting.
- 6 **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE** There will be none.
- 7 **SCHEDULE** The race is scheduled to start on May 5th, 2024 as follows.

09:54 am -- "follow me" letter "L" flag comes down 09:55 am --warning signal 10:00 am – Start for first class

Subsequent class(es) will be 5 minute rolling starts. Class starting order will be announced at the skippers meeting.

- 8 **CLASS FLAGS (If Necessary)** Class flags will be announced at the skippers meeting.
- 9 **RACING AREA** The racing area will be the North East portion of Lake Pontchartrain East of the Norfolk and Southern railway bridges and out to the Rigolets and back.
- 10 **COURSE AND MARKS** The race committee reserves the right to change the course and direction. Potential courses will be reviewed at the skippers meeting after considering prevailing conditions and fleet makeup. The race committee may change courses before the start. Competitors should prepare for different courses for Multi-hull, Spinnaker, and Non Spinnaker. The committee boat will announce the courses on VHF as well as post them on a board displayed on the signal boat.

From the TYC "C" mark out to the Rigolets marker #3 or #4 thence back the "C" mark to finish. Racers will honor all channel markers to remain within the boundary of the channels. Example course diagram below is out the Rigolets #4 mark which is the shorter course option.



STARTING AND FINISHING LINES. The starting line will be in an area near the TYC "C: mark. The starting line will be between the "C" mark and the staff displaying an orange flag on a committee boat.

Recall of boats on the course side at the start will be in accordance with rule 29 except that in addition to other provisions, the race committee will attempt to hail the yacht's sail number on VHF Channel 68. Failure to hear a hail is not grounds for redress.

The **finish line** tetrahedron will be in the area adjacent to **the TYC "C" mark.** Yachts shall finish between the Race Committee boat displaying the line flag and "C" mark from the direction of the last mark rounded regardless of whether the last mark was left to port or starboard. We will attempt to provide a Committee Boat at the finish, however, upon arrival at the Finish Line if no Committee Boat is on Station, the Finish Line will be deemed to be a line projected due South from the "C" mark for a Distance of 5 boat lengths.

- 11 **TIME LIMIT.** There is no time limit for the race. If no Committee Boat is on station competitors are instructed to record and report their own finishing time (GPS).
- 12 **PROTESTS.** Protests are not expected nor encouraged. Course distances are not subject to protest.
- 13 AWARDS. Prize awards are TBD and will depend upon the number of entries.
- 14 **SAFETY.** Each skipper has the sole responsibility for the safety of the crew and the seaworthiness of his or her yacht. Neither these sailing instructions nor the Racing Rules of Sailing shall in any way limit the skipper's responsibility or confer any such responsibility on the sponsoring yacht club or the race committee. The entry form constitutes the skipper's certificate of compliance with these conditions and any breach or violation of these requirements is subject to protest and is the skipper's total

responsibility.

- 15 **ABANDONMENT OF RACE.** Withdrawing yachts should notify the committee boat via channel 68 prior to leaving the course. In the event contact cannot be made, notification must be made by telephone to TYC, 985-649-5222 or to any Lake YC.
- 16 **SPECIAL REGULATIONS FOR NON-SPINNAKER DIVISION.** A single headsail, of the maximum size used for PHRF rating, or smaller, may be carried and tacked at the usual tack point with its luff attached not less than every 36 inches to the forestay by the means provided by the sailmaker.

Fore-staysails shall be allowed if tacked a minimum of 1/3 of the corrected "J" dimension behind the jibe tack point and shall not exceed the rated overlap measurement for which the boat is rated.

Cutter rigs rated as such by the GYA PHRF Rating Committee may set staysails on the tack point provided by the vessel's manufacturer.

17 **SKIPPER'S MEETING.** A Skipper's Meeting will be held at Tammany Yacht Club on Friday, May 3rd, 2024 at 8:00 PM.

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