

Lake Geneva Yacht Club

2018 Sailing Instructions

1 RULES

Races will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and by the US Sailing Prescriptions. Rules of the RRS that have been changed by a sailing instruction are identified in the sailing instruction.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the Yacht Club west entry hallway.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board no later than 48 hours before it will take effect. No change to the SIs will be announced on the water. Any change to the SIs or SI Supplements must be approved by the Rear Commodore or another flag officer.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Yacht Club flagstaff yard and also from the race committee signal vessel when off her moorings.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 30 minutes” in the race signal AP.

4.3 When flag F is displayed ashore at least one hour before the first scheduled warning signal, all Class E and Class MC boats shall race with flotation panels installed.

5 ELIGIBILITY

5.1 A boat that has registered on the Yacht Club Registration and Scoring System at Regatta Toolbox (www.regattatoolbox.com) is eligible to race provided her owner and helmsperson are Yacht Club members in good standing and the boat conforms to her class rules.

5.2 A boat in Class A, E, C or X shall display the Yacht Club designator letter “I” on her mainsail with its size and placement conforming to her class rules. A boat belonging to a Yacht Club member who is also a member of another club is eligible to race if her mainsail displays that club’s designator, provided her sail number has been registered with the Rear Commodore.

5.3 When during the sailing season a competitor acquires a replacement boat and registers it per SI 5.1, the scores of the replacement boat and the replaced boat will be combined.

5.4 Variety Fleet - Women on the Water Series (WOW):

(a) Women who are Yacht Club Members shall register their boat on Regatta Toolbox. One male crew, who may serve as helmsman, shall be permitted on each boat. All other crew members shall be women.

(b) Boats are required to check in with the Race Committee Signal Boat before the start of the race each day.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 The schedule of races shall be as described in the Race Calendar. The Race Calendar shall be approved by the Rear Commodore or another flag officer and posted on the official notice board.

6.2 In the schedule of races shown in the Race Calendar:

(a) When more than one class is scheduled to race, the order of their warning signals will be as shown in the Race Calendar;

(b) When the race schedule is interrupted by an incident after the first warning signal is displayed, the order in class flags may be revised at the discretion of the race committee and will take precedence over the order in which class indicators and course signal are displayed;

(c) The race committee will determine the order of warning signals for back-to-back races.

6.3 Restrictions on times of warning signals, other than for Class A, are as follows:

(a) For all races scheduled before 12:00 noon, no warning signal for any class will be made later than 11:10 a.m., with the exception of Class Optimist and M14 Series B for which no warning signal shall be made later than 11:30 a.m.;

(b) For all races scheduled between 12:00 noon and 3:00 p.m., warning signals will not be made later than 3:00 p.m.; and

(c) For all races scheduled after 4:45 p.m., no warning signal for any class will be made later than 7:15 p.m.

6.4 Races may be canceled only by the Rear Commodore or another flag officer. The decision will be posted on the official notice board.

6.5 The Sheridan Prize race may be canceled only by written authorization of the Sheridan Prize Trustees.

7 CLASS INDICATORS AND CLASS FLAGS

7.1 Class indicators will be black class initials or insignia on white boards and displayed with the course signals.

7.2 Class flags:

Class A - letter A on a white field

Class E - letter E on a white field

Class C - letter C on an orange field

Class MC - letters MC on a blue field
Class M24 - letter-number M24 on a white field
Class M17 - letter-number M17 on a white field
Class M14 – letter-number M14 on a white field
Class X - letter X on a white field
Class IOD - insignia IO on a yellow field
Variety Class – letter H on a white field

8 RACING AREA

The racing area is the navigable waters of Geneva Lake.

9 COURSES

- 9.1** Courses are described in SI Supplement 1, Courses and Course Signals. Minimum course lengths are shown in SI Supplement 2, Minimum Course Lengths in Statute Miles.
- 9.2** Course signals will be black letters and numerals displayed on orange boards or on a white board displayed by a race committee signal vessel.
- 9.3** When an offset mark is used at the windward mark and the offset mark or the windward mark is missing or out of position, the remaining mark shall be rounded to port. The mark missing or out of position is no longer a mark.
- 9.4** When flag D is displayed before or with the warning signal, a secondary leeward rounding mark will be positioned on the course side of the primary leeward mark. All boats shall round this secondary mark to port on all laps except when finishing at the primary leeward mark.
- 9.5** When course W is signaled for all classes and flag G is displayed before or with the warning signal, the leeward mark for all classes will be replaced by a leeward gate. If one of the gate marks is out of position the remaining mark shall be rounded to port. The mark out of position is no longer a mark.
- 9.6** Unless SI 9.4 applies:
- (a) when a finishing line has been set between two orange shapes, the rounding mark used by boats not sailing the final leg of the course will be the orange shape positioned at the port end of the line when sighted from the final leg of the race course; and
 - (b) when a finishing line has been set between a yellow and an orange shape, the rounding mark used by boats not sailing the final leg of the course will be the yellow shape.
- 9.7** The start/finish line of all modified courses is open. Racing boats sailing any leg of the course may pass through the line.

9.8 For long distance races:

- (a) the course for the Sheridan Prize race will be as stated by the Sheridan Prize Trustees.
- (b) the courses for the Wacker Trophy race and the Melges 24 Length of the Lake race will be determined by the race committee.
- (c) the course for the Cameron Trophy race will be as stated in its deed of gift.

10 MARKS

10.1 Marks will be orange shapes unless otherwise stated.

10.2 A secondary leeward mark (SI 9.4) will be two orange shapes.

10.3 A mark designating a change of course or the triangular reaching mark of an Olympic or Triangular course may, at the discretion of the Race Committee, be a yellow, cylindrical buoy.

11 THE START

11.1 Races will be started as provided in RRS 26 except as modified in SIs 11.2 and 11.3.

11.2 Flag P, flag Z, flag U and the black flag will not be used as preparatory signals. This changes RRS 26.

11.3 When more than one class is scheduled to race, the warning signal for each class following the first class will be made with or after the starting signal for the preceding class.

11.4 The starting line will be between:

- (a) a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee vessel at one end of the line and the course side of the mark at the other end of the line, or
- (b) staffs displaying orange flags on race committee vessels at both ends of the line, or
- (c) the course side of marks at both ends of the line.

11.5 Signals will be displayed from a race committee vessel at or near one end of the starting line.

11.6 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall not enter the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. The starting area is rectangular and extends approximately 50 yards line along the extensions of the starting line and approximately 50 yards to windward and to leeward of the starting line and its extensions.

11.7 A boat not starting within 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start by the race committee without a hearing This changes RRS A4 and A5.

- 11.8** If any part of the boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line or one of its extensions during the one minute before her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to broadcast her sail number by VHF radio or hailer. Failure to make a broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.
- 11.9** When a general recall is signaled, the time of the next warning signal for the recalled class will be determined by the race committee. See SI 6.2. This changes RRS 29.2.
- 11.10** For Class MC:
- (a) No race will be started when the race committee observes sustained wind velocities of 20 mph or higher or wind gusts of 23 mph or higher. The race committee may postpone the start and may endeavor to advise the fleet via VHF radio of their intention to remove the postponement if the wind decreases below the above limits. The race committee will allow reasonable time, at least 30 minutes, for the racing fleet to launch and sail to the starting area after radio notification of sailable conditions has been made.
 - (b) After a race has been started, if the race committee observes sustained wind velocities of 20 mph or higher or wind gusts of 23 mph or higher, the race committee will abandon the race by displaying flags N over A above the MC class flag with no sound signal. This changes RRS 32.1 and Race Signals.

12 CHANGING THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE OR SHORTENING THE COURSE

A course may be shortened only by eliminating the last leg of the course. This changes RRS 32.1.

13 THE FINISH

13.1 The finishing line will be between:

- (a) a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee vessel at one end of the line and the course side of the mark at the other end of the line, or
- (b) staffs displaying orange flags on race committee vessels at both ends of the line, or
- (c) the course side of marks at both ends of the line.

13.2 If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report her finishing time and her position in relation to nearby boats to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

For the A, E, C, M24, M17, M14 classes and the Variety fleet RRS41.1 is changed so that a Two-Turns penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.

15 TIME LIMITS

- 15.1 Race Time Limits (see RRS 35) for series races are shown in SI Supplement 3, Race Time Limits.
- 15.2 The Finishing Window is a 30 minute time limit for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes within the Race Time Limit. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window will be scored Scored Without Finishing (SWF) without a hearing. RRS 35, A4, A5 and A9 are changed to allow the SWF score.
- 15.3 The Race Time Limit for the Sheridan Prize race, the Cameron Trophy race, and the Melges 24 distance race is 6 hours. The time limit for the Wacker Trophy race is 20 minutes per mile of the course.
- 15.4 All Race Time Limits and the Finishing Window Time Limit expire at sunset.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 As soon as possible after finishing, a boat intending to deliver a protest involving an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the race committee vessel at the finishing line of her intention as soon as possible after finishing.
- 16.2 Protest forms are available at the Yacht Club office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the Principal Race Officer for the race or to a flag officer within one hour after the race committee vessel has docked. The person receiving the form will sign it to acknowledge receipt and the time of receipt.
- 16.3 The Yacht Club Chief Judge shall schedule the date, time and location of hearings and post such notice on the official notice board.

17 SCORING

- 17.1 For a race to be scored, at least three boats must be in the starting area at the time of the warning signal, except that only one boat is required for the Sheridan Prize race and two boats are required for Class M24 - Spring, B and Fall Series and Class C - Fall Series races. Boats not in compliance with SI 5.1 shall not be included in determining minimum fleet size.
- 17.2 For all classes except the Variety fleet, each boat starting and finishing a race and not thereafter retiring, being penalized or given redress will be scored as follows:

<i>Finishing place</i>	<i>Points</i>
First	1
Second	2
Third	3
Fourth	4
Each place thereafter	Add 1 point

All other boats that come to the starting area for that race, including any that finish and thereafter retire or are disqualified, will be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that came to the starting area for that race. Boats that did not come to the starting area (DNC) shall also be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that came to the starting area for that race.

- 17.3** The Variety fleet shall be scored utilizing the PHRF rating system with Corrected Time to Finish (CTF) calculated by multiplying the Elapsed Time (ET) by the ratio $650/(650+PHRF)$. PHRF ratings will be as printed in US Sailing PHRF Handcap Book, National Reference Ratings. The boats will then be scored in their order of their CRF.
- 17.4** Boats scored SWF (see SI 15.2) will be scored points for the finishing place two more than the place of the last boat to finish within the Finishing Window. RRS A4 and A9 are changed accordingly.
- 17.5** Boats not in compliance with SI 5.1 shall not be scored.
- 17.6** Each boat's series score is determined by excluding her worst races. Every boat will receive the same number of throw outs based on the total number of races completed in the series by the fleet. A race is completed if scored; see RRS 90.3(a). The number of excluded races is based on each fleet's chosen throw-out percentage of 20%, 25% or 30% as noted below. The number of races to be thrown out is rounded down to the nearest integer. The tables below show the number of excluded races for each class. The boat with the lowest series score wins and others are ranked accordingly.

Classes A, E, M24, M17, X, IOD and Variety

Races 20% exclusion:

5-9	1
10-14	2
15-19	3
20-24	4
25-29	5
30-32	6

Class MC

Races 25% exclusion:

4-7	1
8-11	2
12-15	3
16-19	4
20-23	5

Class C and M14

Races 30% exclusion:

4-6	1
7-9	2
10-13	3
14-16	4
17-19	5

18 SAFETY

- 18.1** When races will be postponed or abandoned due to expected or actual severe weather, the race committee will attempt to broadcast its decision on VHF radio channel 18. The race committee may also display a flashing light on race committee vessels. Visual race signals govern any postponement or abandonment.
- 18.2** When on the water, competitors in Classes X, IOD, M17 and M14 shall wear U. S. Coast Guard approved personal flotation devices, properly fastened. Flag Y will not be displayed. RRS 40 is changed accordingly.
- 18.3** Boats leaving the racing area before the end of racing on any day shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 18.4** Two race committee vessels must be in the race area at the Warning Signal. If two race committee vessels are not in the races area at the time of the Warning Signal the race shall be abandoned or postponed until the second vessel is in the race area.

19 ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION

- 19.1** Boats in all fleets except X, IOD, M17 and M14 classes are asked to have a working VHF radio on board to receive race committee transmissions intended for all boats.
- 19.2** The race committee may, as a courtesy, communicate to the fleets via VHF radio the race course, wind direction, distance and starting sequence or other pertinent information. It may also communicate change of course and in certain conditions notify boats to seek safe harbor.
- 19.3** The race committee will use VHF radio channel 18.

20 COACHING

Coaching is allowed during Spring, B, C and Fall series racing. RRS 41 is changed to allow coaching.

21 PRIZES

Trophies and prizes will be awarded in accordance with SI Supplement 4.

22 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in Yacht Club races entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, 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 races.

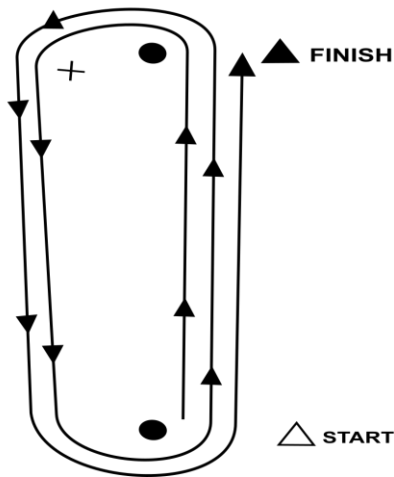
Sailing Instructions Supplements

1 Course and Course Signals

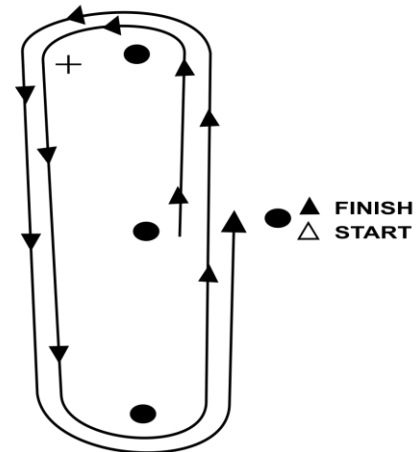
The race committee may set any of the following courses: Windward-Leeward, Windward-Leeward Modified, Triangle, Triangle Modified, Olympic, Olympic Modified and Trapezoid Modified. Modified course will include a single starting and finish line positioned between the windward and leeward marks as shown below in the Windward-Leeward Modified diagram.

Visual course signals will be displayed on boards in rows in a framework above the Flagship cabin. The top row will show class designators; the middle row will show the courses W, WM, T, TM, O, OM or TZM in black letters on an orange background. The bottom row will show the number of laps in black numerals on an orange background. For courses W or WM an offset mark may be set near the windward mark and/or a leeward gate may be set. When a race committee vessel other than Flagship II is the signal boat, course signals will be displayed on a white board.

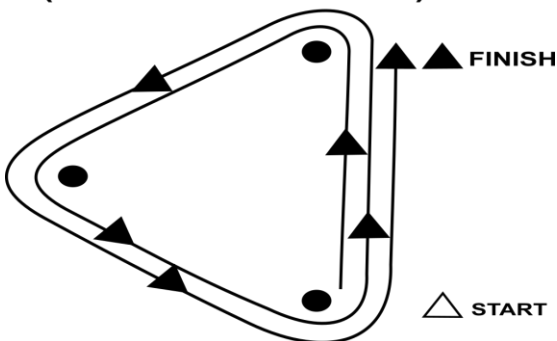
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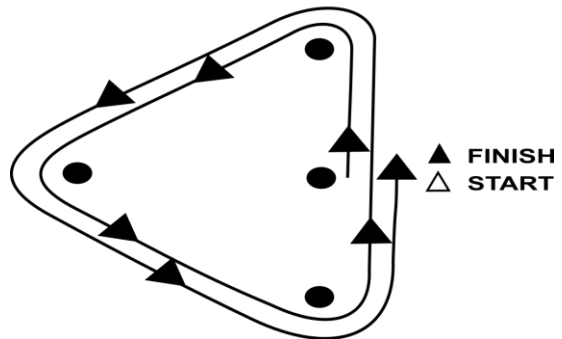
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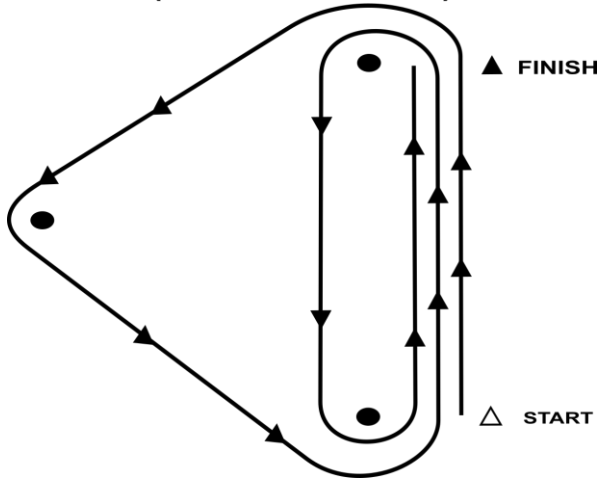
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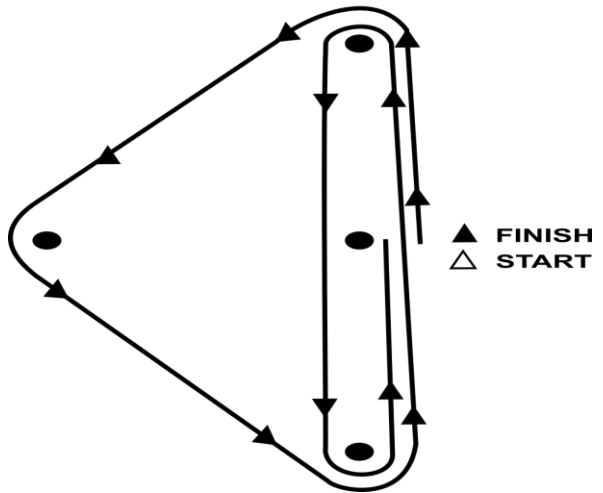
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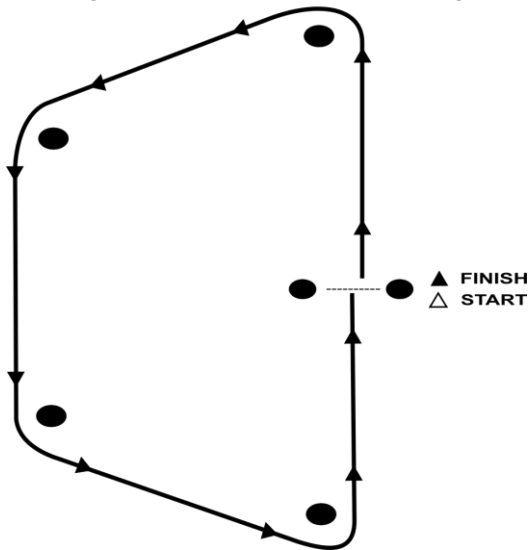
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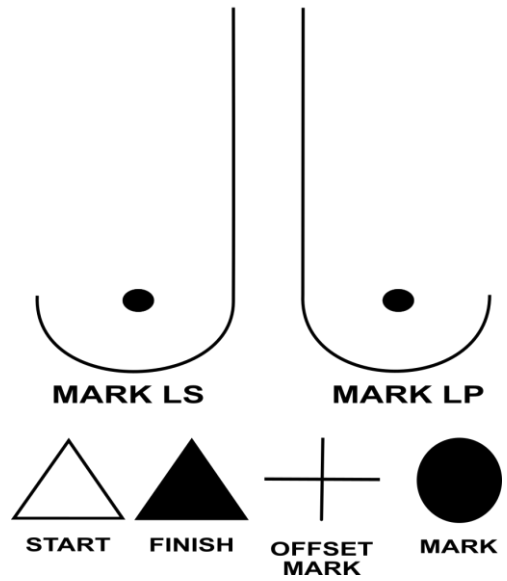
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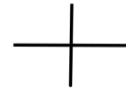
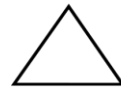


Leeward Gate



MARK LS

MARK LP



START

FINISH

OFFSET
MARK

MARK

2 Minimum Course Lengths in Statute Miles

<i>Class</i>	<i>Series A</i>	<i>Series B</i>	<i>Series C</i>	<i>Spring</i>	<i>Fall</i>
A	4	--	--	4	4
E	4	3.5	--	4	4
C	2.7	4.5	4.5	2.7	2.7
MC	4	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7
M24	3	1.8	--	3	3
M17	1.8	--	--	--	--
M14	1.2	1.2	--	--	--
X	2.4	2.4	2.0	2.4	--
IOD	0.75	0.75	--	--	--
Variety ¹	1.8	--	--	--	--

3 Race Time Limits

<i>Class</i>	<i>Series</i>	<i>Time Limit</i>
A	A, S, F	1 hour, 15 minutes
E	A, S, F	1 hour, 15 minutes
E	B	1 hour, 10 minutes
C	A, S, F	1 hour, 15 minutes
C	B, C	1 hour, 40 minutes
MC	A	2 hours
MC	B, C, S, F	1 hour, 15 minutes
M24	A, S, F	1 hour, 30 minutes
M24	B	50 minutes
M17	A	1 hour, 10 minutes
M14	A, B	45 minutes
X	A, B, S	1 hour, 30 minutes
X	C	1 hour, 15 minutes
IOD	A, B	1 hour
Variety	A, WOW	1 hour, 15 minutes

4 Awards

Series A – Championship

Classes A, E, C, MC, M24, M17, M14, and Variety: First 4 places

Class X: First 8 places

IOD: First 8 places and daily recognition awards for all competitors

¹ Includes WOW Series

Series B and C

Classes C, MC and M14: First 3 places

Classes E and M24: First 2 places

Class X: Series B: First 8 places

Class X: Series C: First 2 places

IOD: First 8 places and daily recognition awards for all competitors.

Spring and Fall Series

All classes: First 2 places

Individual Races

Class A

Sheridan Prize: The owner of the winning boat is awarded a replica of the yacht *Nettie* and a plaque to hold for one year. The skipper and crew receive lapel pins commemorating the Sheridan Prize.

Charles H. Wacker Trophy: The skipper and crew of the winning boat receive lapel pins.

I-4 Model Trophy: The skipper of the winning boat receives a plaque to hold for one year.

Dr. O. L. Schmidt Memorial Trophy: The skipper and crew of the winning boat receive lapel pins. The skipper receives a plaque to hold for one year.

Class E

Harry Hayner Bliss Memorial Trophy: The skipper and crew of the winning boat receive lapel pins.

Expert Challenge Cup: The skipper of the winning boat receives a plaque to hold for one year.

F. Gartz Jr. Memorial Trophy: The skipper of the winning boat receives a plaque to hold for one year.

5 Perpetual Trophies Race Schedule

CLASS A

The trophy is awarded to the boat with the best combined score for the day. In case of a tie, the trophy is awarded to the boat that finishes higher in the second race. The Dr. Otto L. Schmidt Memorial Trophy is awarded to the boat with the best score in four races held over two days with a third day for make-up races. At least three races must be completed to award the Schmidt Trophy.

Dr. Otto L. Schmidt day 1	A 1, 2	5/29	Gloria	A 13, 14	7/17
Dr. Otto L. Schmidt day 2	A 3, 4	6/5	I-4 Model	A 15, 16	7/24
Schmidt make-up	A 5, 6	6/12	Mayer-Gifford	A 17, 18	7/31
Hillcrest	A 7, 8	6/19	Commodore's Cup	A 19, 20	8/7
Oak Lodge	A 9, 10	7/3	Sheridan Prize	NFP	8/25
Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Gifford	A 11, 12	7/10	Charles H. Wacker	NFP	9/1

CLASS E

The Harry Hayner Bliss Memorial Trophy is awarded to the boat with the best score in four races held over two days with a third day for make-up races. At least three races must be completed to award the Bliss Trophy.

Millard "Bus" Mogg	A1	5/27	H. R. Hough	A 11	7/8
Harry Hayner Bliss day 1	A 3, 4	6/3	Clarence W. Sills	A 13	7/22
Harry Hayner Bliss day 2	A 5, 6	6/10	Expert Challenge	A 14	7/22
A. F. Gartz Jr. Memorial	A 7	6/24	Kirchschlager	A 15	7/29
Folly Prize	A 9	7/1	Walter M. Colman	A 16	7/29
1932 ILYA Regatta LGYC	A 10	7/1	Conrad C. Niehoff	A 17	8/5
Melvyn C. Spence Jr.	No race	7/4	Frozen Asset	A 18	8/5
			B. P. Adams Post-Season	F 1	8/22

CLASS C

The Pike I-3 Trophy is awarded to the boat with the best score in four races held over two days with a third day for make-up races. At least three races must be completed to award the Pike I-3 Trophy.

Bertha Williams Memorial	A 1	6/2	John J. Mitchell	A 12	7/21
Pike I-3 day 1	A 3, 4	6/9	Martin A. Ryerson	A 13	7/28
Pike I-3 day 2	A 5, 6	6/23	L. Z. Leiter	A 14	7/28
Pike I-3 make-up	A 7, 8	6/30	Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Johnson	A 15	8/4
Cuppy Cup	No race	7/4	Stan Johnson Jr. Memorial	A 17	8/11
Pikewood	A 9	7/7	Cameron	A 19	8/25
Dick Novotny	A 10	7/7	Warhawk	A 20	8/25
Jesse E. Hall	A 11	7/21			

CLASS MC

Imp V	A 1	6/2	Soar with the Eagles	A 5	7/7
Marra	A 2	6/9	Charles and Margaret Huck(Master)	A 6	7/21
Carlson	A 3	6/23	Mulholland(Master)	A 7	7/28
Morrissy	A 4	6/30	Sea Hawk	A 10	8/25

MELGES 24

George H. Kiefer	A 3	6/8	Mega M-20 Crew	A 11	7/6
Commodore Hough	A 5	6/15	W. S. Reier	A 13	7/13
Class V Series B	A 7	6/22	Robert G. Ferris Memorial	A 15	7/20
Mogg	A 9	6/29			

MELGES 17

Perry R. Ellwood	A 1	5/31	Fred M. Tomera MD	A 11	7/5
Victory Cup	A 3	6/7	Dorothy T. Sills Memorial	A 13	7/12
Calamity Jane	A 5	6/14	Fritz Kroeger	A 15	7/19
Sea Weed	A 7	6/21	Frank-Pegel	A 17	7/26
Kroeger Brothers	A 9	6/28			

CLASS X

Scott Perrigo	B 1	6/7	Hollister	A 5	6/28
Edith Hodge	A 1	6/12	Mr. and Mrs. James K. Lund	A 6	6/28
Todd Perrigo	B 3	6/14	Black Point	A 7	7/3
Jeff and Sandy Perrigo	B 5	6/21	Carol Osuhowski	A 8	7/3
John and Charles Anderson	A 3	6/19	William H. Freytag	A 9	7/19
Jane Wiswell	A 4	6/19	Harry J. Leahy Memorial	A 11	8/2
Blake Burton Parent	NFP	TBD	Coyote Cup	A 12	8/2
			Bruce E. Johnson	A 13	8/7

OPTIMIST

The trophy is awarded to the boat with the best combined score for the day.

Jane Pegel LGYC 1972 M-16 Championship	B 1, 2, and 3	6/8	Jane Pegel LGYC 1989 Series B Class M Championship	B 4, 5, and 6	6/20
Jane Pegel LGYC 1994 Class M Championship	A 1, 2, and 3	6/13	Jane Pegel LGYC 1989 Class M Championship	A 4, 5, and 6	6/22

VARIETY

Wakewood Trophy – The trophy is awarded to the winner of the WOW Series.