Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club

Notice of Race (Amended September 2, 2020)

Club Championships

Championships October 3 & 4, 2020

Qualifying Starting September 7, 2020

Rules

The races will be governed by the rules as defined in **The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)**, wherein the sailing instructions are the RStLYC 2020 Standing Sailing Instructions (SSI) and any addenda thereto with respect to this event posted on the Official Notice Board.

Eligibility and Entry

The club championships is open to members of RStLYC who have participated in at least one club or GNS/DNS race this season by September 1, 2020. Participation is limited to the best 18 teams as determined by the Sailing Committee at its sole discretion.

Entries must be made by emailing scott@morgans.ca by August 31, 2020

Crew Limit

To accommodate Covid-19 restrictions the crew shall be two people.

Spinnakers

Spinnakers will not be permitted to encourage wider participation.

Club Championships

The club championships will be held Saturday October 3, 2020. Sunday October 4 will be a spare day in the event racing cannot be held October 3.

There will be no boat rotation due to Covid restrictions.

The sailor with the best results in Qualifying will have first choice of boat, the second sailor, second choice of boat and so on. Ties will be broken in accordance with the Racing Rules of Sailing. If there is no qualifying group boats will be assigned by random draw.

Crew and skipper substitutions will only be permitted from Qualifying groups in the event of medical emergency. A crew may be skipper.

One race will constitute a series. A total of 4 races may be sailed.

A consolation series for those not qualifying for the club championships may be held on Sunday, October 4. Format to be determined.

Qualifying

a. Qualifying races

i. Two races will constitute a qualifying series. A maximum of six races may be held. <u>If five</u> or more races are held, the score of a competitor's worst race will not be included. This modifies Appendix A2.1 of the Racing Rules of Sailing.

b. Qualifying groups

- i. If there six or less entrants there will be <u>no</u> qualifying
- ii. If there are more than six entrants but less than 13 there will be <u>two</u> qualifying groups to select the top six teams. The top three teams in each group will advance the club championships.
- iii. If there are more than 12 teams but less than 19 teams there will be <u>three</u> groups of qualifying. The top two teams in each group will advance to the club championships.
- iv. If there are more than 18 teams the Sailing Committee shall select the top 18 teams based on its seeding list.

c. Seeding

- i. To allocate teams in the qualifying groups the Sailing Committee will prioritize teams based on race results, race results this season, participation this season at it sole discretion.
- ii. Teams will be allocated by the Sailing Committee to qualifying groups based on seeding to spread the best sailors across qualifying groups.

d. Qualifying racing days

- i. Races will take place on Monday and Wednesday evenings starting September 7. Thursdays are spare days if there is no racing on a Wednesday. Any unused Monday or Wednesday evenings prior to the club championships will be spare days.
- ii. Start time 6 pm
- iii. A minimum of one race and maximum of three races will be held in an evening.

e. Qualifying racing format

- i. Teams will be allocated to Group A, B or C (if more than 12 competitors) based on seeding
- ii. Group A will race the week of September 7
- iii. Group B will race the week of September 14
- iv. Group C (if required) will race the week of September 21
- v. The week of September 28 will be spare days
- vi. Boats will be assigned by random draw. If there is a second evening of racing, the boats will again be assigned by random draw but a team cannot have the same boat twice.

Boats

The Championships will be held in Club Sharks. The Sailing Committee has worked to equalize the boats as best possible. Competitors recognize that the boats will not be equal in performance or equipment. A difference in boats is not grounds for protest or redress.

Standing rigging must not be adjusted by competitors.

Lifejackets

Competitors must provide and wear their own lifejackets.

The Course

The course will be windward, leeward twice around. The location of the course will be determined by the Race Committee based on wind conditions.

Skippers Meeting

A skippers meeting will be held Wednesday September 2 at noon. A Zoom invitation will be sent to participants.

Prizes

Prizes will be awarded at the RStLYC prize giving.