

Lake Winnepesaukee Sailing Association, Inc.

J/80 Thursday Night Series

Notice of Race – 2015

Invitation: J/80 Fleet 1/The Lake Winnepesaukee Sailing Association, Inc. (LWSA) (the organizing authority) invites all members of the J/80 Class Association to participate.

Rules:

Races will be governed by the “rules”, as defined by *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, which, by definition, include the US Sailing Prescriptions, the *ISAF Recognized J/80 Class Rules* (available at www.j80.org/rules.php), this notice of race, and the sailing instructions, except where changed or modified in the Sailing Instructions.

All series are designated as “Open” events as defined by paragraph C.3 of the *ISAF Recognized J/80 Class Rules*.

Eligibility:

Each series is open to any J/80 class boat that meets the eligibility requirements of the class rules, registers, and pays the fee. We encourage all skippers and crew to join the LWSA member.

In lieu of filing an Owner’s Declaration as specified by paragraph A.11 of the *ISAF Recognized J/80 Class Rules*, it shall be understood that payment of the series registration fee shall serve as the owner’s/skipper’s declaration of compliance with the class rules and payment of class dues. Upon reasonable request by the race committee, jury, or Fleet Captain an owner/skipper shall make his/her boat available for inspection/measurement. Failure to comply with the class rules or make a boat available upon reasonable request may cause a boat/skipper/owner to be sanctioned or penalized pursuant to the rules and/or as described in the Sailing Instructions.

A valid National Class Association Sticker (NCA) must be affixed to the transom of the hull. (Paragraph B.1.1 of the *ISAF Recognized J/80 Class Rules*.)

Sails must have the class-royalty patch affixed. (Paragraph G.2.3 of the *ISAF Recognized J/80 Class Rules*.)

Participating boats shall strive to observe the Crew Weight requirements (Paragraph C.4.1 of the *ISAF Recognized J/80 Class Rules*.)

Participating boats may be required to volunteer one regular crew member or other able person for one night of assisting the race committee. Failure to comply will result in the boat being scored DSQ in that evening’s races. A boat may choose to use its byes on their evening to fulfill this duty; however a crewmember or other able person must still be present. Switching nights with other boats will be allowed, but it is the responsibility of the skipper to make these arrangements. If necessary a volunteer schedule shall be created by the Fleet Captain after registration is complete.

Entry and Fees:

There will be a \$200 fee per series. A registration discount of \$100 shall be given to each registrant if he/she registers for all three series (spring, summer, fall) prior to the start of the first day of the spring series (May 21, 2015). Instructions for registering are available at www.lwsa.org/j80/register

No boat will be scored (other than DNC) for an evening until an owner is an owner-member of the J/80 National Class Association, and until either her paper registration forms and payment are received (or postmarked) at least one day prior to the evening to be scored or her online registration is completed and payment received before the scheduled beginning of the evening's races, except that for the purposes of the May 21st race a owner may register for the spring series no later than 5:00pm May 22nd and be scored for the May 21st race. The race committee will not accept any registration paperwork or fees.

Schedule: Regattas will be held on the following days, commencing promptly with a warning at 17:30EDT unless otherwise noted below.

<u>Spring Series</u>	<u>Summer Series</u>	<u>Fall Series</u>
May 21	July 9	August 20
May 28	July 16	August 27
June 4	July 23	September 3
June 11	July 30	September 10
June 18	August 6	September 19 & 20 (J. Jam)
June 25	August 13	

Notes: Warning signal for all nights will be 17:30.

September 19 & 20 (J-Jamboree) For scoring purposes, each yacht's daily overall result, minus non-fall series competitors will be scored. In cases where the J-Jamboree Notice of Race (NOR) and Sailing Instructions (SI) conflict with the Thursday Night Series Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions the J-Jamboree NOR and SI shall control.

Sailing Instructions: Prior to the first night of racing, Sailing Instructions will be available on our website at www.lwsa.org/j80/.

Venue and Courses: The race area will be established at either the areas east, south, or west of Welch Island or at *Sanders Bay*, both on *Lake Winnepesaukee*. The course to be sailed will be comprised of windward and leeward legs.

Penalty System: Rule 44.2 is changed so that the Two-Turn penalty is replaced by a One-Turn penalty.

Scoring:

The Low Point Scoring System in Appendix A of the racing rules will be used.

Six races shall constitute a series.

The first three races of each day or night will be scored.

Each boat's series score will be the total of all its scores, discarding the worst score if more than six races are held in the series. The maximum number of discards allowed in a series will be one. This changes rule A2.

Byes: Each boat will be entitled to receive her average score (after 1 discard as described above) for all races of one regatta (night) in which she was scored DNC. Details will be addressed in the Sailing Instructions.

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Awards:

An awards ceremony and dinner will be held in the third Wednesday of October.

Further Information: see email contact addresses at www.lwsa.org/contact

J/80 Fleet Captain:
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