
LAKE MICHIGAN SINGLEHANDED SOCIETY

Notice of Challenge

Lake Michigan Doublehanded Championship

East-Shore and West-Shore Divisions

Thursday, 15 June 2017

The LMSS Doublehanded Championship—our 31st annual Double—will start June 15, 2017. This race is intended to encourage adventure and competition in the tradition of shorthanded sailing and cruising. The Doublehanded Championship will consist of a race to Port Washington, Wisconsin.

June 16, our layover day, will be in Port Washington where the Port Washington Yacht Club and *Sailing Magazine* will be our hosts. A party and an awards ceremony are planned for that afternoon.

Awards: There will be classes for Monohulls, with awards for first, second, and third place in each class. There will be a class for Multihulls if at least three enter. There will be a minimum of five and maximum of ten boats per class, at the discretion of the race committee.

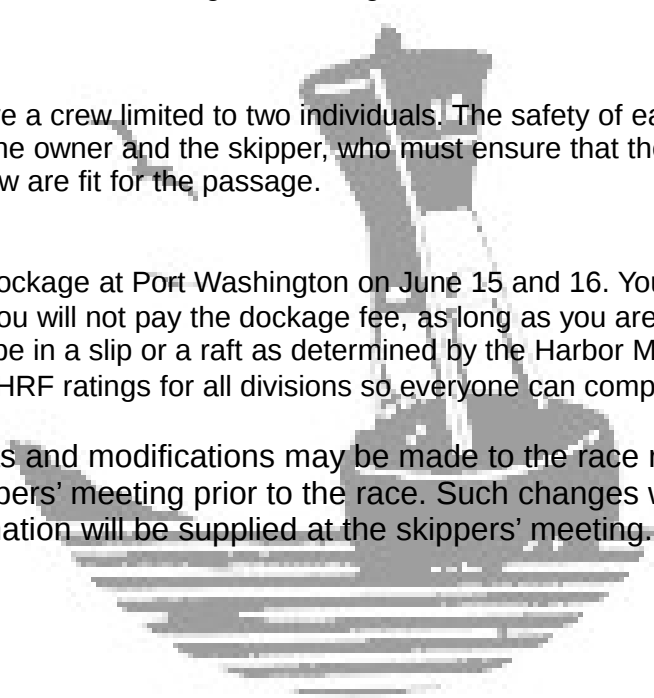
The Course—East-Shore Division: 66.5 nautical miles from a starting line at Muskegon, Michigan, by any course, to a finish line at Port Washington, Wisconsin. Starting will commence at 0800 (local time) June 15, 2017.

The Course—West-Shore Division: 53.5 nautical miles from a starting line at Winthrop Harbor, Illinois by any course to a finish line at Port Washington. Starting will commence at 0830 (local time) June 15, 2017.

Crew: Each yacht must have a crew limited to two individuals. The safety of each yacht and her crew is the sole responsibility of the owner and the skipper, who must ensure that the yacht is fully found and that the skipper and crew are fit for the passage.

Notes:

- The entry fee includes dockage at Port Washington on June 15 and 16. You must check in with the Harbor Master, but you will not pay the dockage fee, as long as you are flying your racing pennant. Dockage may be in a slip or a raft as determined by the Harbor Master.
- LMSS uses spinnaker PHRF ratings for all divisions so everyone can compete for the overall trophy and places.
- Additional amendments and modifications may be made to the race rules no later than the conclusion of the skippers' meeting prior to the race. Such changes will be announced and additional race information will be supplied at the skippers' meeting.



Eligibility of Yachts: The race is open to offshore yachts 26 to 45 feet LOA. Larger and smaller yachts will be considered on an individual basis. The condition of the yacht and the equipment she carries should meet US Sailing "Recommendations for Offshore Sailing" for category-three races. The following modifications, amendments, and supplements must be observed:

1. Liability insurance must be carried by each yacht.
2. All Coast Guard safety requirements must be met by each yacht.
3. Each yacht must carry a VHF marine radio telephone with at least channels 6, 16, 22, 69 and WX. Channel 69 will be used for required reporting between competitors. All radios must be accessible to racers while at the helm. This can either be an adaptation of the permanent radio or a second radio such as a hand-held.
4. A racing pennant (to be provided) must be flown from the backstay (or similar location) at all times.
5. Correct sail numbers must be displayed on the mainsail, spinnakers, and all headsails larger than a working jib.
6. While an auxiliary engine is not required, each yacht must be capable of making her way to the starting line and of returning to port after the finish, without tows or other assistance.
7. Each yacht should carry enough fuel, water, and food to be self-sufficient for the duration of the course, as if cruising.
8. Each yacht must have a system such as jack lines, running from near the cockpit to the foredeck, so that the crew can move from the cockpit to the forestay without disconnecting the safety harness.
9. Each crewmember must have a safety harness properly fitted and worn at all times when not below decks. Any time a crewmember leaves the cockpit, they must be hooked to the jack line.
10. A personal strobe light must be worn by each crewmember at all times when not below decks.
11. Each yacht must have a system for re-boarding in place at all times. This may include looped lines or a ladder.
12. A PFD must be worn by each crewmember from sundown to sun-up and at all times during severe weather conditions.

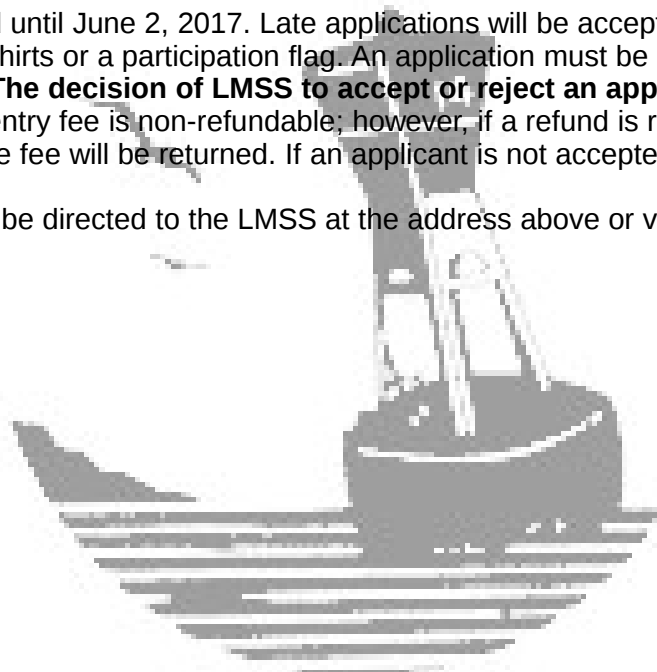
Inspection: All yachts will be subject to inspection, at any time. If any requirement 1 through 12 is not met, the yacht will be disqualified.

Entry Procedure: Send your completed entry form, your LM-PHRF Certificate (copy), proof of insurance and a check for \$100.00 for the Doublehanded Championship Race to:

Mike Kenny LMSS
759 Thorndale Drive
Elgin, IL 60120-8116

Applications will be received until June 2, 2017. Late applications will be accepted up till June 12, but may not include the free T-shirts or a participation flag. An application must be accepted by LMSS for an applicant to participate. **The decision of LMSS to accept or reject an applicant or a vessel is final.** Once accepted, the entry fee is non-refundable; however, if a refund is requested in writing by June 2, 2017, one-half of the fee will be returned. If an applicant is not accepted, the entire entry fee will be returned.

All questions should be directed to the LMSS at the address above or via E-mail to mike@kenny.net



The Double 2017

15 June 2017

Entry Deadline: June 2, 2017

FLEET

_____ EAST (Muskegon)
 _____ WEST (Winthrop Harbor)

DIVISION

_____ SPINNAKER
 _____ JIB & MAIN

Skipper

NAME _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____
 STATE _____ ZIP _____
 DAY PHONE _____
 NIGHT PHONE _____
 E-MAIL _____

Crew

NAME _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____
 STATE _____ ZIP _____
 DAY PHONE _____
 NIGHT PHONE _____
 E-MAIL _____

YACHT NAME _____
 MODEL _____
 L.O.A. _____ DRAFT _____

SAIL # _____
 PHRF RATING _____ (SEND COPY)
 YACHT CLUB _____

Timely race fee includes two Men's X-Large T-shirts. Please indicate if you want a different size: _____
 Silk-screened and embroidered golf shirts also are available on a prepaid basis. Sizes available are Men's S, M, L, XL, and XXL. (You may request a youth size, if unavailable, the closest size will be substituted.)

Order deadline is June 2. Late entries will not receive the free T-shirts. Late shirt orders may not be filled.

Item	Qty	Size	Qty	Size	Qty	Size	Total Qty	x Price	= Total
Embr. Golf								\$42.00	

NOTE: For this application to be complete, you must include:

_____ 2017 Lake Michigan PHRF Certificate (copy)
 _____ Current insurance certificate (copy)

Fees:

Total Shirt Cost	
Doublehanded race*	\$100.00*
Total fees, make check out to LMSS	

***Double race fee includes PWYC Party, dockage in Port Washington, and, if timely, two T-shirts and a participation flag**

I have read the Notice of Race and I agree to abide by the conditions set forth therein. By electing to participate, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless THE LAKE MICHIGAN SINGLEHANDED SOCIETY and its associated parties for any loss or damage to my person, crew, or property.

 Signature of Entrant

 Signature of Boat Owner (if different)

Mail completed form to Mike Kenny, LMSS 759 Thorndale Drive, Elgin IL 60120-8116

GIVE A COPY OF THIS ENTRY FORM TO A FRIEND

LAKE MICHIGAN SINGLEHANDED SOCIETY

Notice of Challenge

Q RACE '17

Friday, 18 August 2017

Q RACE '17—a singlehanded race run since 1981 (now with a double handed section)—will take place Friday, August 18, 2017. This singlehanded challenge is intended to encourage adventure, self-reliance, and competition in the tradition of singlehanded sailing. While also a race, the primary focus of this challenge is accomplishing the goal of completing the course – relying on oneself, yet enjoying the camaraderie of like-minded sailors.

We include a separate division—the DoubleHanded—as an introduction to the spirit of the singlehanded challenge. The following describes the conditions and qualifications for the challenge. Additional information will be supplied to entrants.

Course: Approximately 70 nautical miles from a starting line at Racine, Wisconsin, rounding the south NOAA mid-lake weather buoy and returning to a finish line at Racine, Wisconsin.

Personal Qualifications: Entrants must be experienced sailors. Entrants who have completed previous SOLO races are automatically qualified. Other entrants, who have not raced with LMSS before, must provide evidence of experience. Please provide a letter stating sailing experience and/or offshore racing.

Eligibility of Yachts: The race is open to offshore yachts 26 to 50 LOA. The condition of the yacht and the equipment she carries should meet the US Sailing “Recommendations for Offshore Sailing” for category-three races, as modified and supplemented by the race committee (see "Equipment" section following). Yachts failing to meet the size limitations and radical yachts failing to meet all category-three requirements may be accepted at the discretion of the race committee. The number of entrants will be limited to 40 yachts (SOLO division) and 20 yachts (DH division) with an additional 10 yachts at the discretion of and by the invitation from the race committee.

This singlehanded race is intended to encourage adventure and competition in the tradition of singlehanded sailing. There will be classes for SOLO Monohulls, based on Lake Michigan PHRF ratings—with a minimum of 5 boats and a maximum of 10 boats in each class, at the discretion of the race committee—and one or two classes for DoubleHanded. Class divisions will be made after entries have been closed. There will be one class of SOLO Multihulls, provided five or more are entered. Spinnakers may be used in all divisions.

The safety of each yacht and her skipper is the sole responsibility of the owner and skipper, who must ensure that the yacht is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy, and the crew fit for the passage.

Recommended Equipment and Use: For equipping the yacht, skippers should use as a guide the US Sailing “Recommendations for Offshore Sailing” for category-three races. The following modification, amendments, and supplements must be observed.

1. Liability insurance must be carried by each yacht.
2. All Coast Guard safety requirements must be met by each yacht.
3. Each yacht must carry a VHF marine radiotelephone with at least channels 6, 16, 22, 69 and WX. Channel 69 will be used for required reporting between competitors. All radios must be accessible to racers while at the helm. This can either be an adaptation of the permanent radio or a second radio such as a hand-held.
4. A racing pennant (to be provided) must be flown from the backstay (or similar location) at all times.
5. Correct sail numbers must be displayed on the mainsail, spinnakers, and all headsails larger than a working jib.
6. While an auxiliary engine is not required, each yacht must be capable of making her way to the starting line and of returning to port after the finish, without tows or other assistance.
7. Each yacht should carry enough fuel, water, and food to be self-sufficient for the duration of the course, as if cruising.
8. Each yacht must have a system such as jack lines, running from near the cockpit to the foredeck, so that the crew can move from the cockpit to the forestay without disconnecting the safety harness.
9. The required safety harness must be worn and attached to the yacht from the time the yacht leaves the dock until it is secured after finishing, except when the entrant is below decks.
10. A personal strobe light must be worn by each crewmember at all times when not below decks.
11. Life jackets are recommended to be worn at all times. It is required that a PFD be worn from sundown to sun-up and at all times during severe weather conditions. It must be marked with reflecting tape.
12. Each yacht must have a system for re-boarding in place at all times. This may include looped lines or a ladder.
13. A radar reflector must be in place above decks at all times.
14. Each yacht must have a system for self-steering.

Exceptions to category-3 requirements are as follows:

The man overboard pole, water light, horseshoe, and associated equipment are not required for SOLO yachts.

Inspection: All yachts will be subject to inspection, at any time. If any requirement 1 through 14 is not met, the yacht will be disqualified.

Entry Procedure: Send your completed entry form, your LM-PHRF Certificate (copy), proof of insurance and a check for (SOLO - \$95 or DH - \$120) to:

LMSS
Mike Kenny
759 Thorndale Drive
Elgin, IL 60120-8116

Applications will be received until August 4, 2017, unless the limit of yachts has been reached first. Late entries will be accepted until August 12th, but shirts and participation flags may not be available. Once accepted, the fee is non-refundable. However, if a refund is requested by August 4, 2017, one half of the fee will be returned. If an applicant is not accepted, the entire entry fee will be returned.

All questions should be directed to the LMSS, SOLO at the address above or via E-mail to mike@kenny.net

Q RACE CHALLENGE '17

18 August 2017



Entry Deadline: August 4, 2017

Division

SOLO
 Doublehanded

SKIPPER

CREW (Doublehanded ONLY)

NAME _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____
 STATE _____ ZIP _____
 DAY PHONE _____
 NIGHT PHONE _____
 E-MAIL _____
 YACHT NAME _____
 MODEL _____
 L.O.A. _____ DRAFT _____

NAME _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____
 STATE _____ ZIP _____
 DAY PHONE _____
 NIGHT PHONE _____
 E-MAIL _____
 SAIL # _____
 PHRF RATING _____ (SEND COPY)
 YACHT CLUB _____

Timely race fee includes one (Solo) or two (DH) Men's X-Large shirts. Please indicate if you want a different size: _____ . Sizes available are Men's S, M, L, XL, and XXL. (You may request a youth size, if unavailable, the closest size will be substituted.) Deadline is August 4.

NOTE: For this application to be complete, you must include:

- 2017 Lake Michigan PHRF Certificate (copy)
- Current insurance certificate (copy)
- Check to LMSS

DH Challenge	\$120.00
Solo Challenge	\$95.00
Total fees, make check out to LMSS	

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Notices of Events for 2017

Double Championship
Q Race

June 15, 2017
August 18, 2017

LMSS – In the spirit of adventure, self-reliance, competition, and camaraderie among sailors

Applications now also available at www.lmssonline.com

Race Applications
Enclosed

First Class

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Eglin, IL 60120-8116