



The “Turkey Trot” an OYC Pursuit Regatta Lake Norman, NC

An Open Event

November 7th, 2026

Organizing Authority & Host Club: Outrigger Yacht Club

Notice of Race & Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

- 1.1. This event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
 - 1.1.1.1 In particular, competitors will be well familiar with and adhere strictly to the “Basic Principles”, the entirety of Part 2 - “When Boats Meet,” RRS 31 – “Touching a Mark,” and RRS 44 - “Penalties at the time of an Incident.”
- 1.2. The Lake Norman Keelboat Council (LNKC), Lakewide Sailing Instructions (LSI), and Standard Sail Equipment Specifications apply.
- 1.3. Competitors agree to be bound by all rules that govern this event.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1. This event is open to any boat having an LNKC PHRF Rating or a Single-Event Rating as per the LSI. An LNKC PHRF Certificate Request form may be found at <http://lnkc.com/PHRF/DOCS/LNKC-RatingRequestForm.pdf>

3. REGISTRATION & FEES

- 3.1. Register by completing the Entry Form via Clubspot
- 3.2. Entry Form and payment must be received by 10:00 PM on Thursday, November 5.
- 3.3. Non-US Sailing – member Fee – \$20. US Sailing Member \$5 discount: Fee - \$15 (use code US Sailing).

4. CLASSES

- 4.1. Competitors may register for Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker, which may be further separated into divisions.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5.1. Warning Signal - 10:25:00 AM, Saturday, November 7th, 2026.
- 5.2. Make-up date is Saturday, November 14th, 2026.

6. RACING AREA

- 6.1. The LSI apply

7. COURSE

- 7.1. The course shall be from the starting area near the shoal marker across from Peninsula Yacht Club to I-77.

- 7.2. The three marks by the I-77 jetty will be signaled by 'D,' and any of these marks may be rounded. (See LSI Mark Map Page 8).

8. CHECKING IN

- 8.1. Check-in is required.
- 8.2. Start times will be communicated by email and/or text to registered skippers the night before the race and confirmed at check-in.

9. THE START

- 9.1. This regatta will be staged in the Pursuit Style format where the boat with highest PHRF rating (theoretically the slowest boat) starts first, and the boat with the lowest PHRF rating (theoretically the fastest boat) starts last.
- 9.2. Sailing instructions with course information and individual starting times will be emailed to all registrants by 7 PM of the evening before the race.
- 9.3. There will be one starting sequence for all fleets. The Class Flag will be the Numeral Flag 1. This changes LSI 10.1.
- 9.4. The Preparatory Signal will be Flag "P." Course signals, and any flag that makes part of Rule 30 applicable will be displayed prior to and separate from the starting sequence signals. This changes RRS 26 and the Preparatory Signals in Race Signals.
- 9.5. Competitors may operate their motors until five minutes before their scheduled start.
- 9.6. Boats will yield to those who are starting and remain clear of the starting area until five minutes prior to their scheduled start time.
- 9.7. Boats over early will be signaled with one sound signal and Flag X. However, Flag X will be lowered prior to the start of the next scheduled competitor. This changes RRS 29.1.

10. SCORING

- 10.1. The Time on Distance PHRF Scoring System will be used to determine boat starting times.
- 10.2. The Low Point Scoring System Applies
- 10.3. Boats will be scored in their order of finish.
- 10.4. One race will constitute a regatta. There will be no throw outs, which changes RRS A2.1.

11. PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

- 11.1. Competitors are encouraged to resolve all protests on the water according to the *rules*.
- 11.2. Protests will be lodged per LSI instructions.
- Scores will be posted but labeled as "Tentative" until the protest is resolved.

12. CANCELLATIONS

- 12.1. The Regatta may be cancelled by the Race Committee Authority if no PRO volunteer is found for the Race Committee Boat and competitors will be informed by email and/or text by 7pm on Friday November 6th and will be refunded.
- 12.2. Race Committee may determine beforehand to abandon racing or to postpone the Warning Signal. If so determined, competitors will be alerted by email and/or text by 8:00 AM on the race day
- 12.3. Forecasted wind for the anticipated duration of the race will average a minimum of 5 knots for the race to start.

13. PRIZES

13.1. No prize for the overall fleet.

13.2. Prizes will be awarded based on the number of competitors in each class as follows: 1-4 boats – 1 prize, 5 and more boats – 2 prizes.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

14.1. The Race Committee will monitor and may communicate via VHF channel 69 to inform competitors of safety information, or to hail boats that are OCS.

14.2. Any boat retiring before finishing should inform the R/C as soon as possible, either before leaving the racecourse, or immediately upon returning to shore.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

15.1. Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4 – Decision to Race.

The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, before, during, or after the event.

16. CONTACTS

16.1. There will be no skipper's meeting. Entrants with questions may contact Race Chairman Eric Surget by phone at 704-713-3118 or email at le.surget@gmail.com

Last changes reviewed and approved by OYC Racing Committee – August 30th, 2026