



2026 Lorna Whittelsey Weekend Indian Harbor Yacht Club

Saturday, September 26 & Sunday, September 27, 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

The 2026 Lorna Whittelsey Weekend Series is composed of two race events:

- Saturday, September 26: Lorna Whittelsey Women's Regatta (LWWR)
- Sunday, September 27: Lorna Sunday "Distance" Race (LSDR)

1. LORNA WHITTESEY WOMEN'S REGATTA (LWWR)

- 1.1. Multiple races around dropped marks
- 1.2. Windward/leeward likely
- 1.3. Part of the YRALIS Women's Trophy, the Andrea Watson Award, for the overall best performance in the Queen's Cup, Gillespie Regatta, Lorna Whittelsey Women's Regatta, and Mendez Trophy
- 1.4. The crew for the LWWR need not be the same as for the LSDR.
- 1.5. Further details in the Lorna Whittelsey Women's Regatta Sailing Instructions

2. LORNA SUNDAY "DISTANCE" RACE (LSDR)

- 2.1. One race around dropped marks, fixed Captain Harbor racing marks or government marks
- 2.2. Irregular combinations of windward, reaching and downwind likely
- 2.3. Two hours targeted to sail the course
- 2.4. The crew for the LSDR need not be the same as for the LWWR.
- 2.5. Further details in the Lorna Sunday "Distance" Race Sailing Instructions

3. RULES

- 3.1. Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing
- 3.2. Per rule 90.2(c), the sailing instructions may be changed on the water up until the warning signal
- 3.3. The Class Rules of the Ideal 18 Class shall apply except as modified by this Notice of Race.
 - 3.3.1. The hull surface below the top waterline stripe shall have an anti-fouling bottom paint or coating.
 - 3.3.2. Under RRS 87, class rule 13.4 Number of Crew is changed as follows: for the LWWR, the boat shall be raced with two women; for the LSDR, the boat shall be raced with two or three women
- 3.4. US Sailing Prescription Appendix V shall apply
- 3.5. All boats shall carry an operational VHF radio and monitor VHF 05A while on the water.

4. ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY & FEES

- 4.1. Both events are open to boats of the Ideal 18 class.
- 4.2. All competitors shall be women and the helmswomen shall be 18 years or older prior to the start of the event.
- 4.3. Entry shall be by registering online at theclubspot.com
- 4.4. The entry fee for the Series is \$285.00, or \$175.00 for Saturday only and/or \$110.00 for Sunday only.
 - 4.4.1. Entry fee includes lunch and dinner for two on Saturday, and brunch for two on Sunday
 - 4.4.2. Additional dinner tickets are \$65.00 and brunch tickets are \$45.00. These may be purchased online via theclubspot.com with registration or, if from a club with reciprocity, by making a reservation with the Indian Harbor Yacht Club Front Desk (203) 869-2484
- 4.5. Entries shall be made prior to Midnight on Tuesday, September 22, 2026.

5. LOANER BOATS

- 5.1. A limited number of loaner boats will be available.
- 5.2. Competitors interested in securing a loaner boat should contact IHYC Director of Yachting Tyler Peyatt (see notice 13).
 - 5.2.1. Priority will be given to competitors without Ideal 18s and from individuals located too far away to make sailing their boat practical.
 - 5.2.2. The OA encourages any competitors from local clubs to compete in their own boat.
- 5.3. Available Indian Harbor boats will be added to the loaner boat pool.
- 5.4. Additional boats may be secured by the Organizing Authority and added to the loaner boat pool.
- 5.5. Loaner boat competitors will be randomly assigned boats from the loaner boat pool.
- 5.6. All participants in the loaner boat pool shall provide the Organizing Authority with credit card payment details to cover the damage deposit of \$500.00, which, if not needed, will be disposed of after racing.

6. SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 26, LWWR

- 0830 Check-in
- 0900 Competitors briefing & boat draw
- 1030 First warning
- 1530 No race sequence started after this time
- 1700 Prize giving and dinner

Sunday, September 27, LSDR

- 0900 Check-in
- 0900 Competitors briefing & boat draw
- 1000 Warning signal
- 1230 Prize giving and brunch

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions for each event will be available online on or before September 25, 2026

8. VENUE & COURSES

- 8.1. Racing will be held inside Captain Harbor and, for the LSDR, may be held south of Captain Islands.
- 8.2. Courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

9. PENALTY SYSTEM

US Sailing Appendix V applies whereby the first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'

10. LWWR SCORING:

- 10.1. The scoring system will use Appendix A2
- 10.2. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series
- 10.3. All races shall count. This changes Appendix A2.1

11. PRIZES

- 11.1. Prizes will be awarded for first through third for both events
- 11.2. The LWWR will be awarded at the LWWR dinner
- 11.3. The LSDR will be awarded at the LSDR brunch

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the regatta.

13. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Event Chair: Elizabeth Tarbell, elizabeth.tarbell@gmail.com

Yachting Director: Tyler Peyatt, tpeyatt@indianharboryc.com

Principal Race Officer: Karen Lau

Organizing Authority & Technical Committee: Indian Harbor Yacht Club

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