



WEDNESDAY NIGHT AT THE RACES (WNATR)

Spring Series – May 17 – June 21

Summer Series – June 28 – Aug 9

Fall Series – August 16 – Sept 13

**Organizing Authority:
West Shore Sail Club (WSSC)**

2017 West Shore Sail Club Race Committee

Contact	– Position	Home	Cell
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Tim Lozon		(734) 775-2520	
WSSC Race Committee Members			
Contact	– Position	Home	Cell
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AFTERGLOWS
 After each race, WSSC invites all WNATR skippers and crew to join their fellow competitors for food, drink and camaraderie at Grosse Ile Yacht Club or Ford Yacht Club. GIYC will host the first 4 races. FYC will host the following 6, GIYC will host the last 5. Before the first warning signal, the race committee boat should announce on VHF Ch 71 the location of that evening's afterglow.

BACKSTAY PENNANTS GENEROUSLY DONATED BY DIEBALL SAILING (734-561-3099)

NOTICE OF RACE

1 MANAGEMENT AND RULES

- 1.1 This race will be under the management of WEST SHORE SAIL CLUB (WSSC) OFFICERS AND RACE COMMITTEE, which will have full and final authority in establishing the race articles and in interpreting the rules.
- 1.2 The RACING RULES of SAILING (RRS), and the prescriptions of the UNITED STATES SAILING ASSOCIATION, except as modified by this program, will govern all races.

2 ENTRY AND ELIGIBILITY

Entry is open to all boats with a valid PHRF certificate.

PHRF - Lake Erie (PHRF-LE) certificates will be required for all competitors home-ported within the PHRF-LE jurisdiction. Rating changes are to be mailed to WSSC-WNATR, 23251 Oak, Dearborn, MI 48128

- 1.3 Entry is open to all monohull sailing yachts. The Skipper must ensure that the yacht is safe and seaworthy. The minimum size for any yacht wishing to enter WNATR shall be 20 feet LOA with a valid PHRF certificate. Any protests regarding the seaworthiness of a yacht will be judged by the World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations – Category 4 ([http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/OSR2016Mo404012016-\[19873\].pdf](http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/OSR2016Mo404012016-[19873].pdf))

Cruising class ratings will be assigned at the discretion of the WNATR co-chairmen. See cruising class qualifications in Addendum A of the WSSC WNATR entry application.

Entry is made by completing and submitting the WSSC WNATR entry form and paying the appropriate fee(s) and registering on www.noticeofrace.net. Registration on www.noticeofrace.net is a prerequisite to scoring.

3 SKIPPERS' MEETING

An informational meeting for all competitors will be held at the Grosse Ile Yacht Club on Sunday, May 07, 2017 at 6 pm.



4 CLASSES TO RACE

Classes include Jib and Main (JAM), Spinnaker and Cruising.

Each class will be subdivided based on PHRF rating numbers and the number of competitors registered. The Organizing authority will publish a scratch sheet with sub-class assignments on www.noticeofrace.net at least seven (7) days prior to the first race in each series.

Class Flags will be distributed at the May 07 Skipper's meeting and shall be flown from the backstay at all times while racing.

A boat is not permitted to change classes after the first scored race of each series.

5 SCHEDULE

1.4	<u>Spring Series</u>	<u>Summer Series</u>	<u>Fall Series</u>
	May 17	June 28	Aug 16
	May 24	July 05	Aug 23
	May 31	July 12	Aug 30
	June 14	Aug 02	Sept 06
	June 21	Aug 09	Sept 13

1.5 The first warning signal will be made at 6:50 pm.

1.6 One (1) race is scheduled each day.

1.7 Three (3) races are required to constitute a series.

6 SCORING

The provisions of RRS A9 shall apply (Race Scores in a Series Longer than a Regatta).

In accordance with RRS A2, up to two (2) races may be excluded in each series after three (3) races have been completed.

Volunteer race committee signal boats will be awarded a 1st place finish in their class in that race. The scores of other boats shall not be changed for that race.

7 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats except as provided in the sailing instructions. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

The Race Committee will make general announcements on and monitor VHF channel 71.

8 RELEASE OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See US Sailing RRS rule 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation prior to, during, or after this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent of the law. This signed release of liability shall be effective for any and all West Shore Sail Club races during this calendar year.

9 INSURANCE

The owner of each participating boat is responsible to maintain liability insurance on his or her vessel.

10 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact any member of the WSSC Race Committee.



West Shore Sail Club

Presents
Another exciting year of

Wednesday Night at the Races

2017

Spring Series

	Afterglow
May 17	GIYC
May 24	GIYC
May 31	GIYC
June 14	GIYC
June 21	FYC

Summer Series

	Afterglow
June 28	FYC
July 5	FYC
July 12	FYC
August 2	FYC
August 9	FYC

Fall Series

	Afterglow
August 16	GIYC
August 23	GIYC
August 30	GIYC
September 6	GIYC
September 13	GIYC

Each entrant must fill out the application below AND must sign up on noticeofrace.net. If you do not sign up on noticeofrace.net you will not get scored. If you have trouble signing up on noticeofrace.net there will be an opportunity and assistance to sign up at the skippers meeting on May 7, 2017. The skipper's meeting will be held at the Grosse Ile Yacht Club Sunday, May 7, 2017 @ 6:00 pm. At this meeting, race packets will be given out and important information about changes in the race program for 2017 will be discussed. Please plan on attending or have a representative pick up your packet!

Other 2017 WSSC Races / Events Open to all Sailors

<p>July 1, 2017 WSSC Regatta Lighthouse Challenge WSSC Members: \$55 Non Members: \$60 Includes dinner and refreshments for Skipper</p>	<p>June 17, 2017 WSSC Double Handed WSSC Members: \$35 Non Members: \$40</p>
<p>September 3 WSSC/FYC/GIYC Jack & Jill WSSC Members: \$35 Non Members: \$40</p>	<p>October 20, 2017 WSSC WNATR Awards Night @ Mr. Nicks</p>





West Shore Sail Club
2017 Race Entry Application

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Section 1 – Skipper and Boat Information - Please Print

Name:			
Address	City:	State:	Zip:
eMail:		Phone:	
Vessel Name:	Sail No:	PHRF Rating*:	

(Attach 2017 Valid PHRF-LE Rating Certificate)

Type of Boat _____ (i.e. C&C 26, etc.)
 Spin JAM Cruising (Class - Circle One)

Race results will be emailed. If you wish to receive a copy please supply the following for each crew member:

Name:	Email:

Section 2 – Race Committee

For WNATR - WSSC members will perform committee boat duties or find a suitable alternative if selected.

Note: Non-members of WSSC may serve as committee boat. Non-members, please **Circle** one of the following:

I desire I do not mind I am not willing – to serve as WNATR committee boat

Section 3 - WNATR Course Cards

Course Cards will be available on the WSSC webpage www.westshoresailclub.org if you need additional copies of them.



Section 4 – Fees and Entry Deadline

If you do not have a valid PHRF-LE certificate, we unfortunately can no longer assign you a rating. Please call a PHRF-LE area handicapper or measurer who will gladly measure you for racing. Send the appropriate papers to PHRF-LE who will then assign a rating.

Event	Dates	Class - circle one	WSSC Members	Non-Members	Remit
All WNATR Series	Spring Summer, Fall	Spinnaker – JAM - Cruising	\$110	\$130	
Spring	May 17, 24, 31. June 14, 21	Spinnaker – JAM - Cruising	\$55	\$65	
Summer	June 28, July 5, 15, Aug 2, 9	Spinnaker – JAM - Cruising	\$55	\$65	
Fall	Aug 16, 23, 30, Sept 6, 13	Spinnaker – JAM - Cruising	\$55	\$65	

*Please make checks payable to: **West Shore Sail Club***

*Mail to: Chris McCardell
23251 Oak
Dearborn, MI 48128*

Total

Entry Deadline for WNATR:

Entries must be received *no later than May 3, 2017 @ 5 pm*. WE NEED TO SET UP RACE PACKETS AND PREPARE SCRATCH SHEETS so please get entries in on time! (An additional \$15 fee will apply to late entries *Also note, entries received after the deadline may not appear on the scratch sheet for the first race and may not be scored.*)

Section 5 – Release of Liability

1. My crew and I recognize that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury associated with it. We have read US Sailing RRS 4, Decision to Race and hereby acknowledge and agree that we are participating in this event entirely at our own risk.
2. I acknowledge and agree that neither the organizing authority nor the race committee, nor their members, will be responsible for
 - a) Any damage to the entered boat or my other property, or
 - b) Any injury to myself or my crew, including death, sustained as a result of the participation of myself, my crew and the boat in this event.
3. I hereby waive any rights I may have to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) with respect to personal injury or property damage suffered by myself or my crew as a result of our participation in this event and hereby release the race organizers from any liability for such injury or damage to the fullest extent permitted by law.
4. I have taken all necessary steps to ensure that myself, my crew and the entered boat are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law or that a prudent seaman would consider advisable.
5. **I understand this document has important legal consequences and have consulted such legal and other advisors as I deem appropriate before signing. This signed form is valid for any and/or all West Shore Sail Club races during this calendar year.**

Skippers Signature:

Insurance Company:

Date:



Yacht/Sail Club Affiliation:

US Sailing Membership No:

Addendum A



2017 WSSC WNATR Cruising Information

Fill out completely if your vessel does not have a PHRF-LE certificate and you plan to race in Cruising Class

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

FOR BOATS WITHOUT AN EXISTING RATING ONLY (Cruising class only):				If you DO NOT have a valid PHRF-LE certificate you will be assigned a rating based on the information you provide below. You will NOT be penalized.			
Boat Class (type):				Length Overall:		Length at waterline:	
Motor		Propeller:			Headsail		
Inboard	Outboard	Folding or feathering	2-blade fixed	3-blade fixed	Roller furling Y N	Sail Material	Covering Material & weight (e.g. 4 oz. Sunbrella)
Other performance or weight features (e.g. Tall Mast, Wing or Shoal keel, headsail LP > 155%, etc.)							
Please list any modifications from as delivered from manufacturer (e.g. removed berths, stove, head, etc.):							

Race results will be posted at NoticeofRace.net

