2020 Celebrate On The Lake Regatta Human Powered Racing
Instructions
27 September 2020 :: Center for Wooden Boats, South Lake Union, Seattle

1 Race Management

All races are under the management of the Race Committee (RC) and the Harbormaster for The Center for Wooden Boats (CWB). The RC Boats and Support Boats will monitor VHF channel 68.

2 Rules

2.1 Principal Racing Rules

Principle rules are:

Rule 2, Fair Play - A boat and her owner shall compete in compliance with recognized principles of sportsmanship and fair play. A boat may be penalized under this rule only if it is clearly established that these principles have been violated. The penalty shall be either disqualification or disqualification that is not excludable.

Rule 14, Avoid Contact – Even if a boat has right-of-way, it must avoid a collision whenever it becomes apparent that the other boat is not keeping clear.

2.2 Be a Good Neighbor

Please be mindful of our neighbors on the lake, including seaplanes, kayaks, electric boats, and hot tub boats. Competitors are encouraged to avoid recreational vessels that may be unaware of the right of way rules.

2.3 Protests

This is a FUN regatta; no protests will be heard by the RC. However, if a foul is incurred, the offending boat is expected to comply with the RRS and complete a 360 penalty turn. Competitors involved in a collision resulting in damage or injury must fill out a CWB Incident Form after returning to the dock. Collisions and contact must be avoided! If a collision does occur, at the discretion of the RC, one or both boats may be disqualified.

3 Equipment and Safety

3.1 Risk

Boating is an activity that carries an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is the racer’s alone. The race organizers will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability.

3.2 Personal Flotation Devices (PFD)

All participants shall wear a PFD at all times while on the water from the start of racing to the end of racing each day.

4 Notice to Competitors
Any change to the Rowing Instructions will be announced during the Skippers’ Meeting. A Skipper’s Meetings will be held 1 hour prior to start of racing (Saturday, September 27).

5 Racing Area, Courses, and Marks

5.1 Mark Locations
Racing will occur on Lake Union. Course areas and the general location of marks will be announced at the Skippers’ Meeting and will be posted at the boathouse on the day of racing. (Location of marks, as depicted, is not intended to be precise.)

5.2 X, Y, & Z Marks
The starting/finishing line will be located in the southeast quadrant of the Lake. Course markers “X”, “Y”, “Z” are orange or green or white temporary, buoys, approximately 24” in diameter, and set in the southeast portion of the Lake. “F” and “RC” represent the starting/finishing line. All starts are to windward.

5.3 The Course for each race will be announced at the Skipper’s Meeting. The course will also be available at the RC boat once on the water. The course description is a series of letters indicating the marks and their required sequence.

5.4 All marks are to be rounded to port

6 The Start
The starting sequence for the small boat course is defined by the following corresponding sounds and flags: 

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6.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying a red flag on the RC boats and the port end starting mark. The starting mark will be a buoy, approximately 24” in diameter.

7 The Finish

7.1 The finishing line will be between the same markers as the starting line.

8 Scoring

8.1 Races will be scored based on first to cross the finish line in each class.

9 Awards

An Awards Ceremony will be held at the conclusion of racing. First, second, and third place will be announced, with each place finisher receiving a prize.

We are also introducing a Racing in Style Award. Whoever competes with the most style will receive the award. Style can include costumes, decorations, musicality, etc. Have fun with it!