

Little Traverse Yacht Club

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Notice of Race Spring/Summer/Fall Tuesday Night Series 2026

The Organizing Authority is the Little Traverse Yacht Club

1. Rules

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* including the US Sailing Prescriptions.
- 1.2 Class Rules will apply for J/70's and Alerion 28's unless waived by the Fleet Captain and posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 1.3 All boats competing in any LTYC sponsored series shall carry safety gear conforming to USCG regulations, Michigan DNR rules and the US Sailing RRS.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 These races are open to sailing yachts whose owners or charterers are members of the LTYC.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the LTYC registration forms on yacht scoring and paying the required

entry fee prior to the start of each series.

- 2.3 A valid 2026 MWPHRF Rating Certificate is required for all boats racing PHRF.

3. **Schedule**

3.1 **Spring Series:** June 2, 9, 16, 23, 2026

3.2 **Summer Series:** June 30, July 7, 14, 21, 28, August 4, 11, 2026

3.3 **Fall Series:** August 18, 25, September 1, 8, 15, 2026.

3.4 The Tuesday Night Series will be divided into four Classes PHRF, J/70, Alerion 28 and JAM (PHRF Jib and Main).

3.5 The starting sequence for each series will be designated in the SI's.

3.6 The scheduled time of the warning signal for each day is 1755 (5:55 pm).

4. **Fees:**

Season Pass: all 3 series \$600.

Please register for **the summer series** first and then check the box for Spring and/or Fall series.

Spring Series: \$180 (only)

Summer Series: \$450 (only)

Fall Series: \$ 200 (only)

5. Measurement:

5.1 Boats shall obtain a 2026 MWPHRF rating certificate and inform Adam Lowry or Dave Gerber. (Alerion 28 and unmodified J/70 are exempt)

5.2 Measurement or inspection may be performed by the Fleet Captain or his/ her designee at any time.

6. Notification of Amendment to Sailing Instructions:

6.1 The Official Notice Board is located on yacht scoring

6.2 Notices may also be distributed by email and posted on the LTYC bulletin board for the convenience of competitors.

6.3 Any change to the Sailing Instructions shall be posted at least two (2) hours before a scheduled start.

7. Penalties and Protests:

7.1 **RRS** Appendix V1 will apply: The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.

7.2 A yacht intending to protest shall (unless circumstances make it impossible) inform the Race Committee aboard the Committee Boat of her intent at the time of her finish.

7.3 Protests must be submitted to the Race Committee at LTYC within 60 minutes of the docking of the Race Committee boat. All protests should be submitted on the US Sailing Protest Form available at the LTYC Clubhouse and yacht scoring. If possible, the protest will be heard very shortly after the protest is filed.

7.4 Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: (2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or

8. Scoring:

8.1 Each series will be scored using the Low Point Scoring System in RRS Appendix A4, except that Appendix A2.1 is modified as follows:

- 8.1.1 For the Spring Tuesday Night Series, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. (No throw-outs).
- 8.1.2 For the Summer Tuesday Night Series, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst race score. (One throw-out.) Minimum of 6 races to apply.
- 8.1.3 For the Fall Tuesday Night Series, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst race score. (One throw-out). Minimum of 5 races to apply.

8.2 One race constitutes a series.

9. **Venue:** Races will be held on Little Traverse Bay. The Race Committee will announce (via VHF radio – channel 73) the location of the starting line approximately 30 minutes prior to the first warning signal.

10. **Courses:** No later than the warning signal for that fleet, the course for each fleet shall be displayed on the Race Committee boat. The Race Committee may designate different courses for different fleets. At the discretion of the RC, or under unusual

circumstances, the courses or other instructions may be announced on VHF 73.

11. Communication: Each boat shall carry an operating VHF radio capable of receiving and transmitting on Channel 16 and 73.

12. Prizes: Award Flags will be presented in each series.

13. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See Rule 3, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for the material damage, or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the races.

14. Code of Conduct

Each yacht owner is solely responsible for the conduct of his crew, before, during and after racing, afloat and ashore. Any questions, concerns or feedback in regard to the Race Committee or other race related issues should be directed solely to the Sailing Committee Chairman, Adam Lowry. Conduct deemed unbecoming to a yachtsperson may result in disciplinary action and possible disqualification.

15. Further Information: Contact [Adam Lowry 415-722-0379](tel:415-722-0379)
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