

Notice of Race
Eighteenth Annual Optimist Red White and Blue Chip Regatta
LaBelle Yacht Club, Oconomowoc, WI
Sunday, August 11 thru Tuesday, August 13, 2019

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1. Events

Headquarters: Shorehaven, 1305 W Wisconsin Ave. Oconomowoc, WI 53066

Launching and Check-in: Sunday 4 – 7 p.m. and Monday 7:30 – 9 a.m. **Fun Race:** Sunday 6:00 p.m.

Opening Ceremony: 8:30 am Monday

Competitors' and Parents' Briefings: 9 a.m. Monday

First Race Warning: 10:00 AM Monday. Subsequent races and schedule will be announced.

See separate Schedule of Events for more details on LabelleYachtClub.org

2. Fleets: White Fleet (10 years and under)
Blue Fleet (11 – 12 years) *Ages as of August 11, 2019.*
Red Fleet (13 – 16 years)

3. Eligibility: Competitors must be invited to participate based on regatta finishes at designated qualifying regattas or by receiving a Club Invitation (each ILYA area club with active Opti sailors may award on the criteria they determine).

4. Fees and Registration: \$130 per sailor. **Must be received by August 5, 2019 at Noon** for name to be included on t-shirt. Includes: two lunches and snacks for sailor, sailor souvenir, regatta award, Sunday Snacks, Youth Party for sailor (supper) and more! Online registration and payment is available at: LabelleYachtClub.org. Forms for printout are also available.

Note: While registering, please be sure to register and pay for the Monday night youth party for any siblings or guests who are attending the regatta with you. Lunches beyond those for the skipper may also be ordered as part of registration.

5. Rules:

5.1 The regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, the class rules of the United States Optimist Dinghy Association, and these race documents.

5.2 RRS Appendix S, Standard sailing instructions will be used. A supplement to the SSIs will be published to the regatta website and will be made available at registration. This satisfies RRS 25.

5.3 The boat sailed must be the same boat used by the sailor in the event that he/she became eligible to receive the regatta invitation. Each sailor will be provided with a hull number that must be adhered to both sides of the hull within 6 inches of the bow. Be sure to mark boat parts, i.e. rudder, center board with your sail number.

5.4 Coast Guard approved (law) life jackets with a whistle must be worn at all times while on the water and on Regatta piers or boats.

5.5 The hull shall be fitted with three inflated air bags and a functional bailer

5.6 Boats will not be weighed and measured or otherwise checked on a regular basis, although regatta committee members may inspect any boat for compliance with class rules.

5.7 Regulations will be announced for parents and other spectators at the Parents' Briefing.

These will include but are not limited to maintaining a distance of at least **150 feet** from the nearest sailboat.

6 Each sailor is required to have a parent or other designated adult in attendance that will indicate in writing that he/she is responsible for the sailor's wellbeing at the regatta.

7 Communication

7.1 Any communication between parents or coaches while racing is strictly prohibited and may result in a penalty to the competitor.

7.2 All electronic devices used for communication are prohibited while on the water (e.g. cell phone or radios).

8. Judges and Instructors: Experienced Judges, Race Committee and Jury members will be used. Sailing school instructors are not required to attend this regatta but are welcomed. Those attending will be provided with special instructor services, i.e. complimentary lunches and hosted lodging, if requested.

9. Awards: All participants will receive a regatta award for their Overall finish; top ten receive trophies. In addition, the Traveling RWB Chip trophy will be given to First Place Overall, as are Top Three trophies for each fleet (White, Blue, Red) and Race Winner prizes for each completed race. Other prizes may also be awarded.

10. Launching: Coaches and parents, please only bring trailers or vehicles with Opti boats to launching area. Motorized boats can be parked in NW lot or across the street during launching times. This will help eliminate congestion.

11. Watching the Regatta

Spectator Boats: LYC will provide *plenty* of spectator boats. Regatta guests are encouraged to use LYC boats.

Coach Boats and Personal Spectator Boats: Public launch is available at the Oconomowoc City Launch. Cost/day is approximately \$10 to \$20, dependent upon boat size. No pier space will be available at the regatta site; you will need to bring a mooring for all coach boats and any personal spectator boats. Taxi boats will be provided for moored boats.

12. Overnight Storage: Optis may be kept at the Shorehaven regatta site at a place to be announced. Coach and spectator boats will need to be moored. Boat trailers will be parked in an area of the Shorehaven facility to be announced. LYC accepts no responsibility for equipment.

13. Lodging: Hilton Garden Inns (262-200-2222) Staybridge Suites (877-238-8889)

Zebra Mussels: Unfortunately, LaBelle has them. Consequently we will not be washing boats off at launching. Boats may be washed off at the end of the regatta

Directions: Oconomowoc is about 40 miles east of Madison and 35 miles west of Milwaukee. Take I-94 (the interstate that connects Illinois and Minnesota with Wisconsin) to exit #282, Highway 67. Take HWY 67 about 3 miles, passing Whitman Plaza where HWY 67 becomes Summit Avenue. Take Summit Avenue to Main Street near the railroad tracks. Turn right. Take left at next stoplight which is Wisconsin Avenue, proceed west on Wisconsin Ave about 1.5 miles to Shorehaven.

Boats can be unloaded in loading zone in front of Center, or drive to other side of beach to the launch parking lot.