

Shreveport

Yacht Club

2905 MUNICIPAL PIER ROAD

SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

September 1, 1972

Dear MC Skipper:

We take pleasure in announcing the Second MC National Championship Regatta to be held at the Shreveport Yacht Club October 6-8, 1972. In addition to the schedule shown in the pamphlet, the following will take place at the SYC clubhouse:

Friday, October 6, 1972

Free Covered Dish Dinner

7:00 P.M.

Saturday, October 7, 1972

Free Cocktail Party

5:30 P.M.

Dinner

8:00 P.M.

MC Class Official Meeting

9:00 P.M.

Lunches will be available at the clubhouse during the regatta.

Seven races are scheduled. Association Rules require that at least four of the seven be sailed. If five or more are completed, one throw-out will be allowed.

Local law and the Race Committee require that each yacht have aboard the following equipment:

1. Coast Guard Approved Life Preserver for each person aboard.
2. Anchor with adequate line.
3. Bailing device and paddle.

You are reminded that the minimum weight rule (440 pounds) will be enforced so you skippers of new boats be sure your boat meets this requirement.

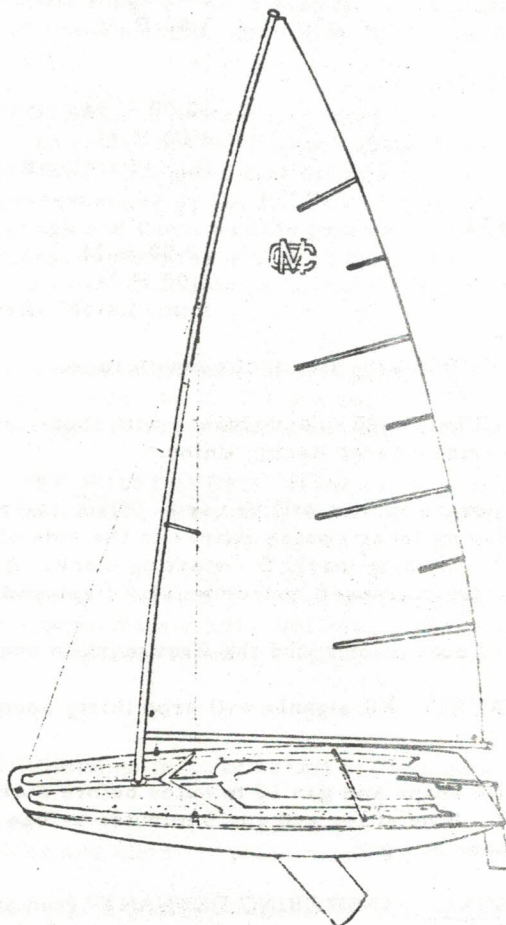
The Shreveport host fleet will accomodate all out of town participants in private homes. As soon as we receive your registration form we will assign you to a member of the SYC fleet and he will communicate with you directly. So complete and return the registration form as soon as you can.

Sincerely,

Harry W. Protzeller
Regatta Chairman

UNITED STATES NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA
of the
INTERNATIONAL MC CLASS SAILBOAT RACING ASSOCIATION

October 6 - 8, 1972



Fleet Number 1 Host
Shreveport Yacht Club
Shreveport, Louisiana

REGATTA RACE INSTRUCTIONS

SCHEDULE:

Friday, October 6, 1972

Registration:	10:00 A. M. - 1:00 P. M.
Weigh In:	10:00 A. M. - 1:00 P. M.
Skippers Meeting:	2:00 P. M.
First Race:	3:00 P. M.

Saturday, October 7, 1972

Second Race:	10:00 A. M.
Third Race:	2:00 P. M.
Fourth Race:	Immediately after third race

Sunday, October 8, 1972

Fifth Race:	10:00 A. M.
Sixth Race:	2:00 P. M.
Seventh Race	Immediately after sixth race

Presentation of trophies following finish of seventh race.

RULES: All races will be sailed in accordance with these instructions and the current rules of the North American Yacht Racing Union.

THE COURSES: Temporary marks will be used. Also, the course to be sailed will be designated by displaying these course letters on the side of the Committee Boat: W - windward mark; T - turning mark; S - starting mark. A red shape for port course or green shape for starboard course will be displayed with the course letters.

TIME LIMIT: The lead boat must round the first mark in one hour.

STARTS: Standard NAYRU. All signals will drop thirty seconds before the next signal is made.

WARNING: White shape and gun 10 minutes before start of first class.

PREPARATORY: Blue shape and gun 5 minutes before start.

START: Red shape and gun

POSTPONEMENT SIGNAL: "ANSWERING PENNANT" (red and white vertical stripes) and two guns mean all races not started are postponed. It does not indicate any definite length of time. The next starting signal will be the warning shape or 10 minute gun.

RECALL SIGNAL: Yellow pennant with blue border and two guns mean fleet start is recalled. Recalled fleets will maintain their order of start. The first starting signal after a recall, or postponement, made within the 5 minute period may be the preparatory signal: blue shape.

CANCELLATION OR ABANDONED SIGNAL: Code Flag "N" (blue and white checker-board) and two guns mean all races including those in progress are cancelled or abandoned. May be re-sailed at the discretion of the Race Committee.

OFF FOR THE DAY: Code Flag "O" (red and yellow) and two guns mean all races including those in progress are off for the day.

SHORT COURSE SIGNAL: Code Flag "S" (blue square on white field) and two guns mean finish between the next mark and the Committee Boat. No course will be shortened to less than four legs.

MAKING AND FILING A PROTEST: A protest flag must be flown in accordance with with NAYRU rules. It must be called to the attention of the Race Committee Boat immediately upon finishing and the class and sail number of the protesting yacht and the yacht being protested acknowledged by the RC Boat. A yacht which displays a protest flag must follow through and file a written protest. The protest must be filed in writing with the Protest Committee within an hour after the finish of the protested race, or in the case of races sailed back-to-back, within an hour after the second race.

SAFETY EQUIPMENT: Each yacht must have aboard adequate and approved life saving equipment for each person on board. They must also have an anchor with adequate line aboard. Also required are a paddle and a bailing device.

REQUIRED WEARING OF LIFE PRESERVERS: If the race committee flies a life preserver, each person on board all boats racing shall wear an approved life saving jacket.

REPORTING AT FINISH: After the finish of the last race of each day, the first three boats to finish shall report - immediately after finishing - to the stake boat anchored beyond the finish line for a check of their safety equipment.

SCORING:

1. Each yacht which finishes in a race shall score points as follows:
 - a. First place 3/4 point
 - b. Second place and after place number
2. Each yacht which starts a race but does not finish, including yachts which infringe rules and retire from the race course within a reasonable time, shall score the points for a last place finish based upon the total number of yachts which started that race.

SCORING CONTINUED

3. Each yacht which infringes rules but does not retire from the race course within a reasonable time, or which is disqualified with or without protest, shall score the points for a last place finish, based upon the number of yachts which started that race, plus ten per cent of the number of yachts which started that race. If this formula shall result in a score containing a fractional point, it shall be raised to the next higher whole point.
4. A yacht which fails to start a race shall, for that race, receive the points for a last place finish, based upon the total number of yachts which registered to complete in the series less the number of yachts registered which fail to start at least one race in the series.
5. Should the Protest Committee determine that a yacht has been materially prejudiced by rules infringement by another yacht, the committee may score the prejudiced yacht by averaging its points in all other races of the series, to the nearest tenth of a point, and awarding the result as the prejudiced yacht's score for the race in which it was materially prejudiced.
6. The yacht (or skipper, where applicable) having the lowest total score after the last race of the series shall be deemed the victor.
7. In the event that there shall be two or more yachts having the same score, the tie shall be broken in favor of the yacht having the greater number of first place finishes. If a tie shall remain, the greater number of second place finishes shall control, and so on, until the tie shall be broken. If this method shall fail to resolve the tie, the tie shall stand as the final placings of the series; except that in the case of National or International Championships, the race committee may require yachts tied for first place to sail one additional race, in which only the tied yachts shall compete, in order to resolve the tie.