Lake Champlain Yacht Club - Odziozo Race Saturday, June 24, 2017

The 45th Consecutive Running in 2017

The Oziozo Race is one of the optional races for the LCCS Champlain Series.

- For the LCCS Notice of Series, see http://lcchampionshipseries.org.
- For the LCYC Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions, Courses, and on-line Race Registration see http://lcyc.info/racing. To be scored you must register and have a current PHRF rating.

This race was created in 1982 as one of the Lake Champlain Racing Conference races sponsored by LCYC (the Macdonough was the other). Since 1968, when LCRC was formed, the Ladies Cup Regatta had doubled as an LCRC race, with a second race a day later to provide the two-race LCRC format. In 1982 the Board of Governors ruled that the Ladies Cup Race should henceforth be a stand-alone event, and the need for a replacement LCRC race came about. The Odziozo two-day regatta was the result.

After the LCRC ended, the club decided to keep the Odziozo in its schedule as a one-day event with racers from other clubs invited to participate in the hope that the race would continue in its intended purpose to foster cross-club competition.

This race is named after the central figure in the Abenaki legend of creation. The Abenaki believed that upon completing the creation of the earth, Odziozo, the creator of land, water and light turned himself into the small rocky outcropping between Shelburne Point and Juniper Island currently known as Rock Dunder, to always admire his final and best creation, Lake Champlain.

The race features a single race, mostly or totally in the broad lake, using LCYC racing marks, government marks, or both. There are over 90 course options, grouped by wind direction; these course options are listed in the race documents in the LCYC website noted above.

There is a skippers' meeting at 0900 at the clubhouse the morning of the race. However, the Racing Rules of Sailing prohibit on-shore changes to the Sailing Instructions, so if you cannot make the meeting just look for the race committee boat to view the displayed course number. The RC boat monitors Ch 72 if you have any questions not covered by race documents.

There never have been any class trophies for this race. The only trophy is the Adventure Trophy for first overall on corrected time. But if you contest in the race you will be scored not only in the Odziozo Race but in the LCCS Champlain Series as well.

If you would like to come to LCYC before the race, we have a few guest moorings available by reservation; or you could anchor in Sled Runner cove north of the club or off Allen Hill to the south. In either case, please make advance arrangements with the club stewards for a mooring reservation, tie up space for your dinghy, or possible pickup at your anchorage by a club member. <u>During club operating hours</u> (1100 to 2100 weekdays, 0900 to 2100 weekends & holidays) the clubhouse phone number is 802-985-3372 and the stewards monitor Ch 12.