

2024 LAKE CHAMPLAIN CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

This NOS supersedes any prior NOS
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1.0 SERIES FORMATS

1.1 Spinnaker Championship Series - All-Classes:

This segment of the Series provides a **high point** scoring format for all Spinnaker Class boats from anywhere on Lake Champlain to compete for the **Griswold Cannon Trophy**. The Cannon (and companion **Cannonball Trophy**) is the only trophy and is awarded to the boat ranked **first overall** in this series.

1.2 Spinnaker Championship Series - Classes B & C:

This segment of the Series provides a **high point** scoring format for Spinnaker Class B & C boats from anywhere on Lake Champlain to compete for the **Samuel de Champlain Trophy***. This is the only trophy and is awarded to the boat ranked **first overall** among all boats in combined Classes B & C in this series.

* This former LCRC trophy replaced the Canada Goose Trophy in 2019.

1.3 Individual Class Championship Series:

This segment of the Series provides a **high point** scoring format for Spinnaker and JaM Class boats from anywhere on Lake Champlain to compete for **Class First-Place Trophies**.

1.4 Spinnaker Class A Thouron Series:

This segment of the Series provides a **low point** scoring series for Spinnaker Class A boats from anywhere on Lake Champlain to compete for the **Thouron Trophy**.

2.0 CLASSES DEFINED

Spinnaker A	PHRF < 93
Spinnaker B	PHRF 93 - 126
Spinnaker C	PHRF > 126
Jib and Main A	PHRF < 159
Jib and Main B	PHRF ≥ 159

3.0 SERIES RACES

Royal Savage	Malletts Bay BC	Sat	June	8
Odziozo	Lake Champlain YC	Sat	June	15
Mayor's Cup	Plattsburgh Sunrise Rotary	Sat	July	6
Valcour	Plattsburgh Sunrise Rotary	Sun	July	7
Lake Champlain	Mallets Bay BC	Fri	July	12
Mid-Lake	Lake Champlain YC	Sat	July	20
Ladies Cup	Lake Champlain YC	Sat	Aug	3
Diamond Island	Diamond Island YC	Sat	Aug	10
Split Rock	Diamond Island YC	Sun	Aug	11
Macdonough	Lake Champlain YC	Sat	Sept	14

4.0 ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to be scored in any of the Lake Champlain Championship Series a boat must have a current Lake Champlain PHRF rating. There is no formal Series registration process - all boats that compete in any of the named races will be scored for the appropriate Series. Clubs or sponsoring organizations may require registration for their races – check with them for details.

5.0 RULES

Each individual race listed above shall be governed by the rules of its sponsoring club or organization as described in their Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for that race.

6.0 SCORING –SPINNAKER CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

- 6.1** To contend in this Series a boat must compete in more than 50% of all races run including at least one of the two overnight races. For 2024 ten races are scheduled, so the minimum number of races for scoring is six. If a boat competes in more than that minimum it will be scored on its best six races of the ten.
- 6.2** At least six of the ten races, including one overnight race, must be run to constitute a Series.
- 6.3** Races in this Series will be scored by applying a **high-point scoring system** to official race result data obtained from the sponsoring club or organization of that race. A boat gets one Series point for starting, one point for finishing, and one point for each Spinnaker Class boat beaten in that race.
- 6.4** A boat that does not appear on a club's or organization's score sheet for a given race will be considered as not having competed in that race.
- 6.5** This series compiles scores of races run by others, hence RRS A9 does not apply.
- 6.6** The **Spinnaker Championship Series** will use overall scores. Class scores will not be calculated.
- 6.7** If there is a series-score tie between two or more boats the following rules will be used on all results, including dropped races:
- 6.7.1** Ties shall be broken in favor of the boat that competed in the most races.
 - 6.7.2** If a tie still remains it shall be broken in favor of the boat with the best combined score in races in which each/all competed.
 - 6.7.3** If a tie still remains it shall be broken in favor of the boat with the best combined score in the two overnight races.
 - 6.7.4** If a tie still remains it shall be broken using RRS A8.2.

7.0 SCORING – INDIVIDUAL CLASS CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

7.1 To contend in this Series a boat may compete in any of the ten series races.

7.2 At least six of the ten races must be run to constitute a Series.

7.3 Races in this Series will be scored by applying a **high-point scoring system** to official race result data obtained from the sponsoring club or organization of that race. A boat gets one Series point for starting, one point for finishing, and one point for each boat beaten in its LCCS class in that race. All designated races will be counted.

7.4 A boat that does not appear on a club's or organization's score sheet for a given race will be considered as not having competed in that race.

7.5 Because no races are required to be completed, Appendix A does not apply. Instead, ties in this Series will be broken as follows:

7.5.1 If there is a series-score tie between two or more boats in a given class the ties shall be broken in favor of the boat that competed in the most races.

7.5.2 If a tie still remains it shall be broken in favor of the boat with the best combined score in races in which each/all competed.

7.5.3 If a tie still remains it shall be broken in favor of the boat whose best individual race score was against the most competitors in their class.

7.5.4 If a tie still remains it shall be broken in favor of the boat with the best combined score in the two overnight races.

7.5.5 In the unforeseen situation where a tie still remains, the winner shall be determined by the LCCS Management Committee, whose decision shall be final.

8.0 SCORING – THOURON SERIES - SPINNAKER CLASS A

8.1 To contend in this Series a boat must compete in eight of the ten races scheduled, including at least one of the two overnight races. If a boat competes in more than the minimum it will be scored on its best eight races.

8.2 At least six of the ten races must be run to constitute a Series.

8.3 This series compiles scores of races run by others, hence RRS A9 does not apply.

8.4 Results will be computed using **low-point scoring**.

8.5 Ties in this Series will be broken as follows:

8.5.1 Ties will be broken by applying RRS A8.1.

8.5.2 If a tie still remains it shall be broken in favor of the boat that competed in the most races.

8.5.3 If a tie still remains it shall be broken using RRS A8.2.

9.0 POSTING RESULTS

Series scores will be posted on the Series' website at lchampionshipseries.org as soon as possible after each race.

10.0 AWARDS

10.1 Spinnaker Championship Series - All Classes:

- **Griswold Cannon Trophy** – awarded to the boat scoring first overall in the Series races. In 2014 Mary Griswold donated the Griswold Cannon Trophy to LCYC in honor of her parents, Steele and Terry. The Cannon is not a traveling trophy and remains in the possession and care of LCYC.
- **1776 Cannonball Trophy** – this travelling trophy, a bronze casting of a British cannonball from the Battle of Valcour in 1776, emblematic of winning the Cannon Series, is awarded to the Cannon winner as well.

10.2 Spinnaker Championship Series - Classes B & C:

- **Samuel de Champlain Trophy – this former Lake Champlain Racing Conference Trophy** is awarded to the spinnaker boat scoring first overall in combined Classes B & C in the Series races. If a Class B or C boat wins the Spinnaker All Classes Championship, this trophy shall be awarded to the second-place finisher in this Series.
- **The Samuel de Champlain Trophy** is a traveling trophy.

10.3 Individual Class Championship Series:

- Recognition will be given to first, second, and third in each class;
- A traveling trophy, a photographic copy of a 1765 Survey of Lake Champlain, will be awarded to the boat that finishes first overall in its class.

10.4 Thouron Spinnaker Class A Series:

- **Thouron Trophy** - Presented by the Crew of Dunder in 2015, this traveling trophy is awarded to the winner of this Series.

11.0 Awarding Event:

11.1 Series awards will be presented as part of the end-of-season awards event of one of the sponsoring clubs, rotating alphabetically – DIYC in 2024, LCYC in 2025, MBBC in 2026

11.2 Individual clubs are encouraged to give award recognition to their member winners.

12.0 SERIES MANAGEMENT

A committee comprised of Lea Ann Smith and representation from Diamond Island Yacht Club, Lake Champlain Yacht Club, Malletts Bay Boat Club, Plattsburgh area LCCS race(s) management, and the Series scorer, is responsible for management of the Series.