

Queen City Club in Toronto, To Stage Lake Yacht Classic

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After 48 hours of rapid-fire telephonings and conferences, executives of the Lake Yacht Racing Association last night announced that the blue-ribbon regatta of Lake Ontario, flooded out of the Sodus Bay Yacht Club, will be held at Queen City Yacht Club in Toronto.

Announcement came from Newton B. Castle, secretary-treasurer of the LYRA, on the heels of a session which saw Charles J. Spaulding of Youngstown Yacht Club and Cliff Lunt of the Royal Hamilton club motoring hastily to Rochester to meet with Castle and William P. Barrows.

As outlined by Castle, the revised setup for the nautical big show follows:

The Snyder Cup Race, open to all boats intending to enter the later Freeman Cup cruising scrap, will leave Rochester Yacht Club at 3 p. m. July 26, and race to the Queen City club.

LYRA regatta itself, with its diversified class contests will be held Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, July 28, 29 and 30.

The Freeman Cup classic will start from Toronto July 31 at 11 a. m. and race to Presquille on an angular route which will send the racers first to Rochester where they will round a buoy off the west pier.

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It's the first time in LYRA his-

tory that a Freeman has followed instead of preceded a regatta.

And, by a coincidence, arrangement to finish the Freeman at Presquille comes just after the Presquille Yacht Club has been admitted into LYRA membership.

Castle and the other executives were outspoken in their praise of the Queen City club, represented in the negotiations by Al Rae, for stepping into the gap created when Sodus sorrowfully confessed serious flood water damage. Queen City had been on the list to be host club in the '48 regatta. The executives held out a bright hope for Sodus for next year, however, unless Lake Ontario again kicks up.

Castle added that clubs throughout the lake showed utmost cooperation in the emergency. Clayton, the Royal Canadian, Crescent Yacht Club and the Royal Hamilton all offered to step into the breach if necessary.

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