

# THE VANDERLEEK CUP HOSPICE REGATTA

Saturday August 22, 2009

MACATAWA BAY YACHT CLUB

MACATAWA, MI

## NOTICE OF RACE

### INTENT

The purpose of this event is to raise awareness of (and financial support for) Hospice of Holland. The Race Committee reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions after August 22, 2009 if no races are completed (see "Scoring").

### 1. RULES

1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) 2009-2012 as adopted by the United States Sailing Association, Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions. Macatawa Bay Yacht Club is the organizing authority for the VanderLeek Cup Hospice Regatta benefiting the Hospice of Holland.

### 2. ADVERTISING

Advertising on hulls and sails of participant's yachts is restricted to the Sponsors of this regatta, unless explicitly approved by the Race Committee.

### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The Regatta is open to all yachts with a valid PHRF certificate.

3.2 Boats without a valid PHRF certificate will be assigned a temporary rating by the Race Committee based upon applicable LMPHRF data. Accurate boat information must be submitted including any rig and hull modifications. Temporary rating decisions by the Race Committee shall be final and shall not be a cause to protest the Race Committee. Remember, this is a benefit regatta and to have fun!

3.3 Classes: PHRF Spinnaker, PHRF Non-Spinnaker and "Comfort Cruisers" will be established by the Race Committee. "Comfort Cruisers" may not use spinnakers, gennakers, or high tech racing sails (Kevlar, Fusion ,etc)

3.4 **NEW! PHRF (PLUS) PLEDGE HANDICAP RATED FINISH. Will not effect the result of individual class winners. (Handicapping will be adjusted after the finish of the race as to not interfere with the results of the race). PHRF PLUS is not a class, it's an award.** Enter the regatta in any class you wish to participate. Any skipper or crew who wishes to participate in raising funds for Hospice of Holland will automatically be a contestant for this trophy.

**How this works:** Boats become eligible for this special award by participating in raising additional funds for Hospice of Holland. Participating boats will enjoy a special handicap adjustment to their assigned rating in

accord with the amount of additional pledges they receive. For every \$100 in pledge money there will be a 1.5 second per mile additional handicap allowance added to the boats existing rating (handicapping is adjusted after the finish of the race to determine the winner of this award). ( The adjusted handicap is good ONLY for this award. It applies to no other contest held during this regatta). Two trophies will be awarded; one to the Comfort Cruisers class and one to the Jib & Main, Spinnaker class.

This is a very special opportunity to support this most worthy cause and generate a healthy spirit of competition. It is a great way to involve your non sailing friends and family in the success and excitement of the regatta. While it is not a pre-requisite for participation in the 2009 VanderLeek Hospice Regatta we are hopeful that all entrants will support this effort.

3.5 Eligible yachts may enter by completing the attached entry form and returning it, together with the required fee, to Macatawa Bay Yacht by August 17, 2009.

#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

##### **Friday, August 21, 2009**

Cocktail Party, 5:30 – 7:00

Live Music by Good Gravy 8:00 – 11:00

##### **Saturday, August 22 2009**

Complimentary Continental Breakfast 7:30

Skipper's Meeting, 9:00

First Warning, 10:30

Afternoon Ice Cream Social

Cocktails & Auction 5:00

Pig Roast Buffet 6:00

Awards Ceremony 7:30

Live Music by Peter Trappen 6:00 – 10:00