



MACATAWA BAY YACHT CLUB

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2013 JY15 Friday Night Series

NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority: Macatawa Bay Yacht Club

1 RULES

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Racing rules 44.1 and 44.2 will be changed as follows: Except for infringements of Part 2 that occur within three boat lengths of a rounding mark or a finishing mark, only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The event is open to all JY 15 one design boats. Series entry fee is \$75, payable to MBYC. The series entry fee is *included* in the seasonal dry-sail fee for boats sailed out of MBYC. Series entry fee may be pro-rated by the fleet captain for those that join the sailing part way through the season.
- 2.2 Club provided boats are available for \$15 per week, or \$150 for the whole season. Cash or checks are accepted payable to the fleet captain. Please see fleet captain 45 minutes prior to start of racing to arrange for selection and rigging of your boat.

3 SCHEDULE

- 3.1 Dates of racing:

<u>Date</u>		
May 31	July 5	Aug 16
June 7	July 12	Aug 23
June 14	July 19	Aug 30
June 21	Aug 2	
June 28	Aug 9	

- 3.2 First warning signal will be at 7:00 pm. It is the intent of the race committee to conduct up to 5 races each evening. However, no race will be started after 8:15 pm as the intent is for the fleet to be back at the dock no later than 8:30.

4 THE COURSES AND RACING AREA

- 4.1 The course area will be on Lake Macatawa in the area adjacent to yacht club. The intent of the fleet and race committee is to make the racing visible to club members, as we encourage spectators and family involvement.
- 4.2 Sailing instructions with regard to course and length will be given verbally prior to the start of each race. The intent is to have fair courses and starting areas, while keeping the intent of 4.1 in tact. Courses change frequently, as the wind often does in the evening in our race area.

5 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 5.1 RRS 44.1 and 44.2 are changed as described in NOR 1.2.
- 5.2 The penalty, if any, for any infringement of the rules (including the Class Rules and ISAF Offshore Special Regulations, Category 4) other than RRS Part 2 is at the sole discretion of the Protest Committee in consultation with the Class Representative, and may be other than disqualification. This changes RRS 64.1.

6 SCORING

- 6.1 The low point scoring system will be used. Each boat will be scored as affiliated with the owner/skipper that has registered for the series with the fleet captain. The intent is to encourage family participation and the sharing of crew and skipper responsibilities on each boat.
- 6.2 A minimum of 10 individual races are required to constitute a summer series. 35% of the “high” scores will be throw outs. The intent is to accommodate and encourage racing for those who are not available to race on every scheduled race night.

7 AWARDS

Awards will be given for 1st, 2nd, 3rd for the overall summer series. The number of actual awards given out may be altered by the fleet captain, dependent upon overall participation in the Friday night series.

8 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4, which states: *“The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”*

11 Docking

There will be a limited # dry sail areas and/or rafting locations available to non-members at no additional charge for use during race evenings only. These spaces are first come, first serve availability, and boats must be removed from the lot or rafting area by 10 am on Saturday following the races.

12 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact Josie Cheney (2013 Fleet Captain) jcheney67@charter.net