



2023 MBYC Kollen Park Races

Race: June 24 & August 12

Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

All members are invited to participate in the Kollen Park Sailboat Races. These are intended to be a low key family event for *member skippers and member's boats only*. *Crew may be non member/non pro*.

Fleets:

- JY 15
- Melges 17
- VX One
- Monohulls 25 feet overall or less, Jib and Main only, max of 2 crew. (PHRF handicaps will be assigned by the race committee).
- Open Class: Sport boats, sunfish, laser, 420, etc. If there are at least three boats of a one design class (such as Laser), then a separate division will be created for scoring.
- No Optis.

Course:

All Classes: The start/finish line will be between the green mid channel buoy and an orange inflatable mark on the seawall in front of the Club.

All Classes Except for JY15: The course will be from the start/finish line in front of the Club to the green navigation **Buoy 15** (round to port) located between the Heinz Plant and Kollen Park, and back to the start/finish line.

JY15 Class: The course will be from the start/finish line in front of the Club to the green navigation **Buoy 11** (round to port) located between the Heinz Plant and Kollen Park, and back to the start/finish line.

The race committee may shorten the course for some or all classes by placing a yellow inflatable buoy in the race course west of the Kollen park mark, or designating an alternative navigation buoy to be rounded. See Appendix A



Schedule

A skippers meeting will be held at 9 a.m. in front of the Junior Sailing Center

The first warning will be at 10 a.m. Signals will be made for starts at 3 minute intervals using an automated signal device. This changes RRS 26.

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Time until start(mm:ss)	Loud Horn	Description
3:15	5 short	Alert
3:00	3 long	
2:00	2 long	
1:30	1 long 3 short	
1:00	1 long	
0:30	3 short	
0:20	2 short	
0:10	1 short	
0:05	1 short	
0:04	1 short	
0:03	1 short	
0:02	1 short	
0:01	1 short	
0:00	1 long	START (and 3 minute signal for rolling starts)

Entry:

If you intend to race, register by text or email **by midnight on Thursday** prior to the race by:

Send the skippers name, crew name, boat type, and sail number to Dale Gort via:

Text: 616-403-6158, **or**

Email: dgort234@gmail.com

Example: John and Jane Doe, JY 16, Sail Number 2376

>>We want to get names correct for awards and finish results, plus we need to know who is on the course for safety.



Minimum number of boats: At least eight boats must be registered by midnight on Thursday prior to the race. The Race will be Cancelled if minimum number of boats have not registered.

Sailing Instructions:

Sailing instructions including order of starts will be announced at 9 am on the day of the race in front of the Junior Sailing Center. Other changes to the Sailing Instructions maybe made based on the weather conditions.

Fees:

There will be no fee for entering the race.

Awards:

Awards will be given for first and second place if 4 or fewer boats are entered in a class. Awards for first, second, and third place will be given if 5 or more boats are entered in a class. No award will be given for singular boats. The results will be announced on the patio at the conclusion of racing. Awards will be prepared on the following day, and made available for pickup at the Club.

Disclaimer of liability

Competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.”*

Additional Information:

For additional information contact:

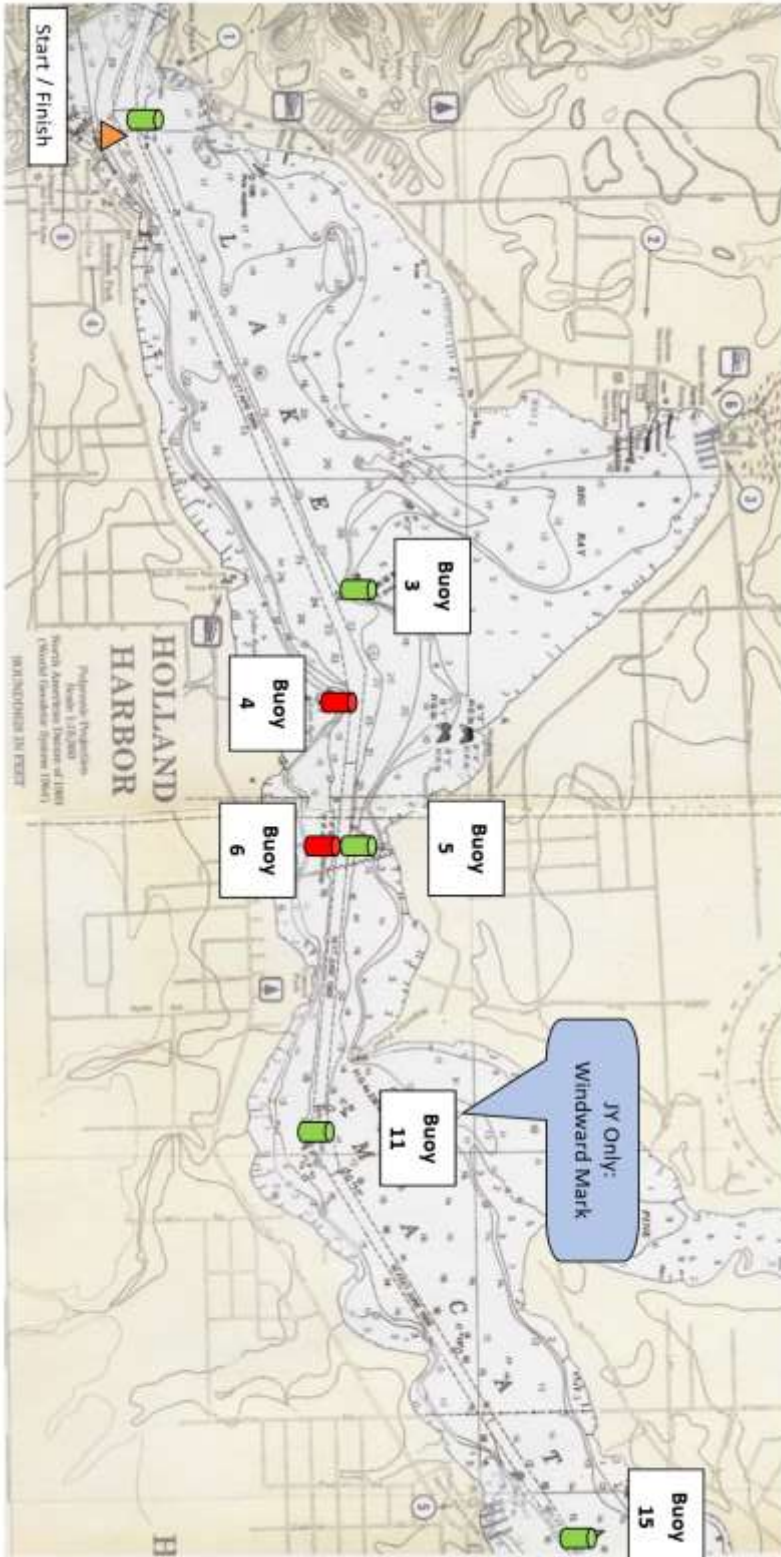
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Appendix A: Kollen Park Course: Lake Macatawa

Course: Start- round navigation Buoy 15 to port, finish. Buoy 15 is between the Heinz factory and Kollen Park

Notes: There are navigation marks on the course that may be passed on either side.