

NOTICE OF RACE

2006 GREAT LAKES MULTIHULL CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA

August 25 – 27, 2006

Bay City Yacht Club
Bay City, Michigan



Organizing Authority

This regatta is organized under the authority of the Bay City Yacht Club and it will be sailed under the management of the organizing committee and the Race Committee.

Eligibility

To be eligible to participate, owners/skippers must:

- have an offshore multihull with a minimum length of 24 feet;
- complete and sign the registration form;
- pay the required fees; and
- abide by the rules and stipulations outlined in this Notice of Race and supplemental materials.

Racing

Racing will be held on Saginaw Bay, Lake Huron near the mouth of the Saginaw River in Bay City, Michigan. Detailed buoy locations and race courses will be included in the Sailing Instructions available at registration or at the skippers' meeting.

The planned race schedule consists of at least two buoy races on Friday, a long distance race on Saturday, and at least two buoy races on Sunday. No races will start after 5:00 PM on Friday and no races will start after 12:30 PM on Sunday.

If more than 12 boats register for the Championship, the fleet will be divided into two starts. The division will be announced at the skippers' meeting. All boats will be scored as one fleet to determine the champion.

Rules

Racing will be conducted in accordance with the following:

- The *2005-2008 ISF Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the prescriptions of U.S. Sailing as modified by the *Sailing Instructions*;
- The *Notice of Race* and any amendments thereto;
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Ratings

Ratings will be assigned by the Great Lakes Multihull Rating Association (GLMRA). A copy of the valid GLMRA certificate, if available, must be sent with the registration information. Participants who fail to provide their current rating information with the registration form must accept the rating assigned by the GLMRA with no opportunity for appeal. There are no minimum or maximum crew requirements.

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Scoring

Scoring will be described in the *Sailing Instructions*. Three races will be required for the series to be recognized as the 2006 Great Lakes Multihull Championship.

Awards

Awards will be presented to the top five finishers overall and to the top three finishers in each fleet. Awards will be presented in the BCYC Clubhouse approximately two hours after the last boat finishes on Sunday.

Fees and Registration

Entry fee per boat will be \$70.00 (\$75.00 for non-US Sailing members). Meal packages are available at the BCYC for skippers, crew members, and guests at a cost of \$65.00 per person prepaid or \$70.00 per person at registration. The meal package includes the five meals listed on the schedule. Individual meals are also available (see Registration form).

All entries and fees are due by **Monday, August 7, 2006**. Late registrations will be accepted at the discretion of the organizing committee.

Tentative Schedule of Events

Event	GPS Time (all times EDT)	Location
Friday, August 25, 2006		
Registration and Lunch	12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	BCYC Clubhouse
Skippers' Mtg.	12:45 PM - 1:00 PM EDT	BCYC Clubhouse
Buoy Races	1 st Race: Fleet 1 Start @ 3:00 PM Fleet 2 Start @ 3:10 PM 2 nd & 3 rd Race: Start TBA by RC	BCYC/SBYRA "S" Mark
Friday Gougeon Boathouse Dinner and Speaker	7:00 PM <i>A Brief History of West Coast Multihull Racing</i> by Mike Leneman	Gougeon Boathouse
Saturday, August 26, 2006		
Breakfast	8:00 AM	BCYC Clubhouse
Long Distance Race (SBYRA Black Hole Bash)	Fleet 1 Start @ 11:20 AM Fleet 2 Start @ 11:30 AM	BCYC/SBYRA "D" Mark
GLMRA Meeting Send in your questions or topics for discussion.	5:00 PM	BCYC Clubhouse or Deck
Buffet Dinner	7:00 PM	BCYC Clubhouse
Sunday, August 27, 2006		
Breakfast	8:00 AM	BCYC Clubhouse
Buoy Races	1 st Race: Fleet 1 Start @ 10:25 AM Fleet 2 Start @ 10:35 AM 2 nd & 3 rd Race: Start TBA by RC	BCYC/SBYRA "S" Mark
Awards	~2 hours after the last finish	BCYC Clubhouse

For additional information, see the Supplemental Material or contact Bob Nelb, (989) 631-8080, nelb100@yahoo.com.