

2023 Lake Huron International

Friday June 23 Hosted by the Port Huron Yacht Club Notice of Race



1 Management

1.1 Port Huron Yacht Club is the organizing authority of the 2023 Lake Huron International (*LHI*) and has appointed the Port Huron Yacht Club LHI Race Chairman (*RC*) to conduct the Race and related activities. The RC has the authority to interpret the rules and conditions of the Race and to reject the entry of any boat at any time before the start of the Race.

2 ADVERTISING

2.1 Boats shall display advertising in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20- ISAF Advertising Code.

3 Rules

- 3.1 The race will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 3.2 The prescriptions of the US Sailing national authority will apply.
- **3.3** The minimum number of crew per boat is two (2).
- **3.4** The Midwest PHRF By-Laws and Handicapping Rules, Credits and Penalties (HRCP) will apply, and each boat shall have a current Midwest PHRF rating certificate.

4 Eligibility / Entry

- **4.1** This race is open to all yachts that complete the registration and pay all fees by June 16th.
- **4.2** Eligible Skippers must complete registration for the race at <u>www.yachtscoring.com</u>.
- **4.3** A boat's application to race shall be conditioned upon the RC acceptance of the boat as an entrant in the Race.

5 Fees

5.1 Registration fee is \$20 and *must* be paid on Yachtscoring.com when completing 4.2.

6 Schedule of events

- 6.1 Skipper's meeting 1700 on Friday.
- 6.2 Warning Gun 2000 on Friday.
- 6.3 Protests will be heard prior to awards on Saturday.
- 6.4 Awards 1200 on Saturday, dependent on number of finishers by this time.

7 Sailing Instructions

7.1 Final SI will be posted on the Yacht Scoring web site by June 18th.

8 Courses

- **8.1 LHI Course** From the start boats will go the Virtual Lexington Mark, located approximately .8 nm south east of the harbor red light, leaving it to starboard then to the V4 Kettle Point Marker leaving it to starboard then proceed to the finish at buoy R2. Length 55.9 NM.
- **8.2 John Blunt Course -** From the start the boats will go G11 leaving it to starboard then to the V4 Kettle Point Marker leaving it to starboard then proceed to the finish at buoy R2. Length 43.5 NM.

9 Classes / Splits / Starting Order

- **9.1** Classes will be PHRF (Symmetrical and Asymmetrical), One Design, Cruising ASM (Asymmetrical Cruising Spinnaker only) and JAM (Jib and Main only).
- 9.2 PHRF, One Design and Cruising ASM can race either course.
- **9.3** JAM yachts race on the John Blunt course only.
- 9.4 *RC* may move a yacht or yachts from one course to another to produce competitive classes with similar rated yachts.
- 9.5 Final class splits and starting order will be posted at the notice board by 1500 on Friday, preliminary posted prior.

10 Ratings & Handicaps

- **10.1** The Midwest PHRF By-Laws and Handicapping Rules, Credits and Penalties (HRCP) will apply, and each boat shall have a current Midwest PHRF rating certificate.
- 10.2 No changes in ratings initiated by competitors, and no revised rating certificates, will be accepted after June 16.



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10.3 PHRF handicaps assigned by the Race Committee are final. **10.4** All scoring will be Time on Time (*TOT*) for this event.

11 Dockage at Port Huron Yacht Club

- 11.1 All competitors that are planning to dock at PHYC prior to the race must contact RC with an arrival date in advance.
- 11.2 The PHYC dockage is limited but will be provided prior to the race to as many competitors as possible.
- **11.3** Dockage will be available at PHYC until 1400 on June 25th. Some dockages may be at PHYC's 13th Street location.
- **11.4** Competitors wanting to extend dockage at PHYC past 11.3 must make arrangement with PHYC Commodore in advance.

12 Disclaimer of liability of Skipper and Crew

- **12.1** The Port Huron Yacht Club, its officers and members, the members of the Race Committee and sponsors shall not be liable for any loss of life, injury to persons or damage to property that may occur during or related to the Race.
- **12.2** As used in the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the term "Skipper" means the person who is designated on the Entry Form as "Skipper" and who is in charge of the boat, whether or not the owner.
- **12.3** The safety of a boat and its crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Skipper, who must insure that the boat is fully sound, thoroughly seaworthy and sailed by an experienced and physically fit crew. The Skipper must be satisfied with the soundness of the hull, spars, rigging, sails and gear and must insure that all equipment is properly maintained and stowed and that the crew knows where it is kept and how it is to be used.
- 12.4 Competitors participate in the races entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race.

13 Insurance

13.1 Each participating yacht shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum of \$250,000.