



2023 Notice of Race

Bay City Yacht Club Yacht Racing Season

The BCYC Sailing Committee will host a Wednesday Night Main & Jib series and a Weekend Series with both cruising and spinnaker fleets. All will use the PHRF handicap system for both monohull and multihull boats.

Eligibility: This event is open to all area sailors - BCYC membership is not necessary, but is encouraged and welcome. The race is open to any monohull yacht over nineteen (19) feet in length or any multihull yacht over twenty-three (23) feet or with a speed potential of 700 Portsmouth or lower. Monohull boats will be assigned into fleets primarily, but not exclusively, based on PHRF ratings assigned by the BCYC Ratings Committee. Fleet assignments will be announced at the skippers' meeting based on the current valid list. The multihull fleet will use ratings issued by the Great Lakes Multihull Racing Association (GLMRA).

Rules: Racing will be conducted in accordance with the following:

- The *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) for 2021-2024 published by World Sailing and the prescriptions of US Sailing;
- The *Notice of Race* and any amendments thereto;
- The *Sailing Instructions* and any amendments thereto.

Entry: Registration, PHRF Applications, and waivers shall be completed on YachtScoring.com. All yachts must be insured with a minimum limit of \$300,000 for liability with no exclusions for sailboat racing.

Schedule of Racing and Events: The Main & Jib Season series consists of 18 races divided into 3 series of 6 races each. Please see appendix A for the full schedule.

Skippers' Meeting: There will be a Skippers' Meeting at 19:00, Wednesday, May 17th at the BCYC Clubhouse. Skippers should encourage their crew to attend too!

Race Fees:

Main & Jib Series: \$110

Weekend Series: \$50

Single race fee: \$30

Sailing Instructions: Will be posted and available for printing on Yacht Scoring. Skippers and sailors should print out copies to have on hand and aboard each yacht.

Disclaimer: Competitors participate in Bay City Yacht Club races entirely at their own risk. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone. The Bay City Yacht Club, race committee, sponsors, and/or sailing committee do not accept any liability for property damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after racing.

Scoring: Scoring will be as described in the Sailing

Instructions. In order to be scored for a race competitors must have completed their *Application, signed the waiver, submitted their PHRF Rating Application, and paid the entry fee on YachtScoring.com. No exceptions!*

Awards: Eighteen races are scheduled for the Main & Jib season. There will be six (6) races in the Spring, Summer, and Fall series. Your best four (4) races in each series will constitute your score. To qualify for an overall award you must have sailed at least 9 races* in any combination from the Spring, Summer, or Fall series. Trophies will be given out for the Spring Series, the Summer Series, the Fall Series, and the Overall Series (First, Second, Third). A boat can qualify for awards in one fleet per series and one fleet overall.

There are 7 independent races scheduled for the Weekend Racing. Monohulls and multihulls will be scored in separate sections. A Jib and Main section will be available for those who wish to race in that configuration on any give race**.

*Refer to Sailing Instructions **Awards** section.

**Skippers must declare to the Jib and Main configuration prior to the warning signal for the given race, or rating/fleet will default to Spinnaker.

For more information, please contact:

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Attention Skippers and Crew!

As Rear Commodore, I strongly urge Skippers to encourage your crew to become a Social Member of the Bay City Yacht Club. Don't get stuck paying your crew's bar bill again! Their \$120 and continued participation in Wednesday night Main & Jib and Weekend races goes a long way to supporting the things that are important to us all as racers. A viable Food and Beverage operation, providing good food and reasonably priced drinks, plus supporting the Sailing program at the club is well worth \$120 a year. So, make sure you talk it up with your team and encourage them to become a BCYC Social Member!

Appendix A

2023 Race Schedule

Wednesday Night Racing:

May 24 to June 28 – Main and Jib Spring Series

July 5 to August 9 – Main and Jib Summer Series

Aug 16 to Sept 20 – Main and Jib Fall Series

Weekend Racing:

May 27 – Tower Pursuit Race – 11am First Warning

June 3 – Gravelly Shoals Race (LD Mac Tune Up) – 10am First Warning

June 16 – Tawas Overnight Race (LD Mac Tune Up) – 7pm First Warning

Aug 26 – Black Hole Race and Multi-Hull Regatta – 11am First Warning

Sept 9 – Morley-Bickel Race – 11am First Warning

Sept 23 – Circumnavi Race – 11am First Warning

Sept 30 – RC Surprise – 11am First Warning

Other Regional Races

June 24th-25th Lightning Michigan District Regatta @ Bay City Yacht Club

TBD - Port Huron Yacht Club International Yacht Race

July 22nd - Chicago Yacht Club Race to Mackinac

July 15th - Bayview Yacht Club Race to Mackinac

July 29th – M&M Yacht Club 100 Miler Race

July 28th to July 30th - Little Traverse Yacht Club Ugotta Regatta

August 5th – Trans Superior

Sept 1st to 3rd – Charlevoix Yacht Club Red Fox Regatta