



## 2023 Commodore's Cup

June 17, 2023  
Macatawa Bay Yacht Club  
Macatawa, MI

### Notice of Race

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1. This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), Midwest PHRF rules, and the class rules of those classes sailing.
- 1.2. The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Macatawa Bay Yacht Club (MBYC).
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between the NOR and the SI, the SI shall prevail. Neither the NOR nor the SI shall change nor alter any class rules. This changes RRS 63.7.

#### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The Commodore's Cup is open to all offshore one design classes, PHRF spinnaker, and PHRF JAM. A minimum of 3 boats will need to be registered prior to the deadline in order to establish a one-design class. A minimum of 5 boats must be entered prior to the entry deadline to establish an individual class start. The race committee will establish section breaks per registration of handicap boats classes that are registered.
- 2.2. All PHRF boats must have a valid 2023 certificate.
- 2.3. Eligible boats may enter online at Yacht Scoring: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=16047>
- 2.4. Entry deadline is June 10th, 2023. Late entry registration is available until June 17th, 2023.
- 2.5. Entry Fees Schedule:

	Paid by June 10th	Paid after June 10th
PHRF boats 30 ft or less	\$85	\$125
PHRF boats greater than 30 ft	\$125	\$175
\$2 7.9	\$85	\$125

#### 3. SCHEDULE

- 3.1. Racing on Saturday, June 18th is for all registered fleets.
- 3.2. Saturday, June 18th:
  - Skipper Check-In 0900-1000 hours.
  - Competitor's Meeting 1000 hours near the MBJA building.
  - 1st warning signal at 1200 hours. Will sail up to 4 races. No race started after 1600 hours.
- 3.3. After consultation with class representatives, the Race Committee may modify the above program according to prevailing weather conditions and/or other unforeseen circumstances.



#### **4. ADVERTISING**

- 4.1. Competitor advertising is not restricted.
- 4.2. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.

#### **5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 5.1. Sailing Instructions will be available on the Yacht Scoring website no later than June 12th.
- 5.2. Modifications to the Sailing Instructions shall be communicated at the Skippers meeting and posted on the Yacht Scoring website.

#### **6. COURSES AND RACING AREA**

- 6.1. Racing will consist of W/L courses for all fleets. The Race Committee may choose to set a triangle course for PHRF JAM.
- 6.2. The sailing area will be in the open waters of Lake Michigan with the starting area intended to be approximately 1 - 2 nautical miles from the Holland Pier.
- 6.3. Multiple race courses may be established by the RC to suit individual fleet requirements.
- 6.4. The Race Committee may modify the course and sailing area according to prevailing weather conditions and/or other unforeseen circumstances.

#### **7. PENALTIES**

- 7.1. RRS Appendix T – Arbitration will apply.
- 7.2. RRS Appendix V – Alternative Penalties will apply for all boats.

#### **8. SCORING**

- 8.1. PHRF fleets will be scored Time-on-Distance.
- 8.2. The Low Point Scoring system, RRS Appendix A, will apply.
- 8.3. There will be no throw outs.
- 8.4. One race completed constitutes a series.

#### **9. BERTHING**

- 9.1. For our out-of-town competitors, there will be a limited number of slips and/or rafting spaces available at MBYC.
- 9.2. Dry sail space will be available to all trailer launch boats for the duration of the event.

#### **10. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS** – Competitors shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

#### **11. BOTTOM CLEANING** - Bottom Cleaning with underwater breathing apparatus is allowed.

#### **12. RADIO COMMUNICATION** - Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.



### **13. PRIZES**

- 13.1. There will be awards given 1st through 3rd in each PHRF class or section.
- 13.2. The "Commodore's Cup" will be awarded to the class winners whose class featured the closest, most competitive racing.

### **14. SOCIAL** - All Social activities will be announced prior to the event and will be compliant with the determinations of the State of Michigan and the laws of physics.

### **15. MEDIA AND IMAGE RIGHTS WAIVER** - By entering this regatta, the owner (or charterer) and crew members on competing yachts grant at no cost the absolute right and permission to use their names, voices, images, likenesses, and biographical material, as well as representations of their yacht in any media (including television, print and internet), to the OA and other sponsors.

### **16. DISCLAIMER**

- 16.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority and host club 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.
- 16.2. The Skipper/Owner of each boat participating in the regatta shall be responsible for the behavior of each member of the crew of his/her boat both on the water and while ashore. The destruction of property, the breach of reasonable standards of good sportsmanship by any crew member, or any other person associated with the boat, or the failure of any of those persons to comply with any reasonable request of any Organizing Authority, Race Officer, Regatta Committee member, or their representatives, may result in the disqualification of the boat, and its exclusion from the regatta.

### **17. FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 17.1. Class contacts: PHRF - Bob Hughes [rchughes19@charter.net](mailto:rchughes19@charter.net)
- 17.2. For any other information please contact the MBYC Sailing Director Doug Petter [Doug@riveer.com](mailto:Doug@riveer.com)