

NOTICE OF RACE

2023 GOUGEON BROTHERS GREAT LAKES MULTIHULL CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA



August 25 – 27, 2023 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 and Entry The Regatta is open to offshore multihulls between 22 and 45 feet in length with a GLMRA rating.

- Eligible boats enter by completing sign-up at www.yachtscoring.com. Entry deadline is Wednesday, August 23, 2023.
- Participants agree to abide by the rules and stipulations outlined in this Notice of Race and supplemental materials.

Fees and Registration All entries must submit a completed registration form by Wednesday, August 23, 2023. This year's entry fee is \$40.00, with the balance of the regatta costs provided by our sponsor, Gougeon Brothers, Inc.

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 competitors meeting.

The planned race schedule consists of two buoy races on Friday, a long-distance race on Saturday, and two buoy races on Sunday. No races will start after 1:30 PM on Sunday.

The entries will be divided into one or more fleets according to GLMRA ratings. Any division of the fleet will be announced at the competitors' meeting. All boats will also be scored as one fleet to determine the overall champion.

Rules Racing will be conducted in accordance with the following:

- The Series will be governed by rules as defined in current (2021-2024) The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- The *Notice of Race* and any amendments thereto;
- The *Sailing Instructions* and any amendments thereto. The Sailing Instructions may be modified at a competitors' meeting.

Ratings The Great Lakes Multihull Rating Association (GLMRA) time-on-time handicap rating system will be used. A copy of the participant's GLMRA certificate 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 local rating committee with no opportunity for appeal. There are no minimum or maximum crew requirements.

Scoring will be described in the *Sailing Instructions*.

Awards will be presented in the BCYC Clubhouse approximately two hours after the last boat finishes on Sunday.

Tentative Schedule of Events

Event	GPS Time (all times EDT)	Location
FRIDAY August 25, 2023		
Registration	www.yachtscoring.com	Online
Competitors' Meeting	12:00 PM	BCYC Clubhouse
Buoy Races	1 st Race, 1 st Fleet start @ 2 PM; other fleets follow; Subsequent Races: Start TBA by RC	BCYC "S" Mark
Dinner is on your or possible grilling by club house		
SATURDAY August 26, 2023		
Long Distance Race	Fleet 1 starts at 11 AM; Other fleets follow	BCYC "D" Mark
Dinner is at the Gougeon Boatshop		
SUNDAY August 27, 2023		
Buoy Races	1 st Race, 1 st Fleet start @ 10 AM; other fleets follow; Subsequent Races: Start TBA by RC	BCYC "S" Mark
Awards	~2 hours after the last finish	BCYC Clubhouse

For additional information, visit www.baycityyachtclub.com or contact Greg Bull, (989) 684-7286 or cell (989)430-8499, gibull@gougeon.com.