Little Traverse Yacht Club 49thAnnual Regatta

and One-Design Series July 31*, August 1 and 2, 2009

*July 31 is optional for the Regatta Fleet

Harbor Springs, Michigan

Organizing Authority: Little Traverse Yacht Club

Notice of Race

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1. Rules & Equipment:

- 1.1 The LTYC Regatta and One-Design Series will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2009-2012*, the prescriptions of US SAILING, the 2009 Lake Michigan PHRF Rule and, for the One-Design Series, the Class Rules of the competing classes, except as any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions. The Race Committee has full authority to conduct the races.
- 1.2 Each boat shall be equipped with auxiliary power and fuel for 6 miles. Each boat shall sail in compliance with equipment regulations of the US COAST GUARD and the STATE OF MICHIGAN, and with the rules of their class or handicapping system.
- 1.3 All boats will carry a VHF radio.
- 2. **Advertising:** Those One Design classes that have chosen to race under Category A will sail under Category A, and those boats sailing under the PHRF handicap rules will sail under Category C for this event. One Design classes that have chosen to sail under Category C will sail under Category C.

3. **Eligibility:**

- 3.1 The Regatta Fleet is open to Offshore Racer/Cruiser type yachts of 25' LOA and longer with LMPHRF ratings of 132 or lower, and the Melges 24 class.
- 3.2 The One-Design Series is open to invited one-design classes. Invited classes are Beneteau First 36.7, J/120, J/105, Melges 32 and Melges 24. A minimum of 5 yachts is required for a One-Design class unless modified by the Sailing Instructions. Entrants must meet all class membership requirements, unless modified by the sailing instructions.
- 3.3 The Cruising Fleet (jib and main) is open to all monohull boats 25' LOA and longer irrespective of their LMPHRF rating, including the Alerion 26, which will sail as a separate class.
- 3.4 The Race Committee will accept entries only until a limit of 88 boats is reached.

4. **Description of Racing:**

4.1 The Regatta Fleet will be divided into Division I and Division II with separate classes, perhaps as many as four in each division depending on the number of entries.

- 4.2 The Cruising Fleet (Division III) will be divided into classes, with the Alerion 26 as a separate class within Division III.
- 4.3 There will be three W/L races on one or more courses for One Design classes.
- 4.4 We are prepared to offer W/L racing on Friday to all PHRF boats if there is enough interest. Results of a survey of past participants coupled with early applications shall determine whether this extra day of racing will be available.
- 4.5 All divisions will sail LTYC's traditional "Tour of the Bay" course on Saturday, with Division I boats sailing a longer course than Division II boats and Division III boats sailing a shorter course than Division II boats

5. **Schedule:**

One-Design Series and Friday PHRF boats:

Thursday	July 30	Between 1600 and 1800 Hours	One-Design and Friday PHRF boat Registration at LTYC
Friday	July 31	1100 Hours	One Design and PHRF boats Warning Race 1. Warning Race 2 after completion of Race 1; warning Race 3 following completion of Race 2

(One-Design and Friday PHRF boat Series continues with the LTYC Regatta.)

LTYC Regatta:

Friday	July 31	Between 1600 and 1800 Hours	Sign in at LTYC. Receive Sailing Instructions.
Friday	July 31	1700 Hours	Irish Boat Shop party with Beer, Band, Brats, and Banter.
Saturday	August 1	1100 Hours	Warning Division 1(Warning Division II following Division I start; warning Division III following Division II start.)
Saturday	August 1	1830 Hours	Complimentary Dinner Buffet & snacks, Dutch treat cocktail party at LTYC.
Sunday	August 2	1100 Hours	One Design and PHRF boats Warning Race 1. Warning Race 2 after completion of Race 1; warning Race 3 following completion of Race 2
Sunday	August 2	After Racing	Race results, awards, Complimentary Buffet & Dutch-treat cocktail party at LTYC.

6. **Registration:**

- 6.1 Eligible boats may enter on line via the link at the LTYC website: www.LTYC.org or via www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=260 not later than June 26, 2009, without late entry fee.
- 6.2 Late entries may be accepted through Friday, July 24, 2009
- 6.3 The following are required for registration and entry:
 - a. Completed Entry Form
 - b. Signed Conditions Statement and Release Agreement
 - c. LMPHRF Certificate (may be waived under 7.2 and 8 below)
 - d. Payment of required fees
 - e. Any class specific entry material (sail inventory, crew weight, etc.) must be supplied to designated class officer.
 - a. Pick up of Race Packet/Sailing Instructions at Registration.

7. **Required Fees:**

7.1 The advance entry (received by June 26, 2009) fees are as follows:

Saturday Racing Only

	Entry Fee
Cruising Fleet	\$100.00

LTYC Regatta only (Saturday and Sunday racing):

	Entry Fee
Under 40' LOA	\$200.00
40' LOA but less than 50'	\$250.00
50' LOA and over	\$300.00

One-Design Series (and Friday PHRF boats) including LTYC Regatta (Friday, Saturday and Sunday racing):

	Entry Fee
Under 40' LOA	\$300.00
40' LOA but less than 50'	\$350.00
50' LOA and over	\$400.00

- 7.2 Each entrant not submitting a valid LMPHRF certificate shall include a penalty fee of \$25.00. This penalty fee is waived for One-Design Series entrants.
- 7.3 Each application received after Friday June 26, 2009 shall include a late entry fee of \$100.00. No application will be accepted after July 24, 2009.

- 8. **Measurement and Rating:** Lake Michigan PHRF ratings will be used for the LTYC Regatta. Those not holding LMPHRF certificates are urged to apply for it from LMPHRF, 1135 Maricopa Drive, Oshkosh, WI 54901, http://www.lmphrf.org/. Entries of yachts that do not have LMPHRF ratings may be accepted with additional fee as specified in Section 7.2; ratings will be assigned by LTYC.
- 9. **Sailing Instructions:** Sailing instructions will be available at registration.
- 10. **Regatta Site:** Headquarters for the Regatta will be the Little Traverse Yacht Club.
- 11. **Regatta Area:** The Regatta will be conducted within the confines of Little Traverse Bay on Lake Michigan.

12. The Courses

- 12.1 The courses for Friday and Sunday will be windward-leeward, with from 2 to 6 legs. A windward offset mark may be used. A leeward gate may be used.
- 12.2 The course for Saturday is a multi-leg "Tour of the Bay" race of 7 to 10 legs utilizing the LTYC fixed marks and set marks. The course for the day is chosen by the Race Committee, seeking to orient the legs generally upwind and downwind. Divisions I, II and III will all have separate courses.

13. **Scoring**

- 13.1 The Low Point Scoring System, PRS Appendix A, will apply with the following changes:
 Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) and scored points equal to the number of finishers in that race plus two, but in no case will be scored more than the number of starters.
- 13.2 There will be no throw-out race in the series. This changes PRS Appendix A 2.
- 13.3 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 13.4 The "Tour of the Bay" race will be weighted at 1.5.
- 13.5 The Best Overall performance, and thus the Division Champion, shall be determined as follows:

The combined corrected seconds per mile for all races completed will be calculated for the winner of each class. The class winning boat with the lowest combined corrected seconds per mile is the Champion of her Division.

14. Social:

- 14.1 Friday, July 31, after racing The Ugotta Regatta party at the Irish Boat Shop for crews and friends, including beer, band, brats, and banter.
- 14.2 Saturday and Sunday mornings the LTYC Junior Sailing Team will present a fund-raising Pancake Breakfast at the Club.
- 14.3 Saturday, August 1, after racing complimentary food with Dutch-treat cocktail party at the LTYC.
- 14.4 Sunday, August 2, after racing awards presentation, complimentary food with Dutch-treat cocktail party at the LTYC.

- 15. **Berthing:** Transient slips and dockage, usually involving rafting, is available at nearby marinas. The marinas and LTYC will cooperate in suggesting dockage suitable for the competing boats. Information will be available on the event website and supplied on regatta entry.
- 16. **Accommodations:** Information on housing in the area will be available on the event web site and supplied on Regatta entry.
- 17. **Radio Communication:** A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 18. **Prizes:** Trophies will be awarded to the boat in each Division with the best overall performance. Flags will be awarded to the top three boats in each class in the LTYC Regatta.

For the One Design Series, flags will be awarded for first, second and third in each class based on three days of racing.

- 19. **Disclaimer of Liability:** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See PRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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.
- 20. **Further Information:** For further information, or questions regarding the regatta, please contact LTYC (231-526-7919) or www.ltyc.org

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21. **Important Notes:**

We would like to call your attention to the importance of all yachtspersons abiding by all rules and regulations designed to protect the quality of the water in our bay.

Michigan law prohibits the discharge of sewage from yachts. Yachts participating in this Regatta are subject to inspection for compliance with the law.

Provisions will be made to provide adequate facilities on shore for trash and litter. We will certainly appreciate your cooperation in this regard.

Parking within the City is limited and your cooperation and respect of parking regulations is appreciated. Note the diagram of available parking spaces for crew vans, buses and trailers which accompanies this Notice.

Each yacht owner is solely responsible for the conduct of his yacht's crew, before, during and after the event, afloat and ashore. Conduct deemed unbecoming to a yachtsperson may result in disciplinary action and disqualification.