



MACATAWA BAY YACHT CLUB  
2157 SOUTH SHORE DRIVE • MACATAWA, MI

**2017 Commodore's Cup  
&  
VX One Great Lakes Championship  
June 17 & 18**

Holland, Michigan



**NOTICE OF RACE**

**Organizing Authority: Macatawa Bay Yacht Club**

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, Lake Michigan PHRF rule, and the class rules of those classes sailing.
- 1.2 The Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply. Each boat shall be equipped and sail in compliance with US Coast Guard regulations and the State of Michigan.
- 1.3 All boats shall carry a VHF radio for communication with the Race Committee.

## 2 ADVERTISING

2.1 Advertising shall conform to the current SW Regulation 20 and in compliance with class rules.

## 3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 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 entry deadline to establish an individual class start.
- 3.2 Race committee will establish section breaks per registration of handicap boats classes that are registered.
- 3.3 All PHRF boats must have a valid 2017 certificate.
- 3.4 Entry deadline is May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017. Late entry registration available until June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017. See fee schedule below.
- 3.5 Enter at [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com) (MBYC 2017 Events)

## 4 FEES

	Prior to May 31 <sup>st</sup>	After June 1 <sup>st</sup>
PHRF Boats 30+ ft	\$100	\$150
S2 7.9 & PHRF up to 30ft	\$80	\$130
VX One, 110	\$70	\$120

## 5 DESCRIPTION OF RACING

5.1 Saturday and Sunday racing will consist of W/L courses, with the starting area approximately 1-2 miles West of Holland pier head for all fleets.

## 6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 All skipper check-in Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup> 1700-1800 hours. (Registration packs given out.)
- 6.2 Friday June 16<sup>th</sup> – All competitors welcome to MBYC, bar and dining room open to all crew and families.
- 6.3 Saturday June 17<sup>th</sup> – Competitor's Meeting 1030 hours near MBYC JuniorCenter.
- 6.4 Saturday June 17<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> warning signal at 1200 hours. Will sail up to 4 races. No race started after 1600 hours.
- 6.5 Sunday June 18<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> warning signal at 1200 hours. No race started after 1430 hours.
- 6.6 Sunday June 18<sup>th</sup> – Post race celebration and awards, East patio of MBYC. 1600 hours, or approx. 1 hour after conclusion of racing.

## 7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 The sailing instructions will be available at the skippers meeting, and will be available at [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com). "MBYC Commodore's Cup"
- 7.2 Sailing instructions may be modified on the race course prior to each race by the Race Committee by a broadcast over VHF channel 72.

## 8 THE COURSES AND RACING AREA

8.1 The course areas will be in the open waters of Lake Michigan with the starting areas intended to be approximately 1.0 nm from the Holland Pier Head. Multiple race courses may be established by the OA to suit individual fleet requirements.

## **9 SCORING**

- 9.1 PHRF fleets will be scored Time-on-Time.
- 9.2 The Low Point Scoring system, RRS Appendix A, will apply.
- 9.3 One race completed is required to constitute a series.
- 9.4 There will be no throw outs.

## **10 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 10.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio or phone transmissions while racing nor receive radio or phone communications not available to all boats.

## **11 SOCIAL**

- 11.1 Saturday and Sunday mornings 0730-0900, breakfast available on East Patio - weather permitting. Otherwise inside main clubhouse.
- 11.2 Saturday evening Commodore's Cup Dinner Special. "Burger Bar" is open to all crew, owners, family. Drink specials with wristbands from skippers pack. Starts at 1830 in main dining room.
- 11.3 Cash bar and full menu is available at MBYC for all guests of the event for the duration of the regatta.

## **12 AWARDS**

- 12.1 There will be awards given 1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup> in each class or section.
- 12.2 "Commodore's Cup" winner will be selected by RC, based on performance in class or section.

## **13 BERTHING**

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

## **14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 14.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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.
- 14.2 Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4, which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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