2013 Macatawa Bay Melges 17 Spring Invitational

May 4th & 5th – Macatawa Bay Yacht Club (MBYC)

Host: Macatawa Bay Yacht Club <u>www.mbyc.com</u> 2157 South Shore Drive Macatawa, MI 49434 (616) 335-5815 Latitude: 42.46.22 N Longitude: 86.11.96 W

Race Chairman: Tracy Brand Cell: 616-836-7074 Email: lgbrand@me.com

NOTICE OF RACE

1. Rules -

1.1 - The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.2 - The following rules will be changed as stated -

a) Race Signal AP – when displayed ashore, 'one minute' is replaced by 'thirty minutes'. b) 44.1– the 'Two-Turns Penalty' is replaced by the 'One-Turn Penalty'.

c) App A4.2 – A boat that does not finish (DNF) a race or retires after finishing (RAF) shall be scored one more point than the last boat to finish in that race.

2. Eligibility, Entry & Fees -

2.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Melges 17 Class.

2.2 Eligible boats may enter by going to <u>www.yachtscoring.com</u> or completing the entry form and sending it, together with the required fees, to MBYC: M17 Macatawa Invitational; 753 South Shore Drive. Holland, MI. 49423 Entry forms will also be available at MBYC and boats may enter during registration.

2.3 The required fee for the regatta is \$105.00, which includes Cookout & Beach Party Saturday Night.

3. Schedule –

Saturday, May 4 th	Time	Event	Descri	Description		
		900 – 11AM	Registration			
		11AM	Regatta Briefing			
		1PM	First Warning	Up to (5) races planned		

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Sunday, May 5th	Time		Event		Description	
		10am		First Warning		Up to (4) races planned

*No warning past 12^{:30} pm on Sunday.

4. Sailing Instructions - will be available at registration.

5. Venue – Lake Macatawa North and East of MBYC

6. The Courses - will be 4 Leg Windward/Leewards.

7. Penalty System – RRS 44.1 is changed so that the 'Two-Turns Penalty' is replaced by the 'One-Turn Penalty'.

8. Scoring –

- 8.1 Nine (9) races are scheduled and one (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- **9. Boat Launching** Boats will be dry sailed from ramps at MBYC.
- **10. Prizes** will be awarded to crews placing 1st thru 5th.

11. Disclaimer of Liability — Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

End of Notice of Race

Social Events -

Friday – Happy Hour & Food on the club menu.

Saturday — Light lunch before sailing. 6:00pm Cookout and Beach Party at the Brand's

Sunday – Awards Party after racing at MBYC w/ Lunch available

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Accommodation

Hampton Inn Holland -Hampton Inn & Suites -Hilton hamptoninn3.hilton.com/... /hotels/mich... 5 Google reviews - \$127 ▼ 61 East 7th Street Holland (616) 796-2100

CityFlatsHotel www.cityflatshotel.com/ Score: 25 / 30 - 10 Google reviews - \$199 ▼ 650 East 24th Street Holland (616) 394-0111

Doubletree Hotel Holland by Hilton holland.doubletree.com/ 7 Google reviews - \$103 ▼ 225 College Avenue Holland (616) 395-7200

Haworth Inn & Conference Center www.haworthinn.com/ 2 Google reviews 12381 Felch Street Holland (616) 738-2800

Holiday Inn Express Holland

www.hiexpress.com/redirec t?...hotelCo... 5 Google reviews - \$146 ▼ 12260 James Street Holland (616) 396-6677

Country Inns & Suites www.countryinns.com/holla ndmi 4 Google reviews - \$111 ▼ 2888 West Shore Drive Holland (877) 556-3361 Holland Inn & Suites www.hollandinnmi.com/ 2 Google reviews - \$139 ▼