



Bayview Yacht Club
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97TH ANNUAL

BAYVIEW YACHT CLUB

James L. Cooley Memorial Invitational

Long Distance Race

Saturday, September 19, 2015

Sailing Instructions

1. **RULES** - This Regatta shall be governed by the "rules" as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2013 - 2016.

Entry – Participation in this regatta is open to all potential competitors. Competitors must participate using **Keelboats** owned by clubs, or club members, holding current membership in the Detroit Regional Yacht-Racing Association (DRYA) and to others on invitation of the Bayview Yacht Club Race Chairman. Competitors are **not** required to preregister or pay any non-DRYA registration fees prior to the start of the race. Junior Challenge competitors must notify the race committee chairman prior to the race start of their intent to participate. Please notify the race committee during pre-start check in. The winning Junior Challenge competitor must provide a crew list no later than one week prior to the 2015 Long Distance Race / North Channel Race Awards Ceremony.

PHRF Handicaps- shall be those assigned as of the date of the regatta by the DRYA, 23915 Jefferson, Suite #1, St. Clair Shores, MI 48080 (telephone 586-778-1000, e-mail Thedrya@drya.org). If you are not a member or currently registered with the DRYA, you may receive a complimentary rating by filling out the following form or available on the DRYA website

<http://drya.org/Forms/2015/2015%20DRYA%20CPR%20Application.pdf> FOR THE DETAILED RULES REFER TO THE SECOND SHEET OF THIS FORM.

Please submit this form by fax c/o the DRYA office at 586-778-1000 to DRYA Chief Handicapper David Spiers. Or the preferred process is email to: TheDRYA@drya.org. After you are notified of your rating, you will be eligible to start in the PHRF Class of any two of the DRYA races. **Be sure to submit your application by 4:00 pm (EST) on Monday, September 14, 2015, if you wish to be registered for the BYC Long Distance Race.** For Questions email David Spiers at spiersdjam@gmail.com. Boats in the PHRF classes are required to display a class flag.

MOORING – All boats are invited to moor at the Bayview Yacht Club from Friday, September 18, 2015, to Monday, September 21, 2015. Dockage fees during this period will be waived for all participating boats in the BYC LD Race. Guest Passes will also be provided for Club Privileges. Please contact the BYC Harbor Master or General Office at 313-822-1853 for accommodations and docking.

- 2. AGREEMENT TO ASSUME RISK** - In consideration of being permitted to enter this regatta and being fully knowledgeable of the risks of sailing as a competitive sport, all competitors, crew members and guests aboard voluntarily assume all risks associated with participating in this regatta. The skipper must assure that all equipment required by the United States Coast Guard (USCG) or by Sailing Instruction 4 is aboard and properly maintained and stowed and that the crew knows where it is kept and how it is used.

EQUIPMENT - Boats must be equipped with a horseshoe, ring buoy or lifesling, with water light attached, emergency signals, a bilge pump, a fog horn and adequate ground tackle for the waters in which the race will be sailed, in addition to all equipment required by the USCG.

RUNNING LIGHTS - Running lights shall be displayed as required by applicable government regulations.

- 3. INTERFERENCE WITH COMMERCIAL SHIPPING** – Boats are required to stay clear of all Commercial Shipping Traffic, including Tug/Barge Combinations, Lakers and Commercial Passenger Vessels.

In addition, boats crossing the shipping channel (see U.S. Chart #14850), boats are forbidden to interfere with major ships (Federal law 89-764). No restriction is placed on use of the water by other parties. Competitors therefore shall adhere to USCG Rule 18, which reads in part: “(b) A sailing vessel underway shall keep out of the way of: ... (ii) a vessel restricted in her ability to maneuver.”

4. **TRASH DISPOSAL** – RRS 55 is changed to read as follows: A competitor shall not intentionally put trash in the water. However, discarding elastic or wool bands when setting a sail is permitted.
5. **Class Flags** – Classes will be identified by the following class flags:

DIVISION 1 - LONG COURSE (50.1 NM)

Start #/Class	Rating	Class Flag
1 C&C 35		#0
2 PHRF 3	(102-150)	#1
3 PHRF 2	(63-99)	F
4 BEN 36.7		K
5 PHRF 1	(60 and Lower)	#7
6 J120		#8

DIVISION 2 - SHORT COURSE (31.3 NM)

Start #/Class	Rating	Class Flag
7 A Sail	(60-300)	E
8 Crescents		Class Logo*
9 Cal 25		Class Logo*
10 Express 27		Class Logo*
11 PHRF 4	(153 & Greater)	2nd Substitute

*Black class logo on a white field

6. **IDENTIFICATION** - Boats shall carry proper sail numbers on mainsails, spinnakers and any sails that attach to the headstay and have a luff perpendicular exceeding 130% of the base of the foretriangle. Class flags as prescribed below (not smaller than size "0") shall be displayed from the aftermost backstay at least six feet above the deck. Boats in the Crescent, Cal 25 and Express 27 classes are not required to display class identification flags.
7. **COURSE & Marks**- There will be two (2) courses for this regatta. Division 1 will be the Long Course, and Division 2 will be a Short Course. Coordinates for all marks listed are approximate locations.

DIVISION I – LONG COURSE (50.1 Nautical Miles) - The course shall be from the starting line to Mark 1 TX Red Thames River Entrance Buoy (42 20.066 N – 082 28.069 W) left to port. Then to;

- Mark 2 Red Channel Marker #28 (42 29.681 N – 082 42.894 W) left to port.
- Mark 3 Yellow Weather Buoy #45147 (42.43N - 082.683W) left to starboard.
- Mark 4 Green Channel Marker #13 (42 24.648 N – 082 50.071 W) left to port.
- Finish- finishing line leaving the rear Peche Island Range Light to port.

DIVISION II – SHORT COURSE (31.3 NM) - The course shall be from the starting line to Mark 1 Yellow Weather Buoy #45147 (42.43N - 082.683W) left to port. Then to;

- Mark 2 Red Channel Marker #28 (42 29.681 N – 82 42.894 W) left to port.
- Mark 3 Yellow Weather Buoy #45147 (42 25.795 N – 82 40.986 W) left to starboard.
- Mark 4 Green Channel Marker #13 (42 24.648 N – 82 50.071 W) left to port.
- Finish- finishing line leaving the rear Peche Island Range Light to port.

(Boats should give both Peche Island Range Lights ample room because of unmarked underwater obstructions.)

SHORTENING COURSE – There is no provision for Shortening Course.

- 8. STARTING LINE** – The starting area shall be approximately 82° (90 Magnetic), 1.0nm from the Peche Is. Rear Range Light (42° 21.3'- 082° 53.7'). The starting line shall be between the staff displaying an orange flag or shape on a Race Committee boat at the starboard end of the line and the water's edge of an inflated orange pyramid buoy at the port end.
- 9. STARTING TIMES** – Races will be started using RRS 26 (5 Minute Sequence), and the class flags designated in this Sailing Instruction. The warning signal for the first class will be made at **1700 HOURS (5pm)**.
- 10. FINISHING LINE** - The finishing line shall be between the Race Committee finish line shore station on the Bayview Yacht Club balcony and an orange tetrahedron with a white flashing light. ***The Race Committee requests that competitors have reflective sail numbers displayed on the starboard lifelines where they will not be obstructed by overlapping headsails.*** Sails and reflective numbers should be kept up well after finishing insuring proper identification.
- 11. LIMIT MARKS** - One or more limit marks (buoy with red and green horizontal bands) may be set near the Race Committee boat at the starting line. A boat shall not hit a limit mark or the Race Committee boat, or pass between any of them. A boat that does so may exonerate herself by taking a One-Turn Penalty described in RRS 44.2.
- 12. RC Communications-** Boats shall monitor VHF Channel 72 from the warning signal for the first class until after they have retired or finished. Any flag referred to in these Sailing Instructions may be replaced by a cylindrical shape that resembles the flag it replaces.

BOATS RETIRING- Boats retiring from the race shall inform the Race Committee as soon as possible on VHF Channel 72 or by telephoning the Race Committee at (313) 822-9595.

13. PROTESTS - Protests shall be delivered by email to Protests@DRYA.org no later than 1900 hours on the day of the regatta or two hours after the last boat in the protesting boat's class finishes the last race of the day, whichever is later. Fill-in protest forms and filing instructions are available at DRYA.org. Protest hearings will be held at Bayview Yacht Club, 100 Clairpointe, Detroit, MI beginning at 7:00 pm on the Monday, September 21st.

14. Race Scoring- DRYA will provide official race scoring. BYC requests competitors also register their intent to race on Yacht Scoring at no additional cost by Sept. 18th (<http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1499>). BYC will make Yacht Scoring available for use by all competitors as an unofficial information resource.

15. AWARDS – There will be an Overall Winner for each course. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd awards for each class and a 1st place award for the Junior Challenge. Awards will be presented as follows at the Long Distance Race / North Channel Race Awards Ceremony at Bayview Yacht Club (*Saturday, October 10th, 2015*). Skippers and crew are welcome to enjoy dinner at Bayview Yacht Club prior to the Awards Ceremony.

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REGATTA COMMITTEE	
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RACE DIRECTOR	Andrew Groh
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Race Committee	
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RC STARTING TEAM	Comm. Norm Samara
RC FINISHING TEAM	Ron Spies