



Yacht Racing Union of the Great Lakes



NOTICE OF RACE

2006 YRUGL Richardson Trophy Regatta

Buffalo Yacht Club
Buffalo, New York, USA

September 30 and October 1, 2006

- 1) **ORGANIZING AUTHORITY**
The Organizing Authority (OA) will be the Yacht Racing Union of the Great Lakes (YRUGL).
- 2) **VENUE**
The venue will be the Buffalo Yacht Club, Buffalo Harbor, Buffalo New York.
- 3) **EVENT GRADING**
The event will apply for ISAF Grade 3. This grading is subject to review by the ISAF Match Race Advisory Board. The event may be re-graded when there is a clear reason to do so.
- 4) **PROVISIONAL PROGRAM**
 - a) Practice Friday September 29, 2006 until 1700 Hours at the Buffalo Harbor entrance.
 - b) First briefing on Friday September 29, 2006 at 1900 hours at the Buffalo Club House.
 - c) Racing days will be on Saturday September 30, and Sunday October 1, 2006.
 - d) Time of the first race each day will be 0900 Hours unless otherwise noticed by the race committee.
 - e) Awards will be presented on Sunday October 1, 2006.
 - f) Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:
 - i) Initial briefing for skippers – Dress Code racing casual.
 - ii) Regatta Cocktail Party, for skippers and crews – Dress Code Business Casual.
 - iii) Awards presentation – Dress Code Business Casual.
- 5) **ELIGIBILITY**
 - a) 12 skippers and crews will be invited to this event.
 - b) Only skippers and crews invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event.

- i) 2 Skippers and crews will be invited from the participating clubs of the YRUGL as determined by each of the Regional Associations (LSYA, LHYA, LMSRA, DRYA, ILYA & LYRA)
- ii) To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm intention to compete in writing to the Regatta Chairman (e-mail is acceptable) to be received by one week before the Regatta.
- c) All skippers shall meet the eligibility of ISAF Regulation 19.2.
- d) All competitors shall obtain an ISAF Sailor ID prior to applying to sail in the regatta and that ISAF Sailor ID shall be supplied at the time of registration.
- e) The registered skipper for each crew shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- f) To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of invitation in writing, (fax or e-mail is acceptable) to be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation.

6) REGISTRATION:

- a) The team shall be entered upon completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and deposits.
- b) All payments shall be made by cash, check or credit card in \$ (US) and shall be received by the hosting club no later than 1 month before the event (August 31, 2006), unless other provisions are mutually agreed to between one of the regional associations as defined above and the host club.

7) ENTRY FEE:

- a) A non-refundable entry fee of \$ 400.00 (US) shall be paid by August 31, 2006.

8) DAMAGE DEPOSIT

- a) An initial damage deposit of \$ 500.00 (US) shall be paid along with the entry fee.
 - i) This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
 - ii) In the event that the OA decides a deduction from the damage deposits is required, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
 - iii) Damage costs will be deducted from the deposit of the team(s) causing the damage when the fault can be determined.
 - iv) Cost of any damage incurred that cannot be attributable to a specific team(s) will be deducted in equal portions from all damage deposits.
 - v) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within two weeks after the event.

9) GOVERNING RULES

- a) The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS, including Appendix C. and further by the Richardson Trophy Deed of Gift (<http://www.imsrf.org/yrugl/amended.htm>).
- b) Except for issues governed by the RRS, the decision of the OA in any matter connected with the races shall be final.
- c) The rules for the handling of boats will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing.
- d) Class rules will not apply.

10) BOATS AND SAILS

- a) The event will be sailed in J22s.
- b) Boats will be provided by the Buffalo Yacht Club.
- c) The following sails will be provided for each boat:
 - i) Mainsail, Jib, and Spinnaker.
- d) Starting Boats for Saturday and Sunday will be allocated by draw, as decided by the Race Committee.

11) CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- a) The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 3.
- b) The Average crew weight shall not exceed 87.5 kg.
- c) All registered crew shall sail all races.
 - i) When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorize an original crew member to substitute.
 - ii) When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorize a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

12) EVENT FORMAT

- a) Stage 1 – Round Robin beginning Saturday morning
- b) Stage 2 – 2nd Round Robin immediately following the conclusion of 1st Round Robin (This stage may continue on Sunday morning).
- c) Stage 3 – Finals and Petit Finals.
- d) The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.

13) COURSE

- a) The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.
- b) The intended course area will be in the vicinity of the north entrance to the Buffalo Harbor, Buffalo New York.
- c) The Race Committee will announce the course area each day at the skippers briefing.

14) ADVERTISING

- a) As boats and equipment will be supplied by the OA, ISAF Regulation 20.3.2 applies. Each boat will be required to display any advertising as supplied by the OA.
- b) Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (amends RRS 60.1).

15) PRIZES

The winner shall be awarded the Richardson Trophy, a perpetual trophy, subject to the terms of its deed of gift.

16) MEDIA, IMAGES, AND SOUND

The OA may require competitors to be available for interviews and/or photographs. The OA shall have the right to use any images and sound recorded during the event free of any charge.

17) DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk. The OA, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.

18) INVITATIONS

Entries will be accepted only from invited skippers. If you wish to be invited please contact your YRUGL Member Lake Association for information on qualification to compete. See <http://www.lmsrf.org/yrugl/officers.htm>.

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