



**2012 Lake Huron International**  
**Saturday June, 30<sup>th</sup> 2012**  
**Hosted by the Port Huron Yacht Club**



## Notice of Race

### 1. Management

- 1.1.** Port Huron Yacht Club is the organizing authority of the 2012 Lake Huron International Regatta (*LHIR*) and has appointed the Port Huron Yacht Club LHIR Race Chairman (*RC*) to conduct the Race and related activities. The RC has the authority to interpret the rules and conditions of the Race and to reject the entry of any boat at any time before the start of the Race.

### 2. Rules

- 2.1.** The Race shall be governed by the “rules” as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing for 2009-2012 (RRS), which includes the following (except as changed by the Sailing Instructions):
- 2.1.1.** The prescriptions of U.S. Sailing
  - 2.1.2.** This Notice and Conditions of Race (*Notice of Race*).
  - 2.1.3.** The Sailing Instructions and any amendments.
  - 2.1.4.** Applicable U.S. and Canadian Coast Guard Rules and Regulations.
  - 2.1.5.** Lake Huron Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (*PHRF*) rules as administered by the RC.

### 3. Advertising

Advertising shall be per current ISAF Regulation 20.

### 4. Eligibility / Entry

- 4.1.** This race is open to all yachts that complete the entry and pay all fees by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Entry can be accomplished by visiting Yacht Scoring ([www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com)) and completing the online registration or by completing entry form available on the site. Entry forms will also be available at PHYC and may be hand delivered at Final Entry.
- 4.2.** A boat's application to race shall be conditioned upon the Race Committee's acceptance of the boat as an entrant in the Race.

### 5. Fees

- 5.1.** The required entry fee for this event is \$50 USD.
- 5.2.** A \$25 late fee will be applied after June 27<sup>th</sup>.

### 6. Schedule of events

- 6.1.** Final Entry and Skipper Packet Pick-up at 1800-2000 on Friday June 29<sup>th</sup>.
- 6.2.** Skipper Packet Pick-up (1200-1400) on Saturday June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- 6.3.** Skipper's meeting 1400 on Saturday June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- 6.4.** Warning Gun 1700 on Saturday June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- 6.5.** Protests to be heard prior to 1400 on Sunday July 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 6.6.** Awards 1400 on Sunday July 1<sup>st</sup>.

### 7. Sailing Instructions

- 7.1.** Final SI will be posted on the Yacht Scoring web site by June 26<sup>th</sup>.

### 8. Courses

- 8.1. Port Huron 100 (88 NM)** - The course will run up the Canadian shore to Kettle Point, to Southern Lake Huron Weather Buoy, across Lake Huron to Port Sanilac, and down the U.S shore to finish at Port Huron.
- 8.2. John Blunt Memorial (59.5 NM)** - The course will run up the Canadian shore to Kettle Point, across Lake Huron to Lexington Harbor, and down the U.S shore to finish at Port Huron.
- 8.3. Kettle Point (45.5 NM)** - The course will run up the Canadian shore to Kettle Point and then to finish at Port Huron.

**9. Classes / Splits / Starting Order**

**9.1. Division I – PHRF**

**9.1.1.** PHRF competitors can race on any course.

**9.1.2.** Only yachts with a PHRF rating of 168 or higher can race on the Kettle Point course.

**9.2. Division II – ASM Division**

**9.2.1.** ASM yachts can race on either the John Blunt or Kettle Point course.

**9.3. Division III – Jib and Main (JAM)**

**9.3.1.** JAM yachts can race on the Kettle Point course.

**9.4.** RC may move a yacht or yachts from one course to another to produce competitive classes with similar rated yachts.

**9.5.** Final class splits and starting order will be posted at the notice board by 1300 on June 30<sup>th</sup>.

**10. Ratings & Handicaps**

**10.1.** Yachts entering PHRF, ASM and JAM classes must have a valid 2012 PHRF handicap certificate issued by any local authority. The RC may adjust individual PHRF handicaps to compensate for differences in handicapping methods employed by various handicapping authorities to be in accordance with Lake Huron PHRF By-Laws and ratings.

**10.2.** ASM will be defined by the following limits as described in the Lake Huron PHRF By-Laws.

**10.3.** JAM will be defined by the following limits as described in the Lake Huron PHRF By-Laws.

**10.4.** No changes in ratings initiated by competitors, and no revised rating certificates, will be accepted after June 29<sup>th</sup>.

**10.5.** PHRF handicaps assigned by the Race Committee are final.

**11. Disclaimer of liability of Skipper and Crew**

**11.1.** The Port Huron Yacht Club, its officers and members, the members of the Race Committee and sponsors shall not be liable for any loss of life, injury to persons or damage to property that may occur during or related to the Race.

**11.2.** As used in the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the term “Skipper” means the person who is designated on the Entry Form as “Skipper” and who is in charge of the boat, whether or not the owner.

**11.3.** The safety of a boat and its crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Skipper, who must insure that the boat is fully sound, thoroughly seaworthy and sailed by an experienced and physically fit crew. The Skipper must be satisfied with the soundness of the hull, spars, rigging, sails and gear and must insure that all equipment is properly maintained and stowed and that the crew knows where it is kept and how it is to be used.

**12. Insurance**

**12.1.** Each participating yacht shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.