

# Lake Michigan SuRF

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## "CRUISING FOR A CAUSE" GOOD FOR LMSRF

by Gail M. Turluck

Thanks to Jeff Marquard, past store manager for West Marine-Milwaukee and new area manager for West Marine/Port Supply for inviting LMSRF to be a participating charity at the Cruising for a Cause Grand Opening Charity Fundraiser held April 23 at the new, much larger West Marine-Chicago store at 1160 North Halsted Street, Chicago, Illinois.



LMSRF extends its thanks to ticket buyers including Gary Hendrickson, Gene McCarthy, Glenn McCarthy, Deirdre Martin, Amy Smith, Jim Richter, Vince Camarda, Gary Powell, Lori Henderson, Steven Fink, Michael Hettel, Tod Reynolds, Dale Smirl, Katie Taylor, Christopher Nurre, Matt Nurre and Gail Turluck. We reached the qualifying minimum and will be receiving the match incentive from West Marine.

Thanks also go to LMSRF Corporate Member Skyway Yacht Works for the donation of a Harken Carbo One-Touch Winch Handle, Next Level Sailing Chicago for the donation of a 4-pak of tickets to an outing this year on the IACC 80's, and Connective Marketing for the donation of a bottle of Canadian Club whisky. Proceeds from the silent auction totaled \$455.00.



Thanks also goes to West Marine for arranging for live auction and silent auction items. Adriana McCarthy had the live auction winning bid on a Chicago Skyline river cruise and a silent auction winning bid for four one-hour paddleboard vouchers to Chicago Water Sport Rentals with a \$50 West Marine gift card. She designated LMSRF as the benefitting charity.

Randy Repass, Founder and President of West Marine, visited our booth and asked about what LMSRF does and how it benefits boating. After learning about how we work to organize racing, teach sailing, provide grants to youth, instructor education, and competitor funding and providing him with our two brochures, he wrote a personal check to LMSRF. A few moments earlier Matt Hyde, CEO of West Marine, did pretty much the same thing.

Guests enjoyed appetizers and a beverage from Goose Island Brewery and live music by Jo Ann Daugherty. The ribbon was cut by 27<sup>th</sup> Ward Alderman Walter Burnett, Jr. and West Marine CEO Matt Hyde to kick off the event. Master of Ceremonies was Chicago Bears Punter Pat O'Donnell.

LMSRF served as the official host as a non-profit was needed for quicker event permitting. This was accomplished with the leadership and cooperation of the Commodore, Judge Advocate, and LMSRF's insurance consultant, with the costs paid by West Marine.

LMSRF will benefit by nearly \$1,500 from this two hour event. Year-end donation acknowledgements will be sent to our donors in January 2016.

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WEST MARINE-CHICAGO CRUISING FOR A CAUSE CHARITY FUNDRAISER CELEBRATION



New West Marine-Chicago store at the corner of Halsted and Division, host to the Cruising for a Cause party. Photo by Gail M. Turluck.



West Marine Founder and President Randy Repass welcoming the boating community to the new Chicago flagship store. Photo by Gail M. Turluck.



What's a retail store Grand Opening without a Ribbon Cutting? Store Manager Gary Sibilsky gets the honor ... Photo by Gail M. Turluck.



Michele O'Connor-West Marine, Lillian Waiyaki-Rolphe-West Marine, Gail Turluck-LMSRF and Gary Sibilsky-West Marine-Chicago Store Manager share the Special Event Permit from the City of Chicago. Photo by Laura C. Beck Photography.



West Marine CEO Matt Hyde and LMSRF Executive Secretary Gail Turluck share ideas on growing sailing. Photo by Laura C. Beck Photography.



LMSRF Past Commodore Glenn McCarthy considering the Silent Auction offerings at Cruising for a Cause. Photo by Laura C. Beck Photography.



## 2015 BEST ON LAKE MICHIGAN OFFSHORE SERIES—FINAL CALL!!

by Michael Hettel, Offshore Council Chair

With the competitive sailing season rapidly approaching LMSRF is seeing more entries into the Best On Lake Michigan Offshore Series ... 61 boats to date ... per the list below. Please check the list to confirm your entry has been received. If yours is missing, please email the LMSRF Office at [lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org](mailto:lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org).

Welcome back to the Beneteau 36.7, Beneteau 40.7, J/105, PHRF, & Tartan Ten fleets. And a hearty welcome to the Farr 395 & Farr 40 fleets with sufficient entrants to create a section. To the PHRF Multihull, C&C 110, C&C 115, and J/35 fleets, you need only 1 or 2 more boats registered to have your own section as well. Here at LMSRF we're certain as the days pass to the start of the season we'll see more entries to complete the sections.

PHRF FLEET		
Yacht	Skipper	Model
Aldonza	Jim R. DeYoung	Beneteau Oceanis 38
Big Meanie	James Prendergast	Beneteau 42
C.C. Rider	Jack Kelley	Alerion Express 28
Caliente	Michael J. Steck	Chris White 44
Cynthia	James DeVries	Morgan 41
Defiance	Dale L. Smirl	J/V 66
Dolce Vita	Thomas G. Bleck	Jeanneau 37
Fantome	Deidre Martin	Morgan 36
Farr 40	Philip Dowd	Inferno
Gauntlet	Guy Hiestand	Kaufman 44
Jason	Edward P. Cohen	Farr 395
Jug Band	Harry Simmon	Jeanneau 45.2
Legacy	Alan Silverman	Hanse 370e
Majic	Bill Hoyer	Sydney 41
Norboy	Leif Sigmond	Farr 40
Ocean	Jim Banovitz	Andrews 77
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Peerless	Andrew J. Price	Melges 30
Que Loco!!	Bradley Dykstra	Beneteau 44.7
Rumors	William J. Osterink	Islander 40
Runaway	Tom Gorey	Elan 49
Scarlet Begonias	Diane Foote	Dufour 36
Slapshot	Scott W. Sims	J/109
Souvenir	Steve Schiller	PT 32
Spar Wars III	Bruce Hubble	Olson 30
Speculator	Don DeSimone	JandeStadt 39
Sufficient Reason	Mitchell Padnos	J/122
Viper	F. William Laslow	Hunter Legend 35
Waka Waka	Thomas King	Garrett/Farr 40
WaveLength	Bill Stark	Ericson 36
Whisper	Thomas Barnes	Express 34
Whitecap	William J. Walsh	Pearson 37
Wired	Brian Angioletti	Beneteau 40.7
	Gene R. Rankin	Stephens 50
BENETEAU 40.7 FLEET		
Yacht	Skipper	Model
Das Boot	Jay Muller	Beneteau 40.7
Turning Point	David Hardy	Beneteau 40.7
Wired	Brian Angioletti	Beneteau 40.7

FARR 40 FLEET		
Yacht	Skipper	Model
Bandit	Arvid Eiesland	Farr 40
Hooligan	Joel Carroll	Farr 40
Pendragon	Andrew J. Nicoletti	Farr 40
FARR 395 FLEET		
Yacht	Skipper	Model
Jason	Edward P. Cohen	Farr 395
Mosquito	David Radtke	Farr 395
Wellenreiter	Gregory J. Weykamp	Farr 395
BENETEAU 36.7 FLEET		
Yacht	Skipper	Model
Erizo de Mar	Antoni Czupryna	Beneteau 36.7
Split Decision	Nick Norris	Beneteau 36.7
J/105 FLEET		
Yacht	Skipper	Model
Angry Sloth	Kristopher Reichert	J/105
Flying Pig	Mike Sheppard	J/105
Gangbusters	Mark Gannon	J/105
Global Nomads	Michael E. Hettel	J/105
Smokin' J	Michael B. Ludtke	J/105
Striking	Vanessa L. Gates	J/105
Y-Not	Virginia Waskel	J/105
Tartan Ten Fleet		
Yacht	Skipper	Model
Retention	Mark W. Croll	Tartan Ten
Winnebago	Timothy J. Rathbun	Tartan Ten
C&C 110 FLEET		
Yacht	Skipper	Model
Archimedes II	Joe Hummel	C&C 110
Sea Raider	Dirk Kruger	C&C 110
C&C 115 FLEET		
Yacht	Skipper	Model
Liberty 2	Thomas A. Blasco	C&C 115
Paradigm Shift	David G. Dickerson	C&C 115
J/35 FLEET		
Yacht	Skipper	Model
Touch of Grey	Larry Schell	J/35
PHRF MULTIHULL FLEET		
Yacht	Skipper	Model
Caliente	Mike Steck	Chris White 44

The 2015 Best on Lake Michigan Notice of Series is posted at:  
<http://lmsrf.org/index.php/offshore-championships/best-on-lake-michigan-nos>.

There's room for more PHRF entries and also for Offshore One Design entries. New in 2015, offshore boat owners may enter the series by a check box on either LMSRF membership application method (paper or electronic) through [www.lmsrf.org](http://www.lmsrf.org).

Already a member? The series entry form is available on the LMSRF web site:  
<http://lmsrf.org/index.php/offshore-championships/best-on-lake-michigan-entry>.

**Entry deadline for all boats is June 1.**

Contact Offshore Council Chair Mike Hettel as soon as possible at 309.256.3735, [offshorecouncilchair@lmsrf.org](mailto:offshorecouncilchair@lmsrf.org), to determine your Class' entry. Get your Class signed up today! Thanks to all, have a great season, and we'll see you on the water!

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## AREA V REVIVING LMSRF OFFSHORE CHAMPIONSHIP

by Bruce Hubble, Area V Vice Commodore

Stage 1 revival of the LMSRF Series is happening this year. The Quantum Freshwater Cup is being adopted as the kickoff! There will be a brag flag for the LMSRF racer that has the best results in the Quantum Freshwater Cup.



Two things to do: Join LMSRF and enter the Quantum Freshwater Cup. Enter today!

The first regatta, Mark Madness, is on Lake Charlevoix in early June.

Join LMSRF Paper <http://tinyurl.com/JoinLMSRF-Print> or  
Join LMSRF Plastic <http://tinyurl.com/eJoinLMSRF>

Enter Quantum Cup: <http://www.quantumsails.com/qfc/>

Enter Mark Madness: <http://boynecityyachtclub.com/markmadness.html>

Stage 2 will be in 2016; stay tuned ...

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## SAILING LEADERS NEED TO PLAN NOW FOR CHANGING DEMOGRAPHICS

by Gail M. Turluck

LMSRF's good friend, Lou Sandoval, raised our awareness on the incredibly important story on how all of sailing, boating, and clubs need to be making considerations of and for the rapidly changing demographics being experienced in our area today and in the coming decade. VERY soon, the Baby Boom will no longer be the biggest generation in size! See the complete article in *Boating Industry* here:

<http://www.boatingindustry.com/top-stories/2015/04/01/next-is-now/>.

## 2015 DASH TO THE DOCK

by Steve Kindra

For the second year in a row Skyway Yacht Works and Crowley's Yacht Yard are hosting their fun Dash to the Dock on Saturday, May 9, 2015. It's F-R-E-E! It's open to everyone, sail or power.

Power boaters will enjoy a 'Black Jack Run,' where they get a playing card at the start and one at the finish. Best hand wins.

For sailors, The Dash will start pursuit-style at the end of the Calumet Harbor break wall, head slightly northeast and turn a buoy to the northwest toward the Shedd Aquarium. A Whaler and an orange mark will be the finish line.

After that, all boats will go to the Columbia Yacht Club dock for music, food and refreshments provided by Skyway and Crowley's. More info:

<http://dashtothedock.com>. Let's get your boat to the harbor!



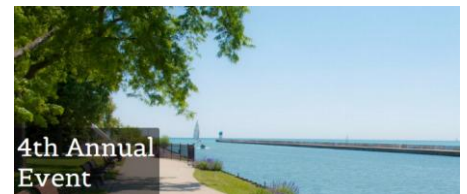
## CHICAGO BRIDGE LIFT OPENINGS ANNOUNCEMENT

by Michael Borgström, President, Chicago Harbor Safety Committee

Chicago Department of Transportation Operations is going to coordinate the opening of the Lake Street and Randolph Street Bridges for the remainder of the spring sailboat runs on Wednesday and Saturday so that both bridges open at the same time. This means that the sailboats will have to wait between Randolph Street and Washington Street until CTA clears Lake Street for opening. This much-appreciated effort by Oswaldo Chaves and CDOT will ensure a safer transit through the 150 North Riverside Plaza construction zone for all boaters. Thank you Ozzie and CDOT!

## ANCHORAGE YACHT CLUB ANNOUNCES 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL "SCOOP THE LAKE"

The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual "Scoop the Lake" event will kick off Friday evening, May 29, 2015 with a barbecue and live music party featuring "Ivy Ford and Band" at Waukegan Yacht Club, Waukegan, Illinois. Saturday, May 30 activities will include the Sailboat Race just outside Waukegan Harbor, a Poker Run inside the harbor, as well as a Model Sailboat Race.



The awards party will be held at Green Town Tavern in Waukegan with prizes for first and last place sailboat, winner of the Poker Run, a 50/50 raffle and many other great raffle prizes from event sponsors, and great food and drink for all.

Come and join Anchorage Yacht Club and Waukegan Yacht club to kick off the summer while supporting a great cause. All proceeds from this on-the-water fundraising event support the efforts of Waukegan Main Street, a non-profit organization working to improve downtown and lakefront connectivity and make the city an even better place to live, work, play and go boating.

Registration is now open! Overnight slips will be available for event participants for \$15 per night. More info: [www.scoopthelake.org](http://www.scoopthelake.org) or 847.757.9093.

## **DR. LELAND'S SOIREE SET IN MICHIGAN CITY**

Dr. Leland's Soiree is going to be held on Sunday, June 7, 2015. Dr. Leland's Soiree is the annual fundraiser party for Michigan City Yacht Club. Thank you Dr. Leland!

Michigan City Yacht Club has a new web site, new newsletter, added Commodore's newsletter and the details for this event are about to be posted. Visit [www.mcytc.com](http://www.mcytc.com) for more information as the date nears. Advance registration is required.

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## **CHICAGO YACHT CLUB MORPHS BEER CAN RACING**

Chicago Yacht Club has announced a revamped Wednesday racing series — the Skyline Series. The club will host a weekly racing series each Wednesday from May through September out of Monroe and Belmont Stations. Wednesday night racing introduces sailboat racing to many individuals new to the sport in a positive, friendly manner. It also encourages established and entry-level racing teams to rotate positions for skill development. Starting May 20 through September, bring your friends and family out to sail quick, casual races and social activities afterward every Wednesday night. Here are nine things to know.

**1. The name is changing to Wednesday Night Skyline Series.** We will do racing just like you've experienced on Wednesday nights, with a few changes. First, we selected a name that reflects what we actually do: spend the evening racing with Chicago's skyline as our backdrop (at sunset, no less), capping off the evening at the Club with food, drinks, friends, and Navy Pier's fireworks display. It's really about sharing this great Wednesday tradition with family, friends and newbies. Yes, we'll still be drinking beer out of cans, but that's just one aspect of what we do.

**2. The racing will start and finish much closer to shore.** The Monroe Skyline Series starts and finishes a half mile northeast of the Monroe Harbor Breakwall light. The race course is currently posted on the CYC registration page and will include a combination of marks to the north, south and east, including the 4 Mile Crib. Each Wednesday the actual course will be announced by the Race Committee boat before the starting sequence. Each course is designed to have all boats finished by 8:30 p.m.

**3. Seasoned racers will be out there, but all levels of experience are welcome.** Several Mac Race winners started their racing 'careers' at the Wednesday night races. At one point, everyone was a newbie and beginner. Don't be too shy to ask for help or a little guidance; our CYC Offshore Race Chair Viviana Fanizzo will happily answer any of your questions and concerns. If you would prefer to go out on an experienced boat before taking your own crew out, we can arrange this, as well. Click here to add your information to CYC's Crew Finder.

**4. Wednesdays@CYC: competitive & fun racing, food, drink, awards, fireworks.** The first warning gun of the night will be 18:55, with starts every five minutes thereafter, and we anticipate all boats will be able to finish racing by 20:30. When you arrive at the Club, we'll have live music on the patio to go with your burgers, brats, beer or rum. Did we mention there will be Mount Gay rum? Mostly because sailors like Mount Gay rum ... and red hats. After the night's racing prizes are handed out, racers can compete with a joke, funny story, or sing for an additional prize. Then the 9:30 fireworks will help put an exclamation point on your night.

**5. Basically, there will be lots of prizes and awards.** Because winning things is fun. Mount Gay Rum prizes will be awarded to the boats with the best performance on the race course, but the rum must be shared equitably with your crew or you risk mutiny. Also, maybe some red hats will be tossed around the patio like Frisbees. Sometimes there will be beer awards, too. There will many other prizes, for things unrelated to being first in a race, things like best family-filled boats and best newcomers. Come join us, especially if you like winning, fun, or prizes.

**6. Bring the kids, the dog, the friend who's been asking to go sailing, and anyone else who loves being on the water.** Sailing should be enjoyed by those of all ages. With appropriate supervision, small children can enjoy the Skyline Series races. While pulling on lines and grinding winches requires some strength, most people can quickly learn how to handle many of the jobs on a race boat.

**7. We're thinking 'outside the can,' so to speak.** We will have racing just like you've known it in the past, but closer to shore and with more exciting courses. We'll also have two unique races on the schedule this year: Pursuit Races with a Harbor Start. These are unlike anything we've had in recent years. Friends and spectators will cheer skippers on as they're counted down by the CYC flagpole, then they rush to their boats, motor-sail to the outer break-wall, then sail around the crib and finish upon returning to the outer break-wall.

**8. We will be able to score each boat, whether you have a rating or not.** If you don't have a PHRF Certificate, we have a committee in place that will determine a fair rating for your boat so you can participate.

**9. Other nuggets of wisdom.** You can race in one of the full spinnaker racing sections, the jib and main only section, or you can race Cruising Class with a cruising spinnaker or a gennaker. We also welcome members of any other clubs, including Burnham Park, Midwest Open Racing Fleet, Chicago Corinthian, and others. The more the merrier.

There will be many experienced racers out there. If you're less experienced, watch what they do and see how they make their way around the course. That is a great way to learn. For the Notice of Race and further information, visit:

<https://www.chicagoyachtclub.org/Default.aspx?p=DynamicModule&pageid=366081&ssid=277376&vnf=1>.

## SPECIAL MEMBER BENEFITS

Lake Michigan Sail Racing Federation's Corporate Member program provides the opportunity to provide current LMSRF Individual Members with special benefits annually only available to our members. Current offers:

**Copacetic Stores:** LMSRF members may stop in, or ask with their shipped order, for a Sun Bum sun protective lip balm, a \$5.00 value. Click link at right and contact Mary.



**World Yachts:** LMSRF members who are thinking either of buying or selling a boats get a **free market analysis**, a \$25 value. Click link at right and contact Eric Jones.



## 2015 South Haven Yacht Club Invitational

June 6, 2015

Yes, this year we are changing to a **one** day format, with the intent to race 3 races.

### Registration:

[www.southhavenyachtclub.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/04/SHYCInvitationalEntryForm-HoldharmlessAgreemen2015.pdf](http://www.southhavenyachtclub.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/04/SHYCInvitationalEntryForm-HoldharmlessAgreemen2015.pdf)

Or June 6, 8-9 am. Skipper Meeting 9:30am



### Regatta Awards Party on Saturday!

Awards presentation at about 7:15 pm.  
Dinner, Drink Specials, and Live Music!

### More info:

Andy Woodruff  
[SHYCRaceCommittee@gmail.com](mailto:SHYCRaceCommittee@gmail.com)  
Cell: 720-270-5511



## RACE MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT

by Eric Lind, Race Administration Chair

We had our first event of the season April 17-19, and it was a blast!!! With less than 2 weeks of open water, we had the docks and lifts in, and 12 of our Club 420s rigged and ready for action. Traverse Area Community Sailing hosted the Midwest Inter-Scholastic Sailing Association East Baker Championship and East Mallory Championship pre-Qualifiers with 7 and 8 teams competing. The Baker is a team race and the Mallory is a fleet race. The top three teams from the Baker and the top six teams from the Mallory advance to the district qualifiers, with the top teams from the district going on to the High School Nationals. Youth racing is my favorite and lately that is what I have been involved with the most. If you have not experienced any youth events make it a point to seek one out and get involved. You will be amazed at how much fun these kids are and how rewarding it is. Youth participation is the future of our sport!!!

In the last issue the process to get NORs written for the season's events was covered; now it's time to think about the Sailing Instructions, or SIs. Depending on the level of your event the SIs may be simple, quick, and easy; or they may be lengthy and complicated. I insist on writing the SIs for all of the events that I run and as stated in RRS90.2 it is the Race Committee's responsibility. If you don't write the SIs you won't be as familiar with them as if you had. Make sure that nobody but you posts the final edition for publication. Clearly mark drafts as such and renumber them each time you save them. After you have arrived at the final version mark it as such and delete all the drafts. Here's a couple of tips for preparing the SIs -

- Start with RRS Appendix J & L. Using last year's SIs as a guide only perpetuates mistakes from years past. Keep in mind that the rules change every four years, and sometimes in between, making previous SIs obsolete.

- Don't be redundant. For instance, the Two-Turns Penalty is the default in the RRS. You don't need to spell that out in the SIs. You only need to add something if you are using an alternative penalty like the One-Turn or Scoring Penalty.

- Keep It Simple Stupid ! ! ! Be as brief and concise as possible. Format your document for as few pages as you can. I like to keep my SIs to no more than four pages and print on 11 x 17 paper so there are no staples and no chance for a sailor to lose a page.

- Course Diagrams are important, but must be 100% accurate. I have accumulated many in my computer and Stan Betts offered a CD a few years ago for \$10 that has many different configurations on it.

When you have reached a final version send it to all registered competitors via email or post it on your website and notify them. Both yachtscoring and regatta networks make that a simple task.

And finally, during the event always have a copy in your back pocket!!! I can't remember an event where I haven't pulled out my copy for a quick review of an item. Also, make sure you have a rule book with you on the water. Chances are you will refer to it more than once during an event.

That's about it for this month. Call/text/email me if you have any questions or input for me - 231.218.3700 or [erlind48@outlook.com](mailto:erlind48@outlook.com).

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL SUNFISH MICHIGAN OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP**  
 Gull Lake Sunfish Fleet (GLSF) & Gull Lake Yacht Club (GLYC)  
 June 7-8, 2014 - Gull Lake - Richland, MI

1. **Rules** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
2. **Entries** Competitors may enter by delivering a completed entry form and paying the appropriate entry fee to the Regatta Committee before 1100 hours on June 7, 2014.
3. **Notices to Competitors** Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located outside Sail Away, the Richter residence, in Hickory Corners, Michigan.
4. **Changes to Sailing Instructions** Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1100 hours on June 7, 2014 for that day's sailing and 0830 hours on June 8, 2014 for that day's sailing.
5. **Signals Made Ashore** Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Gull Lake Yacht Club Signal Boat while the boat is docked at Gull Lake Yacht Club. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after flag AP is lowered. This changes race signals.
6. **Schedule and Class Flags** A competitors' meeting will be held at 1115 hours, June 7, 2014, on the deck at Sail Away. The warning signal for the first race will be at 1200 hours. Subsequent races each day will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race. The class flag is a white flag with a red Sunfish logo. The warning signal on the second day will be at 0955 hours. On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1155 hours.
7. **Racing Area** The racing area will be on Gull Lake in Kalamazoo and Barry Counties, Michigan.
8. **Courses and Marks** The courses will be any combination of Triangle and/or Windward-Leeward courses. The course will be designated on a Class signal board on the starboard side of the Race Committee Signal Boat. The inflatable marks will be orange. A small orange ball may be used as an offset mark. The attached diagram (Appendix A) shows the courses, course designations, the marks in order and the rounding direction of each mark.
9. **Starting and Finishing Lines** The starting and finishing lines will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the Gull Lake Yacht Club Race Committee Signal Boat and the inflatable Start/Finish mark. Races will be started by using Rule 26 with the warning signal made five (5) minutes before the starting signal. A boat starting later than 15 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing; this changes rules A4 and A5.
10. **Change of the Next Leg of the Course** To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will lay a yellow mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
11. **Time Limit** The time limit will be 45 minutes for the first boat to reach the first mark or the race shall be abandoned. The time limit for each race will be 2 hours for the first boat to finish. The races are planned to be 40 to 45 minutes in length. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.
12. **Further Racing** If the Race Committee intends to start another race on the same day, it will be signaled by using the "R" Flag (with no sound) while boats are finishing.
13. **Protests** Protests shall be delivered to Sail Away within 60 minutes after the Race Committee Finish Boat docks at Gull Lake Yacht Club. The protest time limit and a list of protests received will be posted on the notice board at Sail Away. Hearings will be held as soon as possible after racing each day at the Gull Lake Yacht Club. If the Race Committee posts a list of boats scored OCS, ZFP, or BFD on the official notice board before the protest time limit, a request for redress based on such a posted score shall be made no later than one hour after the protest time limit; this changes the first sentence of Rule 62.2.
14. **Scoring** Six races are scheduled. If at least six (6) races are completed, each boat's worst score will be excluded from her series score. This changes A2. One race constitutes a series.



## SHARE YOUR CLUB'S SUMMER SAILSTICE PLANS WITH LMSRF TO GET THE WORD OUT!

by Gail M. Turluck

Summer Sailstice is a worldwide celebration of sailing on the weekend closest to the summer solstice – this year the solstice falls on Saturday, June 20, 2015! There is a web site dedicated to the fun and frivolity of having a "get every sailboat out on the water and get as many people out sailing as you can day" once a year, [www.summersailstice.com](http://www.summersailstice.com).



Your club is encouraged to register its event on the Summer Sailstice web page. Every boat owner and crew is also encouraged to register on the Summer Sailstice web page and share their sailing plans. You can win prizes by entering one of their many drawings. Add your sailing plans at [www.summersailstice.com](http://www.summersailstice.com) and you could win a Caribbean charter or any of dozens of other prizes!

LMSRF is aware that many of the clubs around the lake have an event tied to Summer Sailstice. Please email [lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org](mailto:lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org) with your club's plans by May 20 to get listed in the 2015 LMSRF Summer Sailstice Directory to be published in the June issue.

## LMSRF AREA III VICE COMMODORE PROFILE – STEVE FINK

by Gail M. Turluck

The LMSRF Board welcomes Steve Fink, the Fleet Captain of the LMSRF Area III Offshore Racing Steering Committee as its LMSRF Area III Vice Commodore.

Fink calls Skokie, Illinois home and his yacht racing home is Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club, in Montrose Harbor, in Chicago, Illinois. Fink is an attorney; he thought it would be an interesting way to make a living. He is married to Lisa Fink and they have no children.

He learned the basics by throwing his little board boat into Lake Michigan off Dempster St. Beach in Evanston, Illinois, in 1974. He learned the finer points from a friend in a Flying Junior shortly thereafter as they sailed it out of Burnham Harbor. Then he bought a half interest in a wooden cruising boat, sailed out of Montrose in the Heritage Boat Club. He learned to race in the late '70s sailing with a friend out of Sheridan Shore in Wilmette, Illinois, in a Rainbow. The Rainbow's owner bought a Tartan Ten that Fink now owns in 1983 and Fink has raced it since 1993.



Fink's little board boat was a Starcraft Skylark- a 13' scow. To build his knowledge, he read books on sailing and talked to people he knew who had a little sailing experience and then learned to sail by sailing around off Evanston. When he audited classes at the University of Illinois-Chicago in 1975 and 1976 he joined their sailing club. He met a graduate who had privileges, as such, with whom he became friends. They sailed the Club Flying Juniors out of Burnham Park Yacht Club together and he learned to sail something other than his scow. Sometime in 1977 a friend of my Father's, who he had known since childhood, called and asked if he would like to learn to race with him and another of my Father's friends. They sailed a Rainbow out of Sheridan Shore Yacht Club and they taught him to race. They raced the Rainbow until 1982. By then, he and the Rainbow owner had done two Mackinacs with a friend of the owners, and got the bug for "big time" racing. So, the Rainbow owner bought a Tartan Ten which was called Rainbows End. In 1983 we began sailing LMSRF Area III races with the Chicago Tartan Ten Association. After Richard, the owner, began looking toward retirement, Fink bought pieces of the boat until he became 100% owner of the boat in 1993. Fink has sailed in LMSRF Area III consistently since 1983 and has done every Chicago-Mackinac race, starting with the 1981 and 1982 races in an IOR 5 boat called a Metal Mast 30. The rest have been on Rainbows End, except for the race of 1987 which he and the boat missed, as Richard had it up for sale.

Fink recalls many exciting experiences in his sailing escapades. In several Chicago-Mackinacs, in what he calls "T-10 Weather," Fink's enjoyed sailing through the Manitous with 30 knots of breeze behind them in 6 foot waves with the heavy chute up. He's been in storms, seen the Northern Lights, St. Elmo's fire off of Frankfort, Michigan, had gybing and tacking duels up the Straits of Mackinac and over to Mackinac Island, broke stuff and fixed it on the fly, broke the rudder in the 1985 Mackinac race and steered the boat into Pentwater with a milk crate lashed to the rudder blade, steered all night across to St. Joseph the year the race was cancelled with my crew on the high side singing all the way across, watched a fish swim along side the boat in clear water off Michigan, sailed into Pentwater on a beautiful afternoon, trimming the chute on a broad reach with a cute blonde at the helm and Benny Goodman on the radio.

When asked about sailing most distant from his home port, Fink shared that in his boat the farthest he's gone is the North Channel in 1986; farther away he has rented boats in Miami for daysailing.

Steve Fink brings deep knowledge and experience of offshore racing on Lake Michigan. He has been on the Board of the Chicago Tartan Ten Association and has served as Fleet Captain; her currently is Treasurer. He was asked to fill an open spot on the Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club Board five years ago and is the current Rear Commodore. He serves as Co-representative to the LMSRF Area III Steering Committee for Chicago Corinthian Yacht Club and is presently figuring out how to fill the office of Fleet Captain.

He would like to re-educate sailors about what the LMSRF Area III Offshore Racing Steering Committee does for racing in Chicago and stop the mistaken idea that LMSRF Area III Steering Committee somehow is the cause of the problems in sailboat racing in Chicago. He would like to continue to identify and help overcome the waning interest in high quality, competitive racing. LMSRF has a part to play in supporting the Areas of racing into which Lake Michigan is divided and has an overall role to play in showing people that sailing is accessible and not for the rich. Once they try it, a lot of people might stick with it.

LMSRF has much to gain and build from by having Steve Fink on its Board of Directors. Welcome aboard, Steve!

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## **NMMA TO NO LONGER PRODUCE CHICAGO IN-WATER BOAT SHOW®**

As a result of feedback from the Chicagoland boating industry and NMMA stakeholders, the decision has been made not to produce the Progressive® Insurance Chicago In-Water Boat Show® scheduled for June 11-14, 2015. There was not enough market demand or available inventory to warrant an acceptable selling environment for exhibitors and a quality event for attendees.

The consensus is that the industry would be better served focusing on the recently merged, all-new Progressive

Insurance® Chicago Boat, RV & Strictly Sail Show®, at McCormick Place, which will take place next year from



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January 14-18, 2016. NMMA plans to concentrate its efforts on the newly expanded winter show, a combination of Strictly Sail® Chicago and the Chicago Boat, Sports & RV Show®, and focus on making it the largest comprehensive boating event in the Midwest and ideal sales environment for exhibitors. The NMMA is hopeful this shift in focus to Chicago's largest boat show will continue to help grow recreational boating in the Midwest.

In its first year as a combined event, the 2015 Progressive Insurance Chicago Boat, RV & Strictly Sail Show drew more than 47,000 visitors, up 8 percent from last year's attendance at the separate shows, the National Marine Manufacturers Association reported.

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## THE LAKE MICHIGAN REGION 2016 OLYMPIC / PARALYMPIC HOPEFULS

by Glenn McCarthy

Some of you may have seen my attack on the 2016 Olympic venue in Guanabara Bay, Rio de Janeiro. I write on the issue because I want the sailors to succeed and succeed in a field of fair play. So let's talk about the sailors in the region who are working their way towards the 2016 Olympic Games:

**Maggie Shea** — 49erFX (Chicago, IL)

Maggie competed in the Weymouth, England Olympics in match racing. Here's her resume':

<http://blechershea2016.com/meet-maggie/>

<http://www.gofundme.com/76g3hg>

**Annie Haeger** — Women's 470 (East Troy, WI)

Annie comes from an enthusiastic scow sailing family in Wisconsin, and has strong experience. Here's her resume':

<http://www.ussailing.org/olympics/teams/usst/annie-haeger-470>

<http://teamhp470.com/donate/>

**John Ruf** — 2.4mR (Pewaukee, WI)

John won a Paralympic Bronze medal in the 2008 Qingdao Paralympic Games. Here's his resume':

<http://www.teamusa.org/Athletes/RU/John-Ruf>

Let's cheer them on to the podium (somewhere in Brazil) in the 2016 Olympic Games!

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## 2016 OLYMPIC SAILING DISASTER

by Glenn McCarthy

Sailing's image in the public's eye today has them believing that sailing is for the rich and that sailing is exclusive. We have the data to prove this wrong: 75% of boats are owned in households with incomes under \$100,000, according to the National Marine Manufacturers Association. On Lake Michigan, there are very many sailboat charter companies, sailing schools, websites to sign up at clubs to join a crew, crew schools, etc., to get anyone on a sailboat quickly and at little cost. No hurdles, no secret handshakes, just get up and go sailing.

The waters of Guanabara Bay off Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, site of the 2016 Olympic Games-Sailing, contains the untreated household and industrial wastes of 7,000,000 people daily. Think kitchen waste, laundry waste, bathroom waste (including competitors sailing through sanitary napkins and "Long Island jellyfish" — condoms, then oils, greases, acids, bases and heavy metals used in industrial processing. Not done yet, there are 80 to 100 tons of trash dumped into the bay monthly covering the water with everything including couches, TVs, desks, chairs, beds and floating plastic. If that isn't enough, sailors have come across dead cows, horses, rats, cats, dogs and human corpses). And the International Olympic Committee seems just peachy with this.



A dead cat and other debris float on Guanabara Bay off of Rio de Janeiro in this recent photo. Courtesy: www.bbc.com.

**I am not.**

The 2016 Olympics in Rio is working on adding another image to sailing — "disgusting." Thanks to the International Olympic Committee, our image won't be improving, it will go downhill. We will become "rich, exclusive and disgusting." As Clint Eastwood said in sneered sarcasm, "Marvelous."



More than a few people asked that I take a stand and try to get the Sailing portion of the 2016 Games moved out of this cesspool into a clean water open ocean regatta site elsewhere in Brazil, of which there are many that have been used for sailboat racing. As this is not just a "U.S." issue. One project was collecting the email addresses of the sailing media worldwide to share the series of articles with. I was able to track down 600 email addresses (I get out of office replies in many different languages I can't understand with each article release).

I figure I'll end up with close to 12 articles on the subject, publishing twice a week on my sailing blog, so far the topics have included:

- Guanabara Bay Test Sailing Event FAILED
- Rio's Clean Up Efforts in Guanabara Bay Since 1992, There's a Pattern of Underachievement
- Move the 2016 Olympic / Paralympic Venue out of Rio's Guanabara Bay
- The 2016 Rio Olympic Sailing Drug Ban Hypocrisy
- The 2016 Olympics Brings the Sport of Sailing into Disrepute and it is Time for the Olympic Industry to Resign
- Open Letter to the U.S. Olympic & Paralympic Congressional Caucus on the National Health of Olympic Sailors



And they'll keep coming – [www.ChicagoNow.com/Sail-Lake-Michigan](http://www.ChicagoNow.com/Sail-Lake-Michigan).

## TWO YEARS OF BLOGGING ON SAILING

by Glenn McCarthy

When *Chicago Tribune's* Mike Esposito asked me to write a blog about sailing on a *Tribune* owned blog site, the goal was to increase sailing participation by explaining to the non-sailing public how affordable and how easy it is to get into sailing. The goal was to show them all of the open doors and the price of entry – free in some cases, in the low hundreds of dollars in most others. A few tangents aside, like the America's Cup and the Olympic escapade I am currently on, I have stayed true to the original ideal.

need  
crew?

One idea I have struggled with is to explain where all beer can racing around Lake Michigan is and how to show up with a six-pack and a little sign in hand saying "Need Crew?" and where to walk up and down the docks to get picked up. It is wrong of me to provide an open invite to the general public to yacht clubs who host beer can races, pretty much giving free rides without invitation. If anyone has any ideas on how to make this connection, please email me – [glenntmccarthy@yahoo.com](mailto:glenntmccarthy@yahoo.com).

What are the highlights of writing over 100 articles?

- There have been 30,000 Unique Visitors who made 39,000 Trips reading the articles a combined 52,000 times. No doubt readership increases when I ride the media coattails of the America's Cup, Chicago Mackinac Race and the Olympics. Common readership of the articles I thrive on for introducing sailing to the masses reach more conservative numbers.
- 150 have subscribed to get the new articles announced in an email to them.
- Articles get picked up by others in the world and reported on including: Scuttlebutt Sailing News; Scuttlebutt Europe; Sailing Anarchy; The Hosworths; Sail-World; Sail-World Cruising; Live Sail Die; Inside the Games; Bargain Boats; Around the Rings; Summer Sailstice; Door County Maritime Museum; Yacht Charter Around the Globe; SailRacer; PureSail, and others, expanding the readership numbers.
- The chartering sailboats article has drawn 2,800 readers and lists all charter sailboats around Lake Michigan.
- The adult sailing school article has drawn 2,079 readers and lists all schools around Lake Michigan.
- The junior sailing school article has drawn 1,612 readers and lists all schools around Lake Michigan.
- Sign up online to crew for free has drawn 762 readers and lists the crew boards I was able to find.
- Part-time sailboat ownership has drawn 599 readers including time-shares, boat memberships, etc.

- Sea Scouts and Mariner Girl Scouts drew 560 readers.
- Sail on a Tall Ship drew 413 readers and lists all Tall Ships around Lake Michigan.
- African American sailors drew 364 readers.
- I skipped some and there's a lot more to total up to 30,000.

Hopefully these articles particularly get non-sailors off their couch, or to drop their golf clubs and give sailing a try.

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### **COOL THINGS CLUBS ON LAKE MICHIGAN HAVE DONE**

**Kenosha Yacht Club** gets a shout out this month for their "Cinco de Derby Party," combining all the good things of early May – the Kentucky Derby and all its regalia plus Cinco de Mayo and its tasty fresh foods – into one hilarious good time. Ladies are asked to sport an appropriate hat and men are asked to dress for the Derby. Bet this one's fun!

--Get your club's fun events noted here. Send a report to *Lake Michigan SuRF* at [lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org](mailto:lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org).

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### **FIND YOUR CLUB OF CHOICE – OPEN HOUSES**

**Bayshore Yacht Club**, Holland, Michigan, is having its traditional Club Open House over Memorial Day weekend, May 23-25, 2015. They'll also be celebrating their Club's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary that weekend.

**Burnham Park Yacht Club**, Chicago, Illinois, is having three spring Open Houses for people to come visit the club, learn about their programs and membership: May 17, 2015 and June 20, 2015 from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Judd Goldman Adaptive Sailing Center**, Chicago, Illinois, Annual Open House on Saturday, May 30, 2015, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Judd Goldman Sailing Center, 1362 Linn White Drive, Burnham Park Harbor, Chicago, Illinois.

**Racine Yacht Club** is having a Welcome to your Second Home on the Lake Open House on Saturday, June 6, 2015, 3pm – 6pm, at the club, 1 Barker St., Racine, Wisconsin. You are invited to come and find out what they are about and enjoy food, drink and entertainment. Please RSVP by calling 262-634-8585, or email with questions to [pajobson@wi.rr.com](mailto:pajobson@wi.rr.com).

**Sail Chicago**, Chicago, Illinois, is having a Kick Off the Season Event on Saturday, May 9, 2015, from 6:30 PM to 9:30 PM CDT, at Weather Mark Tavern, 1503 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Meet and welcome new members and students and connect with old friends. Sail Chicago will provide a drink and an appetizer or two (current members and students free of charge — guests \$8 at the door). The Weather Mark will have some great food and drink specials, so consider staying for dinner or just great conversation. Register now by contacting Pat Webster, Sail Chicago, [social@sailchicago.org](mailto:social@sailchicago.org), 312-861-1673.

**Sturgeon Bay Yacht Club**, Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin, is offering a "Sponsor A Friend" membership for the winter/spring season through May. Friend Members may bring guests, participate in club events on a cash, check or credit card basis, and enjoy the club facility and its many features.

**Winthrop Harbor Yacht Club**, Winthrop Harbor, Illinois, welcomes guests the following dates: Kentucky Derby Party, May 2, 2:00 to 8:00; Welcome Back Party, May 16, 6:00 to 12:00; Storm the Docks, May 23, 6:00 to 12:00; Gen Z Dance Party, May 24, 6:00 to 12:00; Slip Holders' Luncheon, June 6, 11:30 to 2:00; and Progressive Dinner, June 13, 6:00 to 12:00.

Contact these clubs for more information.

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## THE OLD BEAR TROPHY

The Deed of Gift has been completed for the Bayview Mackinac Hall of Fame which names recipients to "The Old Bear Trophy." The Deed of Gift indicates that the Bayview Mackinac Old Goats Society will handle the nomination and election process for the "Old Bear Trophy".

The trophy will be perpetual and will be awarded to select individuals in honor of their support, dedication and outstanding contribution to the success and continuation of the Bayview Yacht Club Port Huron to Mackinac Race. Nominees should have completed at least 10 BYC Mackinac Races and brought honor to themselves and to the race. If you would like to nominate someone (living or deceased) for this honor, please fill out the nomination form available at Bayview and return it to the BYC office before the beginning of the race.

The trophy was donated by the Bayer Family in honor of the first recipient, Commodore Charles M. Bayer.

The selection committee is comprised of Bayview Old Goat Committee Members, Grand Rams, and volunteers who will elect recipients each year. The nomination period starts June 1<sup>st</sup> and ends the day before the Bayview Mackinac Race each year. The selection committee meets before August 20<sup>th</sup> to elect that year's recipient(s).

To nominate someone for consideration for the Bayview Mackinac Hall of Fame, please fill out the nomination form available at: <http://www.byc.com/files/BAYVIEW%20MACKINAC%20HALL%20OF%20FAME.pdf>.



*Welcome...*  
*To your second home on the lake!*

**You are invited to Racine Yacht Club's Open House**  
 Saturday, June 6th 3pm - 6pm  
 Our friendly members will greet you with a tour of the *second home on the lake* you have always wanted.  
 Hors d'oeuvres and drinks will be served,  
 with entertainment, of course!

**RSVP Racine Yacht Club @ 262-634-8585**  
 Questions? Pam Jobson [pajobson@wi.rr.com](mailto:pajobson@wi.rr.com)



## LMSRF GRANTS-IN-AID REPORTS

The Grants-In-Aid Committee considers applications and makes grants to LMSRF members for sailing education and events from the proceeds of the LMSRF Endowment Fund. Not one penny comes from dues. Learn more and locate the application by visiting: <http://tinyurl.com/LMSRF-GIA-Ap>.



### Princess Sofia Trophy – Palma de Mallorca, Spain

The 46<sup>th</sup> edition of the Princess Sofia Trophy was sailed in the exact conditions that earn “Palma” its reputation: strong winds and unforgiving waves. This venue is beautiful and stunning, but can be a very challenging combination for sailing high performance boats and definitely a recipe for carnage. We knew all of this coming into it and we were ready for the challenge!

As the first event we’ve ever sailed together as a team, we put in as many hours as possible in the days leading up to the event and worked with four awesome coaches. We tried to absorb as much information as we could, figure out how to work best with each other as a team and approach the racing with a good attitude. Before the regatta, we set one simple performance goal for ourselves: qualify for the next ISAF Sailing World Cup Event in Hyeres, France. We finished 33<sup>rd</sup> overall and secured a spot at the ISAF Sailing World Cup Hyeres regatta.

The week of racing began with what all the sailors called “Big Monday.” The 49er FX fleet was divided into two fleets, so only half the boats were racing at any given time. The first day we launched shortly after a squall of about 30 knots rolled through. When we got out to the racecourse, it became apparent that the massive puffs rolled through the other fleet’s racecourse and left some damage in its path. A handful of masts had been broken, sails were taken down and some boats were still flipped as the stragglers finished the race.



The race committee started our first race and we were all ready for the worst. By the time our fleet reached the windward mark, the breeze had picked up to a consistent 28-30 knots, and as the fleet tried to round the windward mark, every single boat was knocked over. The sight of 20 boats converging at top speed and promptly capsizing was comical after all was said and done (and there were no injuries). The race committee abandoned that race because not a single boat made it downwind to the next mark, and then sent us to shore. "Big Monday" was the windiest day of the week, and the conditions improved as the week went on.

After two days of racing and only four races, the fleets were split into Gold and Silver. We were merely 6 points below the split, and left to battle in the Silver fleet for the remaining qualification spots at ISAF Sailing World Cup Hyeres. Our Silver fleet score line was great; half our races were top tens finishes and we qualified for Hyeres!

Looking forward, we have a week of training in France leading up to the ISAF Sailing World Cup Hyeres, and then onto Lake Garda for more training and racing. It's going to be a jam-packed couple months with lots of training and racing, but we are psyched and ready for the challenge.

We are so grateful for the support given to us from the Lake Michigan Sail Racing Federation. This trip would not have been possible without your generous Grant in Aid. Thank you for helping us pursue our dreams! We are going to keep working hard and try to make you proud. —**Maggie Shea and Debbie Capozzi**

I'm pleased to report that I successfully completed the US Powerboat Instructor Class. It was very challenging as we covered a great deal of material in three days, gave several presentations and conducted several on the water drills.

We were very fortunate with the weather for this early in the year and we were able to get on the water all three days.

The class was a very good review for much of what I learned in the Level I Sailing Instructor class last year. It's great to have a refresher going into summer.

Some of the particular takeaways for me were:

- 1) Benefits of starting class with team building exercises to learn names and establish commonality.
- 2) The importance of multi-pathway instruction to reach all students.
- 3) The importance of providing students with immediate and accurate feedback.

I'm looking forward to working with SEAS and the other instructors to establish the Powerboat Safety Training program in Sheboygan. I greatly enjoyed the course and I appreciate the support of the LMSRF.—**Mark Duff**

I thought the U.S. Power Boating Instructor course was a great class. The instructor, Steve Maddox, was very knowledgeable and made the course quite fun. The course reinforced the importance of teaching with a variety of different techniques to help cover all student learning styles. I learned the importance of making sure everyone in the class is comfortable and using team building activities to achieve the former.

I think what I will really take away from the course is the powerboat drills we did out on the water. Drills such as, following a range into shore, and what was called the formation drill, I had little experience with, but now think they are great for learning power boating. I plan on teaching my students many of the drills we practiced at the powerboat instructor course.—**Roger Waleffe**

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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS! MAJOR CHAMPIONSHIPS ON LAKE MICHIGAN

**May 16 -17, 2015** Midwest One-Design Spring Championship

Muskegon Yacht Club, Muskegon, Michigan

<http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eID=1280>

**May 29 - 31, 2015** 2015 Melges 17 National Championship

Macatawa Bay Yacht Club, Macatawa, Michigan

<http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eID=1327>

**July 31-August 3, 2015** North American Challenge Cup

Chicago Yacht Club-Belmont Station, Chicago, Illinois

[www.chicagoyachtclub.org](http://www.chicagoyachtclub.org)

**August 21-23, 2015** J/35 Lake Michigan Championship

Muskegon Yacht Club, Muskegon, Michigan

[www.muskegonyachtclub.org](http://www.muskegonyachtclub.org)

**September 9-13, 2014** Blind World Fleet Racing Championship

Chicago Yacht Club, Chicago, Illinois

[www.chicagoyachtclub.org](http://www.chicagoyachtclub.org)

Get your championship listed here. Simply email [lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org](mailto:lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org) with the date, event title, host club, and web site URL for the event or club. Thanks!

## HEARD ON THE RAIL ... (Tattle On Your Friends!)

### New Boats & Owners on Lake Michigan

New boat headed to Macatawa Bay Yacht Club as Adam Esselman has purchased a Farr 280. He and his crew just got back from the Annapolis NOOD on the 280 where they took second place in the rally race that included twelve boats including a J/88, another Farr 280, and a C&C 30.



Adam Esselman's Farr 280 *Still Messin'*. Photo by Paul Todd, [www.outsideimages.com](http://www.outsideimages.com).

### New Sailors!

Babies ... we love babies!! Share your good news here.



**Sailed off to a Last Sunset**

Christopher A. Graf, 85, died at his home April 17, with his children and grandchildren surrounding him. Chris was born August 8, 1929, on a farm in Mount Hope, Wisconsin, to Paul Frederick Graf and Cora (Alderson) Graf. Paul Frederick died in 1931. Graf graduated from Platteville High School and earned his bachelor's degree and Doctor of Medicine from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Graf married Janet (Erickson) Graf in Bayfield, WI on December 29, 1954. Janet died 1999. He served in the US Army in Heidelberg, Germany from 1955 to 1957. After residency in Urology in Madison, he and Janet moved to Sheboygan where he established a private medical practice in 1961. He retired from practice in 1998. Graf had varied interests and passions including: Abstract art that led he and Janet on a path of discovery and to their creation of Woodlot Gallery; sailing, skiing, running, and cycling, Nutrition, with a plant based diet that he credited most for his long life, spirituality, with a strong connection to God and the community of Sheboygan. Above all, Graf believed the most important thing a person can do in life is serve people. He is survived by his four children Eric (Pauline) Graf, Shakopee, MN; Tina Main, Neenah; Heidi Graf, Shakopee, MN; and Hans Graf, Sheboygan; 9 Grandchildren and one great grandson. He is further survived by his sister Marjorie Rendall, Oak Creek; brother George Graf, Taylors, SC; and many nieces and nephews. In addition to his wife Janet, he was preceded in death by his sister Ruby. Services have been held. A memorial fund has been established.



Kenneth W. Larsen, 78, passed away April 19, 2015, at Advocate Condell Medical Center. He was born January 17, 1937, in Waukegan, Illinois. He was a member of First United Methodist Church, served in the Army Reserves, attended Illinois Institute of Technology, was a lifetime member and past commodore of the Waukegan Yacht Club, served as Waukegan Harbor Master for 25 years, owned and operated Larsen Marine Service working side by side with four generations of family for over 50 years, avid traveler and boater, and enjoyed his winters in Florida with his family and friends. Survived by one son, Douglas (Lori Ann) Larsen; two daughters, Kathy (Tom) Sivia and Lori (Sam) Grabarski; grandchildren, Danielle (Nate) Daley, Kristina (David) Tisdale, William and Erin Sivia, Katelyn and Sam Grabarski; three great-grandchildren, Leland and Heart Tisdale and Lux Daley; one brother, Jerry Larsen; many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife, Gail of 50 years. Services have been held. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the First United Methodist Church, Waukegan, Illinois.



Gregory J. Zamites Sr., 80, born March 28, 1934, in Toledo, OH, he passed away March 11, 2015, at home. Gregory was an overall jack-of-all-trades, a political conversationalist and was retired from FedEx. He was the beloved husband of Theresa Brzozowski-Zamites; loving father of Elizabeth (John) Breslin, Suzanne Gurenlian, Gregory (Marichu) Zamites Jr., Juliana (Warrren) Marr, Robert Zamites, Donna (David) Foster, Jeff (Jane) Brzozowski, Jenifer Rizzio, Dan (Angie) Brzozowski and Jessica (Leo) Bland; dear grandfather and great-grandfather of many. He was a member of Kenosha Yacht Club. Services have been held. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Knights of Columbus Council 6481.



Donna Kay Nitz, age 70, died on Saturday, March 14, 2015 after a 3-month, courageous battle with cancer. Donna was born in Champaign, Illinois, on May 14, 1944 to the late Delmar and Ruby Garst Husman. As a young girl, she cared for her three younger brothers and helped her kindergarten teacher. This began a life of teaching and helping children. While teaching swimming lessons at the Washington Park pool, Donna met and fell in love with a young lifeguard, Warren Nitz. They married on August 24, 1963 at Lutheran Church of the Redeemer. Their love continued to grow and surround four beautiful children. Donna graduated from Washington Park High School in 1962. After raising her children, she went on to earn a psychology degree from University of Wisconsin-Parkside, then taught kindergarten at St. Rita's & St. Louis Catholic Grade Schools. She belonged to St. Paul's Lutheran Church and Racine Yacht Club. During her lifetime, Donna led Boy/Girl Scout troops; taught Sunday school; read storybooks to children while in costume; and made



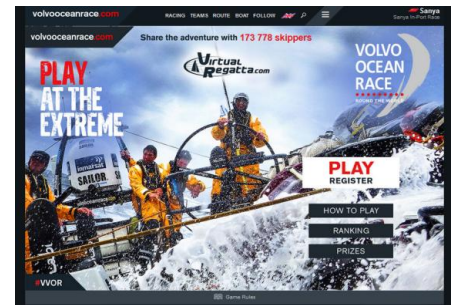
countless security blankets for the Linus Project to be provided to children in times of crisis. As a child, she enjoyed ice skating and playing her saxophone. Later she would enjoy sailing, gardening, traveling, art, crafts, quilting, crocheting, reading, baking and hosting family gatherings. Above all, Donna loved spending time with her entire family – especially with her treasured grandchildren. Surviving are her loving husband, Warren; their children, Brian (Virginia) Nitz, David (Amy) Nitz, Patricia (Larry) Zamba and Susan (Brian) Stahl; adored grandchildren; brothers, Ronald, Del and Randy Husman; brother-in-law, Jerry (Cyndi) Nitz; many nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends. Donna was preceded in death by her parents. Services have been held. In memory of Donna, memorials to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, Kidney Cancer Association or Saint Paul’s Lutheran Church have been suggested.

On March 14, Ted Peterson, of Glen Arbor, Michigan, set his sails for a new course. He left a legacy of strength and perseverance to his family, friends, and all who knew him. In work, play, and character, his drive for timeless and classic design was the basis for the variety of never-ending possibilities he embraced. He approached each endeavor with precision, vigor and stamina - indeed a rare and astounding man to witness, and to befriend. Ted was a member as Past Commodore of Northport Bay Yacht Club and was the creator of the Sutton Race Series. The artful way Ted lived his life—as a designer, business owner, artist, sailor and commodore, balloonist, exotic-car collector, remote control enthusiast, skier, world traveler, community supporter, mentor, teacher, and lover of all things beautiful—has touched many lives. For each family member, friend, colleague or acquaintance, Ted’s outlook on life and art has deepened our knowledge, understanding, and appreciation. He brought each of us into his world, gave us the ability to thrive, and for that, we will always be grateful. Ted’s description of the effect of a good painting also applies to him, “When the painting is right, there exists a fourth dimension which is unpainted, but felt.”

## VIRTUAL VOLVO OCEAN RACERS – FINISH REPORT UPDATES

by Gail M. Turluck

There is the Volvo Ocean Race that has seven VO 65s racing around the world with eight stops. Upcoming is a stop in Newport, Rhode Island in early May. Learn more about the race at [www.volvoceanrace.com](http://www.volvoceanrace.com). Many LMSRF sailors are playing the on line Volvo Ocean Race Game. There are over 190,000 entries in the virtual race; new entries are accepted. Sailors can set the course for their boat and choose their sails. There are options to purchase upgrades for the boat and sails or you can race with the free version. To register visit: <http://www.volvoceanrace.com/en/game.html>.



### Leg 5 Reports

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We will do this for each Leg of the race game. Email your VOR Game boat name, your name, and your Leg 6 finish position to [lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org](mailto:lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org) after the finish of each leg! The highest finishing LMSRF member VOR Game entry will receive a special award for each leg.

## WHAT’S REALLY IN YOUR MARINA DOCK CONTRACT?

Be sure to read your dock contract carefully, or you may be surprised to find that you can be held legally responsible for damages and injuries, even if you or your boat were not the cause. It all could be in the fine print of the marina or boatyard dock contract that hundreds of thousands of boat owners sign this time of year as the boating season returns. Before boaters sign any dock contract, the national advocacy, services and safety organization Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS) has some tips for recreational boaters searching for a marina for their boat.

"While the enforcement of dock contract provisions vary and your options to walk away may be limited, it's important to know how a dock contract's language can contain various provisions that may affect your insurance coverage and ability to recover for damages," said BoatUS Consumer Affairs Director Charles Fort.



If you're not sure about some of the liability language in your contract, talk to your insurance company, says Boat Owners Association of The United States.

BoatUS has identified a trend with some marinas including "risk shifting" language in their customer dock contracts that transfers the responsibility for defense and payment of claims to the boat owner and the boat's insurance policy, even when the cause of the accident and responsibility for the resulting damages rests with the marina or staff. This includes "Exculpatory Provisions" which attempts to hold the marina harmless for negligent activity, "due to fire, theft, vandalism, collision, marina equipment failure, windstorm, rain, hurricane or other casualty loss."

Other clauses, such as "Waiver of Subrogation," may prevent an insurance company from suing a marina or boatyard to recoup its claims payment after damage caused by the marina. Once the waiver is signed, a boat owner has in essence agreed that the marina isn't responsible if marina staff is negligent, for example, of gouging the gelcoat while hauling out the boat.

"Indemnification" applies to boating guests or invited workers. A boat owner agrees to defend the marina and pay any damages the marina may owe if one of these parties is injured – even if it's the marina's fault.

"Requirement of Insurance With Additional Named Insured Clause" asks the boat owner to add the marina as an additional insured on the boat policy at the owner's expense, essentially asking that the marina be protected the same way as the policyholder is – sort of like adding your Uncle Bob to your policy. That means the marina is also covered, if, while hauling your boat, a marina staffer bumps the vessel into a steel bulkhead and causes damage, much in the same way if the boat owner had done the same thing. But note that it's the insurer that decides to add this coverage and at what cost. Don't assume the insurer will pay.

"Let's also remember that the vast majority of marinas want to keep customers and reputable marinas and yards will often pay when they damage a customer's boat. But you should always immediately report a claim to your own insurance company," added Fort. "It's also not a bad idea to share a marina contract with your insurance company before you sign it so you know where you stand, as some insurers, such as BoatUS, may provide coverage for risk shifting provisions."

For a full look at dock contracts, go to [www.BoatUS.com/marinacontract](http://www.BoatUS.com/marinacontract).

## WOMEN'S SAILING NEWS

### 2015 NWSA WOMEN'S SAILING CONFERENCE SET

The 14th Annual Women's Sailing Conference will be held Saturday, June 6, at the Corinthian Yacht Club in Marblehead, Massachusetts, organized by the National Women's Sailing Association (NWSA). Through a combination of hands-on workshops, seminars and on-the-water experiences, participants will learn, hone sailing skills, and network with other women sailors from all points. Contributing sponsors include Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS) and the New England-based Black Rock Sailing School.



A program of the Women's Sailing Foundation





The must-attend event for women sailors is slated for June 6 in Marblehead, MA. Photo credit: BoatUS.

The gathering begins with a continental breakfast and winds down with a post conference cocktail hour where women may pick up a Wednesday night race berth or meet a new pal for an afternoon sail. "Women of all sailing abilities are encouraged to attend," said NWSA President Linda Newland. "There's always something of interest for everyone. By sharing experiences, women leave with skills and knowledge that contribute to better days on the water."

In addition, a presentation of the 2015 Leadership in Women's Sailing Award to Sally Helme, publisher of *Cruising World* and *Sailing World* magazines, will be made during the lunch hour. Added Newland, "Sally has been quietly and effectively supporting women in all aspects of sailing throughout her life. She is a behind the scenes promoter. We are pleased to recognize her commitment to women in sailing with this award." The award is co-sponsored by BoatUS and NWSA.

The workshops are numerous. Always popular are the hands-on Diesel Damsels, Introduction to Chart Reading, and Heavy Weather at Sea. For women new to sailing, there is a Welcome Aboard seminar; in another, women will learn to use spring lines to turn boats in tight spaces. Crew Overboard starts with a retrieval demonstration at the float and then participants take out boats and practice the drill on the water. Seasonal Boat Maintenance and Batten Down the Hatches are also on tap.

Workshop leaders are experienced in their field. Some own sailing schools for women, such as Capt. Nancy Erley of Seattle, WA; and Capt. Sharon Renk-Greenlaw of Casco Bay, ME. Beth Burlingame, American Boat and Yacht Council Master Marine Tech, leads workshops on Marine Electronics and Marine Electrical Wiring Basics. Capt. Bonnie Schaeffer joins us this year for the Heads Up! and Splicing workshops.

On the water, women can improve their sail trim skills or take the helm for their very first time in a Colgate 26 or a Sonar. New this year are seminars on living aboard full time, basic inshore safety and how and why women make awesome race committee members.

Raffles and a silent auction will benefit the Women's Sailing Foundation, a 501(c)3 organization which funds the AdventureSail program for young girls at-risk and provides scholarships for AdventureSail participants in learn-to-sail community programs. This year, a scholarship for a week aboard *Adventuress* in the famed Pacific Northwest will also support fund raising efforts.

Conference registration includes a continental breakfast, buffet lunch, workshops and a raffle ticket. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. Go to [www.womensailing.org](http://www.womensailing.org) for more or for additional information, contact Co-Chairs Joan Thayer at [joan\\_thayer@comcast.net](mailto:joan_thayer@comcast.net) or Scottie Robinson at [robson@verizon.net](mailto:robson@verizon.net).

The National Women's Sailing Association (NWSA) is a program of the Women's Sailing Foundation, an organization dedicated to enhancing the lives of women and girls through education and access to the sport of sailing.

## SAILING EDUCATION

**Mariners Knots, Boat Radio, and Weather** — Traverse City Coast Guard Station, Tuesday, May 12, 6-9p. A new boater safety class for those interested in learning more about tying knots, using marine radios, and understanding the weather that affects boaters. Will also include discussion of the most common types of boating accidents. Cost is \$10. Register by contacting Dianne Walker at 941-8076, 883-8040, or [diannewalk48@gmail.com](mailto:diannewalk48@gmail.com).

**2015 Midwest Women's Sailing Conference** - The Midwest Women's Sailing Conference is set for May 16, 2015, hosted out of the Milwaukee Community Sailing Center, 1450 N. Lincoln Memorial Drive, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Katie Pettibone is the Keynote Speaker for 2015. Bring a friend, your daughter, your crew. [info@womenssailing.org](mailto:info@womenssailing.org), 414.530.6528.



**SOLD OUT!**

**Using VHF/DSC Marine Radio** - Grand Traverse Bay Sail and Power Squadron District 9, May 20, 2015, 7:00 pm, West Marine, 3500 Marketplace Circle, Traverse City, MI 49686. Contact: David Jeffrey Terrell, 231.938.2521, [dterrell1@charter.net](mailto:dterrell1@charter.net), pre-register: [www.usps.org/cgi-bin/nat/eddept/800/getregform.cgi?S-5898](http://www.usps.org/cgi-bin/nat/eddept/800/getregform.cgi?S-5898).

**Suddenly in Command**, Saturday, May 23, 2015 0900-1300, is a 4-hour course that teaches emergency procedures for occasional boaters: [http://wow.uscgauz.info/pe\\_class\\_flyer.php?unit=NAT&course=15143](http://wow.uscgauz.info/pe_class_flyer.php?unit=NAT&course=15143).

**About Boating Safety** — for novice recreational boaters age 12+. Traverse City Coast Guard Station, meets in 2 sessions: Tuesday, May 26, 5:30-9p & Saturday, May 30, 9a-1:30p. Covers boating safety, safety equipment, emergency procedures, navigation rules and aids, boating regulations, and charting. Cost is \$10. Register by contacting Dianne Walker at 941-8076, 883-8040, or [diannewalk48@gmail.com](mailto:diannewalk48@gmail.com).

**Paddle Sports America**, Corinthian Yacht Club, 601 W Montrose Ave, Chicago, IL, Saturday, May 30, 2015 0900 - 1300, Paddle Sports America is a 4-hour course, focused on boaters "under oars:" [http://wow.uscgauz.info/pe\\_class\\_flyer.php?unit=NAT&course=15144](http://wow.uscgauz.info/pe_class_flyer.php?unit=NAT&course=15144).

**Practical on the Water Training**, US Power Squadron Chicago District 20, May 30, 2015, 9:00 am, Hammond Marina, 701 Casino Center Drive, Hammond, IN 46320. Contact: Richard N. Spurr, 630.279.0639, [spurrboat@comcast.net](mailto:spurrboat@comcast.net), pre-register: [www.usps.org/cgi-bin/nat/eddept/800/getregform.cgi?S-5755](http://www.usps.org/cgi-bin/nat/eddept/800/getregform.cgi?S-5755).

**America's Boating Course** - US Power Squadron: Milwaukee District, May 30, 2015, 7:00 pm. Franklin High School, 8222 S. 51st Street, Franklin, WI 53132. Contact: Thaddeus M. Smyczek, SN, 262.786.2599, [tmsmyczek@netzero.net](mailto:tmsmyczek@netzero.net), pre-register: [http://www.usps.org/php/jgibson/find\\_sqdn/new\\_course\\_gen.php?type=A08&squad\\_no=3390&crsid=15608](http://www.usps.org/php/jgibson/find_sqdn/new_course_gen.php?type=A08&squad_no=3390&crsid=15608).

**America's Boating Course** - US Power Squadron: Chicago District, June 1, 2015, 7:00 pm, Columbia Yacht Club, 111 N. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, IL 60601. Contact: Dennis R. McNamara, 773.744.2277, [mackinstructor@gmail.com](mailto:mackinstructor@gmail.com). Preregister: <http://www.usps.org/cgi-bin/nat/eddept/800/getregform.cgi?-15543>.

**Paddle Craft Safety Course** — Canoe and kayak safety, boat selection, gear to carry, what to wear, mistakes to avoid, and paddle club information. Cost is \$10: Tuesday, June 9, 6-9p. Traverse City Coast Guard Station, register by contacting Dianne Walker at 941-8076, 883-8040, or [diannewalk48@gmail.com](mailto:diannewalk48@gmail.com).

**Boater Safety class** - The Leelanau County, Michigan, Sheriff's Marine Patrol will offer free Boater Safety classes for boaters who will be 12 years of age or older by the end of the boating season. Classes will be held on: June 16, 17, 18 at Leelanau County Law Enforcement Center, EOC, All classes start at 9am and conclude at 12pm. Participants must attend all three days in the course sequence and pass a test to receive a certificate. For more information go to <http://leelanausheriff.blogspot.com/p/new-patrol-vehicles-on-way.html>.

**Man Overboard** - Grand Traverse Bay Sail and Power Squadron District 9, June 17, 2015, 7:00 pm, West Marine, 3500 Marketplace Circle, Traverse City, MI 49686. Contact: David Jeffrey Terrell, 231.938.2521, [dterrell1@charter.net](mailto:dterrell1@charter.net), pre-register: [www.usps.org/cgi-bin/nat/eddept/800/getregform.cgi?S-5900](http://www.usps.org/cgi-bin/nat/eddept/800/getregform.cgi?S-5900).

**Boater Safety class** - The Leelanau County, Michigan, Sheriff's Marine Patrol will offer free Boater Safety classes for boaters who will be 12 years of age or older by the end of the boating season. Classes will be held on: July 7, 8, 9 at the Glen Lake Yacht Club, All classes start at 9am and conclude at 12pm. Participants must attend all three days in the course sequence and pass a test to receive a certificate. For more information go to <http://leelanausheriff.blogspot.com/p/new-patrol-vehicles-on-way.html>.

**Boater Safety class** - The Leelanau County, Michigan, Sheriff's Marine Patrol will offer free Boater Safety classes for boaters who will be 12 years of age or older by the end of the boating season. Classes will be held on: July 14, 15, 16 at the Leelanau County Law Enforcement Center, EOC, All classes start at 9am and conclude at 12pm. Participants must attend all three days in the course sequence and pass a test to receive a certificate. For more information go to <http://leelanausheriff.blogspot.com/p/new-patrol-vehicles-on-way.html>.

To have your event listed here, please email Title, host/location, date and time, very brief description of program, who to contact with phone and email, and pre-registration or web site link to [lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org](mailto:lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org).

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## THE BEST THINGS IN LIFE ARE FREE

For boaters, the best things in life are free – the serenity of open water, a breeze filling a sail, or a fishing hole that beckons. And best yet, even the BoatUS Foundation's online state [Boating Safety Course](http://www.boatus.org/courses) (<http://www.boatus.org/courses>) won't cost you a penny. As boating season begins, the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators and the BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water encourage boaters to take a no cost boating safety education course as part of the Spring Aboard Campaign. The Foundation offers online courses approved for 34 states.

"It's central to our mission that boating safety education be accessible to anyone, so offering this free course is vitally important to what we do," said BoatUS Foundation Director of Education, Amanda Pérez. "The Spring Aboard Campaign is a great way to raise awareness."

Over one million boaters have taken the Foundation's courses since 1997. Pérez added, "We realize that the costs of our passion can add up quickly and we want to do what we can to make it easier for boaters to get on the water."

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## ROYAL CANADIAN YACHT CLUB TO HOST TORONTO 2015 PAN AMERICAN GAMES-SAILING

Top sailors from throughout the Americas will set sail this summer at the TORONTO 2015 Pan American Games from the Royal Canadian Yacht Club, one of Canada's premiere sailing clubs.

With its heritage buildings and idyllic city skyline setting, this historic club has hosted countless Canadian, North American and World Championships on Lake Ontario since its founding in 1852.



"We are thrilled to be able to welcome the world and some of sailing's best competitors to Toronto," said David Brightling, general manager and chief executive officer of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club (RCYC). "With the RCYC's depth of experience through our many years of hosting world-class regattas and insight from our own internationally competitive sailing members, including a number of Olympians, we will deliver a top-caliber experience for the TORONTO 2015 Pan Am Games."

All sailing competitions for the Games are non-ticketed, meaning spectators will be able to line the Toronto waterfront for free for a daily glimpse of the action, from Sunday, July 12 until Sunday, July 19. A city waterfront location is a rarity for sailing in an international multi-sport Games.

"The Royal Canadian Yacht Club's passion and knowledge is a true asset to our Games and will ensure world-class competitions for the athletes," said Saäd Rafi, chief executive officer, TORONTO 2015 Pan Am/Parapan Am Games Organizing Committee (TO2015). "We also encourage everyone to come out and take advantage of seeing these world-class athletes for free along our waterfront."

The Pan American sailing competition will include 10 different events using a variety of boats, from windsurfers to dinghies, catamarans to keelboats. Each event consists of a series of races around a course, with points awarded in each race according to finish position.



There will be three race courses, the harbour course and outside courses, in play all at once in Lake Ontario. This means spectators, depending on their location, can expect to see up to 148 sailors competing in more than 93 boats on the water at the same time.



Many countries will compete in the Pan American Games, including Brazil, a sailing powerhouse that has won 14 medals, including eight gold, in the last two Games. Medals will be presented at Sugar Beach on the final two days of competition.

The competition schedule and course assignments will be made available at [www.TORONTO2015.org](http://www.TORONTO2015.org) this summer. During the Games, changes to the schedule or courses will be made the night before the change takes effect.

The RCYC prides itself on its consistent pursuit to develop and advance the sport of sailing. It is known for its strong culture of training and development of competitive sailors, as well as promoting the sport for leisure and enjoyment. The RCYC is also home to many of the original designers of various boat classes.

The TORONTO 2015 Pan American Games will take place July 10–26 and the Parapan American Games August 7–15. The TORONTO 2015 Games are funded by the Government of Canada, the Province of Ontario, as well as Lead Partner CIBC and other partners and sponsors.

The TORONTO 2015 Pan American/Parapan American Games Organizing Committee (TO2015) is tasked with managing and delivering the Games. It is working to bring some of the world's best athletes and artists to Toronto and the Greater Golden Horseshoe region, giving Ontarians a unique chance to be part of the action, and making the region a hub for sport.

## LAKE MICHIGAN AUTHOR MCBRIARTY INTERVIEWED ON WGN RADIO

WGN-AM 720 host Mike Stephen interviewed Lake Michigan sailor and author Patrick McBriarty on Sunday, April 26. They discussed McBriarty's first book *Chicago River Bridges* (Oct. 2013) published by the University of Illinois Press and explained how Chicago has the greatest concentration of drawbridges in the world, surpassed only by Amsterdam, The Netherlands.



Patrick McBriarty at WGN Studios.  
Photo credit: PTM Werks Inc.

They also talked about the new PTM Werks Series of children's books *Drawbridges Open and Close* (Oct. 2014) and *Airplanes Take off and Land* (April 2015) designed to introduce kids to STEM topics by exploring how things work. These fun



children's picture books are beautiful illustrated by Johanna Kim, published by CurlyQ Press, distributed by Applewood Books and Ingram, and available at finer booksellers, Barnes & Noble, and Amazon.

If you missed the interview you can replay this 18-minute interview online and checkout what you missed: <http://chicagodrawbridges.us6.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=636a17cd1b2bb2d5c9f20b5d4&id=fb48fb83fc&e=34e8325b37>. McBriarty owns and races a Laser sailboat and is a member of Chicago Yacht Club.

## 11TH HOUR RACING ANNOUNCES 2015 AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

11th Hour Racing announced the launch of its 2015 Ambassador Program, which includes fourteen global athletes aiming to positively influence the sailing industry and promote marine stewardship. A program of The Schmidt Family Foundation, 11th Hour Racing seeks to establish a dynamic new platform for public engagement, emphasizing the responsible use of energy and resources in the context of sailing.

11th Hour Racing Ambassadors serve as on-the-ground resources that listen, learn and raise awareness on ocean health issues. These high-profile athletes, who embrace sustainable practices in their daily lives, are all leaders in their respective fields and promote the 11th Hour Racing message at regattas, among the classes they represent, and with community outreach.

"Our Ambassadors help drive change within our sport by starting a dialogue on ocean health, leading by example, and educating and inspiring youth sailors to protect and care for our oceans," says Jeremy Pochman, 11th Hour Racing Advisor and Co-Founder. "We are pleased to welcome these gifted athletes to our family as we continue to raise awareness on sustainable practices within the worldwide sailing community."

The 11th Hour Racing Ambassador 2015 roster includes fourteen professional sailors representing a broad spectrum of competitive classes – from the International Moth to the Volvo Ocean Race, through kite boarding, women's match racing, college sailing, J/24, J/70, Melges 32, RC 44, TP 52, Maxi 72 and offshore.

11th Hour Racing 2015 Ambassadors include Lake Michigan's Dave Rearick (offshore) and Stephanie Roble (Women's Match Racing, J/70).

Roble, 2014 U.S. Sailing Rolex Yachtswoman of the Year, commented, "Witnessing firsthand the impact we have on our ocean has been a call to action for us as athletes - we need to be passionate, engaged and committed. I am honored to be part of the 11th Hour Racing Ambassador Program."

To learn more about the 11th Hour Racing and its Sponsorship, Grant and Ambassadors Programs, please visit [www.11thhourracing.org](http://www.11thhourracing.org).

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Your newsletter was GREAT!!! Keep up the good work.

--Larry Kwiat

Another great newsletter. Thanks.

--Alan Silverman

What do you think would make sailing better on Lake Michigan? What would you like to see LMSRF do for our sport in our area that it is not doing already? Write to: [lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org](mailto:lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org).

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## MATCH RACE NEWS

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**OPENINGS AVAILABLE IN 2015 LMSRF MATCH RACE CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**by Gary Hendrickson, LMSRF Delegate to YRUGL, YRUGL Vice President for Lake Michigan**  
Attention All Lake Michigan Match Racers!

Despite special circumstances this year, LMSRF has indeed sanctioned the Spring Invitational at the Chicago Match Race Center (CMRC) May 30-31, 2015 for the 2015 LMSRF's YRUGL Richardson Trophy Qualifier and also as the 2015 Lake Michigan Match Racing Championship. An amended NoR clarifying this will soon be posted on the CMRC website.

As of this writing there is still one, maybe two, of the 10 slots available! If you are interested, go to [www.chicagomatchrace.com](http://www.chicagomatchrace.com) without delay, refer to the NoR and request an invitation for your team.

## CHICAGO MATCH RACE CENTER 2015 PROGRAM

The ice has melted and Chicago Match Race Center is ready to begin its seventh season. With new faces on the coaching staff, CMRC is excited to offer even more opportunities for both advanced and beginner match racers. Weekly evening practices will begin May 5 for dedicated CMRC members, many of whom have sharpened their skills over the last few years and climbed the ISAF World rankings. While the advanced members continue to train at a high level, there will also be several opportunities for beginners. This summer's program will also include three clinics designed to introduce sailors to the Tom 28's and the match racing format and a monthly mini-regatta series held for new skippers to get tiller time and accumulate ranking points.

"This summer is going to be all about helping the members take their match racing game to the next level and getting new match racers out on the water," said Maggie Shea, CMRC Sailing Director. "With more coaches this season, we're excited to be able to work toward both goals at the same time."



### 2015 Membership Program Features

**CMRC Clinics** - Three clinics designed for new match racers will focus on the basics of Tom 28 boat handling, keelboat racing techniques and the Match Racing format. Clinics are open to all sailors: anyone may sign up for one or two days of each clinic as an individual or a team.

May 9 & 10: Intro to Match Racing, coached by Keith Swinton

May 16 & 17: Match Racing Basics, coached by Maggie Shea

June 27 & 28: Advanced Match Racing, coached by Steph Roble

**Membership Practices** - weekly Tuesday night practices coached by a variety of high-level coaches. Practices run May 5 through September 29.

- Drills and practice races on the water with classroom debriefs
- Focus on learning advanced match racing theory, high performance Tom 28 technique and gaining experience on the water
- Coaches include numerous national and international champions, including Keith Swinton, Maggie Shea, Stephanie Roble, and Taylor Canfield. Read more about the coaches below.



### Mini-regatta Membership Series for the Five Horns Trophy.

- Season-long monthly series of evening regattas with open entry
- Opportunity to earn ISAF skipper ranking points
- All sailors are welcome to skipper or crew and can sign up as individuals or in teams

### Membership Options

Sign-up to be a member today - [www.chicagomatchrace.com/membership](http://www.chicagomatchrace.com/membership).

Full Membership - Skipper \$800 / Crew \$400

- Unlimited access to practices and clinics
- Free entry to Membership Series regattas

Saver Membership - skipper \$600 / Crew \$300

- Access to unlimited practices and clinics in June- August
- Discounted "pay-as-you-go" rates for practices and clinics in May and September - Skipper \$40 / Crew \$20
- Discounted entry fee for Membership Series regattas - Skipper \$40 / Crew \$20

Pay-as-you-go, drop-in whenever you'd like!

- Evening practices - \$50 skipper/ \$25 crew
- Membership Series regatta entry fee- \$50 skipper/ \$25 crew
- Clinic Fee - \$100 per day skipper/ \$50 per day crew

### Meet the Coaches

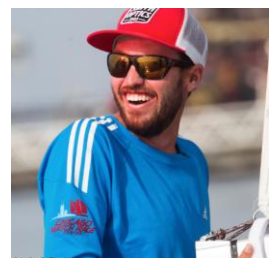


Keith Swinton, Australia

- Ranked #8 in the ISAF World Rankings
- World Match Racing Tour Skipper of *Black Swan Racing/Team Alpari FX*, 2011-2015 - 4th in 2012, 6th 2013 & 2014
- 2011 Chicago Match Cup Champion
- GC 32 *Armin Strom* Sailing Team tactician, 2013-2015

Taylor Canfield, US Virgin Islands

- Ranked #2 in the ISAF World Rankings
- World Match Racing Tour Skipper of *US One* Sailing Team 2013-2015; 1st place 2013, 2nd place 2014
- 2013 & 2014 Chicago Match Cup Champion
- M32 skipper - Miami Winter Series Champion

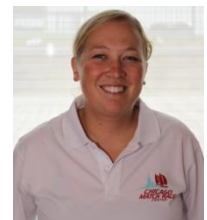


Stephanie Roble, East Troy, WI

- Ranked # 3 in the ISAF Women's World Rankings
- WIM Series Skipper of Epic Racing 2013-2015 - 4th overall in 2013 & 2014
- 3rd place skipper ISAF Women's World Championship 2014
- Rolex Yachtswoman of the Year 2015

Maggie Shea, Chicago, IL

- Trimmer/tactician for WIM Series Epic Racing Team
- Two-time US Match Racing Champion (2012 & 2014)
- Two-time US Women's Match Racing Champion (2012 & 2014)
- 3rd place trimmer ISAF Women's World Championship 2014
- Campaigning as a crew for the 2016 Olympic Games in the 49er FX



Contact Us: Tod Reynolds, Program Director, [tod@chicagomatchrace.com](mailto:tod@chicagomatchrace.com), Maggie Shea, Sailing Director, [Maggie@chicagomatchrace.com](mailto:Maggie@chicagomatchrace.com).

#### Chicago Match Race Center Regatta 2015 Schedule

May 30-31: Grade 3 - Spring Invitational  
June 19-21: Grade 2 - Chicago Match Cup Grand Slam Qualifier  
June 23-26: North-U Youth Clinic co-hosted with Chicago Yacht Club, coached by Dave Perry  
July 23-24: Grade 3 - Summer Invitational A  
July 25-26: Grade 3 - Summer Invitational B  
August 21-23: Grade 2- Chicago Match Cup Grand Slam  
September 26-27: Grade 3 - Autumn Invitational

To request an invitation, contact [invites@chicagomatchrace.com](mailto:invites@chicagomatchrace.com) or visit the CMRC website: [www.chicagomatchrace.com/events](http://www.chicagomatchrace.com/events).

### CALL FOR CHALLENGERS ANNOUNCED FOR CANADA'S CUP

The Royal Canadian Yacht Club (RCYC) of Toronto, the custodian of the Canada's Cup, has issued a Call for Challenge to all qualified Great Lakes yacht clubs for a 2016 Canada's Cup International Championship Match Race Series (2016 Series) in modern 8 Metre yachts. The 2016 Series to be hosted at the RCYC's Toronto Island clubhouse in September 2016 will represent the pinnacle of nation-to-nation grand prix yacht challenges between Canada and the United States.

Yacht clubs situated on the Great Lakes, being members of either US Sailing or Sail Canada, are eligible to compete in the 2016 Canada's Cup International Championship Match Race Series. The RCYC is the current defender of the Canada's Cup, since its win over the Macatawa Bay Yacht Club of Michigan in 2011.

This historic event will mark the 120th anniversary of the Canada's Cup competition, which has been preserved since 1896 as a perpetual challenged cup for friendly competition between qualified yacht clubs of the two nations. There have been 23 Canada's Cup Series with the United States winning 13 and Canada winning 10. The Canada's Cup Series was raced in classic 8 Metre yachts multiple times from 1930 to 1954.

The 2016 Series in modern 8 Metre yachts will mark the first year since 1954 that 8 Metre yachts will compete for the Cup. Previously, 8 Metre yachts that were raced for the Canada's Cup were the more classical designs of the time when raced in the 30s and 50s. Traditionally, Canada's Cup competition encouraged design innovation and excellence in competitive sailing. It is particularly appropriate to now have modern 8 Metre yachts with their own distinctive design innovation to race for the Canada's Cup.

The 2016 competition will be focused on amateur sailors of the yacht clubs, with the race course being windward and leeward legs. Each country will conduct elimination trials with the winner of each meeting in the Canada's Cup finals.

Further information, please contact RCYC Canada's Cup Committee Chairman, c/o [julie.thompson@rcyc.ca](mailto:julie.thompson@rcyc.ca), Tel: 416-934-4402 – Country Code 1.

## YOUTH SAILING NEWS

### MACATAWA BAY YOUTH PROGRAM UPDATE

by **Brendan Larrabee**

As I come up on my one-year anniversary of joining Macatawa Bay Junior Sailing Association I want to say how happy I am to have landed here in Holland, Michigan, and share an update of the program's progress.

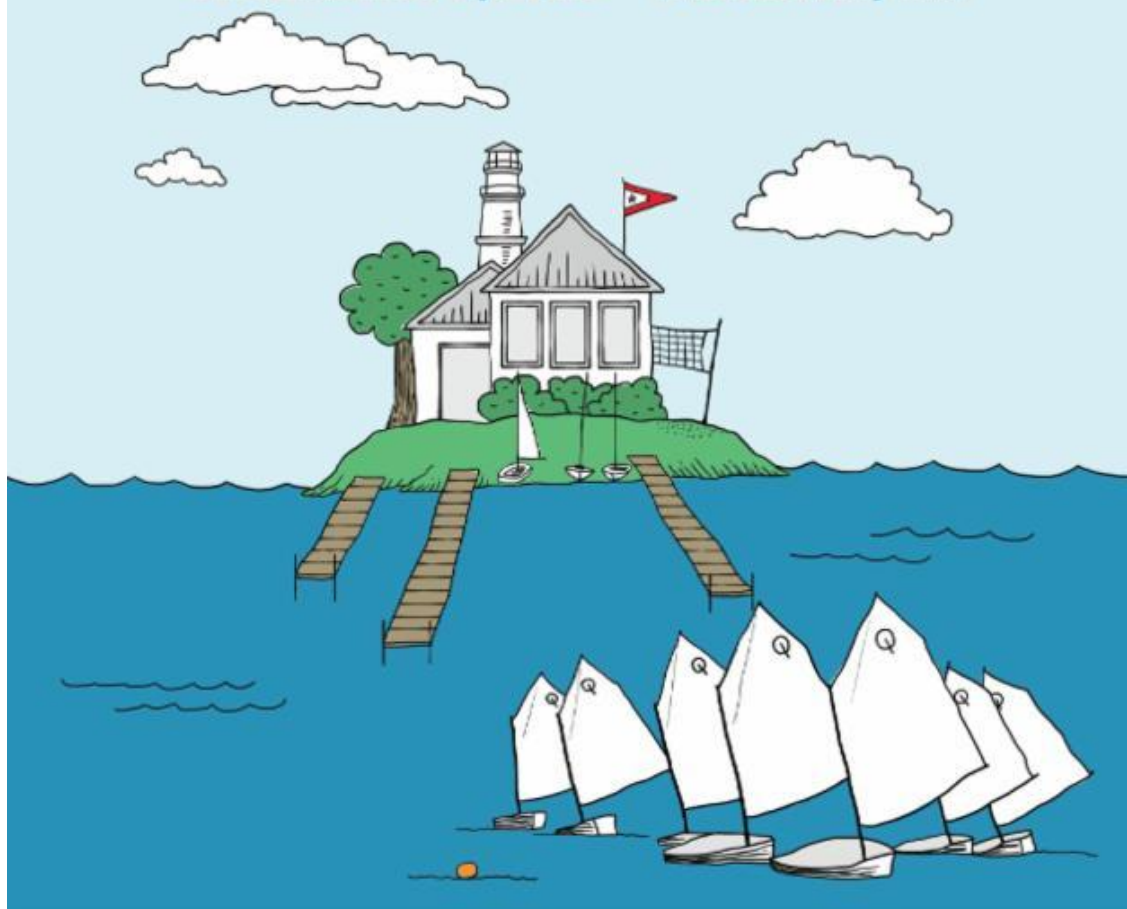
- ▲ MBJA program enrollment revenue grew 21% in 2014 from 2013.
- ▲ MBJA is off to a fast start with enrollments up 300% over same period in 2014.



- Developed new classes to appeal to younger ages and older kids to increase participation and excitement about sailing.
- Restructured Team Macatawa in 2014 to provide advanced sailors with dedicated personal coaching over entire season and provide sailors an opportunity to travel to regional and national regattas.
- Launched KinderPram to begin to entice younger sailors the ability to begin sailing at early ages – Resulted in most popular program to date.
- Hosted a successful Junior Olympic Regatta with 100 junior sailors.
- Hosting US SAILING Area K Qualifiers in 2015 and looking to add additional USODA and Regional regattas in 2016.
- Big thanks to our incredible staff of summer sailing instructors and coaches.

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US SAILING NEWS

**US SAILING CONSIDERING RE-DRAWING AREAS**

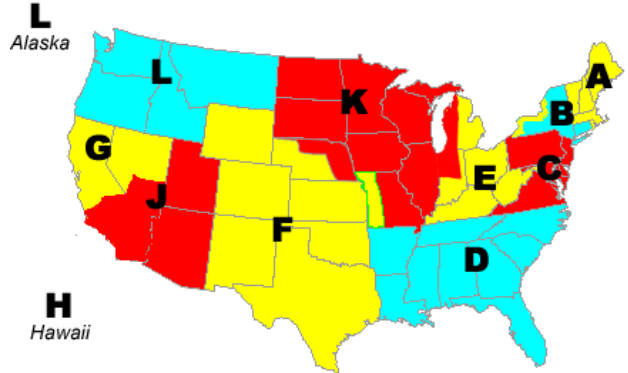
by Gail M. Turluck

US Sailing has an Area Re-Draw team in place and is looking for input from the Regional Sailing Associations (RSAs). There was a lot of 'vocal' feedback during the Annual General Meeting in October ... now is time to provide it for your RSA directly.

These Area lines have been in place for over 20 years and provide the basis for representation both for the organization and for US Sailing Championships and their qualifying events. They are considering going in alignment with US Coast Guard designated definitions that are vastly different.

Here is a RARE opportunity with a request for input - now is the time to provide it. For specifics that can't be covered with this survey please email Gino direct: [gbottino@aol.com](mailto:gbottino@aol.com).

Re-draw Survey link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/Q9H8P3Z>.



**2016 SAILING LEADERSHIP FORUM**

Sailing Leadership Forum 2016 offers a unique experience for all types of sailors to connect on important and relevant issues on all aspects of our sport. Leaders from sail training and education, yacht club and sailing organization management, race officials, and industry professionals will meet and learn from one another in the surroundings of this Southern California venue.



The Forum will offer keynote speaker presentations and focused group sessions on a wide range of topics such as Growing the Sport, Developing Programs, Marketing & Communications, Administration & Management, Regattas & Racing, and Rules & Officials.

The Sailing Leadership Forum will feature lively and fun social events, hands-on activities, exhibitor displays and demonstrations, pre- and post- forum clinics and seminars for instructor certification, race management seminars, Safety at Sea Seminars, and much more.

Early bird registration closes August 15. Complete details available at: <http://sailingleadership.org/general-information/>.

**US SAILING SEMINARS, TRAINING AND LEADERSHIP**

**TRAINING**

If you have questions about training, contact the Regional Training Coordinators:  
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 John Garr, 5790 Westward Passage, Harbor Springs, MI, 49740, 313.670.0811 Cell, 313.670.0811 Home, 313.884.4160 Work, [jg@garrtrimsales.com](mailto:jg@garrtrimsales.com).



**US Sailing Sanctioned Safety At Sea Seminar**

Visit <http://www.ussailing.org/education/safety-at-sea/find-a-seminar-near-you/> for the up to date schedule and to register for any session.



**RACE OFFICER, JUDGE AND UMPIRE CERTIFICATION**

Visit <http://www.ussailing.org/race-officials/become-a-race-official/> for the up to date schedule and to register for any session.

**SMALL BOAT INSTRUCTOR, SAILING COUNSELOR, INSTRUCTOR TRAINER, KEELBOAT, WINDSURFING INSTRUCTOR, OR POWERBOAT CERTIFICATION**

Visit <http://www.ussailing.org/education//> for the up to date schedule and to register for any session. As sailing season nears many instructor sessions will be added. Check frequently.

**Small Boat Instructor Level 1** at Macatawa Bay Yacht Club, Macatawa, MI  
**5/22/2015 - 5/25/2015** (early registration discount until 5/12/2015)  
 Contact: Brendan Larrabee

**Small Boat Instructor Level 2** at Lake Forest Sailing, 400 Hastings Rd, Lake Forest, IL  
**6/05/2015 - 6/06/2015** (early registration discount until 5/8/2015)  
 Contact: Morgan Collins Instructors: Joseph Harris  
 Must have Level 1 Certification and please complete the Heads Up Concussion Training Online course.

**Small Boat Coach Level 3** at Lake Forest Sailing, 400 Hastings Rd, Lake Forest, IL  
**6/07/2015 - 6/08/2015** (early registration discount until 5/9/2015)  
 Contact: Joseph Harris Instructors: Joseph Harris  
 Must hold Level 2 certification or be enrolled in the Level 2 course being held the preceding 2 days.

**Small Boat Instructor Level 1** at Little Traverse Yacht Club, Harbor Springs, MI  
**6/11/2015 - 6/14/2015** (early registration discount until 5/14/2015)  
 Contact: Mike Duff Instructors: Amy Gross-Keheo

**2015 US Sailing National Championship Calendar**

U.S. Adult Sailing Championship	10/9/15-10/12/15	Manhattan Yacht Club	Jersey City, NJ	
U.S. Match Racing Championship	10/9/15-10/12/15	Oakcliff Sailing Center	Oyster Bay, NY	
U.S. Team Racing Championship	9/24/15-9/27/15	Annapolis Yacht Club	Annapolis, MD	Zim 15
U.S. Singlehanded Sailing Championship	8/20/15 -8/24/15	Brant Beach Yacht Club	Brant Beach, NJ	Laser, Laser Radial
Championship of Champions	10/8/15-10/11/15	Gulfport Yacht Club	Gulfport, MS	VX One
U.S. Disabled Sailing Championship	8/27/15 – 8/29/15	Southwestern Yacht Club	San Diego, CA	
U.S. Offshore Championship	9/24/15 – 9/27/15	Naval Academy Sailing Squadron	Annapolis, MD	
International Women’s Keelboat Championship	Not scheduled			
U.S. Women’s Match Racing Championship	8/14/15-8/16/15	Newport Harbor Yacht Club	Newport Harbor, CA	
U.S. Multihull Championship	8/7/15 – 8/9/15	New Bedford Yacht Club	South Dartmouth, MA	F-18
U.S. Junior Women’s Doublehanded Championship	6/25/15-6/30/15	Columbia Sailing Club	Columbia, SC	Club 420
U.S. Junior Women’s Singlehanded Championship	7/14/ 15 -7/19/15	Rochester Yacht Club	Rochester, NY	Laser Radial
U.S. Junior Championship	8/2/15-8/6/15	Wianno Yacht Club	Cape Cod, MA	Club 420, Byte CII, Wianno Senior Laser, Radial, RS:X, I420, 29er, F16
U.S. Youth Sailing Championship	7/6/15- 7/10/15	Roger Williams University	Bristol, RI	
U.S. Youth Match Racing Championship	6/17/15 -6/20/15	Balboa Yacht Club	Corona del Mar, CA	

Visit <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/> for details on each of these Championships and also for qualification requirements. As they are made available to us, *Lake Michigan SuRF* will publish information about Area K qualifying events.



# REACH: Teaching Science, Technology, Engineering & Math through Sailing

## US Sailing's STEM Educator Course: Middle School 1

Calling all educators! Are you interested in implementing REACH - US Sailing's STEM Education Program at your school or sailing center? REACH combines science, technology, engineering, and math with the sport of sailing.



The STEM Educator Course: Middle School I is an ideal course for -

- Middle School Teachers
- Sailing Instructors
- Camp Counselors
- Scout Leaders
- Youth Program Instructors
- Environmental Educators
- Parents
- Home Schoolers

Register at [reach.ussailing.org](http://reach.ussailing.org)

Course fee is \$150.

### What You Take Home:

- REACH Educator Guide Middle School Modules 1-10 (retail value \$59.95)
- 10 hands-on integrated learning modules that inspire interest in fields of study including physics, marine biology, robotics, technology and more.
- STEM Educator Course Completion Certificate from US Sailing with professional development hours.
- Innovative lessons and activities for your middle school classroom or sailing program.

**Date: Saturday, June 27, 2015      Time: 8:30am – 3:30pm**

**Location: Columbia Yacht Club  
111 N. Lake Shore Drive  
Chicago, IL 60601**

## COLUMBIA YACHT CLUB TO HOST REACH PROGRAM

by Capt. Kurt O. Thomsen, Sailing Director

Columbia Yacht Club will be hosting a US Sailing REACH Instructor class on June 27, 2015. This is a great class and curriculum for your instructors to use in their every day coaching, anyone is welcome!

Calling all sailing instructors and teachers! Are you interested in implementing REACH - US Sailing's STEM Education Program - at your school or sailing center? The REACH program combines science, technology, engineering, and math with the sport of sailing. This is the perfect course for sailing instructors to build their resume and to begin partnering with teachers at local schools and youth organizations.

Columbia Sailing School is hosting US Sailing's STEM Educator Course: Middle School I, a one-day eight hour professional development/training opportunity for teachers and sailing instructors to learn how to implement US Sailing's STEM program and curriculum called REACH. The 10 REACH modules feature inquiry-based learning and engineering by design processes to provide youth with hands-on integrated learning opportunities that inspire interest in fields of study including physics, marine biology, robotics, technology and more. Modules include on the water and classroom based activities, for easy implementation in multiple settings.

The REACH modules are a great teaching resource to your classroom, sailing center, yacht club, summer camp, or after school program. People who are implementing REACH include:

- Middle School Teachers
- Sailing Instructors
- Camp Counselors
- Scout Leaders
- Youth Program Instructors
- Environmental Educators
- Parents
- Home Schoolers

Flexible, the REACH program's STEM education curriculum can be implemented in a 40 minute lesson, half day workshops or seasonal program: summer, after school, during school.

The STEM Educator Course: Middle School I is \$150 and includes an 8 hour professional development/training, materials, and a personal copy of the 132 page REACH Educator Guide for Middle School Modules 1-10 (retail \$59.95). Educators should bring a bagged lunch. Upon completion attendees will receive a US Sailing STEM Educator Course certificate and formal educators will receive a certificate for professional development hours.

What: US Sailing's STEM Educator Course: Middle School I

Where: Columbia Yacht Club, 111 N. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, IL 60601

When: June 27, 2015 at 8:30 AM

How: Register at <http://reach.ussailing.org/courses>

Cost: \$150

### Educator Course Schedule

- 8:30 Welcome
- 9:00 Implementation Designs, Strategies, and Successful Case Studies
- 9:30 Module 1 Measuring Wind
- 11:00 Module 2 Buoyancy
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:00 Module 5 Water Quality Testing
- 1:30 Small Group Presentations
- 3:30 Closing

Please contact Jessica Servis, Reach Program Manager at US Sailing with any questions 609-214-5176 or by email [jessicaservis@ussailing.org](mailto:jessicaservis@ussailing.org).

## WHAT HAPPENED ...

(Guarantee your club's regatta and sailing stories, photos and results are in the *Lake Michigan SuRF* newsmagazine. Write it up and be sure to include the fun stuff, the unexpected, and the social stuff, then email [lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org](mailto:lmsrfadministration@lmsrf.org) as soon as the regatta is over!)

### MISSA Mallory Dinghy Championship Qualifier Pewaukee Yacht Club, Pewaukee, Wisconsin April 25-26, 2015

Cold and blustery weather on Pewaukee Lake with winds varying from 10-18 all day from the ENE. Top three teams at the end of the day are Minnetonka, Oconomowoc and Loyola, with just 6 points separating second and third place. One protest that resulted in a DSQ against Arrowhead in race 2B. Sunny day in the mid 50's with wind starting off light and increasing throughout the day. Large shifts were seen over the course of the day which made looking up the course for the incoming shift and puffs hugely important. Scoring penalties for Missing RP Information were added to Latin (B), New Trier (A/B), Traverse City West (A/B) UC Lab (A/B) and Walter Payton (A). Congratulations to Loyola for placing 3rd overall, Oconomowoc for placing 2nd overall and securing a berth to Nationals and Minnetonka for placing 1st in A division, 1st in B division and 1st overall, winning a berth to Nationals. Good luck to Minnetonka and Oconomowoc representing MISSA in Annapolis on May 9-10!

1.	Minnetonka High School	37	23	60
2.	Oconomowoc High School	54	29	83
3.	Loyola Academy	66	55	121
4.	Latin School of Chicago	53	92MRP	145
5.	Spring Lake High School	46	103	149
6.	New Trier High School	108MRP	63MRP	171
7.	Kettle Moraine High School	121	62	183
8.	Arrowhead High School	88	101	189
9.	Lake Forest High School	101	95	196
10.	Southwest Senior High School	90	137	227
11.	Wayzata High School	153	78	231
12.	Walter Payton College Preparatory High School	133MRP	111	244
13.	Orono High School	89	160	249
14.	Mahtomedi	122	147	269
15.	Grosse Pointe South High School	134	149	283
16.	St. Ignatius College Prep, Chicago, IL	124	178	302
17.	Evanston Township HS	160	148	308
18.	Detroit Country Day School	164	146	310
19.	University of Chicago Laboratory Schools	168MRP	150MRP	318
20.	Traverse City West	165MRP	155MRP	320

### 2015 Lake Springfield C Scow Regatta Island Bay Yacht Club, Springfield, Illinois April 25-26, 2015

1.	Jim Gluek	Pewaukee Yacht Club	1	1	1	3	4	10
2.	Andy Burdick	Lake Geneva Yacht Club	3	2	2	1	3	11
3.	Justin Schaub	Maxinkuckee Yacht Club	4	3	4	2	2	15
4.	Bruce Cameron	Lake Geneva Yacht Club	5	4	6	7	8	30
5.	Don Allenbach	Lake Davenport Sailing Club	7	8	3	4	9	31
6.	Tom Pomierski	Lake Geneva Yacht Club	6	5	5	8	7	31
7.	Glenn McMurray	Lake Beulah Yacht Club	2	16	16	6	1	41
8.	Konrad Powell	Island Bay Yacht Club	16	7	8	5	5	41
9.	Gordon McBride	Missouri Yacht Club	9	6	9	11	6	41
10.	Rich Budinger	Minnetonka Yacht Club	8	11	7	10	16	52
11.	Dave Darneille	Island Bay Yacht Club	12	10	11	9	13	55
12.	Hayden Davis	Island Bay Yacht Club	10	12	10	13	12	57
13.	Bob Green	Island Bay Yacht Club	11	9	16	14	11	61
14.	Jim Wise	Island Bay Yacht Club	16	16	16	12	10	70
15.	Martin Barr	Lake Beulah Yacht Club	16	16	16	16	16	80

### MISSA LMSS Conference Regatta #3 Minnetonka, Minnetonka, Minnesota April 25, 2015

Thank you to all of the volunteers!

1.	Minnetonka High School	35	9	44
2.	Minnetonka High School 2	28	23	51
3.	Minnetonka High School 3	18	38	56
4.	Mounds Park Academy	32	27	59





5.	Stillwater High School	56	22	78
6.	Minnetonka High School 4	55	36	91
7.	Benilde St. Margaret's	30	71	101
8.	Wayzata High School	64	42	106
9.	Washburn High School	50	66	116
10.	Orono High School	72	52	124
11.	Minnetonka High School 5	63	66	129
12.	Providence Academy	70	70	140
13.	Chanhassen High School	78	71	149
14.	White Bear Lake	98	60	158
15.	Chanhassen High School 2	91	69	160

**MCSA Coed Dinghy Championship  
Hooper Sailing Club, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin  
April 18-19, 2015**

The competitors meeting for Coeds was held at 12:30. First race was held at 13:00. We completed 6 rotations thanks to excellent wind conditions and had a beautiful day for sailing. Wind was consistent at 7-10 from the NE. There were no protests or breakdowns and everything ran smoothly. Racing will resume with 7A at 9:00 tomorrow. Sailors reported Sunday morning at 8:00 for a 9:00 first start. The wind was shifty but persistent from the south at 7-10 knots. The weather was beautiful and we could not have asked for a better regatta weekend. We raced W4s and W5s to speed up rotations, and finished race 10B around 1:00. There were no breakdowns or protests filed. Thank you to Dennis Bartley and Geoff Pedrick for judging, as well as Katie Tinder for stepping in as PRO. Congratulations to all teams advancing to the ICSA National Championship Semifinals.

1.	University of Wisconsin	21	12	33
2.	University of Michigan	25	32	57
3.	University of Minnesota	28	37	65
4.	Washington University	29	44	73
5.	University of Notre Dame	64	49	113
6.	Northwestern University	71	49	120
7.	Marquette University	57	77	134
8.	University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee	86	67	153
9.	University of Illinois-Chicago	70	94	164
10.	University of Iowa	99	89	188

**MISSA Mallory Dinghy Championship East Qualifier  
Traverse Area Community Sailing, Boardman Lake, Traverse City, Michigan  
April 18-19, 2015**

Great day on Boardman lake, winds steady at 10 knots all afternoon, got in 7 rotations. Racing started promptly at 10:00 A.M., when PRO Erin Lind sounded the first warning gun. Winds changed around to the SE AT 10-15 with gusts to 20. Completed 3 more rotations for a total of 10.

1.	Spring Lake High School	15	13	28
2.	Grosse Pointe South High School	29	29	58
3.	Detroit Country Day School	29	31	60
4.	Traverse City West	38	36	74
5.	Cranbrook Kingswood	45	55	100
6.	Traverse City Central	62	60	122
7.	Grosse Pointe North High School	67	70	137
8.	St. Francis High School Traverse City	76	65	141

**MISSA Mallory Dinghy Championship Central Qualifier  
Brother Rice/Jones College Prep/U Chicago Laboratory, Chicago, Illinois  
April 18-19, 2015**

Wind at 17 knots with gusts as high as 25 knots out of the north. It was chilly on the Columbia Bay. The second day started with 4 knots and built to 9, gusty out of the north. Gorgeous day out on the Columbia Bay.

1.	Loyola Academy	20	18	38
2.	New Trier HS	33	31	64
3.	Walter Payton College Preparatory High School	25	56	81
4.	Lake Forest High School	67	32	99
5.	Latin School of Chicago	58	47	105
6.	St. Ignatius College Prep, Chicago, IL	76	52	128
7.	University of Chicago Laboratory Schools	52	77	129
8.	Evanston Township HS	60	77	137
9.	Hinsdale Central High School	77	76	153
10.	Brother Rice High School	87	107	194

**Oxford Classic Team Race  
Miami University, Oxford, Ohio  
April 18-19, 2015**

There was no wind out on Acton Lake in the morning so races were postponed. Boats went out at noon once the wind picked up to 5 and were able to get in a full rotation before heading in at 5pm. Stormy today and boats were unable to go out. Thank you to all who helped out with the regatta.

1.	Miami University	2-1	Stuart Fisher '16 Otto Wenzler '16 Dillon Fecht '18 *	Mark Barrow '18 Alex Winner '17 Brittany Nordhaus '17
2.	Michigan State University	2-1	Montana Pruett '16 Colton Radenbaugh '15 Matthew Declercq '17	Christian McAlvey '18 Timothy Dickey '18 Carolin Schade '18
2.	Ohio State University	2-1	David Aspery '15 William Lewis '17 Brittany Mosgo '16	David Thomas '15 Patrick Burns '16 Emily Robinson '16
4.	Indiana University	0-3	Jonathan Ellefsen '16 Najwa Jumali '16 Eric Wolf '18	Colton Arnstein '16 * Jack Zhanj '16 * Benjamin Foster '18

**MISSA Minnesota Conference #2  
Benilde St. Margarets/Chanhassen/Orono/Providence Academy/Wayzata  
April 18, 2015**

Conference regatta #2 of the MSS season was greeted with 13 teams and fantastic weather. Perfect breezes from the East and East South East made for shifty breeze. Velocity remained steady from 8-12 mph. Courses completed were L2 and L4 with a gate and offset at the windward mark. The seventh race of each division was sailed with the 5-6 races to conserve time and get a bit more sailing in for B division.

1.	Mounds Park Academy	21	16	37
2.	Minnetonka High School	19	32	51
3.	Orono High School	24	29	53
4.	Minnetonka High School 2	31	38	69
5.	Wayzata High School	32	44	76
6.	Stillwater High School	67	26	93
7.	Minnetonka High School 3	36	68	104
8.	Minnetonka High School 4	51	59	110
9.	Southwest Senior High School	70	61	131
10.	Orono High School 2	70	66	136
11.	Blake School	79	58	137
12.	Providence Academy	79	60	139
13.	Chanhassen High School	58	83	141

**MISSA West Baker Team Race Championship Pre-Qualifier  
White Bear Sailing School, White Bear Lake, Minnesota  
April 18, 2015**

Six high school teams arrived at White Bear Lake to sunny skies and temperatures around 60 degrees. Racing was underway by 9:45 am. Two round robins and a final four, totaling 36 races, were sailed in breeze ranging from 6-12 out of the ENE. Congratulations to the top five teams for advancing to the Baker Qualifier! Thank you to all of our volunteers for helping with food, registration, and race committee. Thank you to coaches for helping with the on-the-water umpiring.

1.	Minnetonka High School Skippers	13-0	Jack Bitney '15 Belle Loosbrock '15 Alec McKee '15 Lily Loosbrock '17 Conrad (Cort) Vandlik '17	Ashley Huynh '15 Jacob Siegel '15 Rachel Price '15 Kendall VanHorne '15
2.	Wayzata High School Trojans	10-3	Jackson Connell '17 Charlie Hicks '16 Alex Honke '16	McKenna Miller '16 Avery Beltrand '16 Brianna Misk '17
3.	Southwest Senior High School	7-6	Michael Stone '15 Luc Mainguy '16 Lochlan Anders-MacLeod '17	Stephanie Daub '16 Kaj Anders-MacLeod '15 Jesse Densch '15
4.	Benilde St Margarets	3-10	Maggie Houtz '15 Carolina Jimenez '17 Joey Simpson '17	Tim Zaccaro '15 Adrienne Williams '15 Liam Long '17
5.	Mahtomedi	2-8	Claire Clark '15 Izzi Boo '16 Genna Viggiano '17	Clara Brown '17 Annika Hsu '16 Courtney Clark '17
6.	Chanhassen High School	1-9	Lucas Haarstad '17 Dane Pedersen '15 Ryne Ryshavy '17 Jordan Leines '15	Michael Donadio '17 Ryan Bohara '18 Harry Penner '17

**MCSA Team Race Championship  
Hooper Sailing Club, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin  
April 17-18, 2015**

Sailors reported at 9:00 for a double round robin. Unfortunately, conditions did not permit for sailing, as there was no wind. Postponement was called until 16:30 when a small amount of breeze filled in and allowed for sailing. Sailors were sent out into very light and shifty conditions from the south and completed 7 races. There were no protests or breakdowns filed. Racing was ended at 18:30 to resume at 8:00 the following morning. Teams arrived early Saturday morning to get in as much team racing as possible. Race 8 started at 8:35 and continued until one round robin and a final four was completed. 13-15 knots of wind was out of the northeast creating wavy conditions for sailors. The wind consistently died throughout the day eventually settling in at a steady 7-10. Racing concluded at 11:45 with Wisconsin winning, and Michigan taking second place. Both will advance on to Team Race Nationals. Thank you to everyone who helped make this event run as smoothly as it did. Thank you to our PRO Katie Tinder and our umpires Betsy Altman, Dennis Bartley and Geoff Pedrick.

1. University of Wisconsin	8-0	George Kutschenreuter '15 Connor Trepton '15 Laura Wefer '16	Katrina Debbink '15 Elliot Busta '15 Kirstin Reeser '15 Katie Hall '16 Jennifer Burke '16 Benjamin Reiland '15 Sidney Thompson '18 Sarah Sloan '16 Emily Gazall '16 Lane Tobin '18 Ryan Davidson '15 Grace Curtin '18 Katherine Schneeberger '17 Rebecca Jegier '15 John O'Brien '18 Colleen King '16
2. University of Michigan	6-2	Christopher Cyr '16 Thomas Etheridge '16 Alex Ramos '15	Yi Zhang '17 Elizabeth Philip '18 Jacob Bruce '16 Allison Park '17 Michael Pauleen '18 Emily Johnson '16 Cailin Oakes '18 John O'Leary '16
3. University of Notre Dame	3-5	Mike Flanigan '15 Patrick Power '15 John Schneider '16	
4. Northwestern University	3-5	Jacob Bruce '16 Noah Rosenthal '18 Robert Johnston '15 Travis Cottle '15	
5. University of Minnesota	1-4	Emily Oltrogge '15 Alison Kent '16 Isabella Hamilton '17 Michael Valverde '18	
6. University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee	0-5	Andre Deriaz '18 Cole Meller '17 Hannah Noll '15 Isak Peterson '15	Anthony Tieso '17 Brittini Begale '16 Hannah Girard '18 Cole Meller '17

**MISSA East Baker Team Race Trophy Championship pre-Qualifiers  
Traverse Area Community Sailing, Traverse City, Michigan  
April 17, 2015**

Sailing conditions were poor at the start of the day as 7 teams gathered at Traverse Area Community Sailing's Cornwell Sailing Center in Traverse City Michigan for the East Team Racing Pre Qualifier. A hint as to the wind speed could be taken from the wake of a single kayaker crossing the entire lake: there was absolutely NO wind. However by 1:00 a slight thermal picked up, which is pretty common for the Traverse City area. This allowed PRO Eric Lind to drop the AP flag and start racing at 1:30. Although the wind faded and then returned several times in the afternoon the RC got in 21 races for a complete round robin by 5:45. Congratulations to all who travelled to Traverse City for the event!

1. Detroit Country Day School	5-1	Grant Gustafson '15 Grant Kojaiian '16 Cole Wiand '16	Thomas Frikker '15 Harrison George '18 Liz Obermaier '17
2. Spring Lake High School	5-1	Grant Stille '16 Reid Kwiatkowski '16 Frank Reeg '15	Rachel Rantanen '15 Sam Colvin '16 Kaleb Norwood '15 Michael Kucks '16 Luca '15 Jonathan Prins '16
3. Grosse Pointe South High School	5-1	Austin Colepaert '15 Owen Pfaff '15 Caroline Seski '17 Jackson Webster '17	Emma Clutterbuck '16 Annie Clark '15 Kaitlin Malley '17 John Walton '18
4. Traverse City West	3-3	Mitchell Clark '16 Sara Gustafson '17 Brooke Ostrowski '18	Henry Linenger '17 * Katherine Crewes '17 Kyle Sitkins '16 *
5. Traverse City Central	2-4	Alex Anderson '15 Jack Shields '15 Maddie Zimmerman '17	Amelia Burke '18 Celeste Anderson '17 Margaret Miron '17

6. Grosse Pointe North High School	1-5	Nate Kane '15 Lindsey Ramsdell '18 Ryan Rozaki '16	Adam Weinkauff '18 John Godoshian '18 Ellie Frame '18 Sydney Semack '18
7. St. Francis High School Traverse City	0-6	Katherine Clulo '18 Mary Beth Myler '18 Nick Julien '15	Sophia Elkhart '18 Jamie McClellan '17 * Declan Shannon '15

**2015 Charleston Race Week**  
**Charleston Ocean Racing Association, Charleston, South Carolina**  
**April 16-19, 2015**

Twenty-two Lake Michigan area sailboats made the trek to Charleston in April to get an early start to the racing season. Despite light to moderate breeze and a noticeable lack of bikini weather, the 20th Anniversary of Sperry Charleston Race Week proved that CRW is not only here to stay, but that it is one of the most important regattas for sailing in America. It's not just the fact that so many serious racers gather here every year; the event seems to attract just about everyone in the sailing industry, and Randy Draftz and CORA are constantly chasing ways to make CRW more modern, more progressive and more fun. Notably, Draftz and crew have worked hard to attract more one-design and offshore sailors; the effort has paid enormous dividends over time. Sailing conditions were variable light to medium strength throughout the regatta with current direction and strength a dominating tactical factor when starting, calling lay lines and timing your turn at crowded mark roundings. Weather was "on-off soggy" on Friday, improved with warmth and sun on Saturday after a long postponement, and surprised on the upside without any thunderstorms during Sunday's racing until buckets poured down in the final minutes of the awards ceremony. With an early start time Sunday, a moderate but consistent breeze from the Southeast, and a ripping tide pouring out of Charleston Harbor, overall victory and podium finishes were up for grabs through most of the fleets. Unlike Saturday, an early breeze meant three short, intense races in some classes and two in others, allowing a few teams to sew up runaway victories and a few more to make late runs to the top of the leaderboard in the quest for 20th Anniversary silver.—**J/Boats**

**J/80 8 boats**

7. Dolce	Bob Yin	7	7	[8]	6	6	8	5	6	4	49
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**J/70 83 boats**

14. Stampede	Bruno Pasquinelli	6		18	16	22	2	7		2	73
29. Wind Czar	Richard Lehmann	4	6	31	24	14		17	16		112
42. Norboy	Leif Sigmond	22		26	27	17		20	18	14	144
43. Empeiria	John Heaton	16	15	32	23	22		23	17		148
44. Gemini	Blane Shea		16	16	23	27	32		13	25	152
48. Nitemare	Amy Neill	18	38	19		25	23	30		9	162
52. USA 378	Jeff Schaefer		21	28	25	18		31	23	25	171
56. Taipan SB	Lloyd Karzen	29		31	20	21	35	19	28		183
65. Bucephalus	Andrea Krasinski	26		27	36	21	27	26		DS	206
77. Zuni Bear	Rich Bergmann		34	37	36		36	37	35	BF	258

**Melges 20 National Championship**

**Melges 20 22 boats**

2. Section 16	Richard Davies	2	[14]	6		2	1	9	6	6	32
6. Peshmerga	Drew Wierda	6	[18]	11		3	13	5	1	2	41
9. Heartbreaker	Robert Hughes	9	11	15		5	3	8	[17]	3	54
10. Red Sky Sailing Team	Paul Reilly	10	7	14		7	6	[16]	3	9	56
22. Solas	John Murphy	22	22	21		22	22	22	[RT]	DS	154

**Melges 24 25 boats**

14. Rumbunctious	Steve Pirie	18	[ZF]	8		16	18	17	8	4	89
16. Decorum	Hunter Ratliff	12	13	7		20	12	15	15	[ZF]	91
24. The 300	Steve Boho		[DS]	DC	DC	DC	DC	DC	DC	DC	182

**Viper 640 17 boats**

12. Sail22 fale	Ed Furry	[15]	15		13	14	11	8	7	9	77
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**J/111 7 boats**

6. Wooton	William Smith	5	6	2		5	4	[7]	7	6	35
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**Farr 280 5 boats**

5. Still Messin'	Adam Esselman	[5]	4			5	5	4	4	5	27
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**2015 Star Western Hemisphere Championship for the Silver Star  
Biscayne Bay Yacht Club, Miami, Florida  
April 15-19, 2015**

Thirty-eight teams from seven countries competed in the 2015 International Star Class Western Hemisphere Regatta on April 16-19. PRO Dave Brennan and his Biscayne Bay Yacht Club race committee ran a total of seven races on Biscayne Bay in winds mostly from 6 to 13 knots. The final race of the series saw the best conditions of the regatta with a nice breeze of 11-13 knots.

20.	die fledermaus	Thomas Londrigan Jr. / Steve Cutting	[31]	23	9	18	30	17	14	111.0
22.	Pied Piper	Jack Jennings / Mike Rehe	[30]	28	15	22	26	12	9	112.0

**Buckeye Interconference Regatta  
Ohio State University Sailing Club, Columbus, Ohio  
April 11-12, 2015**

Saturday was a sunny day with few clouds and very warm temperatures. The races started between 9:00-10:00 am. Throughout the day the wind-speed averaged at about 7mph with occasional gusts up to 15mph and period of low wind. The wind direction refused to remain steady and there were wind shifts throughout the day. Even with shifting winds, races continued up until 4:30 pm and we got 8 races in for both A and B fleet. Sunday races were off to an early start around 8:30. The morning was sunny and warm just like the day before. The wind was steady out of the west through the day with decent average wind-speed of about 12-14mph, with no shifts or periods of low wind speeds. The races continued until noon and we were able to finish with 12 races for both divisions.

1.	Michigan State University	50	39	89
2.	Georgia Institute of Technology	41MRP	53MRP	94
3.	Miami University	48MRP	112MRP	160
4.	Ohio State University	113MRP	51MRP	164
5.	Denison University	94	75	169
6.	Michigan Technological University	94MRP	83MRP	177
7.	Western Michigan University	98	91	189
8.	University of Buffalo	123MRP	97MRP	220
9.	University of Toledo	84MRP	139MRP	223
10.	Michigan Technological University 2	118MRP	109MRP	227
11.	Ohio State University 2	107MRP	121MRP	228
12.	Ohio University	128	126	254

**2015 Big Ten Team Race  
University of Michigan Sailing Club, Ann Arbor, Michigan  
April 11-12, 2015**

Five teams arrived at Base Line Lake to ideal team racing conditions. A moderate westerly breeze built throughout the day giving the sailors a wide range of conditions. Nearly 2 complete round robins were sailed in the Michigan's aging 420s. While the races were sailed, Michigan sailors were rigging their brand new fleet of Zim FJ's. The plan is to finish round robin 2 and complete round robin 3 on Sunday. Team arrived to a light, patchy thermal on Base Line Lake so sailors stayed on shore to wait for the breeze to fill. A course was finally set around 10:15 and races were soon to follow. The sailors were fortunate to avoid the typical early April weather and get to race in very pleasant conditions. Congratulations to the University of Michigan for winning the 2015 Big Ten Team Race! Northwestern and UW-Milwaukee rounded out the top three. A big thanks to our umpires Matt Graham and Ryan Seago, and all the U of M sailors for helping out all weekend.

1.	University of Michigan	10-0	Alex Brown '18 * Thomas Etheridge '16 Lane Tobin '18 Mason Wolters '18 Christopher Cyr '16	Michael Gapuz '18 Emily Gazall '16 Alison Bradley '16 Sarah Sloan '16 Lane Tobin '18 Alex Ramos '15
2.	Northwestern University	8-2	Robert Johnston '15 Noah Rosenthal '18 Jacob Bruce '16 Travis Cottle '15 Michael Pauleen '18	Allison Park '17 Jacob Bruce '16 Noah Rosenthal '18 Michael Pauleen '18 Travis Cottle '15
3.	University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee	4-6	Isak Peterson '15 Andre Deriaz '18 Hannah Noll '15 Cole Meller '17	Hannah Girard '14 Brittni Begale '16 Cole Meller '17 Hannah Noll '15
4.	Marquette University	3-7	Ryan Clulo '18 Mason Chrabaszcz '18 Jack Lakowske '18 *	Andi Regalbuto '17 Robert Michielutti '18 Catherine Strietmann '18 Alexander Duffy '19
5.	University of Notre Dame	0-10	Bryan Enriquez '15 Bryan Enriquez '15 Matt Reilly '18 Mae Raab '18 * Patrick Penny '18 Martha Murphy '18 *	Alessandro DiSanto '15 Lissa Stachnik '16 Martha Murphy '18 * Alessandro Disanto '15 * Patrick Penny '18 Matt Reilly '18 Mae Raab '18 *

**MISSA West Mallory Pre-Qualifier  
Pewaukee Yacht Club, Pewaukee, Wisconsin  
April 11-12, 2015**

Sunshine and 60 degree weather today for the first day of MISSA West Mallory Pre-Qualifiers at Pewaukee Yacht Club. Breeze shifting from WNW to WSW throughout the day. 8 A Races and 6 B races completed. Great sailing by all competitors over the course of the day. Awesome day on the water for the second day. Minor postponement of racing on the early part of the day while the breeze settled in. The first two races of the day were the Course L2 and the remaining races of the day (A and B fleets, races 9-12) were Course L4. Mostly sunny ending up around 64 degrees, with a south breeze increasing from 8-15mph throughout the day. Thank you to coaches Matt Thompson, Trevor Davis, Connor Trepton and Nick Hovland for helping out with rotations between sets, Bill Groskopf and Dan Graves for helping with breakdowns, PRO Mark Deguire with his RC including Tom Frentzel and Ty Gutenkunst and Susan Herro on check-in. Big thank you to the KM team for providing breakfast both days and the Arrowhead and Oconomowoc teams for lunches. They were great! Top seven teams advance to the Mallory Qualifier April 25-26 at Pewaukee Yacht Club.

1	Minnetonka	A	4	6	7	1	6	3	1	7	2	2	1	2	42
	Skippers	B	1	1	1	1	3	1	3	1	2	2	2	1	19
			5	12	20	22	31	35	39	47	51	55	58	61	61
2	Oconomowoc	A	7	4	2	6	7	2	4	3	6	6	11	3	61
	Raccoons	B	8	2	3	2	6	5	7	3	1	1	1	4	43
			15	21	26	34	47	54	65	71	78	85	97	104	104
3	Arrowhead	A	6	10	8	2	8	4	5	1	8	4	5	4	65
	Warhawks	B	5	3	2	6	1	2	4	7	4	3	5	5	47
			11	24	34	42	51	57	66	74	86	93	103	112	112
4	Wayzata	A	2	2	6	5	3	9	10	4	5	10	2	10	68
	Blue	B	3	7	10	7	4	6	1	4	3	4	3	2	54
			5	14	30	42	49	64	75	83	91	105	110	122	122
5	Orono	A	1	1	1	3	9	11	3	2	9	7	7	8	62
	Varsity	B	9	9	5	3	10	9	9	9	11	9	7	7	97
			10	20	26	32	51	71	83	94	114	130	144	159	159
6	Kettle Moraine	A	9	5	4	9	4	12	9	9	1	1	6	1	70
	Varsity	B	12	5	7	10	8	3	10	11	7	6	6	6	91
			21	31	42	61	73	88	107	127	135	142	154	161	161
7	Mahtomedi	A	5	8	9	11	2	10	11	8	11	9	8	7	99
	Zephyrs	B	6	12	13	8	2	4	2	2	5	8	9	9	80
			11	31	53	72	76	90	103	113	129	146	163	179	179
8	Southwest Senior	A	8	9	11	8	5	8	6	10	10	8	3	12	98
	Varsity	B	4	6	11	9	5	10	11	8	6	5	4	3	82
			12	27	49	66	76	94	111	129	145	158	165	180	180
9	Blake	A	10	11	3	4	11	6	7	5	3	3	9	9	81
	Varsity	B	7	11	6	11	11	11	6	6	DNF	12	8	10	113
			17	39	48	63	85	102	115	126	143	158	175	194	194
10	White Bear Lake	A	3	7	10	10	10	1	8	11	4	11	10	6	91
	Bears	B	11	8	9	5	7	7	8	10	10	7	13	11	106
			14	29	48	63	80	88	104	125	139	157	180	197	197
11	Benilde St Margarets	A	13	12	12	13	13	5	13	12	12	12	4	11	132
	Varsity	B	2	4	4	4	9	8	5	5	8	13	10	8	80
			15	31	47	64	86	99	117	134	154	179	193	212	212
12	Chanhassen	A	12	3	5	7	1	7	2	6	7	5	12	5	72
	Varsity	B	13	13	8	12	12	12	13	13	9	11	11	DNS	141
			25	41	54	73	86	105	120	139	155	171	194	213	213
13	Providence Academy	A	11	13	13	12	12	13	12	13	13	13	13	13	151
	Varsity	B	10	10	12	13	13	13	12	12	12	10	12	DNF	143
			21	44	69	94	119	145	169	194	219	242	267	294	294

**2015 St. Croix Conference #1  
St. Croix Sailing School, Hudson, Wisconsin  
April 11, 2015**

Sailors arrived in the morning to sunshine and 40 degrees. A total of 10 races were sailed, 5 in each division. The first race began at 9:55 am with breeze about 8 mph from the SW. Courses were modified W/L twice around. Each division completed one set before an on shore break for a delicious pizza lunch. Racing began again at 12:45 pm, with each division sailing three more races. The afternoon saw breeze up to 15 mph, shifty wind, and 65 degree temperatures. There was one capsized and a few other close calls. One protest was filed and disallowed. Thank you to coaches for safety boat support, the race committee, and all volunteers who made this a fun and safe event!

1.	Mounds Park Academy	A	4	2	2	1	2	11
	Varsity	B	1	1	2	2	1	7
			5	8	12	15	18	18
2.	Minnetonka	A	2	3	1	2	1	9
	Skippers	B	6	5	1	1	2	15
			8	16	18	21	24	24
3.	Wayzata	A	1	1	3	3	5	13
	Blue	B	3	4	5	5	5	22
			4	9	17	25	35	35

4. Benilde St. Margaret's Varsity	A	5	5	4	4	3	21
	B	4	3	3	3	3	16
		9	17	24	31	37	37
5. Hudson Raiders	A	3	6	5	5	6	25
	B	2	2	6	4	4	18
		5	13	24	33	43	43
6. Orono Varsity	A	6	4	6	6	4	26
	B	5	6	4	6	6	27
		11	21	31	43	53	53

**2015 Northwestern Spring Regatta  
Northwestern University Sailing Team, Evanston, Illinois  
April 4-5, 2015**

Racing started at 9:30 in beautiful sunny conditions. The breeze quickly built up to 15 kts with gusts of 22 kts. With sailors struggling to stay upright, racing was postponed at 1330 until 1530, at which point racing continued. Four races in each division were completed. In race 4B, two boats were DSQ'd for failing to sail the course properly, and one boat retired after finishing. A big thank you goes out to Rick Lillie, our Saturday PRO. Four races in each division sailed today. Beautiful sunny conditions, steady breeze out of the south started at 12 kts, tapering down to 9 kts. Thank you to our judges Geoff Pedrick, Dennis Bartley and Betsy Altman, our PRO Amy Gross-Kehoe and the Northwestern University Sailing Center.

1. University of Minnesota	29	9	38
2. University of Michigan	10	49	59
3. University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee	51	26	77
4. Northwestern University	37	56	93
5. Indiana University	42	72	114
6. University of Illinois-Chicago	86	41	127
7. Hope College	73	62	135
8. Washington University	42	107	149
9. University of Chicago	99	55	154
10. University of Iowa	89	71	160
11. University of Notre Dame	66 MRP	96 MRP	162
12. University of Illinois	83 MRP	88 MRP	171
13. Great Lakes Maritime Academy	70	109	179

**2015 J/24 Easter Regatta  
Columbia Yacht Club, Columbia, South Carolina  
April 2-5, 2015  
J/70**

1. Empeiria	John Heaton	2	3	2	2	3	2	4	1	[7]	2	1	22
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**2015 BVI Spring Regatta and Sailing Festival  
Royal BVI Yacht Club, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands  
March 30-April 5, 2015**

With no less than six races and as many as 13, the BVI Spring Regatta provides an extensive time on the water in gorgeous conditions, all in just three days of racing (Apr 3-5). This year the wind, waves and courses have varied every day, giving the participants a wide variety of exciting and challenging racing. While the majority of Europe and the United States are still in the grip of cold weather, it is no wonder that sailors from 14 different nations have come to the British Virgin Islands for the regatta. For the last day, sparkling blue water and constant warm breeze provided another day of gob smacking sailing in the BVIs. The Sir Francis Drake Channel was a wonderful sight with a myriad of spinnakers flying across the race area. In the first race of the day, about half of the fleet went around Salt Island, a stunning backdrop and an almost perfect top mark from the easterly trade winds. The One Design Fleets enjoyed a cracking skirmish just off Nanny Cay, the gentle breeze was funnelling down to the course, which was just enough to send the Melges 32s on the plane downwind.

**Melges 32**

5. Big Trouble	Tom Elsen	Chicago, IL	DS	4	4	4	5	5	4	5	5	5	5	52.0
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**2015 Trofeo Princesa Sofía Regatta  
Mallorca, Spain  
March 28-April 4, 2015**



The US Sailing Team Sperry finished in the top ten in four classes at the 2015 Trofeo Princesa Sofía, an event that attracted over 1,200 olympic-class sailors from 65 countries. The 46-year-old regatta was a notable stop on the team's European racing circuit, with competitor berths for the 2015 Rio Olympic Test Event being awarded based on the combined results of US athletes at the 2015 ISAF Sailing World Cup Miami, and the 2015 Trofeo Princesa Sofía. However, the US national team was also in Palma to compete against the world's best. "We had a few performances that represent good steps forward, and a few disappointments," said Charlie McKee, High Performance Director of the US Sailing Team Sperry. "Overall, we feel that the team is on a good path but there is much more to be done before we can get on the podium in Rio." Leading all American athletes on the scoreboard was Finn sailor Caleb Paine (San Diego, Calif.) who continues to cement his place among the leaders in the class. World #3 ranked Paine finished 5th overall in a strong 74-boat fleet, and entered the medal race with a slim chance to improve his standing. "I had a poor start in the medal race, which is something I've been working on. I tacked out to get clear air, and ended up finishing 5th. Overall, I'm very happy with my result." For most, finishing 8th overall in a fleet of 108 world-class competitors would be something to enjoy. However, if you are Paige Railey (Clearwater, Fl.), and your competitive drive has propelled you to multiple world championship medals, an ISAF Rolex World Sailor of the Year award and the Olympic Games, the goal is always the top of the podium. "My coach Mark Littlejohn and I are not satisfied with finishing 8th overall here, but behind that result has been an opportunity for some large improvements in my sailing," said Railey. "So from a somewhat negative result here we have gained many positives. Our improvements have encouraged us to continue working at the hard rate we are currently at. I feel strong, motivated and want to throw more of myself into my sailing. We see success in the future." In the men's 470, two-time Olympian Stu McNay (Providence, R.I.) and Dave Hughes (San Diego, Calif.) put an exclamation point on their week by winning the medal race, and improving to 7th overall. "We were able to identify the puffs before the start [of the medal race] and execute, which allowed us to go where we wanted. We played shifts from there." McNay and Hughes have been a constant presence in the top ten of major International 470 Class events since teaming up in 2013, and have finished 6th and 5th at the last two world championships. McNay and Hughes continue to hone their campaign as Rio 2016 draws nearer. "We've been working a lot on specific elements in our game. Our boat speed upwind and downwind has improved across the wind range. We were generally sailing pretty well, but ran into some bad luck with being on the wrong side of the course when big shifts came. It's nice to know that even when we feel like we aren't at our best, we can still put together a good top ten result." Women's 470 athletes Annie Haeger (East Troy, Wisc.) and Briana Provancha (San Diego, Calif.) participated in their third straight Trofeo Princesa Sofía medal race. Since starting their full-time campaign in 2013, the pair have evolved into experienced competitors in this highly technical class. The value of that knowledge was demonstrated on Saturday, as a tightly packed fleet at the finish line required a creative solution from Provancha. "Bri did a really cool thing which was to let the kite go, and our kite crossed the line first [in our group]. It was very smart," said Haeger. Reflecting on their week in Palma, Haeger noted that each race was a tough contest, and that they will look to expand their areas of strength as a team. "We had to battle back every single race, and every single race we were fighting."



**470 Women (62 boats):**

7. Anne Haeger/Briana Provancha USA 10 2 1 6 [UFD] 15 8 6 7 17 10 82

**49erFX Women (40 boats)**

31. Debbie Capozzi/Maggie Shea USA [16] 14 15 6 10 6 16 6 4 9 12 13 11 122

**2015 April Fool's Regatta  
Kenosha Yacht Club, Kenosha, Wisconsin  
April 4, 2015**

**Butterflies**

With wind gusts to 33 recorded during the regatta it was sometimes a hair raising and clothes soaking day. This thinned the fleet to only the craziest/most desperate racers to get out on the water. After 4 races in some pretty tired Butterflies it was decided that Pat Perlman took the 2015 title. Congratulations Pat.



1.	Pat Perlman	2	1	3	1	7
2.	Jay Fought	4	2	1	2	9
3.	Ed Montano	1	3	2	3	9
4.	John Gransee	3	4	4	4	15
5.	Ken Murray	DF	DS	DS	DS	23
6.	Gerrit Tichelaar	DS	DS	DS	DS	24

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