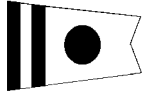
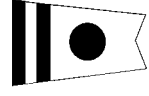


GROSSE ILE YACHT CLUB



50TH ANNIVERSARY DOWNRIVER RACE



BELLE ISLE TO GROSSE ILE

SPONSORED BY GORNO FORD AND WEST MARINE



SATURDAY, AUGUST 2ND, 2008



Grosse Ile Yacht Club
50th Annual Regatta
“The Downriver Race”

sponsored by

GORNO FORD

And

WEST MARINE

Belle Isle to Grosse Ile
Saturday, August 2nd, 2008

GROSSE ILE YACHT CLUB FLAG OFFICERS

Commodore.....Bill Malvesto
Vice Commodore..... Jim Butler
Rear Commodore.....Adam Chrysler
Past Commodore.....John Clark
Secretary..... Sue Muscat
Fleet Surgeon..... Dr. Robert Angelotti
Fleet Captain.....Tim Walker
Fleet Measurer.....Bob Hawkins

RACE COMMITTEE

Honorary Race Chairman - Henry and Marion Boardman

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| Dr. Matthew & Sue Dubois | Patti & Todd Duffett | Ron & Virginia Konczalski |
| Dr. Brian & Katie Hartwell | John & Kelly Allen | Rachel Bourgault |
| Michelle Pandoff | Mark & Heather Balazy | Gary & Tami Dust |
| Debbie & Ed Nykiel | Ron & Deanna Spies | Paula & Kirk Wheeler |

JUDGES & TIMERS

Detroit Regional Yacht-Racing Association

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| Dr. Matthew Dubois | Ron Spies |
| Gary Dust | Todd Duffett |
| Com. Edwin C. Theisen Jr., Advisor, BYC | |

SPOTTERS, TIMERS AND RECORDERS

Grosse Ile Yacht Club
Past Commodores

HONORARY JUDGES

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|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Com. Dave Martin, GPYC | Com. Joe Ottoy, LSSC |
| Com. Greg Thompson, AYC | Com. Lynn Baker SPSC |
| Com. Daniel Papin, GSCD | Com. Paul Krietsch, DYC |
| Com. David Kiel, TYC | Com. Charlie Horner, DSA |
| Com. Greg Gaudette, WYC | Com. Timothy LaRiviera, BYC |
| V. Com. Jim Like, SCYC | Com. Merryl Schwartz, GLYC |
| Com. Matt Sealy, PHYC | Com. Robert Schapp DRYA |
| Com. Peter De'Angelo, GPSC | Com. Everett Rezendes, NSSC |
| Com. Tom MacDonald, FYC | Com. Leigh Savage, CSYC |
| Com. Larry Stanko, DBC | Com. Steve Orsargos EBC |
| Com. Amanda Krabach, WSSC | Com. Tom Grime, NCYC |
| Com. Dennis Pare, LMYC | Com. Rob Wolas, AYC |

PRE-REGISTRATION AND ENTRY FEE:

All skippers of yachts who wish to enter the Regatta must complete the attached Race Application and return to:

**50th Anniversary Downriver Race
c/o Todd and Patti Duffett
8863 Woodside Dr
Grosse Ile MI 48138**

ENTRY FEE \$50.00 U.S. FUNDS – (any Yacht of LOA 50 feet or longer - entry fee is free). ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY THURSDAY, JULY 31, 2008. HAND DELIVERED LATE REGISTRATION (\$75.00) WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL FRIDAY, August 1st AT 7 p.m. AT TRI-CENTENNIAL HARBOR RACE HQ . Contact Todd or Patti Duffett at 734-675- 6386 for late registration instructions.

ENTRY: This regatta is open to sail yachts owned by clubs or members of clubs holding current membership in the DRYA, ILYA and to others upon invitation of the Race Committee.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY: A signed release of liability **must** be submitted with Yacht Registration.

MEASUREMENTS AND RATINGS: Yachts will placed into classes and rated in accordance with measurements and ratings accepted and on file with PHRF-LE, D.R.Y.A. and/or the Race Committee. PHRF-LE RATINGS WILL APPLY.

MANAGEMENT RULES: The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008, the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association, the PHRF-LE Spinnaker and JAM rules, and any applicable class or one design rules. This regatta is classified as a Category "A" Event.

SCORING: The low point system of Appendix A will apply.

CREW: Competing yachts shall in all respects be seaworthy and shall be manned by an adequate and capable crew.

STAGING AREA: Belle Isle Bridge to International Boundary Line.

RESTRICTED AREA: All yachts must keep clear of the indicated restricted area until after the warning signal for their class.

STARTING LINE: Between the RC Flag on the Race Committee Boat on the port end and the West Marine starting buoy on the starboard end. A protection mark may be present in the vicinity of the Race Committee Boat. No yacht may properly start between the protection mark and the Race Committee Boat. The protection mark is considered a part of the Race Committee Boat and hence a starting mark.

CLASSES AND RATINGS:

PHRF, One Design, JAM, and cruising classes are invited. Copy of valid rating certificate required except for One Design. The Race Committee may assign restricted PHRF ratings to yachts without PHRF-LE ratings. Class splits will be based on registered yachts. Splits will be displayed at Tri-Centennial Park Race HQ on Friday night at 8 PM.

CODE PENNANTS: Note Pennant Color under STARTING TIME for the different classes. ALL YACHTS MUST FLY THE PROPER PENNANT OFF THE BACKSTAY APPROXIMATELY 6 FEET OFF THE DECK.

START SYSTEM: Races will be started by using RRS 26

| <u>CLASS STARTING TIMES</u> | | | |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|---|
| Class | Pennant Color | RC Shape | Time |
| 1 Cruising | White | White | 12:00 noon |
| 2 One Design | Red | Red | 12:05 p.m. (All one-design classes start in this start) |
| 3 JAM | Green | Green | 12:10 p.m. |
| 4 PHRF C | Yellow | Yellow | 12:15 pm |
| 5 PHRF B | Grey | Grey | 12:20 pm |
| 5 PHRF A | Blue | Blue | 12:25 pm |

RADIO MONITORING: The Race Committee Boat and all official Patrol Boats will monitor VHF Channel 71 as a safety consideration.

COURSE: Downstream from the start, leaving Fighting Island North light to port and Grassy Island to starboard. Leave Fighting Island South Light to port. Leave Livingstone Channel Upper Entry Light to starboard-DO NOT enter Livingstone Channel. Leave mark D65 to starboard. Enter Hole in Wall leaving Livingstone Channel Light DL20 to port. Leave Powder House Island mark RN 16 to port. Proceed to finish line.

SPECIAL NOTICE: IN ACCORDANCE WITH FEDERAL LAW, PARTICIPANTS MUST NOT INTERFERE WITH COMMERCIAL SHIPPING IN THE DETROIT RIVER.

FINISH LINE: The finish line shall be between an RC Flag on the committee boat anchored at the outer end of the GIYC guest dock and the West Marine Finish buoy anchored between the main dock and the southern tip of Sugar Island. The length of the race course is 16.9 NM for handicap purposes.

PROTESTS: Protests will be made in accordance with the RRS. Time limit for filing is within one hour after finishing. The 720 Rule is modified so that only a 360 degree turn (one tack, one gybe) is required, and may be done anytime before finishing. This changes RRS 44.

TIME LIMIT: 7 hours after each class start.

NOTE: When yachts have finished, they must not interfere with the finish line. An attempt will be made to direct boats to suitable dockage.

AWARDS: First, Second, and Third place awards will be made to yachts in each class. In addition, the following perpetual trophies will be awarded:

Commodore Ralph Braden Trophy will be awarded to the PHRF yacht with the best corrected time.
Commodore Oscar E. Raison Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the mono-hull yacht with the best elapsed time.
Commodore Charles Anderson Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the GIYC yacht with the best elapsed time.
Commodore Edward Campbell Trophy will be awarded to the JAM yacht with the best corrected time.
Grosse Ile Yacht Club Past Commodore's Trophy will be awarded to the GIYC PHRF yacht with the best corrected time.
Jimmy Morrison Trophy will be awarded to Cruising Class Yacht with the best corrected time.

All trophies will remain at Grosse Ile Yacht Club.

Special Awards – in accordance with the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the GIYC Downriver Race, the following special awards will be presented:

- Commemorative plaque for first 50 entries
- Most Downriver Races participated in (skipper or crew)
- Youngest participant (skipper or crew)
- Longest boat (LOA)
- Oldest piece of Downriver Race Memorabilia provided
- Oldest Boat participating in the race
- Boat traveling from the furthest away
- Oldest crew
- Oldest skipper
- Oldest average age of entire crew

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES:

FRIDAY

5:00 – 12:00 pm 50th Anniversary Downriver Race Party at Tri-Centennial Park (St Aubin's Marina)
(please make dock reservations in advance at <http://www.michigan.gov/dnr>)
6:00 – 10:00 pm Race Registration – pick up of race packets, backstay pennants and race gifts
6:00 - ??? p.m. Free Beer while it lasts

SATURDAY

8:00 – 10:00 am Late Race Registration – pick up of race packets. backstay pennants and race gifts
8:00 – 10:00 am GIYC Past Commodore's Bloody Mary Breakfast (at Tri-Centennial Marina)
11:50 am Warning gun for the first start of the 50th Anniversary GIYC Downriver Race
4:00 – 7:00 pm Free Beer (while it lasts)
6:00 pm Legacy Photograph of all race participants on the front lawn of GIYC
7:30 pm Raffle prizes, race awards presentation and presentation of special awards
8:00 – 12:00 am Live music and dancing featuring the Eccentric Band

SUNDAY

7:30 - 9:00 a.m. Sailors Breakfast
Deepwater Race start See bulletin board for official start time

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:
Todd or Patti Duffett - 734-675-6386**

2008 GIYC Downriver Race Application

Skipper Name: _____ Email address: _____

Skipper Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Boat Name: _____ Sail Number: _____

Boat Type _____ Rating (Include rating certificate) _____

(Please Note: PHRF-LE ratings will apply)

Class: PHRF JAM Cruising One Design _____

Please circle class (for one design classes, please write in one design class)

RELEASE OF LIABILITY

In consideration of the acceptance of my application in this yacht race, I hereby waive, release, and discharge any and all claims for damages for death, personal injury or property damage which I may subsequently accrue to me, as a result of my participation in this regatta. This release is intended to discharge the organizing authority, sponsors, promoting clubs, officials, any involved municipalities and other public entities, and (if applicable) the United States Sailing Association from and against any and all liability arising out of or connected in any way with my participation in this race, even though that liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons or entities mentioned above.

In further understanding that serious accidents occasionally occur during yacht racing, and that damage, as a consequence, I knowingly assume the risks of yacht racing and release and hold harmless all of the persons or entities mentioned above who might otherwise be liable to me or my heirs or assigns for damages. Further, I agree to abide by the rules, regulations, and sailing instruction of this yacht race and the United States Sailing Association.

Skipper's
Signature _____ Date _____

Please return completed application with entry fee to:

50th Anniversary Downriver Race
c/o Todd and Patti Duffett
8863 Woodside Dr
Grosse Ile, MI 48138

Applications due July 31st (late applications accepted until August 1st with appropriate late fee)

50th Anniversary GIYC Downriver Race Special Awards:

If you wish to be eligible for any of the 50th Anniversary Downriver Race special Awards, please fill out the following and return by 6:00 pm on Saturday, August 2nd.

1. Oldest Skipper (name and age): _____

2. Oldest Crew (name and age): _____

3. Oldest Boat (boat name, type and manufacture date): _____

4. Longest Boat (boat name and LOA): _____

5. Most Downriver Races completed (name and number of races): _____

6. Oldest average crew age (list crew names and ages): _____

7. Boat traveling from furthest away (boat name, home port and distance): _____

Please submit with your race application,
or submit in person on race day before 6 pm to Race Chairman Matt Dubois.