



## Yacht Racing Union of the Great Lakes



### 2011 YRUGL Richardson Trophy Regatta

Chicago Match Race Center

October 7 – October 9, 2011

### NOTICE OF RACE

#### 1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Organizing Authority (OA) will be the Yacht Racing Union of the Great Lakes (YRUGL) hosted by the Chicago Match Race Center (CMRC).

#### 2 VENUE

The venue will be on Lake Michigan.

#### 3. EVENT GRADING

The event is an ISAF Grade 3. This grading is subject to review by the ISAF Match Race Advisory Board. The event may be re-graded when there is a clear reason to do so.

#### 4 PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

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(a) The Race Office will be open 1200-2100 hrs Thursday October 6, 2011

(b) Registration will be from 1200 to 2100 at CMRC, October 6, 2011

(c) Crew weighing will be at CMRC from 1200 to 2100 on Thursday October 6, 2011. Any requests for an extension shall be granted at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

(d) Practice sailing will be from 1300 to 1800 Thursday October 6, 2011. Teams shall complete registration prior to practice sailing.

(e) A welcoming breakfast reception and initial briefing of skippers and crews will be 0800 Friday, October 7, 2011 at CMRC. The first meeting with the umpires will follow immediately.

(f) Racing days will be on Friday October 7, Saturday October 8, and Sunday October 8, 2011.

(g) The scheduled time for the first attention signal will be 0900 on Friday 7<sup>th</sup>.

(h) A social program will be provided.

(i) Awards will be presented on Sunday October 9, 2011 as soon after the last race as possible.

(j) Daily debriefings will be held.

- 4.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:
- (a) Initial and daily briefings for skippers
  - (b) Any official social occasions
  - (c) Awards presentation

## **5 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 5.1 Twelve skippers and crews will be invited to this event. Only skippers and crews invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event.
- 5.2 Two skippers and crews will be invited from the participating clubs of the YRUGL as determined by each of the Regional Associations (LSYA, LHYA, LMSRA, DRYA, ILYA & LYRA). **Deadline:** All Lake Association slots will close September 8, 2011. Thereafter any open slots may be filled at large by the OA.
- 5.3 All skippers shall obtain an ISAF Sailor ID prior to applying to sail in the regatta and that ISAF Sailor ID shall be supplied at the time of registration.
- 5.4 The registered skipper for each crew shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- 5.5 To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of invitation in writing, (fax or e-mail is acceptable) to be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation.
- 5.6 If you wish to be invited contact your YRUGL Member Lake Association for information on the qualifying round.
- 5.7 If you did not attend your member association qualifying round and there is an open position at the Richardson Trophy Regatta for your member association to advance a competitor, you need to:
- (a) Make application to your member association to have them elect, by resume, your application to compete in the Richardson Trophy Regatta.
  - (b) Your member association will then forward your application to the YRUGL Richardson Trophy OA for consideration. <http://www.yrugl.org>

## **6 ENTRIES**

- 6.1 A non-refundable entry fee of \$ 600.00 (US) shall be paid at the time that the application is submitted. The team shall be entered upon completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and deposits. All payments shall be made by cash, check or credit card in \$ (US) and shall be received by YRUGL as soon as reasonably possible based on the date of the ladder event run by the member association to determine the representatives from that member association.
- 6.2 Damage Deposit
- (a) A damage deposit of \$ 2500.00 (US) shall be paid at registration. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
  - (b) In the event that a deduction from the damage deposit is made by the OA, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
  - (c) Any remaining deposits will be refunded within two weeks after the event minus the costs of any yacht damage or other costs incurred and left unpaid, for which the OA deems the skipper to be responsible for.
- 6.3 Each team is will be required to wear team identifying livery and have Lake Association identification included as part of that livery.

## **7 RULES**

- 7.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS, including Appendix C. and the Richardson Trophy Deed of Gift <http://www.yrugl.org/RichardsonTrophyHistory.html>
- 7.2 PFDs, approved by the USCG or an equivalent national authority, shall be worn at all times by competitors while on the water, other than brief periods while adding or removing clothing. Flag Y will not be flown. All competitors must supply their own PFD's. This changes rule 40.

## **8 BOATS AND SAILS**

- 8.1 The event will be sailed in Tom 28 Max type boats provided by CMRC.
- 8.2 Boats will be assigned by the Race Committee and the OA.

## **9 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)**

- 9.1 Each team shall consist of 4 or 5 people including the skipper. The registered skippers shall sail in all races.
- 9.2 The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing shall be 771.6 lbs (350 kg) when wearing at

- least shorts and shirts
- 9.3 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorize an original crew member to substitute.
- 9.4 When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorize a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

**10 EVENT FORMAT**

The intended format for this regatta is:

Stage 1 – Round Robin Series

Stage 2 – Semi Finals, Petit Final, Finals.

The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.

**11 THE COURSE**

11.1 The intended course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.

11.2 The intended course area will be on Lake Michigan adjacent to Belmont Harbor.

**12 PRIZES**

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

**13 MEDIA, IMAGES, AND SOUND**

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

**14 COACH BOATS**

Coach boats are not permitted.

**15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk. The OA, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.

**16 CONTACTS**

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