



## **Yacht Racing Union of the Great Lakes**

**In Association with**

**The Buffalo Yacht Club and The Inter-Lake Yachting Association**

**Present the  
YRUGL Richardson Trophy Regatta**



**Buffalo Yacht Club  
Buffalo, New York, USA  
An ISAF Grade 3 Event**

**September 29 and October 1, 2006**

**Umpire and Competitor Bio's as of September 25, 2006**

# Umpire Biographies

## **J. Theodore Everingham – Chief Event Umpire and Chief Course Umpire**

Ted is an International Judge and a US SAILING-certified umpire and Senior Judge, a member of the US SAILING Umpires Committee and the immediate Past Chairman of the US SAILING Judges Committee. He belongs to Bayview Yacht Club where he served as Commodore in 2003. Ted has been an Umpire for the Louis Vuitton Cup (Round Robin Two, 1992), the US SAILING National Match Racing Championship for more than ten years, the last three Canada's Cup U.S. selection trials and numerous other national, regional and local match racing and events. He has raced J/24s, Flying Scots, Ensigns and other one-design boats. He has raced in numerous offshore events, including 18 Bayview Mackinac Races.

## **Andrew Alberti – Chief Course Umpire**

Andrew is a Senior Canadian Umpire and Judge and a member of Royal Canadian Yacht Club in Toronto. He has been an umpire since 1991. His umpiring has included the Canada's Cup Trials, the York Cup, the Knickerbocker Cup, the Canadian Match Racing Championships, the US Woman's Match Racing Championships and the Great Race. He was Chief Umpire for the Richardson Cup in 2000 and 2001. He sails his family C&C 34 with a crew that sometimes includes his 3 year old son and 5 year old daughter.

## **Katie Coleman Nicoll**

Katie is a CYA PJ, CU lives in Toronto and is a member of the Port Credit YC. She has umpired the Great Race for five years, and judged/umpired many events around Southern Ontario and Western New York. In August of 2006 she was the Chief Umpire for the Combined Past Commodore Ira G. Ross Great Race, Stolze Cup, Shore Sails Cup held at the BYC. She grew up at the BCC sailing lightnings, albacores, and lasers, as well as her dad's boats. Katie campaigns her J/24 in local, national, and international events with her son working the foredeck.

## **Kathy Dyer**

Kathy is a SNJ, of Hamilton, Ontario has been a certified judge since 1994, officiating at numerous local, national and international events. She serves on the CYA Racing Rules Committee, Ontario Sailing Appeals Committee and is Deputy Chief Judge at CORK in Kingston. Kathy campaigned as crew on a J24 for many years and has competed in the Trafalgar Cup and Ontario Sailing match racing events.

## Umpire Biographies (continued)

### David Collins

Is a Canadian Yachting Association Canadian Judge and Senior Canadian Umpire. With over 15 years of umpiring match races including; the 2005 and 2006 Knickerbocker (an ISAF Grade 2 event), the 2006 US Sailing Association ABC Semi Final for the US Match Racing Championship, and the 2005 US Match Racing Championship. He has also umpired two different ladder events for the Richardson, the Stoltz Cup for LYRA and the Lake Michigan MRC.

Dave sails a Kirby 30 out of Kingston Yacht Club, in Kingston Ontario, as well as a DN iceboat in the winter.

### William Thorpe

Bill is a US Sailing Umpire and Senior Judge. He resides in Grosse Pointe Farms, MI and is a member and Past Commodore of Bayview Yacht Club. He has raced Etchells for many years and is a veteran of over 50 Mackinac races. He has umpired match races throughout the U.S. and Canada including several Richardson Cups.

### Gary Hendrickson

Gary has been a judge for numerous regional championships including being the panel chairman and PC chair for events such as Star 4<sup>th</sup> Districts, and Chicago NOOD's. He has umpired previous Richardson Trophy Regattas as well as the Richardson qualifiers for Lake Michigan and Lake Superior since 2003. Gary is a member of Racine Yacht Club (Wisconsin) and chaired the Richardson Trophy Regatta there in 2004. He chairs the Lake Michigan Sail Racing Federation (LMSRF) Offshore Council, serves on the Measurement Rules Committee, and serves as the Lake Michigan VP of YRUGL which sponsors the annual Richardson championship. He has been a racing competitor in one-design and MORC-rule sailboats for over 25 years and has an interest in promoting the sport of match racing.

### Gary Shoemaker

Gary Resides in Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan, and is a member of Bayview Yacht Club. He is a US Sailing Senior Judge and National Umpire. Gary has umpired at many events including the 2003 and 2004 US Match Racing Championships and was recently the chief judge at the Interlake North American Championships and the Junior Olympic Festival. As a competitor, Gary has been racing sailboats for 40 years in everything from DN iceboats and multihulls to J24's and larger offshore boats. He has competed in 30 NOOD regattas and 20 Bayview to Mackinac Races.

# Principal Race Officers Biographies

## **Robert Dobmeier – Principal Race Officer**

Born in Buffalo, Bob grew up on the Canadian Shore racing Lightnings at the Buffalo Canoe Club. He participated in many national and world championships. A life member of the BCC, Bob was Fleet Captain in the 80's. While in the Navy he spent two years as part of the Sail Training Program at the U.S. Naval Academy. Bob has raced in two SORC's and presently races his C + C 35 in club races. He has been active on the Race Committee for both the Buffalo Yacht Club, Buffalo Canoe Club and the Level Regatta for many years. He has been Race Chairman and General Chairman of the Great Race, Race Chairman of the Mayor's Cup/Queen City Regatta and LYRA Junior Regatta. He is presently the Vice Commodore of the Buffalo Yacht Club.

## **Joseph Gelsomino – Principal Course Officer**

Joe has been active in the local sailing scene, competing in the Lake Erie Race in 1978 through 1982, in the J/27 North American Championships 1995 – 1997 and in numerous Buffalo Yacht Club Great Races. He has also sailed in the 1980 Bermuda Race and the 1985 Key West Race and SORC.

In addition to being an active competitor, Joe is a US Sailing Certified Race Officer receiving his certification in 2000 and has been the Principal Race Officer for numerous BYC regattas and events from 1993 through the present. In 2006 Joe served as the PRO for the J/22 Eastern Great Lakes Championship which was held at the BYC

# Competitor Biographies

## INTER-LAKE YACHTING ASSOCIATION TEAMS (I-LYA)

### BUFFALO YACHT CLUB TEAM – BUFFALO NY

#### **Brendan Jordan – Skipper**

Brendan has grown up sailing locally in Buffalo and has match race experience as crew of the 2003 Great Race Champions. In 2005 he placed 3<sup>rd</sup> as skipper. In 2006 he won the ladder event for the I-LYA allowing him to compete for the Richardson trophy. Brendan has also placed in many J/22 events.

#### **David Starck – Crew**

David grew up sailing at the Buffalo Canoe Club and is active on a national and international level in the one-design Lightning Class. He competed in the 2004 and 2005 Great Race, representing the BCC.

#### **John Schimert – Crew**

John grew up in the Buffalo area sailing offshore boats, J/27's, Lightnings, and more recently, Lasers and Vanguard 15's at the Buffalo Canoe Club.

### BAYVIEW YACHT CLUB – DETROIT MI

#### **Chris VanTol - Skipper**

Chris has extensive match racing experience and currently has an ISAF USA ranking of 4 and a world ranking of 98. As skipper he has captured first place in the 1999 Young American Match Racing Championship, 2003 Prince of Wales Area E & K Qualifier, 2004 USMRC Area E & K Qualifier, 2005 Dynamite Cup, Hudson River Match Race, 2005 USMRC Area E & K Qualifier, Bayview Yacht Club Grade 4 Invitational, 2006 USMRC Area E & K Qualifier. In 2005 his team finished 2<sup>nd</sup> at the US Match Racing Championship. During 2006 he has also competed in the Pacific Life Yacht Club Challenge, Knickerbocker Cup, Ficker Cup and Dynamite Cup events. He has previously competed in the YRUGL Richardson regatta in 2000, 2003, 2004 and 2005 placing 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> respectively.

#### **Michael B. Hoey – Tactician**

Michael Hoey has extensive match racing experience as a crew. His recent US Match Racing Championship finishes include 1<sup>st</sup> in the 2003, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 2004, and 2<sup>nd</sup> in 2005. During the 2006 season he has competed in the Area E&K USMRC Qualifier and the Knickerbocker Cup and Pacific Life Yacht Club challenge. Michael is also currently pursuing an Olympic Campaign in the Tornado class.

#### **Perrin Fortune – Crew**

Perrin is relatively new to the match racing scene but has put together a strong schedule in 2006 which includes: USMRC Area E& K Qualifier, Bayview Yacht Club Grade 4 Invitational, Dynamite Cup and the BYC Grade 5 Invitational.

# Competitor Biographies

## LAKE YACHT RACING ASSOCIATION TEAMS (LYRA)

### YOUNGSTOWN YACHT CLUB – YOUNGSTOWN NY

#### Adam Burns - Skipper

1999- 2001 3-Time Inter-Collegiate Sailing Association All American - Old Dominion University  
1999- 2001 3-Time MVP -Old Dominion University Sailing Team  
1999- 2000 Sailing Team Captain - Old Dominion University

#### Match Racing Experience

Richardson Trophy 2004 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Crew	The Stolze Cup 2006 1 <sup>st</sup> Place Skipper. 2004 1 <sup>st</sup> Place Crew	The Great Race 2006 1 <sup>st</sup> Place Skipper
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#### Mark Sertl

As Skipper

Interclub Dinghy Season Champion – Rochester Frostbite Association, Laser District 9 Season Champion  
Lightning North Americans – multiple top 5, J/35 North Americans – multiple top 3,  
Ida Lewis Team Race Regatta – champion

As crew:

8 Meter World Champion, J/22 Worlds – multiple top 10, J/22 North Americans – multiple top 5,  
J/24 Worlds – multiple top 10, J/24 Canadians – champion, J/24 Great Lakes – champion  
Lloyd Phoenix US Sailing – champion, SORC Lipton Cup - champion

#### Will Harris

3- Time J-24 North American Champion Crew, 3- Time J-24 Mid-winters Champion Crew, Numerous Big Boat Victories

The Stolze Cup 2006 1 <sup>st</sup> Place Crew.	The Great Race 2006 1 <sup>st</sup> Place Crew
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### BUFFALO HARBOR SAILING CLUB TEAM – BUFFALO NY

#### Kevin Doyle - Skipper

Kevin has scored 1<sup>st</sup> place finishes in the J/22 – 2001 through 2004 Level Regatta, in the Cleveland Race Week (2004), ABYC Regatta (2005). He is a 4-time Canadian National Champion, in J/24's he is a 2-time Great Lakes Champion and a 3 time Level Regatta Champion.

For his Richardson Trophy Experience he was the 1<sup>st</sup> Place Tactician in 1981, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Tactician in 1982, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Skipper in 2004. Other Match Racing experience includes a 1<sup>st</sup> place as Skipper in the Great Race in 1983. 1<sup>st</sup> Place Tactician in the 1981 and 1982 and 1<sup>st</sup> Place as Skipper in the 2004 Stolze Cup. He also captured 1<sup>st</sup> place in the 1990 VanVorhis Cup.

#### Chris Doyle

<No Bio Currently Available>

#### Peter Doyle

Peter has experience as crew in the 1981 Richardson Cup where he was on the winning team and has worked from 1983 – 1988 as the YYC Jr. Racing Team Coach. 1987 & 1988 saw Peter on the Connecticut College Sailing Team. Peter has numerous crew victories on J/22's, J/24's and other one design boats.

# Competitor Biographies

## LAKE SUPERIOR YACHTING ASSOCIATION TEAMS (LSYA)

### WAYZATA YACHT CLUB – WAYZATA MN

#### Lars Hansen – Skipper

Representing the Wayzata Yacht Club Lars has participated as skipper in multiple Richardson Cups, Prince of Wales US Match Racing championships and at the UBS match racing challenge in Newport.

As a skipper Lars was 2<sup>nd</sup> at the 1999 J22 World Championship, multiple top 5 finishes at J22 North American events. He was 1<sup>st</sup> at the Laser US nationals Masters Championship and has been district champion 10+ times. In the J22 he has been Western Great Lakes Champion and Cool Regatta champion multiple times. Lars has also been the WYC area K representative to multiple Mallory Cups, 3<sup>rd</sup> in 2001.

As Tactician he has been 1<sup>st</sup> place in multiple NOOD regattas in both J80's and J105's, multiple 1<sup>st</sup> places in J105 Verve regattas and 1<sup>st</sup> in last years Chicago Mac race. He was also 1<sup>st</sup> place as tactician in the 97-98 A Scow inland championships and 1<sup>st</sup> place as tactician at the 1992 Richardson Cup.

#### Jon Noller - Crew

Jon Noller is a member of the Wayzata Yacht Club.

#### John Peterson - Crew

John Peterson is a member of the Wayzata Yacht Club.

### THUNDER BAY YACHT CLUB – THUNDER BAY, ONTARIO

**Withdrew via e-mail on 9/28/06**

#### Chris Wells - Skipper

Chris Wells has competed in 6 quilting match-racing events over the last 15 years, which have led to 4 entries to the Canadian Match Racing Championship's. Most recent events have been 2 LSYA qualifiers on Lake Superior placing 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Presently the owner of a J-41 which he competes all over Lake Superior and Lake Michigan.

#### Eric Hanson – Crew

Eric has crewed with Chris on his last 2 LSYA qualifiers, and presently races as Tactician, sail trimmer and part time driver on a IMX 38.

#### Pete Kulenkamp – Crew

Peter is a UK sails representative and crews on everything.

# Competitor Biographies

## LAKE MICHIGAN SAIL RACING FEDERATION TEAMS (LMSRF)

### CHICAGO YACHT CLUB – CHICAGO IL

#### **Donald Wilson – Skipper**

Donald Wilson resides in Chicago and is an active member of LMSRF and the Chicago Yacht Club. Don participates on a local and more recently he has been competing on a more national level. He now races J105, T10 and Melges 24, in addition to match racing on Tuesday nights using his Italian built Tom 28's. Some results this year have been 1<sup>st</sup> place Chicago NOOD (T10), 1<sup>st</sup> place Verve (J105), and 5<sup>th</sup> place Key West Race Week (J105).

#### **David Muzzall – Crew**

David Muzzall resides in Chicago and sails One Design on both a local and national level. David has been trimming on Don Wilson's J105 and T10 for five years. He also sails Melges 24 and Tom 28 Match racing boats. David owns a J24 and has sailed in a variety of events including Key West Race Week, NOOD Regattas and recently Big Boat series in San Francisco.

#### **Blair Ross - Crew**

Blair Ross resides in Chicago and participates on a local and national level with several one design class boats as driver, tactician and trimmer on a Melges 24, T10 and Farr 40. He recently skippered a Melges 32 during the Chicago to Mackinaw race.

### GREAT LAKES YACHT CLUB – ST. CLAIR SHORES, MI

#### **Steven Lowery – Skipper**

Steve Lowery is a graduate of the US Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland and has won US Sailing's Single Handed Championship, the Beneteau 40.7 North Americans and finished second in the U.S. Laser Nationals. He competed in the Olympic Trials in Atlanta in Lasers in 1996 and has raced on the Mumm30 circuit nationally since then. His recent focus has been on the match race format with a record of improving results. His current ISAF world ranking is 501. Steve lives in Chicago, and is married with two young boys to keep him busy on weekends!

#### **Derrick Reig – Crew**

Derrick Reig resides in Chicago, IL and has been active racing J/22s, Etchells, Mumm 30s and Farr 40s for past 10 years. As tactician, he finished 1<sup>st</sup> in the Richardson Cup in 2003. Derrick is a member of the Annapolis Yacht Club.

#### **Rory Lewis – Crew**

Rory Lewis resides in Chicago, IL and has been active racing J/22s, Mumm 30s and Farr 40s for past 10 years. As mainsail trimmer, he finished 1<sup>st</sup> in the Beneteau 40.7 North Americans in 2005.

# Competitor Biographies

## LAKE HURON YACHTING ASSOCIATION TEAMS (LHYA)

### PORT HURON YACHT CLUB TEAM – PORT HURON MI

#### **Eric Vigrass - Skipper**

6 NOOD Regatta Championships

1999 S2 7.9 National Champion, 1<sup>st</sup> in class Port Huron Mackinaw

2000 S2 7.9 National Champion

2001 1<sup>st</sup> in class Chicago to Mackinaw

2004 1<sup>st</sup> in class Port Huron to Mackinaw

2005 1<sup>st</sup> in class Port Huron to Mackinaw, 1<sup>st</sup> place Beneteau Great lakes Championship Regatta

Match racing experience

2004 Richardson cup LHYA tactician

2005 3<sup>rd</sup> Dynamite cup, 2<sup>nd</sup> King Trophy

2006 4<sup>th</sup> Dynamite cup, 1<sup>st</sup> King Trophy

### PORT HURON YACHT CLUB TEAM – PORT HURON MI

#### **Greg Kinney - Skipper**

2 2<sup>nd</sup> NOOD Regatta Championships

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2<sup>nd</sup> 2004 CAL25 national championship

2005 1<sup>st</sup> in class Port Huron Mackinaw

2006 3<sup>rd</sup> in class Chicago to Mackinaw

Match racing experience

2004 Richardson cup LHYA trimmer

2005 3<sup>rd</sup> King Trophy

2006 2<sup>nd</sup> King Trophy

# Competitor Biographies

## DETROIT REGIONAL YACHT RACING ASSOCIATION TEAMS (DRYA)

### BAYVIEW YACHT CLUB TEAM – DETROIT MI

#### Adam Hollerbach – Skipper

Sailing out of Grosse Pointe Farms and Bayview Yacht Club, Adam will represent the Detroit Regional Yachting Association at the 2006 Richardson Cup. He represented the ILYA last year at the Richardson and finished fourth. As crew, Hollerbach has won the Richardson and his father, Marc, uncle, Eric and brother Nathan, have won it as skippers. In recent seasons, Adam has begun seeking his own match-racing successes as a skipper and is currently ranked 14th in the United States. This season, Adam won the Bayview Yacht Club Match Racing Exhibition, placed second at the Dynamite Trophy Regatta, and placed third at the Bayview Yacht Club Spring Match Racing Invitational. In 2005, he qualified for the U.S. Match Racing Championships by placing second at the Area E/K qualifier. That year, he also placed second at the Dynamite Trophy regatta.

#### Sandi Svoboda – Crew

Also sailing out of Bayview Yacht Club, Sandi has been one of Adam's regular crew for the last 6 years and is one of the United States most active female match racing crew members. She has competed this year in England, Spain and Denmark in match racing events, including the Women's Match Racing World Championships, and plans appearances at the Osprey Cup and the U.S. Women's Match Racing Championship. She won the 2006 Rolex Women's Match and placed third at the 2006 Mayor's Cup in Long Beach, Calif.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Crew to be announced**

### BAYVIEW YACHT CLUB - DETROIT

#### Bora Gulari – Skipper

Sailing out of Bayview Yacht Club, Bora and crew Paul Hulsey, and Phil Oniel IV are relatively new to match racing. Bora was part of the US Sailing team for 6 years as part of the 49er squad. Normally Bora and Paul are racing against each other as two of the top skippers in the Melges 24 fleet in the states. Phil Oniel is part owner in a N/M 46 Natalie J that Phil and Bora sail during the summer midwest circuit.

#### Paul Hulsey

<No Biography Currently Available>

#### Philp O'Neil IV - Crew

Age: 24

1st place Chicago Mackinaw

2nd Overall 2000 Bayview Mackinaw

1st 2004 Chicago NOOD Regatta

1st Overall 2005 Chicago NOOD Regatta

1st 2004 Verve Cup

1st 2005 Verve Cup

1st 2005 Harbor Springs Regatta

2 Newport Bermuda Races

2006 Dynamite Trophy winner