

Racine Yacht Club Presents

THE HOOK



DEATH'S DOOR CHALLENGE

2008

Notice of Race

The 25th *Consecutive Running* of the HOOK Race

July 19, 2008
Racine to M&M Yacht Club (Menominee, MI)

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1.0 Rules

The HOOK Race will be governed by the 2005-2008 International Sailing Federation (ISAF) Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (US Sailing), the rules and regulations of LMPHRF, the HOOK Race Sailing Instructions, and the rules of any accepted one-design fleet (five boats minimum required).

2.0 Alterations of Class Rules

There will be no alterations to the prescribed LMPHRF rules.

3.0 Advertising

This event is classified as a category A event in accordance with ISAF Advertising Code, Regulation 20.

4.0 Eligibility and Entry

This race is open to all yachts by submitting the following:

- a) A completed entry form
- b) Measurement is not required, but each yacht shall submit a valid 2008 LMPHRF certificate.
- c) ***A current certificate of insurance with a minimum of \$300,000 liability coverage.***
- d) The appropriate entry fee:

\$165 if entry postmarked by July 7th, 2008
\$190 if entry postmarked after July 7th, 2008
NO entries will be accepted after July 15th, 2008

Mail entries to: HOOK Race Committee
 c/o Racine Yacht Club
 1 Barker Street
 Racine, WI 53402

5.0 Schedule of Events Racine Yacht Club

Friday, July 18th 1500 to 2000.....Check-in
 1700..... Dinner and pre-race party at RYC
 1900.....Skippers Meeting – RYC Patio

Saturday, July 19th 0700 to 0900.....Late check-in
 0700 to 1000..... Buffet breakfast

M&M Yacht Club

Monday, July 21st 1500.....Mount Gay Rum Party
 1800.....Dinner
 1900.....Awards (Presentation hour subject to finishing times.)

6.0 Race

Saturday, July 19, 2007— First start at 1000 hours.

7.0 Sailing Instructions

Sailing instructions shall be distributed at Check-in.

8.0 Course

Racine to Menomonee, MI. via the Porte Des Morts Passage as described in the sailing instructions.

9.0 Scoring

Each yacht shall be ranked by corrected time in section and division. The lowest corrected time wins. Time allowances shall be based on time on distance, expressed in nautical miles. The handicap distance for scoring purposes shall be 189.04 nautical miles. Note: Multi-hulls may compete in their own division but will not be scored for an overall award.

10.0 Penalties

Penalties shall be assessed in accordance with the 2005-2008 ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing.

11.0 Prizes

Following the race, flags will be presented at Sturgeon Bay Yacht Club to the overall winner and to yachts correcting **first, second, third, fourth, and fifth** in each division (subject to the number of boats in each division). A "Line Honors" award will be presented to the yacht first to cross the finish line. Trophies will be awarded at the Racine Yacht Club's Annual Awards Dinner to all yachts finishing first, second and third in their respective division.

12.0 Racine Yacht Club Hook Race Officials

Hook Race Committee: Ron Weiss – Chairman

13.0 Safety Equipment and Special Regulations

Yachts shall comply with appropriate current United States Coast Guard regulations and shall sail in compliance with Sections 1 and 2 of ORC's Offshore Special Regulations. (See www.orc.org)

Also, yachts should (cf 1.03.2) be prepared to comply with the requirements of Offshore Special Regulations 2005-2008 Category 3 for this event. See also Appendices D (*QuickStop*) and *Lifesling*) and F (*Drogues and Sea Anchors*). Any Lifebuoy carried should also have a whistle attached.

14.0 Inspection

All boats entered may be subject to an inspection after the race.

15.0 Additional information

Docking and accommodation information in Racine and Sturgeon Bay will be included with each contestant's entry acknowledgement letter. For additional information, please contact:

- **Racine Yacht Club** Phone (262) 634-8585; Fax (262) 634-8971; office@racineyachtclub.org
- **An entry form is available at our website: www.racineyachtclub.org**
- **Ron Weiss, HOOK Committee Chairman, 262.327.0299, RWeiss6468@aol.com**

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Overall Winners

2007	<i>Sirocco</i>	C&C 33	Doug Vaccarello
2006	<i>Blue Tango</i>	Nelson Marek 39	Rick Trisco
2005	<i>Syrena</i>	B-32	Nicholas and Angela Hayes
2004	<i>Syrena</i>	B-32	Nicholas and Angela Hayes
2003	<i>Lionheart</i>	Tartan 4100	Steve Roake
2002	<i>Sabotage</i>	J35	Ray Sabinash
2001	<i>Uber Alles</i>	Rancher 41	Gerhardt Knop
2000	<i>Surface Tension</i>	Nelson Marek 36	Brethorst /Schaefer
1999	<i>Zippy</i>	J92	Spencer Thomason
1998	<i>Kinky II</i>	PJ34	James Murphy
1997	<i>Zephyr</i>	Pearson 31	John Chelius
1996	<i>Siren Song</i>	Peterson 41	Tom and Lisa Merlin
1995	<i>Siren Song</i>	Peterson 41	Tom and Lisa Merlin
1994	<i>Siren Song</i>	Peterson 41	Tom and Lisa Merlin
1993	<i>Rainbow</i>	Ranger 26	Duke and Mary Rahmel
1992	<i>Falcon</i>	Q-Boat	David Pappas
1991	<i>Arbitrage</i>	X 1-Ton	Ron McNeilly
1990	<i>Falcon</i>	Q-Boat	David Pappas
1989	<i>Slot Machine</i>	Heritage 1-Ton	Dr. C.W. Christenson
1988	<i>Rainbow</i>	Ranger 26	Duke and Mary Rahmel
1987	<i>TARDIS</i>	Cal 43	TARDIS Syndicate
1986	<i>Latest Trick</i>	Olson 911s	Dave Morrow
1985	<i>Blue Chip</i>	Peterson 34	Gary Neale
1984	<i>Vamoose</i>	Custom Columbia 33	Les Grebetz