

Racine Yacht Club Presents

# THE HOOK



DEATH'S DOOR CHALLENGE

# 2010

Notice of Race

The 27<sup>th</sup> *Consecutive Running* of the HOOK Race  
July 24th, 2010  
Racine to M&M Yacht Club (Menominee, MI)

## Notice of Race

### 1.0 Rules

The HOOK Race will be governed by the 2009-2012 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) Each yacht shall submit a valid 2010 LMPHRF certificate.
- c) ***A current certificate of insurance with a minimum of \$300,000 liability coverage.***
- d) The appropriate entry fee:  
\$180.00/\$170 w/ US Sailing if entry postmarked by July 14th, 2010  
\$200.00/\$ 190 w/ US sailing if entry postmarked after July 14th, 2010  
***NO entries will be accepted after July 21<sup>th</sup>, 2010***

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 23   1500 to 2000.....Check-in  
                          1700..... Dinner and pre-race party at RYC  
                          1900.....*Skippers Meeting – RYC Patio*

Saturday, July 24<sup>th</sup> 0700 to 0900..... Late check-in  
                          0700 to 1000..... Buffet breakfast

#### M&M Yacht Club

Monday, July 26<sup>st</sup> 1500..... Mount Gay Rum Party  
                          1800.....Dinner  
                          1900.....Awards (Presentation hour subject to finishing times.)

### 6.0 Race

***Saturday, July 24, 2010— First start at 1000 hours.***

## 7.0 Sailing Instructions

Sailing instructions shall be distributed at Check-in.

## 8.0 Course

Racine to Menomonee, WI. 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 2009-2012 ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing.

## 11.0 Prizes

Following the race, flags will be presented at Marinette/Menomonee 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: Buck Mercer – 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](http://www.orc.org))

Also, yachts should (cf 1.03.2) be prepared to comply with the requirements of Offshore Special Regulations 2009-2012 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 Marinette/Menomonee 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](mailto:office@racineyachtclub.org)
- **An entry form is available at our website: [www.racineyachtclub.org](http://www.racineyachtclub.org)**
- **Buck Mercer, HOOK Committee Chairman, 262.752.0571, [mercerc@shaklee.net](mailto:mercerc@shaklee.net)**

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## *Overall Winners*

|      |                        |                    |                           |
|------|------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 2009 | <i>Flash Gordon</i>    | Tripp 33           | Mitch Hubert              |
| 2008 | <i>Assassin</i>        | Soverel 33         | Susan Just                |
| 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 |
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| 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               |