

## NOTICE OF RACE 2024 LAKE HURON CRUISE RACE July 13-16

**1. Rules.** The 2023 Lake Huron Cruise Race is governed by the "Rules" as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021-2024 ("RRS"). These include this Notice of Race (NOR), and the Sailing Instructions (SIs) provided by the Grosse Pointe Sail Club (GPSC).

2. Organizing Authority: The Organizing Authority for this event shall be the GPSC.

**3. Eligibility and Entry.** This event is open to boats holding a valid MWPHRF racing handicap rating. For boats that do not have a valid rating, the GPSC Fleet Measurer, Com. Frank Ferry (fxferryff@gmail.com) can help to acquire one.

## 3.2 Race Registration Process and Requirements.

Boats that register and pay the entry fee (\$140) by using the Registration form posted on the GPSC website by July 6th, will be automatically entered in the event for each day of racing.

**4.** Schedule/Courses. The scheduled time of the warning signal for each race and other information will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

July 13 – Port Huron to Port Sanilac

July 14 – Port Sanilac to Port Austin

July 15 – Port Austin to Harrisville Harbor

July 16 – Harrisville Harbor to Presque Isle Harbor

**5.** Sailing Instructions. The 2024 Lake Huron Cruise Race Sailing Instructions shall be posted on the GPSC website by March 7, 2024.

**6. Race Scoring.** In accordance with RRS A2, a boat's race score shall be the total of her daily race scores with no races excluded. The boats overall race results will be scored according to the **new and improved** methodology delineated in the Sailing Instructions.

7. Radio Communication. Radio communication on the racecourse shall be on VHF Channel 72.

**8.** Courtesy Broadcasts. An unofficial designated observer may report all visual signals displayed by the Race Committee over VHF channel 72. Information so reported is provided as a courtesy to competitors and does not alter the competitors' responsibility to observe the Race Committee's visual signals, which govern the conduct of racing. All boats participating are urged to monitor channel 72 at all times during the race.

9. Race Committee Vessel. The Race Committee boat shall display a flag marked "RC."

**10. Prizes.** Awards will be given for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place daily winners. Award flags for the overall series of races will be given to the top three finishers. The overall winner will receive a keeper trophy and have the boat and owner's name inscribed on the perpetual trophy kept in the trophy case of the GPSC.



**11. Disclaimer of Liability.** Competitors participate in these races entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Sponsoring Club, their Officials, Members, Agents and any Committee members will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after any of the scheduled races. Notice is given to all participants including spectators, officials and others that participate in the event that they do so solely at their own risk.

**12. Insurance.** The owner of each participating boat is responsible to maintain liability insurance on his or her vessel. A minimum of \$300,000 liability coverage per incident is recommended.

**13. Changing Sail Configuration.** Declaration of sail configuration (symmetrical spinnaker, asymmetrical spinnaker, or jib & main only [JAM]) must be included on the Sailing Time & Distance Log, which must be turned in to the Race Committee after each day of racing. Scoring will be administered using the appropriate handicap rating for the sail configuration used each day.

14. Further Information. For further information, please contact: LHCR@gpsc.org.