

RUM
CHALLENGE
A Race for a Case of Rum

Notice of Race & Sailing Instructions

Saturday, June 23, 2018

Organizing Authority: Detroit Boat Club

Eligibility: Any sailboat may race in the Rum Challenge Race.

Jib & Main Race: The Rum Challenge is a jib and main race. No spinnakers are allowed. Boats may sail with only one jib and one main. A boat may change its jib, but may not sail with more than one jib at a time. Boats designed with more than one mast, may sail with a jib and one sail on each mast.

Entry Fee: FREE

Entry: Entry forms must be received by Tuesday, June 19, 2018 at:

Mail: Larry Breskin
1419 Nottingham
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230

E-mail: LJBreskin@gmail.com

Entry forms are attached to this Notice.

PHRF Ratings: The race will be scored using PHRF Handicap ratings. The Detroit Boat Club will assign a PHRF Handicap rating for each boat competing in the Rum Challenge. If a boat has obtained a current rating certificate or a PJAM rating from DRYA, then the Detroit Boat Club will use the DRYA rating. If a boat does not have a DRYA rating, then the Detroit Boat Club will assign a rating. The rating assigned by the Detroit Boat Club may not be appealed, with the sole exception of an appeal claiming that the Detroit Boat Club did not assign the rating on the boat's current DRYA certificate.

Schedule: The warning signal for the start of the Rum Challenge race is planned for 1055 hours.

Racing Venue: The course will be an approximately 9.7 nm rectangle starting and finishing off the seawall of the Grosse Pointe Club. See the attached course diagram.

Sailing Instructions: The 2018 Detroit Regional Yacht-Racing Association (DRYA) Sailing Instructions for "A" and "C" Courses are hereby adopted, except as modified herein. 2017 DRYA Sailing Instructions for "A" Course Only, and for "C" Course Only, will not be used.

3. INTERFERENCE WITH COMMERCIAL SHIPPING is adopted, as follows: Boats are required to stay clear of all Commercial Shipping Traffic, including Tug/Barge Combinations, Lakers and Commercial Passenger Vessels. In addition, boats crossing the shipping channel (see U.S. Chart 14850), are forbidden to interfere with major ships (Federal Law 89-764). No restriction is placed on use of the water by other parties. Competitors therefore shall adhere to USCG Rule 18, which reads in part: "(b) A sailing vessel underway shall keep out of the way of: . . . (ii) a vessel restricted in her ability to maneuver." A boat receiving five (5) horn blasts from a commercial vessel transiting the ship channel may be protested by the Race Committee.

6. CLASS FLAGS is modified to add: The Class Flag for the Starting Sequence of the Rum Challenge is the DBC burgee.

7. IDENTIFICATION is modified to add: Boats competing in the Rum Challenge shall display the burgee of the boat's home club from its backstay.

8. COURSES AND MARKS is deleted and replaced with:

MARKS - All marks shall be orange inflated pyramids, located at the positions shown on the course chart. Marks will not bear the letters used on the course chart.

STARTING AND FINISHING LINES - The starting and finishing line shall be between (a) an orange shape or flag displayed on the outer wall of the Grosse Pointe Club Harbor or on a Race Control Boat just inside the harbor wall and (b) the course side of an orange inflatable pyramid buoy (starting line buoy) approximately 300 yards from the harbor wall.

MARK ROUNDING - Marks shall be rounded to Port.

COURSE - Start, B-1, B-2, G-13, Finish

Start/Finish:	42 22.85	Mark B-1:	42 21.94
	82 53.80		82 50.97
Mark B-2:	42 23.54	Mark G-13:	42 24.85
	82 48.51		82 49.92

RANGE & BEARING (Approximate)

Start to B1: 2.3 nm; 121° m
B1 to B2: 2.4 nm; 56° m
B2 to G'13': 1.6 nm; 327° m
G'13' to Finish: 3.4 nm; 244° m

9. The Warning Signal for the Rum Challenge is planned for 1055 hours. There shall be one start for all Rum Challenge boats.

14. CHANGES OF COURSE AFTER ALL STARTS is deleted and replaced with the following, which changes RRS 33: "J" - If Code Flag "J" or a cylindrical shape with Blue-White-Blue horizontal bands is displayed from a Race Committee boat periodically

making repetitive sound signals near the first mark of the course, then “Round the nearby mark on the required side and proceed to the finish line.”

18. COURTESY BROADCASTS is modified to add: Boats are requested to monitor VHF channel 68 from 1000 hours until after finishing.

Website: Sailing Instructions shall be posted on the DRYA website (www.DRYA.org).

Scoring: The Rum Challenge will be scored using a high point system on a Club team basis, as follows. Each sailboat must identify her home club. All sailboats from the same home club will be scored as a member of their Club’s team. All teams with 3 or more boats will be scored. The top 5 finishing boats for each team will be awarded 1 point for starting, plus 1 point for each boat she has finished ahead of (i.e. beaten). The team with the most points will win. In the event of a tie, the team with the boat finishing highest shall win.

A boat may race even if her club does not have 3 entries. In such case, her club will not be eligible to win the case of rum, but the boat will still be eligible to win the additional awards shown below, and the boat’s skipper and crew will be invited to share the rum at the Rum Challenge party.

Prizes: A Case of Rum shall be awarded to the Club whose team wins. By accepting the Case of Rum, the winning Club agrees to share the Case of Rum with all of the competitors who participated in the Rum Challenge, at a free party hosted by the Club on a date in the Fall, to be agreed upon between the Detroit Boat Club and the Club. If the highest finishing Club will not host the party, then the Case of Rum will be awarded to the highest finishing Club which agrees to host the party.

Additional Awards: Flags shall be awarded to the boats which finish 1st, 2nd, & 3rd on the evening of the regatta at Grosse Pointe Club, 8 Berkshire Place, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan 48236.

NOTICE OF LOW WATER LEVELS - All yachts should be aware that an area of low water levels exists with depths ranging from 3 feet to 6 feet of water extending south from the harbor breakwall for approximately 50 yards. Under no circumstances should any yacht attempt to pass west or north of a line that extends from a point 50 yards southeast of the harbor breakwall thence 228m for approximately 2 miles to a point approximately 50 yards south of the Windmill Point Park breakwall.

Yachts entering the Grosse Pointe Club harbor should follow a course of 0° from a point 50 yards due south of the Harbor Entrance.

All yachts should also be aware that the Course passes near the former dumping grounds, where low water levels may exist.

All yachts should consult appropriate NOAA charts for more complete information.

Disclaimer of Liability: Competitors participate in this championship entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the championship.

Insurance: The owner of each participating boat is responsible to maintain liability insurance on his or her vessel.

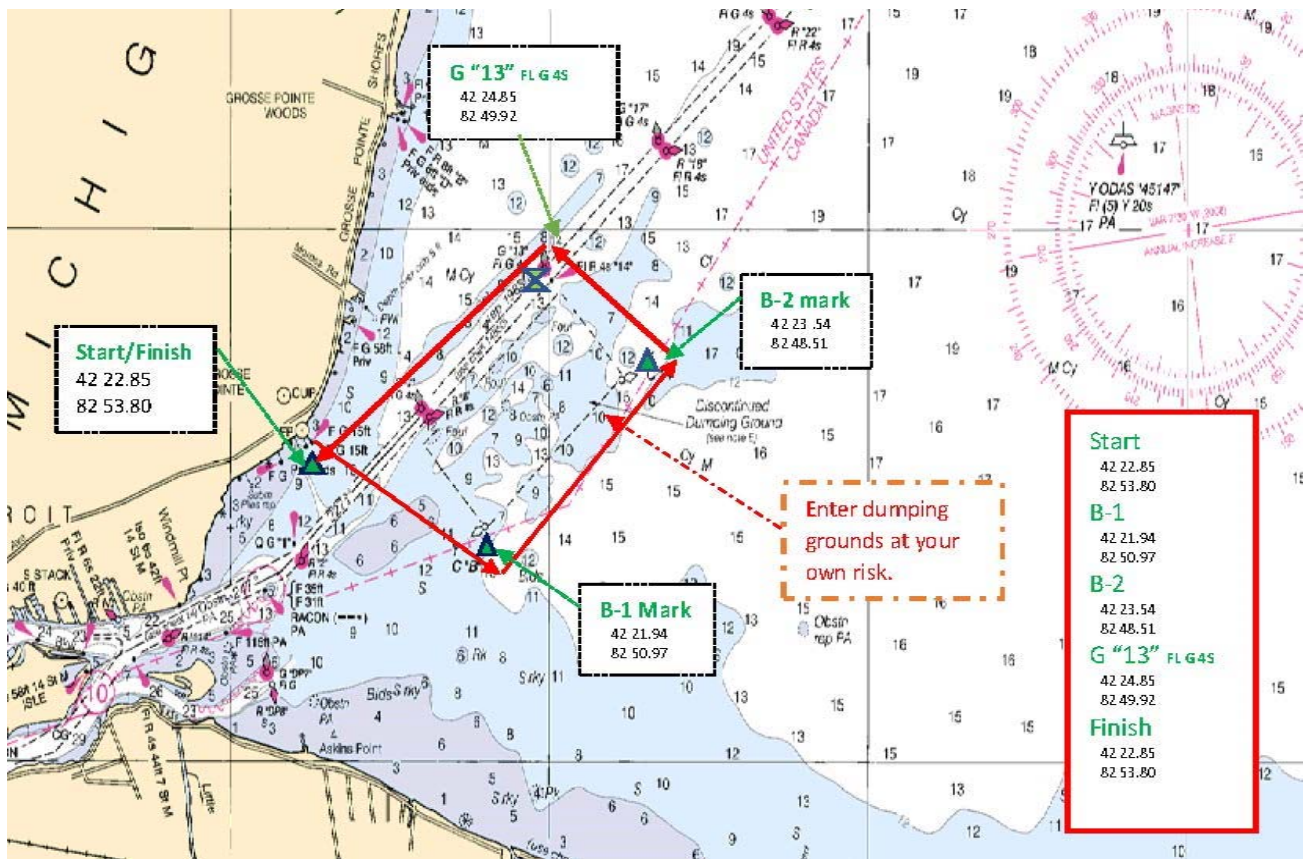
Further Information: Contact the Detroit Boat Club at 313 881-3669 or LJBreskin@gmail.com.

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Registration Form

Skipper name: _____ Club: _____

Address: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Boat Name: _____ Sail #: _____

Boat Make, Length, Type: _____ DRYA PHRF Rating: _____

Registrations must be submitted by Tuesday, June 19, 2017 to:

US Mail: Detroit Boat Club
c/o Larry Breskin
1419 Nottingham
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230

E-mail: LJBreskin@gmail.com

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Signature: _____ Date: _____