



NEW VENUE for 2009

Race is on Sunday, September 6, 2009

From Middle Bass Island to the WSSC / Trans-Erie "N" buoy

The Port to Port course is from the Ferry Dock on Middle Bass Island to the WSSC / Trans-Erie "N" buoy. Spinnaker boats leave Rattlesnake Island to the starboard, RW Mo (A) to starboard, and finish between the committee boat and the WSSC / Trans-Erie "N" buoy. Jam course is direct (as direct as can be safely navigated) from the Lonz's Winery Ferry Dock to the WSSC / Trans-Erie "N" Buoy.

The race will commence at 10:00 AM on Sunday, September 6. Overnight accommodations can be at the skipper's discretion. The Middle Bass Island State Park Marina is open, and has beautiful floating docks. However, electricity and water are not available yet. There are no shower facilities, however, there are many 'porta-potties' available. Dockage is \$1.25 per foot. Reservations can be made by calling the Marina directly at **(419) 285-0311**.

Dockage is also available at South Bass Island (Put-in-Bay) at the city, and county docks, as well as the balls. Information on the balls / transportation between the balls and Put-in-Bay is available by contacting the Boardwalk Taxi on VHF channel 10.

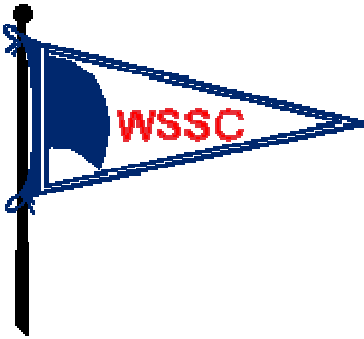
Entry Fee: \$ 25.00 U.S.
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Make checks payable to West Shore Sail Club
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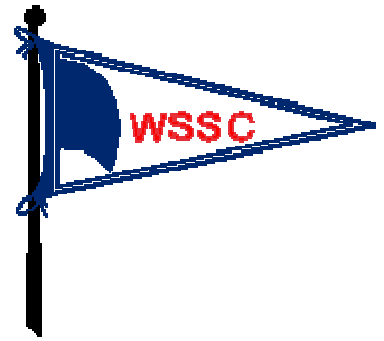
**Entries close:**

- For WSSC Port to Port – Entries must be presented to Doug Howe – [DLHowe@wowway.com](mailto:DLHowe@wowway.com) - 734 675-6133 no later than 12:00 noon, Friday, September 4, 2009.

Grosse Ile Yacht Club has a Labor Day Race on Monday, September 7, 2009.



*West Shore Sail Club to  
Port to Port Race  
Sunday, September 6, 2009  
Middle Bass Island to Amherstburg, Ont.,  
Canada*



**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1. Rules**

The Race will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the rules as prescribed by their rating rule (PHRF-LE or MORC), except as modified by this program

**2. Notices to Competitors**

Notices to Competitors will be forwarded by e-mail, posted at the West Shore Sail Club website (<http://www.WestShoreSailClub.org>), posted at the Ford Yacht Club, Grosse Ile Yacht Club, and others as appropriate.

**3. Changes to Sailing Instructions**

Skippers will be notified of any changes announced by the race committee boat or the race chairman's boat on VHF Channel 71 prior to the first race signals.

**4. Schedule of Races**

4.1 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first class of the race is 0955 hours

**5. Classes**

5.1 Classes will be provided for PHRF Spinnaker, and PHRF JAM (jib and main) / Cruising Classes.

5.2 \*\*The Cruising Class is intended for WSSC skippers and crews that are not active racing sailors. At the discretion of the Race Committee, boats applying for the Cruising Class may be assigned to the JAM class.

**6. Class Flags**

Classes will start in the following order:

Class	Flag	Start Time
Jam and Cruising	Green Flag	10:00
PHRF-Spinnaker	White	10:05

**Racing Area**

The Port-to-Port Race will race from the Middle Bass Island to the Bar Point Area, south of Amherstburg, Ontario, Canada.

**7. The Course**

The course is from the Lonz's Winery Pier and an orange tetrahedron located to the south of same (approximately 41° 40.16' N, 82° 48.57' W) to the WSSC / Trans-Erie "N" buoy (approximately 42° 02.49' N, 83° 07.06' W).

Jam Course: Proceed as direct as obstacles will safely permit to the finish.

Spinnaker Course: Proceed so as to pass Rattlesnake Island to starboard. Then proceed to RW Mo (A) (approximately 41° 50.08' N 83° 10.26' W), pass on starboard, then to the finish.

**8. Marks**

8.1 The race will be sailed using the pertinent marks of Lonz's Winery dock and an orange tetrahedron south of the dock, Rattlesnake Island, and RW Mo (A), and the WSSC / Trans-Erie "N" buoy,

8.1 A temporary orange tetrahedron will be placed approximately 300 meters south of the Lonz's Winery Dock.

The WSSC / Trans-Erie "N" buoy is a cylindrical form, white in color with orange reflective tape around the identification letter, and additional orange marking as required.

## 9. The Start

9.1 Races will be started using Rule 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.

9.2 The starting line will be between the a staff displaying an orange flag and an orange tetrahedron placed 100 meters south of the Lonz's Winery dock..

9.3 Boats whose starting signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

## 10. Recalls

The Race Committee will hail the sail numbers of On the Course Side (OCS) boats after the starting signal. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, the hail of some but not all OCS boats, the untimely hail of some or all OCS boats or failure to hail any or all boats shall not be grounds for granting redress. The skipper of each boat is ultimately responsible to determine if his yacht has crossed the line early. This changes RRS 29.2

## 11. The Finish

The finishing line will be between the WSSC / Trans-Erie "N" mark and a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat.

## 12. Penalty System

Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty

## 13. Time Limit

Boats in each class finishing more than 90 minutes after the first boat that sails the course finishes may be scored DNF. This changes RRS rule 35.

## 14. Protests and Requests for Redress

14.1 Yachts protesting must follow Part 5, Section A of RRS. There shall be no charge for filing a protest.

14.2 Any protest must be delivered to a member of the RACE COMMITTEE

within two (2) hours after the last boat in her class finishes.

14.3 Protest shall be written on USSA forms (as described in the RRS), and lodged with a WSSC race committee representative within two hours after finishing or retiring from the race.

14.4 The protest committee will use pre-hearings whenever possible to expedite the protest processes. If involved in a protest, you will be notified of the pre-hearing procedure.

14.5 All protests will be heard as soon as possible at a time and place to be determined by the protest committee.

14.6 RRS Rule 44.2 is modified for LHC, such that only a 360 degree penalty turn which must include one jibe and one tack need to be performed in order to exonerate a violation of the RRS Part 2 rules

## 15. Scoring

The *Low-Point Scoring System* will apply

## 16. Safety Regulations

16.1 All competitors in WSSC Races are encouraged to wear, while on the water, other than brief periods while adding or removing clothing, an approved PFD (US Coast Guard or Canadian).

16.2 A boat retiring from a race shall notify a Race Committee before leaving the course, or, when that is not possible, a Race Committee member immediately after arrival ashore. The race committees will monitor VHF channel 71 to the extent possible.

## 17. Prizes

WSSC Flags will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each class as appropriate, dependent on the number of starters. Flags will be presented at the WSSC Awards Night. Classes may be split for the purpose of giving awards if sufficient entries are received.

## 18. WSSC Boat of the Year

West Shore Sail Club awards Boat of the Year trophies to the WSSC boat in PHRF, and JAM classes accumulating the best point record using the Cox-Sprague scoring system from the following races:

<b>8 Best WNATR Races</b>	<b>WSSC Lighthouse Regatta</b>
<b>GIYC Day Race</b>	<b>FYC Regatta</b>
<b>FYC Nite Race</b>	<b>CIYC Labour Day Race</b>
<b>GIYC Downriver Race</b>	<b>WSSC Port-to-Port</b>
<b>GIYC Trans-Erie Race</b>	<b>FYC Fall Classic</b>

The WSSC Regatta may be counted twice. Only the best 11 of the counter races are applied to the BOAT OF THE YEAR scoring. If any of the counter races are not held, an additional WNATR race may be substituted as a counter for boat of the year. You must be a member of WSSC prior to the WSSC Regatta to qualify for WSSC Boat of the Year Awards.

*Douglas Howe*  
*Principal Race Officer*

## Port-to-Port Race Instruction Sheet

### Starts:

Time		Sound	Flag
0955	JAM & Cruising Warning	1 sound signal	Green flag (JAM) raised
0956	JAM & Cruising Prep Signal	1 sound signal	P flag raised (blue/white square)
0959	1 minute to JAM & Cruising start	1 Long sound signal	P flag lowered
1000	JAM & Cruising start /Spinnaker Warning	1 sound signal	Green flag lowered, and White flag (Spinnaker) raised
1001	Spinnaker Prep	1 sound signal	P flag raised (blue/white square)
1004	1 minute to Spinnaker start	1 Long sound signal	P flag lowered
1005	Spinnaker start	1 sound signal	White flag lowered

# WSSC 2009 Race Application

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

EVENT	DATE	CLASS <i>(circle one)</i>	ENTRY FEE	Amount \$
WNATR - Entire Season	See Below	SPINNAKER JAM	\$100.00 *	
WNATR – Spring	May 20, 27 June 3, 10	SPINNAKER JAM	\$45.00	
WNATR – Summer	June 17, 24 July 1,8	SPINNAKER JAM	\$45.00	
WNATR – Fall	August 12,19, September 2, 9	SPINNAKER JAM	\$45.00	
Tri Club– NCYC Port to Port	May 30	SPINNAKER JAM Cruising	\$25.00	
Lighthouse Challenge	June 13	SPINNAKER JAM Cruising	\$100.00 **	
	Entry fee includes 2 wristbands - additional available at \$15.00 each			
	Please indicate total meal requirement for your crew _____			
Jack and Jill Race	August 23	JAM	\$25.00	
Peg Spriggs Lady's Race	August 30	JAM	\$25.00	
Port to Port - Middle Bass Island to WSSC "N" Buoy	September 6	SPINNAKER JAM Cruising	\$25.00	
<b>Subtotal</b>				
US Sailing Members receive 10% discount off subtotal - <b>Membership # Required:</b> _____				-
* WSSC Members participating in WNATR ALL SEASON receive \$10.00 discount				-
** WSSC Members participating in Lighthouse Challenge receive \$10.00 discount				-
If you wish to receive the current seasons race results via US Mail please add \$10.00				+
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>				

**ENTRY DEADLINE for WNATR is May 12, 2009**

**ENTRY DEADLINE for The Lighthouse Challenge is June 12, 2009**

**ENTRY DEADLINE for the Port to Port is noon, Friday, September 4**

**ENTRY DEADLINE for other races is 24 hours prior**

Entries received after the deadline may not appear on the scratch sheet and may not be scored

**Please make checks payable to WEST SHORE SAIL CLUB**

## HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

In consideration of being permitted to enter, and being fully knowledgeable of the risks of sailing as a competitive sport, the owner, contestants, and all aboard the yacht agree to assume the risk of participation and to hold harmless all losses and/or claims incident thereto, the WEST SHORE SAIL CLUB (WSSC) organization and/or the personnel which conduct same. All owners of participating yachts will be responsible for having in effect during the race, the proper liability protection necessary to insure against loss or damage of property and/or life for the safety of other competing yachts. All owners acknowledge that all-racing rules, the prescriptions of the national authority, when they apply, the sailing instructions and the class rules will be observed for this WSSC race. The establishment of special regulations and/or instructions in no way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the owner or owner's representative.

The safety of a yacht and its crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the skipper. It shall be the complete and unlimited responsibility of each skipper to decide whether to start, continue, or finish a race.

Skippers must be a member of a yacht or sail club, or other organization affiliated with a national sailing authority. Crews who are competent and physically fit to face adverse conditions shall man all boats.

Skippers Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Yacht/Sail Club Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Race Results and WNATR Course Cards will be posted on our website

[www.westshoresailclub.org](http://www.westshoresailclub.org)

# WSSC 2009 Race Application

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY and fill out completely



Skippers Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Vessel Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Rating: \_\_\_\_\_

Sail Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Please include a copy of your valid Rating Certificate - if you do not have one you **MUST** fill out the lower portion of this page as completely as possible.

**Race results will be emailed. If you wish to receive a copy please supply the following for each crew member:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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## COMMITTEE BOAT SERVICE

I desire

I am WILLING

I am NOT willing

to serve as WNATR Committee Boat

## FOR BOATS WITHOUT EXISTING RATING ONLY:

If you **DO NOT** have a valid PHRF-LE or MORC certificate you may be assigned a rating (at the discretion of the Race Committee) based on the information you provide below. In addition, you will be penalized 7 seconds per nautical mile.

Boat Make & Model \_\_\_\_\_

LOA \_\_\_\_\_

Largest Headsail % \_\_\_\_\_

LWL \_\_\_\_\_

Motor  
Inboard   
Outboard

Fixed Prop  
2-blade   
3-blade

Roller Furling  
Yes   
No

Spinnaker  
Yes   
No

Roller Furling  
Sail Material \_\_\_\_\_

Roller Furling  
Covering Material \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any modifications from "as delivered from manufacturer"

Mail Applications to: **Doug Howe**  
**8870 Marquette Dr.**  
**Grosse Ile, MI 48138**  
**D1Howe@wowway.com**

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