2022 LTYC MELGES 24 Little Traverse Bay Invitational

September 10 & 11 – Harbor Springs, MI
Organizing Authority & Host: Little Traverse Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE

1. Rules -

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The US Sailing Prescription to Rule 63.4 will not apply. The US Sailing Prescriptions are available at www.ussailing.org/.
- 1.3 The Racing Rules will be changed as follows. The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions (SIs). The SIs may also change other racing rules.
 - a) Race Signal AP when displayed ashore, 'one minute' is replaced by 'sixty minutes'.
 - b) 44.1- the 'Two-Turns Penalty' is replaced by the 'One-Turn Penalty'.
 - c) App A2 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores (no throw-outs).
 - d) App A4.2 A boat that does not finish (DNF) a race or retires after finishing (RAF) shall be scored one more point than the last boat to finish in that race.

2. Eligibility, Entry & Fees -

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all boats that conform to the Rules of the International Melges 24 Class.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter at www.yachtscoring.com and paying the required fees.
- 2.3 The required fee for the regatta is \$250.00 which includes 4 dinners on Saturday Night. Additional dinners will be available during registration.
- 2.4 The required fee for the regatta is \$250.00, payable via Yachtscoring.com by midnight Friday, September 9 th

3. Schedule —

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
Friday	1800 -2100 hrs	Registration
Saturday	0800 - 0930 hrs 0930 1100	Registration Skippers Meeting Up to Six (6) Races Planned for Saturday
Sunday	1000 hrs 1330	Warning Signal No Warning Signal Past This Time Awards to Follow @ LTYC

- 4. Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and online at Yachtsscoring.com
- **5. Venue** will be Little Traverse Bay, S SW of Harbor Point.
- **6. The Courses** will be 4 Leg Windward/Leewards.
- **7. Penalty System** RRS 44.1 is changed so that the 'Two-Turns Penalty' is replaced by the 'One-Turn Penalty'.
- 8. Scoring -
- 8.1 Nine (9) races are scheduled, and one (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 8.2 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores (no throw-outs). This changes RRS App A2.
- 8.3 A boat that does not finish (DNF) a race or retires after finishing (RAF) shall be scored one more point than the last boat to finish in that race. This changes RRS App A4.2.
- **9. Boat Launching** Boats will be trailer launched at the Josephine Ford Park and wet moored during the regatta at the Harbor Springs Municipal Marina.
- **10. Radio Communication** Communication for the racing will utilize VHF radios with the working channel to be determined. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- **11. Prizes** will be awarded to crews placing 1st through 5th in the regatta. Additional prizes may be awarded.
- 12. Disclaimer of Liability Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- **13. Image & Video Rights** Competitors give absolute right and permission for video footage or photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial or advertising purposes.
- **14. Insurance** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 (USD) per incident or the equivalent.
- **15. Contacts** For regatta questions, the primary contact is George Peet 401 595 9668
- **16. COVID Waiver -** The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. It is believed that an individual can be in infected with COVID-19 without their knowledge and be asymptomatic. The Little Traverse Yacht Club (LTYC) cannot guarantee that participants or anyone else will not become infected with COVID-19, and participation in an LTYC event may increase the risk of contracting COVID-19. By participating in a LTYC event, competitors ACKNOWLEDGE the contagious nature of COVID-19 and VOLUNTARILY ASSUME THE RISK that they

may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by participating in an LTYC event, and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. Participants understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at an LTYC may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of themselves or others, including, but not limited to, LTYC employees, volunteers, and other competitors. Participants UNDERSTAND AND VOLUNTARILY ACCEPT AND ASSUME ALL the foregoing risks related to COVID-19 and accept sole responsibility for any injury or illness that may occur. Further, participants UNDERSTAND AND AGREE that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, or omissions, of the LTYC, its employees, agents, and volunteers, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any LTYC event.

- End of Notice -

Social Events

Friday — Happy Hour & Food at LTYC.

Saturday — 1830 hrs – Dinner. Entry includes 4 dinners; extras will be available for a reasonable cost at registration.

Sunday — Awards Party after racing at LTYC w/ lunch available.

Accommodations —

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