



2016 Sunfish United States Masters Championship

August 5-7, 2016

Gull Lake Yacht Club, Richland, MI

- ✓ Two days of Sunfish sailboat racing on beautiful Gull Lake, Michigan!
- ✓ Friday Sunfish Clinic with Rich Chapman
- ✓ Friday Dinner at Gilmore Car Museum
- ✓ Saturday Dinner at Gull Lake Yacht Club



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Notice of Race
UNITED STATES SUNFISH MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIP
 Gull Lake Sunfish Fleet (GLSF) & Gull Lake Yacht Club (GLYC)
 August 5-7, 2016 - Gull Lake - Richland, MI



1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY - The organizing authority is the Gull Lake Yacht Club and the United States Sunfish Class Association.

2. RULES - The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the rules of the International Sunfish Class Association.

3. ENTRY & ELIGIBILITY -

3.1 - The regatta is open to all Sunfish sailboats.

3.2 - All participants must be members of the United States Sunfish Class Association. Competitors must furnish proof of Class membership. Sunfish Class membership applications will be available at registration. If paying by check, a separate check is required for Sunfish Class Membership.

3.3 - All participants shall be 40 years of age or older as of August 6, 2016. Competitors must furnish proof of age.

3.4 - The entry fee is \$95 if postmarked by July 25, 2016, thereafter is \$115, and includes: awards, mementoes, lunch and dinner on Saturday, and breakfast and lunch on Sunday.

3.5 - Please complete the entry form and enclose your check or money order payable to **Connective Marketing**. Mail the form and payment to Connective Marketing, c/o Gail M. Turluck, 1245 West Gull Lake Drive, Richland, MI 49083.

4. MEASUREMENT - The Class Measurer or his representative may measure boats against the Class rules anytime during the regatta.

5. ADVERTISING - Advertising is permitted only in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20 and the prescriptions of the International Sunfish Class Association.

6. SCHEDULE -

Event	Day	Time	Notes
Golfing (Optional)	Thursday or Friday	1330 hrs	Gull Lake Country Club
			(Only \$50, includes cart) (Must pre-register by 8/1 with Gail Turluck)
Clinic (Optional)	Friday	1200-1630 hrs	Gull Lake Yacht Club
Registration	Friday	1630-1730 hrs	Gull Lake Yacht Club
BBQ & Museum	Friday	1800-2100 hrs	Gilmore Car Museum
Tour/Outing (Optional)			(Only \$50, includes dinner and Heritage Center Automotive Gallery tour)
Registration & Coffee	Saturday	0900-1030 hrs	Gull Lake Yacht Club
Build Your Lunch Bar	Saturday	0930 hrs	Dry Sail Parking Lot
Competitor Meeting	Saturday	1000 hrs	Doolittle Pavillion, Gull Lake Yacht Club
Race #1 Warning	Saturday	1030 hrs	Up to 3 races to follow
Refreshments	Saturday	1700	Dry Sail Parking Lot
Dinner	Saturday	1830 hrs	Gull Lake Yacht Club
			Optional Saturday night bonfire
Breakfast	Sunday	0800 hrs	Gull Lake Yacht Club Quarterdeck
First Warning	Sunday	0900 hrs	Remaining races to follow
			*no race will start after 1200 hrs on Sunday
Lunch & Awards	Sunday	As soon as possible	after racing concludes at Doolittle Pavillion

7. ALTERATIONS TO THE RRS - (this list may not be complete)

7.1 - Race Signal AP will be changed so that, when made ashore, it means; "This race is postponed. The warning signal will be made not less than thirty (30) minutes after AP is lowered."

7.2 - Appendix A4.1 will be changed so that a boat starting later than ten (10) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start.

7.3 - RRS 35 and Appendix A4.1 will be changed so that-

a) The time limit will be two (2) hours. Boats failing to finish within thirty (30) minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF).

b) When the first boat has not completed the first leg within forty-five (45) minutes after the start, the race will be abandoned.

7.4 - Rule 77 does not apply.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS - Will be available at registration.

9. COURSES –

9.1 - Courses will consist of triangle, windward, leeward, or any combination thereof, using drop marks.

9.2 - The course length will be adjusted to target a race time of 45-50 minutes. A different time to finish will not be considered an improper action or omission of the race committee under rule 61.1(b)

10. RACING AREA – The racing area will be the waters of Gull Lake, Kalamazoo and Barry County, Michigan.

11. SCORING –

11.1 – One (1) race must be completed to constitute a regatta.

11.2 - The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply, modified so that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. Six races are scheduled, of which one (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series. If six races are completed, a yacht may discard its worst score. This changes Appendix A2.

12. SAFETY -

12.1 - Before the first warning signal every day, each boat shall sail past the stern of the race committee signal boat and hail her sail number, which will be acknowledged.

12.2 - A competitor who withdraws from a race or intends not to start a race shall inform the nearest safety or race committee boat as soon as possible. Competitors who leave the racing area before the final finish of the day must check in at the communication table immediately upon return to shore.

13. AWARDS -

13.1 - Age Group Awards –

Prizes will be awarded to the Skipper of the top three skippers in each Division:

-Supreme Master 70+,

-Grand Master 60-69,

-Master 50-59,

-Apprentice Master 40-49.

13.2 - Overall Awards –

There will be an award for the top three finishers in the regatta overall.

13.3 – World Championship Berth -

This regatta qualifies the top overall finisher competitor to attend the 2017 Sunfish World Championship per the 2016 United States Sunfish Class Association Class Notice.

14. BOAT CHARTERS -

14.1 Individual Sunfish Owners who seek to charter their privately owned boats to Sunfish Competitors are asked to notify Gail M. Turluck, 1245 West Gull Lake Drive, Richland, MI 49083, 269.998.6353, gulllakesunfish@gmail.com as soon as possible.

14.2 Charter boats may be available for this event. Contact Gail M. Turluck, 1245 West Gull Lake Drive, Richland, MI 49083, 269.998.6353, gulllakesunfish@gmail.com to arrange a charter boat.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY - Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority and the host yacht club and Sunfish fleet will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

16. DIRECTIONS – DO NOT TRUST A GPS—IT WILL GET YOU LOST. THERE IS ROAD CONSTRUCTION, 35TH STREET NORTH OF GALESBURG IS CLOSED. FOLLOW THESE DIRECTIONS! The launch site is at Gull Lake Yacht Club, 9725 West Gull Lake Drive, Richland, Michigan 49083. Take I-94 to the Sprinkle Road exit (exit 80). Go North on Sprinkle Road to Gull Road, turn right. Take Gull Road to Richland; at an angle right it becomes East D Avenue. Go straight a half block to the stop light; turn left onto 32nd Street/M-89/M-43. Go a couple miles to "BC Avenue," turn right. Go approximately 1.5 miles, club on left. Will launch off our NEW ramp by crane or beach toward south end of property.

17. HOUSING –

Requests for in-home housing will be accommodated as much as possible. We're looking forward to having you as our guests!

- In-home housing available.
- Camping available.
- Nearest hotel/motels are at I-94 and Sprinkle Road, about a 20 minute drive (in no particular order), **(IMPORTANT--make arrangements early; greater Kalamazoo has a very active tourist season):**
 - Country Inn and Suites, 1912 E. Kilgore Rd. · Portage, 269.382.2303
 - Baymont Hotel East, 3800 E. Cork St. · Kalamazoo, 269.344.8300
 - Four Points by Sheraton, 3600 E. Cork St. · Kalamazoo, 269.385.3922
 - Holiday Inn Express, 3630 E. Cork St. · Kalamazoo, 269.373.0770
 - Red Roof Inn, 3701 E. Cork St. · Kalamazoo, 269.382.6350

18. CONTACT -

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Local Information

Nearby Stores

Harding's Market - 8900 Gull Road, Richland, MI 49083 (269) 629-4610
Meijer - 5800 Gull Road, Kalamazoo, MI 49001 (269) 382-6250
Richland True Value Hardware - 8108 N 32nd St, Richland, MI 49083 (269) 629-9716
WalMart - 6065 Gull Road, Kalamazoo Township, MI 49048 (269) 373-0268

Suggested Restaurants

Queen's Cupboard - 1396 E Gull Lake Dr, Hickory Corners, MI 49060 (269) 731-2005
North End Deli and Spirits - 15450 S M 43 Hwy, Hickory Corners, MI 49060 (269) 671-5700
Mission Pointe - 8896 North 32nd Street, Richland, MI 49083 (269) 629-9055
Richland Pub - 8253 North 32nd Street, Richland, MI 49083 (269) 629-4511
North 11 - 5585 Gull Rd # 117, Kalamazoo, MI 49048 (269) 381-8211
Bravo! - 5402 Portage Rd, Portage, MI 49002 (269) 344-7700
East Egg - 8860 N 32nd St, Richland, MI 49083, (269) 629-8085

Activities

Airway Fun Center - 5626 Portage Rd, Portage, MI 49002 (269) 327-7061
Air Zoo - 6151 Portage Road, Portage, MI 49002 (269) 382-6555
Binder Park Zoo - 7400 Division Drive, Battle Creek, MI 49085 (269) 979-1351
Celery Flats Historical Area - 7335 Garden Lane, Portage, MI 49002 (269) 329-4522
Critchlow's Alligator Sanctuary - 1698 M-66, Athens, MI 49011 (269) 729-4802
Fort Custer National Cemetery - 15501 Dickman Road, Battle Creek, MI 49012 (269) 731-4164
Full Blast Recreation Center - 35 Hamblin Avenue, Battle Creek, MI 49017 (269) 966-3667
Gilmore Car Museum - 6865 Hickory Road, Hickory Corners, MI 49060 (269) 671-5089
Kalamazoo Institute of Arts - 314 S. Park Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007 (269) 349-7775
Kalamazoo Nature Center, 7000 N. Westnedge Avenue, Kalamazoo, MI 49009 (269) 381-1574
Kalamazoo Valley Museum, 230 N. Rose Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007 (269) 373-7990
Kellogg Bird Sanctuary, 3700 East Gull Lake Drive, Hickory Corners, MI 49060 Phone: (269) 671-5117
Leila Arboretum, 928 West Michigan Avenue, Battle Creek, MI 49085 (269) 969-0270
National Miniatures Trust Museum, 6865 West Hickory Road, Hickory Corners, MI 49060 (269) 671-4404
West Michigan Glass Art Center, 326 West Kalamazoo Avenue, #100, Kalamazoo, MI 49007 (269) 552-9802
W.K. Kellogg Bird Sanctuary, 12685 East C Avenue, Battle Creek, MI 49012 (269) 671-2510
W.K. Kellogg Dairy Center, 10461 N. 40th Street, Hickory Corners, MI 49060 (269) 671-2356
W.K. Kellogg Experimental Forest, 7060 N. 42nd Street, Augusta, MI 49012 (269) 731-4597
W.K. Kellogg Manor House, 3700 Gull Lake Drive, Hickory Corners, MI 49060 (269) 671-2416
Wolf Lake State Fish Hatchery, 34270 County Road 652, Mattawan, MI 49071 (269) 668-2876

ENTRY FORM
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Please print this form, complete it, and mail with a check
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Connective Marketing, Gail M. Turluck, 1245 West Gull Lake Drive, Richland, Michigan 49083

Competitor's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____ Cell (_____) _____

E-mail _____

Yacht Club Affiliation _____

Boat Name _____

Sail Number _____ Sunfish Class Association Member Yes No

Fee includes: refreshments, lunch and dinner on Saturday, breakfast and lunch on Sunday, T-shirt, and trophies.

Friday Sunfish racing clinic. Must preregister. \$ 0

Friday Gilmore Car Museum Barbecue Dinner and Museum Tour
\$50 per person, must be preregistered and postmarked by July 25, 2016.
Your guests welcome! Unforgettable. How many? _____ \$ _____
(We need 40 attendees. If not, refunds will be made at registration. Sign up today! It's awesome.)

Registration Fee - **\$95 if postmarked by July 25, 2016, \$115 thereafter.** \$ _____
Check Shirt Size - (Small, Medium and 2XL **must** be ordered ahead – register/order early)
Unisex: S M L XL 2XL

Extra Saturday Dinners - \$20 each Extra Dinner. How many? _____ \$ _____

Extra Shirts \$18 each \$ _____
(indicate how many and what size(s), please) _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Any questions call

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****We're hopeful to have on lake housing for all who request it. Contact us early, please! ****