

Final GRYC Regatta Notice - July 30, 2009

The Regatta is upon us. As of tomorrow, over 30 boats will be descend up on the GRYC to participate in our showcase event, the Annual Invitational Regatta. The forecast looks good (fingers crossed), and we anticipate a big crowd this weekend. We still need help to pull it off (see below for remaining volunteer opportunities). Here are a few items of note for Participants, volunteers, and members alike:

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

1. Please note that most of the island and facilities will be occupied by the Regatta this weekend (end Saturday afternoon). If this is at all inconveniencing, we invite you to take part as a volunteer, spectator, or just idle observer. Of course, the island is still accessible and you are very welcome to come down, but naps in the sun will likely be interrupted.
2. Road Closure: Please note that Summerlea (from the parking lot all the way down) will be closed Friday afternoon until 8:00 pm to allow for boat launching. Please maximize parking spaces in the in the parking lot. Overflow parking is up Gleneagle, but please be mindful of neighbours and their property. We also encourage multi-car families to carpool. The fewer members cars, the more space for visiting cars.
3. Potholes mended: the potholes have been filled in. The urge to drive faster may tempt you, but we implore you to drive as though the potholes were still there. Speed should be limited to 10km/h or under for our safety and the safety of our children. As always, road closure or not, we encourage you to make use of the parking lot.

REGISTRATION

1. All boats participating must be registered on Friday from 6-8 pm or Saturday morning from 8-9 am. \$35 per person or \$25 for Juniors (special rate may apply for Cabin Boats). Registration includes lunch on Saturday and Sunday and Dinner on Saturday.
2. Additional meals may be purchased for participants' supporters, volunteers, and their supporters. Lunches \$5 each, Dinner \$10 in advance (\$15 at the door, subject to food availability). If you are intending to purchase any additional meals, please notify manager@gryc.ca in advance.
3. There are still a few Club Lasers and one 420 available. Please contact manager@gryc.ca or call 827-2122 to reserve one.

SATURDAY BBQ DINNER

Dinner will be served to ticket holders at 6:00 pm (see Registration). There will be live pre-and-during dinner entertainment. Come join in the fun and meet some of our visiting sailors! Members are welcome to bring their own dinners and join in, however you may have to wait a little bit for the BBQs to free up.

START TIMES & REPORTING FOR DUTY

Races will begin at 9:30am on Saturday and Sunday, then after lunch at approximately 2:00pm on Sunday. There will be a Skippers' meeting at 9:00 am on both day and again prior to the Saturday afternoon start, approximately 1:30. Sailors: please ensure you give yourself adequate rigging time as the starting sequences will go ahead with or without you.

Volunteers - Times for Reporting for Duty

The following is a breakdown of volunteers and when they are to report for duty. ***Check in with one of the following people before the following times***, whoever you find first and they'll point you in the right direction: Geoff Erskine, Dan Gray (Fleet Captains), Neil Rask (Secretary), Nick Anning (Manager), David Newing (Vice Commodore), Barbara Martin (Head Race Official):

Friday

5:30 pm - Road monitors/traffic wardens, Registration table, and boat towing crew

Saturday

AM

7:30 am - Road monitors/traffic wardens, parking attendant(s), Breakfast crew, Boat towing crew, Registration table

8:00 am - Lead volunteers (course setter, head race official, coordinators, etc)

8:30 am - all other morning volunteers (race officials, crash boat operators and assistants, Scoring assistant(s))

PM

11:00 am - Lunch crew

12:30 pm - Afternoon volunteers (race officials, crash boat drivers & assistants, scoring assistant (s))

Evening

4-5:00 pm - Dinner crew (coordinate with Casey - go by his schedule if he has been in touch with you)

Sunday

7:30 am - Breakfast crew

8:00 am - Lead volunteers (course setter, head race official, coordinators, etc)

8:30 am - all other morning volunteers (race officials, crash boat operators and assistants, Scoring assistant(s))

11:00 am - Lunch crew

Thank you in advance to all our volunteers. There are still a few slots that still need your help. If you can do any of them, please let Nick manager@gryc.ca or 819 827-2122 know:

VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED

Friday

6-8 pm - Road Closure & Traffic control (2-3 people still needed... you get to use walkie talkies!)

6-8 pm - boat towing - tow boats around the island after they are launched

Saturday

7:30-9:00 am - Parking Lot Wizard (2-3 people needed to pack cars & trailers in as tight as you can - Tetris specialists welcome!)

7:30-9:00 am - Road Closure & Traffic Control (2-3 people)

9am-Noonish - Crash Boat Assistants (2 more people needed to assist in boat rescues - watch the race from on-water, front-row seats!)

11am-1:00pm ish - Lunch Crew (2-3 more people needed to prepare and serve lunch including crowd control)

4/5-8:00pm - Volunteers are needed for the Regatta Barbecue on the evening of Saturday, August 1. We need people to barbecue, serve and clean-up. Each helper will earn one credit toward his/her annual volunteer allotment. Please email rearcommodore@gryc.ca if you are able to help out.

Sunday

Full!! Thanks to everyone who signed up! If you want to help out in other ways or join one of the group crews, there may still be room for you. Contact Manager Nick manager@gryc.ca 827-2122 to volunteer your help.

AND JUST TO REITERATE

1. If you can, please pre-book your lunch and dinner tickets if you are not racing
2. This is our showcase event. Come join in the fun and see you club at its best.
3. If you've got a spare hand, **bring a camera** and snap away! (Contact Neil secretary@gryc.ca if you do take any photos throughout the weekend - on-water and on-land shots welcome!)

Crossing our fingers for the weather and wishing all participants good winds and Happy Sailing...

Neil Rask - GRYC Secretary

on behalf of Fleet Captains Geoff Erskine & Dan Gray, and the 2009 GRYC Regatta Organising Committee (Barb Martin, Bruce Lorimer, David Newing, Casey Cerson, Neil Rask, and our intrepid Manager, Nick Anning)