

# NOTICE OF RACE

## SNIPER CLASS INTERNATIONAL RACING ASSOCIATION (SCIRA) 2006 NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP

August 17 - 20 — Gull Lake — Richland, Michigan

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY — SCIRA

HOST CLUB — THE GULL LAKE YACHT CLUB & GULL LAKE SNIPER FLEET

### 1 — RULES —

1.1 - The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

1.2 - RRS 30 and App A, Scoring, will be changed as described below.

### 2 — ENTRY AND ELIGIBILITY —

2.1 - This regatta is open to SCIRA registered boats and Class Member skippers and crews who are in good standing with SCIRA for the current year. No skipper or crew shall be eligible to enter any Class championship race unless they possess and present a current Class Membership Card, or its SCIRA-issued equivalent.

2.2 - Eligible boats may enter by completing registration prior to the start of the first race of the event.

3 — FEES — the \$95 entry fee includes 2 dinners/parties and 3 breakfasts.

### 4 — SCHEDULE —

Thurs, Aug 17	1900 - 2100 hrs	Registration	
Fri, Aug 18	0830 - 1030	Registration	
	1030	Competitors Meeting	
	1200	Warning Signal	
Sat, Aug 19	1100	Warning Signal	
Sun, Aug 20	0945	Warning Signal	No warning past 1200 hrs

### 5 — MEASUREMENT —

5.1 - all boats shall have a valid measurement certificate and are subject to measurement at any time at the reasonable discretion of the Class or Race Committee.

5.2 - all boats are required to have a current Class decal properly displayed.

6 — SAILING INSTRUCTIONS — will be available at registration.

7 — COURSES — the courses to be sailed are the Class approved courses for Continental Championship Regattas as published in the current SCIRA Official Rulebook and SCIRA web site. Windward offset marks and Leeward gates may be used.

8 — STARTING LINE PENALTIES — RRS Rule 30.3 (Black Flag Rule) will not be used.

### 9 — SCORING —

9.1 - The SCIRA Low Point scoring system will be used.

9.2 - Nine (9) races are scheduled of which three (3) must be completed to constitute a regatta.

9.3 - There will be one throwout/drop race if six (6) races are completed.

10 — SUPPORT BOATS — shall be registered with the Organizing Committee that will assign an identification flag.

11 — PRIZES — prizes will be awarded to the top five finishers and the top Junior competitor. The top finishing North American competitor will receive the Birney Mills Memorial Trophy.

12 — DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY — Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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 regatta.

13 — INSURANCE — Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per event or the equivalent.

14 — QUALIFICATIONS FOR SUBSEQUENT EVENTS — The top 2 not previously qualified U.S. teams will qualify for the 2007 SCIRA World Championship to be held in Portugal. The Top placing Canadian team qualifies to represent Canada in the 2007 Pan Am Games (assuming Nation qualification). This regatta serves as a Nation Qualifier for the 2007 Pan Am Games for 2 Nations.

15 — SCIRA REPRESENTATIVE — Terry Timm - [tatimm@comcast.net](mailto:tatimm@comcast.net)

16 — REGATTA CONTACT — Chad Coberly — 269-352-9569 — [ccoberly@yahoo.com](mailto:ccoberly@yahoo.com)

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HOUSING — Limited housing available (please contact the regatta chairman for availability.) Numerous hotels nearby the lake or Kalamazoo, Plainwell, or Battle Creek: Gull Lake Inn 269-731-4131, Fairfield Inn 269-344-8300, Clarion 269-385-3922, Plainwell Comfort Inn 269-685-9891. Camping at nearby Fort Custer State Park (269) 731-4200 ([www.kazoofun.com](http://www.kazoofun.com))

SOCIAL — Dinners/parties are planned for Friday and Saturday evenings. Awards will be presented following the last race on Sunday.

HOST FACILITY — Gull Lake Country Club is a great, family friendly facility that includes a swimming beach w/life guards, showers, and snack bar. The clubhouse has full service bar & food facilities and tennis and golf are also available. Gull Lake is a beautiful crystal clear, deep water lake, 4 miles long and 1 mile wide. Spectator boats will be available for viewing the regatta. 9725 W Gull Lake Dr, Richland, Michigan, USA (269)-629-9714

DIRECTIONS — I94 to Exit 80 (Sprinkle Road) Near Kalamazoo, MI, take Sprinkle Road North to Right on Gull Road/M43 to Richland- Left at light on M43 to Right on East BC Ave to the Gull Lake Yacht/Country Club. [www.glyc.org](http://www.glyc.org) or [www.gulllakecc.org](http://www.gulllakecc.org)

AREA ACTIVITIES — Make it a family vacation, there are many great activities in the area for everyone, sailors and non-sailors —

Kal Air Zoo, Air & Space Museum

Gilmore Car Museum

Kellogg's cereal city tours

Winery tours

Hutchinson Wood Boatworks

Kalamazoo Institute of Arts

Kalamazoo Nature Center

Kellogg Forest