



# Michigan City Cruiser Class

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2022  
Pre-season Meeting

▶ MARCH 26, 2022

# Our Style of Races

- ▶ Jib and Main only (JAM)
- ▶ Reachy
- ▶ Less than 2 hours
- ▶ Easy to navigate
- ▶ Fun



# Race Day Procedures

- ▶ 9:00am skipper's meeting at the 400 dock pavilion
- ▶ Boats are divided into 2 groups based on their speed
- ▶ Course is announced based on wind conditions
- ▶ Any questions answered
  
- ▶ Starting Procedures
- ▶ 10:00 warning signal
- ▶ 10:05 first start (the slower boats)
- ▶ 10:10 second start
- ▶ Announcements made via VHF (usually channel 71)

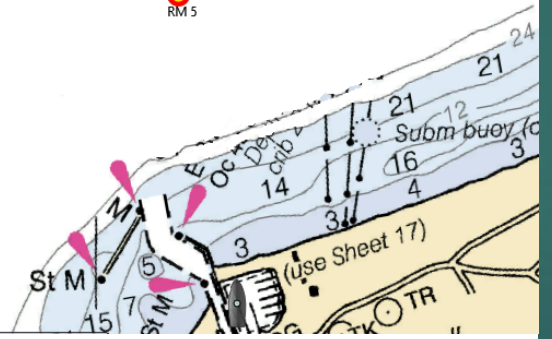
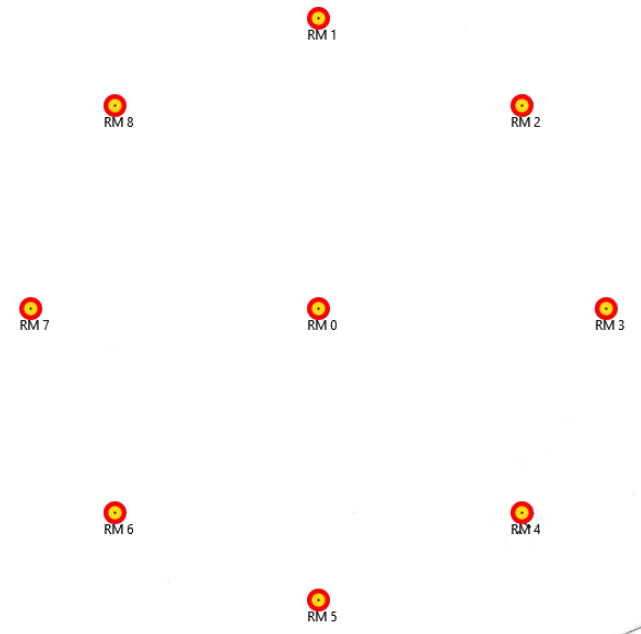


# Race Start

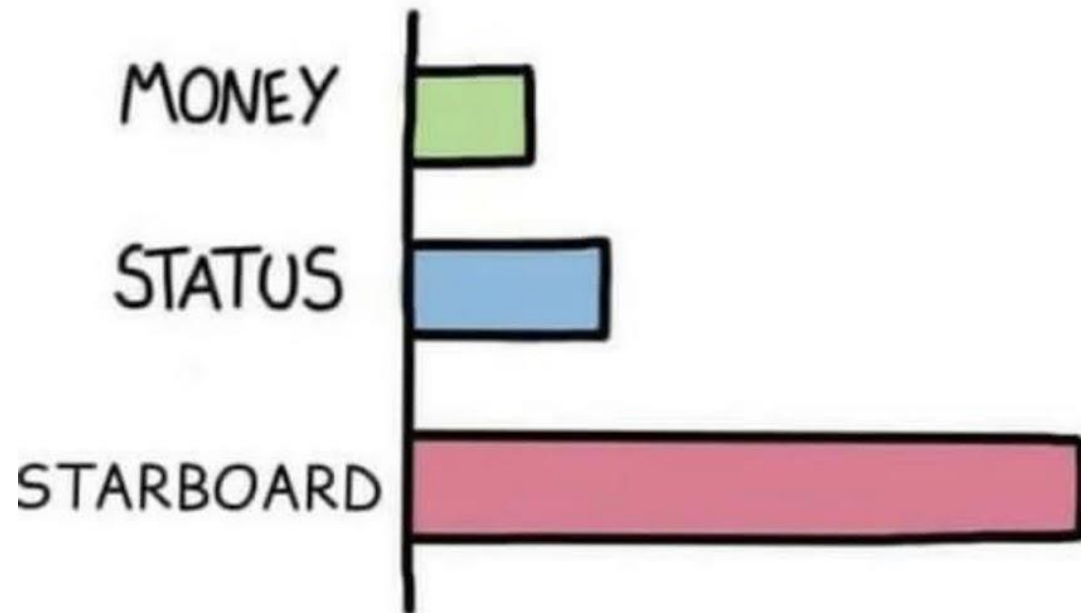
- ▶ A start line will be set between one of the race markers (usually mark 0) and a temporary buoy dropped by the RC
- ▶ The start line will be approximately perpendicular to the course of the first leg
- ▶ The goal is to cross the start line as close to the start time of the race without crossing early
- ▶ If you cross the line early, you must turn around and recross the line

# Location of Race Marks

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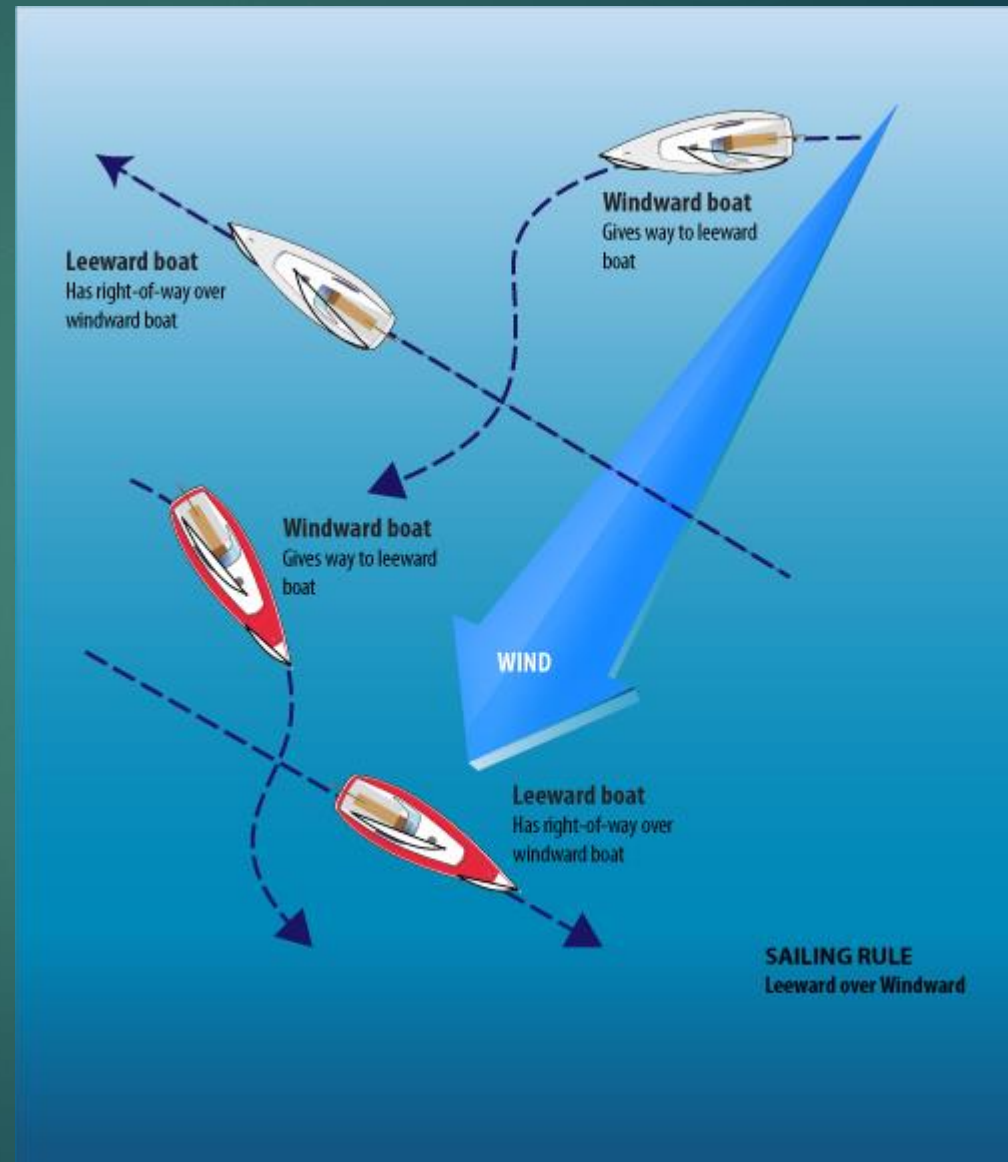
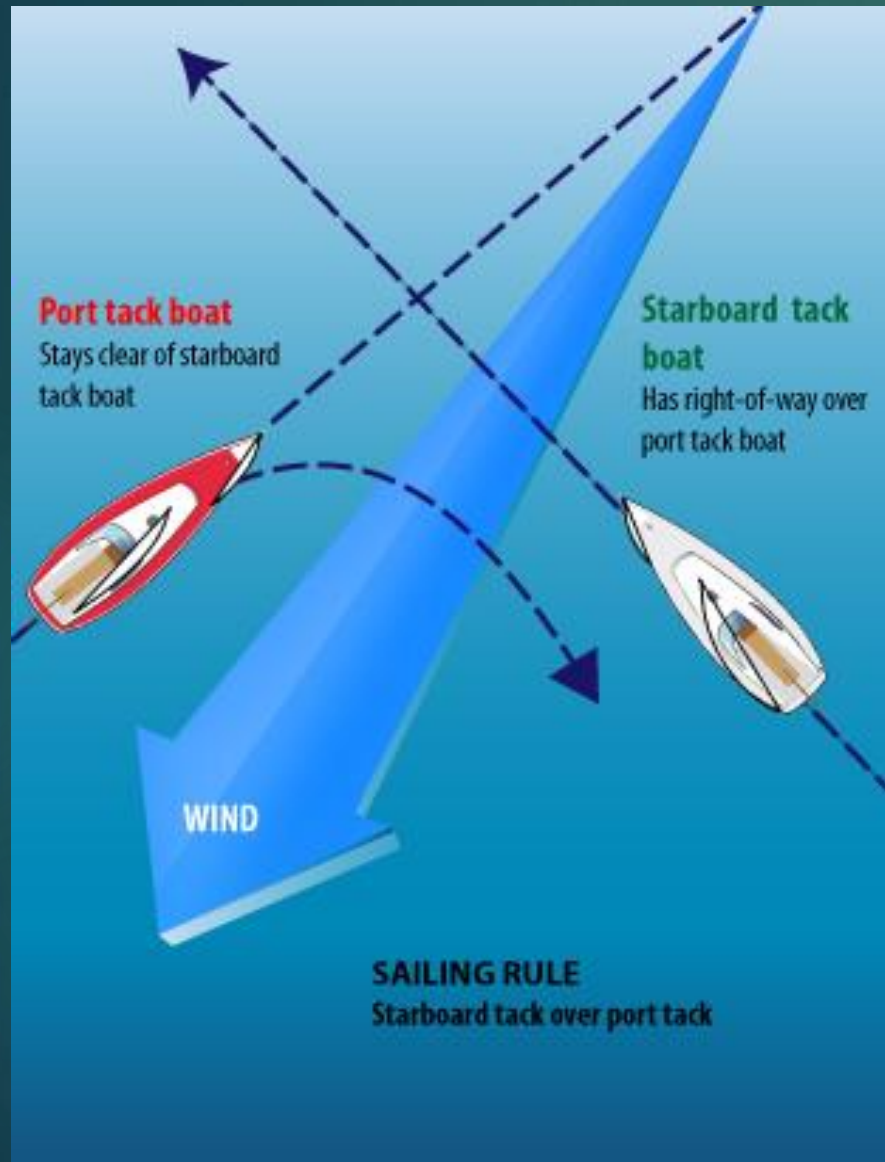


# WHAT GIVES PEOPLE FEELINGS OF POWER



Rules of  
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# Race Finish



After crossing the finish line, report your finish time to the RC. The start line usually also serves as the finish line.



Time should be taken from a synchronized time source

GPS device  
Smart phone



Need to report hours, minutes, and seconds



Can be reported via VHF or text



# Timing and Scoring

- ▶ All boats in a section start at the same time
- ▶ Finish times are reported when you cross the finish line
- ▶ Elapsed time is calculated
- ▶ Elapsed time is adjusted based on the boats PHRF
- ▶ Winner is determined
- ▶ Winner buys drinks at Fish Camp

# Race Schedule 2022

- ▶ Race 1 – May 14 – Buoy Race
- ▶ Race 2 – May 28 – Buoy Race
- ▶ Race 3 – June 11 – Buoy Race
- ▶ Race 4 – June 18 – Summer Solstice Race – Evening Start
- ▶ Race 5 – July 2 – Commodore's Cup
- ▶ Race 6 & 7 – July 23/24 – Eastward Ho  
Saturday 7/23: 2:00PM start. Race to New Buffalo  
Sunday 7/24: Morning start. Pursuit race to Michigan City
- ▶ Race 8 – August 6 – Buoy Race
- ▶ Race 9 – August 13 – Buoy Race
- ▶ Race 10 – August 27 – Irish Eye's Cup
- ▶ Race 11 – September 10 – Buoy Race
- ▶ Race 12 – September 24 – Buoy Race & End of Season Cookout



How can we improve?

# Interesting Ideas for 2022?

- ▶ ccPHRF for scoring
- ▶ Cruise to Chicago for SailGP race – June 18-19
  - ▶ [www.sailgp.com](http://www.sailgp.com)
- ▶ Cruise to Chicago for Air & Water Show – August 20-21
- ▶ Wednesday night races?
- ▶ A longer race?
- ▶ Thursday night meetup in Valparaiso – Ironwood Brewing
- ▶ Engage New Buffalo's cruisers
- ▶ Educational seminars
- ▶ Ban multihull boats from racing with us



# Sail Trim Discussion



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