

The **Georgian Bay Regatta (GBR)** is the premier event for sailors, both racing and cruising, on Georgian Bay. This unique regatta celebrates its **30th ANNIVERSARY in July 2015**. It combines both port-to-port distance races and course racing for a great summer adventure and family fun. Explore Georgian Bay in the company and safety of other sailors and discover new anchorages and harbours. Even if you have never raced before, novice sailors will learn the basic procedures from our Race Committee on Registration Day, while introducing family and friends to this unique event.

Our emphasis is “fun sailing”. This year marks a transition in the format and schedule of the annual GBR. Feedback to the Regatta Organizing Committee over the past few months has indicated that a shortened version would better accommodate the busy summer schedule of skippers and crew members, especially families, who wish to participate in this unique summer sailing adventure. As a result of this input, the 2015 GBR will commence with registration on Wednesday, July 29th and conclude on Sunday, August 2nd.

The GBR racing is open to mono-hull boats which are registered and meet equipment, accommodations and measurement requirements, and whose skippers are paid up members of the Georgian Bay Sailing Association (GBSA). A PHRF rating (handicap) is assigned to each boat, and we can accommodate all entries with a temporary handicap rating. Cruisers, both power and sail, are welcome to join us and

explore the bay in the safety of our racing flotilla.

Regatta Divisions

In order for each boat to have a chance at success, the fleet will be divided into five divisions as follows:

- Division 1 –High PHRF White Sails
- Division 2 –High PHRF Flying Sails
- Division 3 –Low PHRF White Sails
- Division 4 –Low PHRF Flying Sails
- Division 5 – Cruisers (power and sail)

Scoring and Awards

PHRF divisions will be scored using PHRF-LO, as adopted by the GBR for time-on-time handicap corrections. First, second and third place flags are awarded for all races. There are division winners as well as an overall regatta winner, plus various “fun and family” awards. The club challenge trophies are again included to encourage team participation. These awards are won by the clubs with the best race results and the most participants. We also have a family participation trophy.

Registration Details

For 2015, we continue to have the full support of **Ontario Sailing** working with your GBSA Board of Directors and the Regatta Organizing Committee. Your regatta fees cover the costs for the race committee volunteers and boat expenses along with the other regatta administration costs of advertising, printing and the awards. The new reduced fees for this year reflect the projected lower costs for Committee Boat operations and marina mooring charges. Your dockage fees for three nights (Midland, Meaford and Collingwood) are included. Some of the dockage is donated by the clubs and the marina fees are negotiated at a

bulk discount rate. The fees set out below cover what are essentially fixed costs to run the regatta, spread over an estimate of the projected number of participants. As in previous years, it is our intent that some of the proceeds from the regatta will go to support the various **Learn to Sail** programs around Georgian Bay.

All Regatta skippers are required to be members of the regatta’s sponsoring organization, the *Georgian Bay Sailing Association*, and the membership fee of \$5 is part of the registration. The organizing committee is pleased to have the continued support of sailors from both sides of Georgian Bay in assisting with the new schedule and format for the 2015 GBR and contributing to the annual success of this event.

Mail or fax your completed portion of this registration brochure along with your payment to:

Ontario Sailing

70 Unsworth Drive, Unit 17
Hamilton, Ontario
L8W 3K4

Fax: 1-877-677-7275

Online Registration available at
www.GeorgianBayRegatta.ca

	<u>Racers</u>	<u>Cruisers</u>
Registration Fee	\$295.00	\$195.00
GBSA annual fee	<u>5.00</u>	<u>5.00</u>
Total	\$300.00	\$200.00

EARLY REGISTRATION BONUS

There is a **\$45 discount** applied to the registration fee for registrants before **July 1, 2015**. This helps with regatta planning to know an estimated number of boats and participants, so pre-register early!!

Regatta Information and Updates

Watch our website for a list of shore events and itinerary updates on our Facebook page or at:

www.GeorgianBayRegatta.ca

REGISTRATION DAY

Wednesday, July 29th 14:00 to 16:00 hrs.
Midland Bay Sailing Club

NEW SCHEDULE AND ITINERARY

Wed. July 29th Registration at Midland.

Wed. July 29th "Practice Tune-Up Race"* with the MBSC Racing Fleet (race start @ 18:45) and welcome BBQ after the race.

Thurs., July 30th Distance Race to Hope Island.

Fri. July 31st Course Races around "The Islands".

Sat., Aug. 1st Christian Is. to Meaford

Sun., Aug. 2nd Meaford to Collingwood Race, **GBSA AGM and Awards Dinner** at the Collingwood Yacht Club.

(*Not part of tabulated race results)

Registration Fees RACING or CRUISING

\$295.00 **\$195.00**

Early Register Discount (- 45.00) **(- 45.00)**

GBSA Fee **+ 5.00** **+ 5.00**

TOTAL \$ _____ \$ _____

Make cheques payable to:

Ontario Sailing

Visa or M/C (circle one)

_____/_____
(Card Number)

_____/_____
(Expiry Date)

Name on Card

Cardholder's Signature

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2015 Registration Form

Skipper: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Club or Marina: _____

Insurance Co.: _____

Policy No: _____
(min. \$2,000,000 3rd party liability required)

Vessel Name: _____

Year and Make: _____

Type: _____

Draft: _____ Beam: _____ Length: _____

Hull Colour: _____

Division: White sails Flying-Sails Cruising
(circle)

Mainsail Number: _____

PHRF Certificate No. _____
(racers only)

PHRF Rating: _____ Expiry: _____

Bringing a dinghy? Yes No (circle)

Planned number of crew (including skipper)

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

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**Same Great Racing!
Revised Sail Plan!
Reduced Fees!**

**Midland to Collingwood
Wed July 29th to
Sun Aug 2nd 2015**

Register early for your Discount!