Portage Yacht Club's Laser Fleet invites you to
attend its 2026

Fun First - Laser (ILCA) Invitational Racing Series

Notice of Race

1. **Schedule of Events:**
   - Thursday evenings of May 21 and 28, June 4, 11, 18, and 25.
   - 6:30 pm warning signal of first race, multiple races will be attempted.
   - As needed, there will be Fleet members attending, that will answer any event questions. See Section 3 for additional race logistics.
   - Novice Laser sailors are encouraged to participate in the fun, while learning how to handle your Laser better.
2. **Rules:**
   2.1 This series will be governed by the rules as described in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
   State law requires a USCG approved PFD for each person on board.
3. **Eligibility, entry, and fees:**
   3.1 This series is open to all Lasers sailors using either Full (ILCA 7) or Radial (ILCA 6) sails, which may be interchanged, but must be reported to the race manager of the day for record keeping if the sail number is different.
   3.2 Enter by completing the entry form along with the required fee. ILCA class rules apply, but ILCA membership is not required, though is encouraged to reap those benefits. Sailors may enter this series at any time after it commences with a paid registration.
   3.3 Visiting racer fee is $90, which includes an event shirt, racing on 6 consecutive Thursday Invitational Racing Series evenings, and on-site storage of your boat throughout the span of the series. Plus, on each Thursday evening: full access to the Club facility, with on-site launching.
   3.4 This series is layered over and is included in the full seasonal racing of the local Portage Yacht Club's ILCA/Laser Fleet. If an event shirt is desired by full season Silver Series participants, the event shirt is $20 (see the entry form)
4. **Sailing instructions:**
   4.1 These instructions are available on site on the evenings of this series, and/or emailed to early registrants. And on the club's website as the Thursday Evening Silver Series Sailing Instructions.
5. **Venue:**
   5.1 Portage Yacht Club (PYC), on Portage Lake, at 8930 Dexter-Pinckney Road, Pinckney MI 48169
   734-426-4155 or www.ms-pyc.com or sail@chartermi.net
6. **The courses, scoring and prizes:**
   6.1 The races will be sailed around movable buoys rounded to port and will consist of no less than three legs.
   6.2 Each evening's averaged total score per skipper will determine their overall placement for that evening.
   6.3 If all 6 evenings have at least 1 race completed, then the skipper's 2 worst or missed evenings are thrown out. If the series is reduced to 5 evenings by a cancellation, then 1 evening is thrown out. If reduced to 4 evenings or less, no throw-out. This changes RRS A2.
   6.4 The top three podium finishers will receive an award, which will be presented at Portage Yacht Club's ILCA/Laser No Sweat Regatta, September 19, 2026.
7. **Launching and boat storage:**
   7.1 Launch at the PYC service ramp west of Clubhouse, or by sea, or by cottage, or otherwise access the racing area.
   7.2 You may tow-in each evening of the event, or storage is available during this series, which is located immediately across the street and is included for your convenience provided the boat is tied down to its trailer or beach dolly used for launching at the PYC service ramp west of the clubhouse.

9. **Visiting participants and spectators:**
   9.1 Family and guests are welcome to attend and observe from Portage Yacht Club facilities. during this evening series. Sorry no pets, or swim area use.
10. **Venue notes:**
   10.1 Invitational series participants are responsible for the conduct of their guests.
   10.2 PYC is a tobacco-free premises, which includes any substances similarly inhaled or chewed.
   10.3 Minimum attire inside the clubhouse is t-shirt over bathing suit and sandals, including using the restrooms.
11. **Contact information:**
   11.1 Series Coordinator & Laser Fleet Captain - Rick Lyons rl@chartermi.net or 734-904-9583
   11.2 Laser Fleet Trustee - Steve Wiseman swwiseman@hotmail.com
   11.3 Club Office - See 5.1 Venue

2026 Fun First - Invitational Laser Racing Series Entry Form

Sail number_____Boat name_____

Skipper_____email Address_____

Address_____

City/State/Zip_____

Home/Cell Phone_____Work_____

Affiliated Yacht Club_____

In consideration of the acceptance of this entry form by Portage Yacht Club, the undersigned agrees to abide by the Racing Rules of Sailing, in addition to all other rules that govern this event. Furthermore, the skipper becomes a member of Portage Yacht Club only on the series dates (May 21 and 28, June 4, 11, 18 and 25) from 5:30pm to 8:30, and as such accepts responsibility for the actions of his or her guests. Completion of this entry form is required.

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Skipper's Signature

Entry Fee: $90 per visiting boat (event shirt included)

Event shirt fee $20 if a Portage Yacht Club full-season Silver Series participant.

Shirt size: (circle one) Medium Large Extra Large (shirts will be ordered and given out prior to end of this series if size is known prior to end of the second Thursday evening.

Additional shirts at time of order $20 (_____)

Mail or drop off registration with check to/at Portage Yacht Club, 8930 Dexter-Pinckney Rd, Pinckney, MI 48169.