

June 2023

Sailors,

With the sailing season progressing it is my sincere pleasure to be sending you an invitation to Genesee Yacht Club's premier event, the 52nd Scotch Bonnet Light race, on **August 25th 2023**. This year at no additional expense to participants, you will be equipped with **real time YB3 Trackers**. The Trackers will give friends and family access to your boat's location during the race. This is a key example of how we are going all out to make this event memorable and enjoyable. With the US/Canada Border open the race will follow its historical course around the Scotch Bonnet Island. The race itself is a test of skill and endurance that takes place overnight. For years on the southern shore of Lake Ontario this race has been considered a rite of passage. All who have participated in the event have memorable stories to tell.

If you are interested in racing this year, we encourage you to register early. Trackers are required for all boats. We will have a limited number and we need to know our final count of trackers by **July 24, 2023**. Anyone registering prior to that date is guaranteed a tracker. After that date, your registration will depend on if we have a tracker for you. Registration will be closed when we run out of trackers or Tuesday August 22 2023, midnight EST. Registration is open on our website https://www.ScotchBonnetRace.com. On that page just click on the underlined link labeled "Registration-Competitors-Results".

Whether you are a participant in the race or a supporter, all are welcome to the awards picnic at noon on Sunday, August 27th. We will be awarding etched glass keeper trophies for all 6 Perpetual Trophies and Division winners. The awards picnic features live music, food, and drink to celebrate the race and its Sailors. A portion of the registration fee and profits from picnic beverage sales will be donated to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

This event is a qualifying race for both the LYRA Boat of the Year and PHRF-LO Chapman Season Awards.

Sincerely, Rob Reisch 2023 SBLR Chairman, Genesee Yacht Club rv.reisch@gmail.com