## The "Roaring Forty" – Fortieth Running of the HOOK Race

Some sailors dream of racing around the world, aided by the "Roaring Forties". If that dream seems out of reach, you can still sail the "Roaring Forty" locally on Lake Michigan.

"The Roaring Forty", you ask? Yep, it's the 40<sup>th</sup> **Running of the Racine Yacht Club HOOK Race** this year – July, 15, 2023, to be precise. And, sailing the HOOK is sort of a mini version of racing into "The Roaring Forties". Only, instead of "Hooking"



around the Cape of Good Hope, South Africa, into the Indian Ocean, you "Hook" around the top of Door County, Wisconsin, into Green Bay.

Here's a line-up of events for the "Roaring Forty":

Friday, July 14:

- Race Registration and pickup of skipper bags
- Sale of 40<sup>th</sup> Running of the HOOK apparel
- "No Limits Band" under the Big Top
- Free Rum Party featuring Mt Gay Rum and specialty cocktails from Smooth Sailing Rum (gratuities welcome)
- 3 Specialty Food Trucks
- Free Water Shuttle from Reefpoint Marina to RYC
- Dinner specials at RYC Clubhouse Galley
- Skippers meeting
- Weather briefing

Saturday, July 15 (Race Day):

- Breakfast Sandwich Delivery to Reefpoint Marina
- Breakfast Sandwiches at the RYC Clubhouse

Sunday, July 16<sup>th</sup> Menomonee, MI - M & M Yacht Club

• Cocktails (gratuities welcome)

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Monday, July 17th Menomonee, MI

- Cocktails at M & M Yacht Club (gratuities welcome)
- Free Rum Party at Murray's and Pirate's Cove Restaurant patio
- Live entertainment (Charlie Scoggins) on the patio
- Award presentation at the patio

**Finally:** The RYC HOOK Committee will be running a 2023 HOOK Video contest like we did in 2018 (see the RYC HOOK website to view the 2018 winning entry).

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Free 2024 HOOK Entry Fee

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: 50% off 2024 HOOK Entry Fee

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: 25% off 2024 HOOK Entry Fee

Specific details on the 2023 HOOK Race Video Contest will be announced at a later date.

There is still time to sign up for both the HOOK and Super HOOK. For further information and to register go to: https://www.racineyachtclub.org/the-hook.