2014 Ontario Laser Masters Championship August 9/10, 2014 Sturgeon Lake Sailing Club Sturgeon Point, Ontario

1 Rules

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the Canadian Yachting Association (CYA), the rules of the International Laser Class Association (ILCA) and this Notice Of Race, except as any of these are changed by the Sailing Instructions or any appendices to the Sailing Instructions.

1.2 The organizing authority is the Sturgeon Lake Sailing Club (<u>http://www.slsc.ca/2014-ontario-laser-masters/</u>The event will be held at Sturgeon Point, Ontario.

1.3 The regatta is designated Category C in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.

2 Language

The official language for this regatta will be English.

3 Inspection and Measurement

Please ensure your sail numbers are applied in accordance with ILCA class rules. Sails may be measured prior to racing, and may also be spot checked at any time during the regatta. Note that numbers and letters drawn on the sail with permanent ink pens are not legal. Refer to http://www.laserinternational.org/sailnos.htm for detailed instructions.

4 Eligibility and Entry

Competitors who have reached the age indicated in the categories below by August 9, 2014 are eligible to compete.

4.1 Masters shall be divided into the following categories:

- Apprentice 35-44 years of age
- Master 45-54 years of age
- Grand Master 55-64 years of age
- Great Grand Master 65+ years of age

4.2 Category shall be determined by competitor's age on August 9, 2014.

4.3 Providing that a minimum of 12 Radial entries have been received, the Radial fleet shall be given a separate start and shall be scored separately from the Standard Rig fleet. Otherwise, competitors shall sail as a single fleet with the Rig Swapping Rule in effect (i.e., competitors may choose Standard, Radial or 4.7 rigs at their discretion, provided that all rig changes are made on shore and all sails have the same number).

5 Risk

It is the competitor's decision to enter the regatta and to start or continue any race. The competitors are ultimately responsible for the risks. The competitor will accept full responsibility for all his/her actions during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

6 Schedule of Events

6.1

Friday, August 8 17:00 Registration (until 20:00)

Saturday, August 9

08:00 Breakfast at SLSC 08:00 Registration 10:00 Skippers Meeting 11:00 First warning signal, races to follow (lunch break on the water) 19:00 Dinner (location TBD)

Sunday, August 10

08:00 Breakfast at SLSC 10:00 First warning signal, races to follow Meal and awards ASAP after racing

6.2 No warning signal will be made after 15:00 on the final day of the regatta.

7 Advance Registration

Competitors may register in advance using the online registration process on our web site (<u>http://www.slsc.ca/2014-ontario-laser-masters/</u>)

Please register by August 2^{nd} to allow us time to arrange your billet and to get the reduced entry fee.

8 Fees

8.1 The entry fee is \$90(CDN) for sailors (\$100 after August 2nd) and \$50(CDN) for guests.

8.2 The entry fee includes: billeting at a local cottage – please bring a sleeping bag; all meals from Saturday through Sunday; water for the competitors during each race day and a regatta t-shirt.

9 Sailing Instructions

The sailing instructions will be available during on-site registration.

10 Courses & Racing Area

10.1 Courses will be standard ILCA-NA courses as described in the ILCA-NA Masters Regatta Guidelines.

10.2 The racing area will be off Sturgeon Point, roughly 1 nautical mile west of the Sturgeon Lake Sailing Club.

11 Scoring

11.1 The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A4, will be used except as modified below.

11.2 As many races as possible are scheduled; a minimum of 1 race must be completed to constitute a regatta.

11.3 When 5 or more races are completed a sailor may discard their worst score.

11.4 NA Master handicap system will be in place. You add the following points to each race to find the overall series winner. - Apprentices - add 3 points - Masters - add 2 points - Grand Masters - add 1 point - Great Grand Masters - add 0 points The results are recalculated and the person with the lowest score wins, etc.

12 Additional Useful Information

The regatta is being held at Sturgeon Point in Ontario's cottage country. Local motels and restaurants are a 10 to 20 minute drive from the club. As a result, we are opening our cottages and our community to the Masters. We will provide a place for you to sleep; we will provide all your meals; and most of all we will provide our hospitality. Just ask anyone who has been to our bi-annual Mid-Ontario Open regatta.

We look forward to your visit.

For additional regatta information please contact: <u>masters@slsc.ca</u>