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Rolex Yachtswoman of Year - Annie Haeger in NYC



Yacht racing is a test of will and wit in which crucial decisions are made with split-second precision. Preparation is rigorous and team spirit is paramount. Rolex has forged a privileged relationship with prestigious regattas as well as exciting yachtsmen and women, sharing the values inherent in every sailor. (from Rolex website)



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Regattas / Calendar Submit your 2016 dates

March

12 - US Sailing Judges Seminar - Wayzata YC
13 - ILYA Board of Directors Meeting - Minneapolis

April

23-24 No Frills C - Missouri YC
30 - 5/1 Springfield C

May

7-8 Icebreaker C - Cedar IN
Mother's Day C - Spring Lake, MI
14-15 Cedar Spring C/MC - Cedar, WI
21-22 LaBelle Tuneup
21-22 Geneva Spring E

June

4-5 MIR C Delavan
10-12 C Nationals - Monona
16-17 Zenda U - Oconomowoc
18-19 WI MC Champs - Oconomowoc
18-19 USODA Great Lakes - Macatawa Bay, MI
21-22 TRAP X - Pine
23-24 ILYA 420 Champs - Okauchee
27 LBSS Opti - Lake Beulah
29-30 Quad X - Pine

July

7-9 I-20 and Melges 17 Championships
11-12 GLSS X
13 - GLSS Opti

Rolex President and CEO, Stewart Wicht presented Annie Haeger of Lake Beulah with her prestigious award noting the qualities of Rolex - integrity, excellence and endurance. After spending a lunch with both Annie and Steve Benjamin, he recognized the same qualities in the 2015 recipients of the Rolex awards.

[Annie's speech in its entirety is here](#). It will take a few seconds to download but mentions the ILYA several times. [Short version](#) is on US Sailing website.. For photos, [click here](#).

The affair itself is phenomenally impressive from the NYYC itself with all its history and artifacts; the congregation of US's finest sailors and promoters; the exquisite attention paid to detail with dinner, decorations, momentos for attendees; the generous sponsorship by Rolex and, lastly, to the acceptance speeches themselves.

Annie Haeger is the second youngest recipient of the award; Benjamin the oldest. The contrast in the speeches provided a view into the career of a sailor. Yet, the similarities abounded - the dedication to the sport, the teams required to achieve goals, the personal sacrifice, the "endurance" mentioned by Rolex. It was an emotional expression of gratitude from both.

Annie's love for Lake Beulah and the ILYA was evident. Her large "entourage" in attendance spoke volumes about those who have supported, followed, challenged her. She is one loved young lady. JJ Fetter, four-time YOY, introduced Annie and beamed at the opportunity to welcome another 470 sailor into the fold. Additionally, she remarked on the rapid rise to the top in a boat with such technical complexity.

The most poignant moments came when thanking her parents individually - her dad for mentoring, supporting and someone for who she works to make proud; her mom, for setting a moral standard and teaching her to be kind in all situations. A direct quote from Will and Annie Haeger - "she's a saint". Past ILYA Commodore grandfather Milt Haeger beamed, beamed, beamed as he celebrated Annie's accomplishments and his 80th birthday in NYC.

And no less proud than her parents were the 25 of her Lake Beulah friends who could barely contain themselves.



15 - TRAC Opti - Cedar
 18-19 Xtreme X - Oshkosh
 14-17 MC Invite - Harriet
 14-17 E Invite - Mendota
 21-24 C Invite - Nagawicka
 23-24 WYA X - Beulah
 27-30 ILYA X Champs - Okoboji
 31- 8/2 Opti Champs - Clear

August

4 Pram Power - North Lake
 5-7 WYA C Pewaukee
 10-13 WMYA - Spring Lake, MI
 12-13 X Blue Chip - Cedar, WI
 17-21 ILYA Champs - Geneva

September

10-11 Maxinkuckee Fall
 Big Waters C- South Shore
 George Dorn MC - Beulah
 10-11 USODA Midwest
 Champs - Pewaukee
 17-18 C Blue Chip - Okauchee
 22-25 E Blue Chip - Pewaukee
 24-25 Lotawana C
 Beulah C Challenge

October

1-2 Polar Bear - Davenport, IA
 8-9 C Worlds - Delavan

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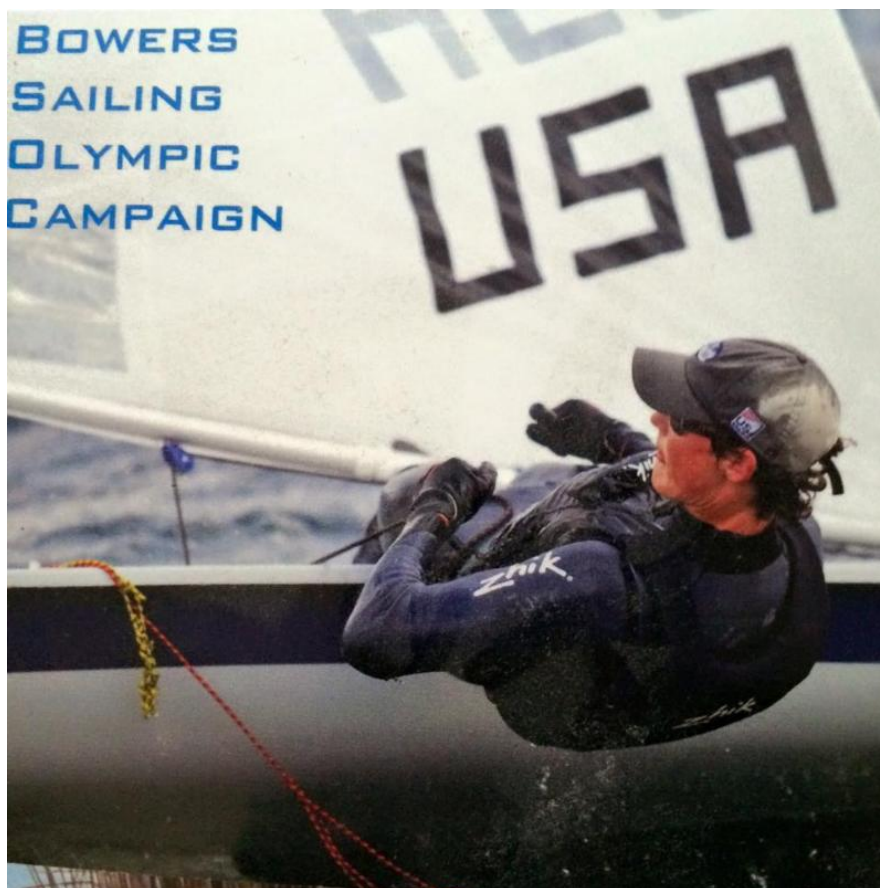
Join the ILYA

[Register for Dues](#)

Our second year in a row tells the tale of Kent Haeger and his vision some 15 years ago to establish a path for the development of champions. His legacy is numerous with college All-Americans, national champions in varying classes and all-around families who love to sail.

Annie's bid for the 2016 Rio games will be determined at the 470 Europeans, Palma de Mallorca, Spain, April 5-12. She is in the lead but only with a small margin. As an aside, in the photo above, back row, fourth from left is Luke Ramsey, named this week to the Canadian Olympic path.

Erik Bowers Added to US Sperry Team



Faces Second Olympic Trial Qualifier

Bowers was notified last week of his advancement from the US Developmental Team to the US Sperry Team. He was second American at the first of two Olympic qualifying events. The last event is Trofeo SAR Princess Sofia, Palma de Mallorca, Spain, March 28 - April 2, 2016. Congrats to Erik.

Two ILYA Sailors to attend CISA Clinic



Carter Cooper and Conrad Vandlik

Cooper from Pewaukee and Vandlik from Minnetonka will travel to California to participate in the prestigious high school sailing clinic. Good luck to both young men as they represent the Midwest well, .

US Sailing Youth Championships Deadline 3/15

Submit NOW!

Reminder to all U.S. Youth Championship eligible sailors:
Applications must be completed and paid by March 15.



<http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/youth/youthchamps/>

Join the Board Meeting and Pre-Festivities

March 12 and 13

The ILYA Board of Directors Meeting moves north to Minneapolis. You are all invited to join us for dinner on Saturday, March 12 at 7:00 or later and later. The Lounge listed below may match with your arrival time. IF you need a hotel room, contact [Dave Berg](#) today.

Sunday's meeting is open to all. Let Dave know for lunch accommodations. The earliest part of the agenda allows for member participation. Do you have a specific problem for which you want assistance? Plan to attend to help shape our regattas and regatta future sites, promotional ideas.

Crowne Plaza Aire MSP Airport - Mall of America
Three Appletree Square | Bloomington, MN 55425

Martel's Restaurant & Lounge for dinner

US Sailing Judges Course --- Travel to Minnesota!!

Wayzata - March 12 for Judges Course; ILYA Board meeting, Sunday, March 13



Combine two events on one weekend. Want to give the Board your opinion (constructively, of course)? Want to meet Dave Berg? It's all located conveniently for you March 12-13. The Wayzata YC is the site of the Judges course. Then travel east to the weekend's hotel (Crowne Plaza hotel near Mall of America) for dinner with arriving Board members and Dave Berg. While it is Dutch treat, it will be worth the networking or just enjoyment of sailing friends. The Board meeting is early Sunday AM with complimentary lunch provided. Let Dave Berg know you will be attending so he can reserve lunch.

One of the ILYA and US Sailing's goals is to have at least one qualified US Sailing Club Judge at each inland club. While this is a tall order, we need to start by training willing candidates. This course offers a hands on approach through class room, roleplaying, and study of actual hearings.

Who should attend this course?

You! This is not a course to make you a rules guru. You do not need full understanding of the intricacies of the Racing Rules of Sailing. This is about learning the **process** of protests. Many folks of all levels of sailing proficiency took the course last year. They all came away with an appreciation for running a protest meeting. Remember, protest committees are usually comprised of three individuals. You all bring differing knowledge and understanding to the hearing. Now is the time to start to feel comfortable volunteering as a judge in that hearing. Bruce Martinson is expert but brings teaching down to all levels. He makes it seem straightforward. There were nothing but kudos from last years' courses east and west.

The link to registration is below. You have to have your cursor on the left side of the screen to scroll down to the different seminars. If anyone has a problem finding it have them give me a call.

612 723 7030

Thanks

Bruce

<http://www.ussailing.org/race-officials/become-a-race-official/judge-seminar-calendar/>

US Sailing Seeks your input

Please Take the Sailing Interest Survey
Register for a chance to win a \$100 Visa Gift Card!



US Sailing has partnered with all types of sailing organizations from around the country on a grow sailing initiative. This survey will help us better understand what the challenges are so we can collectively formulate a plan to introduce newcomers to a first sail experience and encourage inactive sailors to get back out on the water.

At the conclusion of the survey, you will be given the opportunity to register for a chance to win a \$100 Visa Gift Card! Your responses in the survey are strictly confidential.

[Take the survey](#) and share with your fellow sailors!

Sailing School Directors and Instructors

Certification Course Offerings

[Click here](#) to view the US Sailing Certification Courses for Level 1 instruction. There are no local courses listed with slots available. The Milwaukee course is filled. There is a waitlist.



June 2-5 at **Macatawa Bay**

Small Boat Instructor Level 1 at Macatawa Bay Junior Assoc

6/02/2016 - 6/05/2016

[Enroll Now](#) (early registration discount until 5/5/2016)

There are 9 available slot(s) left

Instructors: Cappy Capper

Sailboats: C420s and Lasers Powerboats: Whalers and RIB Inflatables, all with center consoles

Small Boat Instructor Level 1 at **Culver** Educational Fndn/Summer Camps

5/31/2016 - 6/03/2016

[Enroll Now](#) - same link as above- (early registration discount until 5/3/2016)

There are 12 available slot(s) left

Culver Educational Fndn/Summer Camps

1300 Academy Rd #160

Culver, IN 46511-1291

Instructors: Robert Kessler

Small Boat Instructor Level 1 at **Chicago Yacht Club**

6/03/2016 - 6/06/2016

[Enroll Now -Â](#) (early registration discount until 5/6/2016)

There are 7 available slot(s) left

Chicago Yacht Club
400 E Monroe St
Chicago, IL 60603-6493

Instructors: Amy Gross-Kehoe

Editor's note - Amy has taught in the ILYA area and will be most familiar with our style of instruction

June 4-12 is a two-consecutive weekend course at **Wayzata**.

[Enroll Now](#)

To be adventuresome, try Ft Myers Florida 3/31. Fly down with your young instructor, sightsee while they learn.

Watch the list as the next month expires as more courses are added.

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