

CRUISING CLASS AT BAYFIELD RACE WEEK

It's all about the fun.

Do you want to race against other cruisers, with your family and friends? Bayfield Race Week's Cruising Class was an enormous success last year, and this year will be bigger and better, with more boats, more races, more trophies, more friends and more fun! We've even got a handicap system and course layouts that give you a fair shot at a podium finish, even if you've got a roller-furling jib and no spinnaker. Block your calendar for the week of June 30 through July 4. If you can't race the entire week, do 1/2!

There will be four days of racing: Monday; Tuesday; Thursday; and Friday, with a lay-day on Wednesday. Races will start at noon and be approximately 3 hours in length. Courses will be approximately an isosceles triangle with the shortest leg upwind and an upwind finish, or a medium distance point-to-point course if conditions permit. The start and finish lines will be within a convenient distance of the Bayfield City Dock.

You can register online at <http://www.bayfieldraceweek.org>. The registration fee is \$175. The entire schedule of social activities is also available for your review at this website. More details will be posted on the website, or you can ask your race committee:

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Some other items of interest:

- 1 GPS coordinates for the jibe mark will be provided.
- 2 Cruisers will have their own extra-long starting line.
- 3 Spinnakers are not only allowed, they're encouraged!
- 4 There will be one start for the class.
- 5 In addition to prizes for the entire series, the race committee will award prizes for the M/Tu and Th/Fri 1/2-series. Boats may participate in the entire series or either 1/2-series at their discretion.
- 6 Generous handicap credits will be given for many things, including fixed propellers, small headsails, roller-furling, and no spinnaker. Drive your boat well, and you will be competitive!

You are encouraged to participate in Sailfest, a medium-distance race around Basswood Island on Saturday, July 5th.