## **2010 St. Clair Solo Race Summary**

Total number of entrants: 10

Total number at the start: 9

Total number of finishers:8

Weather: Overcast sky. Winds 15-30 knots from the West in the morning, clocking to the NNW by sunset, with random 30 degree shifts. Waves: 2-4 feet. Temperature: High of 65 degrees.

Special thanks:

- 1. To **Tom Munson** for his tireless support and his expert helmsman skills to steady the starting line boat, in 25 knots of wind **without** an anchor.
- 2. Senior DRYA Principle Race Officer **Jim Rogers** and his wife **Kathy** managed the race committee and ensured a quality start.
- 3. **Tony Driza** for coordinating the internet support, email communications and PayPal updates.

The skippers meeting was held Friday night (9/24) **at Andiamo's Restaurant** in St. Clair Shores, near the next morning starting line; which allowed us to have a quality meeting and endless flow of beverages.

The race was 39.1 miles long, had 4 distinct legs and provided unique challenges of tactics, boat handling skills to the singlehanded skippers.

The awards ceremony was held again at the **North Star Sail Club** shortly after the last boat finished and the premier grade steaks were roasted.

Although, the overall boat-count wasn't great this year, those that entered still raved about the Solo's challenges and the feeling of accomplishment. Efforts are being made to put the race back to its historical date: First weekend in October and prior to the Annapolis boat show.

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