

The Saylorville Windsurfing Regatta, Dam Jam 2017, will be held May 19, 20 & 21, 2017 on Lake Saylorville's beach accesses (Oak Grove) just north of Des Moines, IA. We are very excited that this event will be part of the **US Windsurfing National Race Tour**, as well as part of the MOWIND race series for 2017. Windsurfers and wind junkies will have an excellent opportunity to promote their sports. We expect competitors from the MOWIND states (Colorado, Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Ohio and Canada.) but of course people from anywhere are welcome to join us in a 3 day event of full of fun on the water.

Organizer: Midwest Organizers of Windsurfing (MOWIND) is the organizer of this event. The results obtained by current MOWIND members will factor into the 2017 MOWIND standings, using MOWIND hi-points scoring. **Scores will also count towards the US Windsurfing National Race Tour.** Kona, Hybrid (Prodigy & RSX), Raceboard, Open and Limited classes will be included, and both Sport and A + B fleet scored. Sails must have unique legible sail numbers.

Venue & Weather: The event will take place at Lake Saylorville north of Des Moines, IA (see map & directions on opposite side). The primary beach used will be Oak Grove (depending on wind conditions and water level in the lake). It is located on the east side of the lake. There is plenty of parking at the location. Another location within 15 min drive will be used as a backup site, this will be at the nearby Big Creek Marina, it will only be used if the water level on Lake Saylorville is too high (happens every few years) at the time of the race. Wind conditions will vary but you can probably expect wind ranging from 5 – 20 knots. Water temperature is likely to be in the 55 - 65 degree Fahrenheit range. Wetsuits are recommended.

The regatta will have plenty of opportunities for you to try out windsurfing or other wind sports. Several experienced sailors will be on hand to share hints and tips about many wind and water sports.

Parking: Parking for competitors needing access to their equipment will be reserved at the event site. There will be plenty of parking for both competitors and visitors. Participants in racing will have reserved parking (marked off with tape nearest to the water access.)

Event Rules & Schedule: Courses shall be described in the Sailing Instructions which will be available at the skippers meeting. These will include several course racing variations, slalom and possibly a distance event. They will be similar to all MOWIND events. The regatta races will be held Saturday and Sunday, Sunday awards will be no later than 4 PM. We will have a Kona class this year in addition to open/unlimited, raceboard, limited and hybrid.

Friday afternoon a number of fun windsurfing events will be arranged, buoys will be set and fun-racing will be going on. These will be less formal events intended to get as many as possible to participate. Judges will include competitors and the audience. A late registration for windsurfers will also be happening.

Saturday racers meeting will be at 9:30 at Cherry Glen Beach access with the first start of race heat 1 shortly thereafter. It is recommended that you are rigged and ready to go before the meeting. Racing will include course and slalom (depending on conditions) with the last race starting no later than 4:00.

Sunday the skipper meeting will be at 9:30 AM, with the last race to start no later than 2:00. Course racing and possibly a distance race will take place, with awards presentation concluding no later than 4:00 pm. MOWIND points will be awarded based on all Saturday & Sunday races.

Liability: Competitors take part in all races at their own risk. The MOWIND, US Windsurfing, ISAF, FW Class, IWA or any of their officials or representatives or the sponsors or their officials or representatives are not responsible, under any circumstances, for any damage, loss or injury either on shore or on the water either to persons or equipment, which may result. Participation in this event, supporting events and in each race is at the sole discretion of the sailor and at his/her own risk.

Food: Saturday we will have a Light lunch available for all Racer's. We will try to have 3 Race's for all Fleet's, then take a Lunch Break. All racer's will be on their own for Saturday night Dinner, But all are welcome to enjoy the evening at the Marina bar following the conclusion of the races. Polk City is located a few miles up the road has some great small town dining, gas stations and Subway if you need to grab something quick. Ankeny is a 10 min drive away and has all kinds of stores. Since the closest restaurant is located a few miles from the beach access we plan to provide water and some fruit at the registration desk and on the committee boat during races.

Accommodations: The Des Moines area has many hotels and campgrounds. The campground on Lake Saylorville that will be closest to the racing site is the Prairie Flower Campground. We plan to use one of the group camping areas like last year. Fees will be divided per tent/camper depending on the number using the campsite. It should be very affordable for everyone. Link to the Saylorville Lake web site with more information <http://www.reserveamerica.com/campgroundDetails.do?subTabIndex=0&&contractCode=nrso&parkCode=praf>

Registration & Entry Fees for Competitors: Competitors must check-in on site at the registration desk located at the Race site. The registration will be open for all racers from noon until 7:00 pm on Friday May 19th and from 8:00 am until 9:30 on Saturday, May 20th. **Pre-registration is appreciated for planning purposes. Please contact Barry Tofteland or Larry Reed via email or phone number provided below, and leave a message indicating who will participate.** Do not send money, it will be collected at check-in when registration is filled out. The fee for this regatta is \$30 per competitor. Saturday Lunch will be Provided, All other meals will be on Your own. No shirt's again this Year!

Registrations that are received prior to May15 will have the registration fee discounted to \$25. Send email or call to pre-register (contact information below). In order to encourage new participants in the sport, we are charging only \$ 00 for the Workshop fleet.

Contact information:

For pre-registration or more information contact:
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**11th Annual Lake
Saylorville Windsurfing
Regatta
DAM JAM 2017**



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Notice of Race

**Please see <http://www.mowind.org>
for complete Notice of Race, Maps and
other Regatta information.**

Directions: FROM WEST: I-80 East, merge onto I-80/35N, (merging w/ 35N from right lane after 60th street exit, follow I-35N/80E to exit 135 NW 2nd Ave, about 10 min. Take 2nd Ave st north to SW Oralabor Rd, take a left, Oralabor road turns into hwy 415, lake and beach access signs will be brown. Cherry Glen and Oak Grove will be first two access points after dam. (some distances, Omaha, NE 2hrs, Denver, CO 9 hrs.)

Directions: FROM SOUTH: I-35N, merges with I-80E, follow I-35N/80E to exit 135 NW 2nd Ave, about 10 min. Take 2nd Ave st north to SW Oralabor Rd, take a left, Oralabor road turns into hwy 415, lake and beach access signs will be brown. Cherry Glen and Oak Grove will be first two access points after dam. Approximate distance from left turn on Oralabor Rd is 4 miles. (Some distances, Kansas City, 2.5 hrs)

Directions: FROM NORTH: Take I-35 South; exit Oralabor rd (exit 90) , follow SW Oralabor Rd, it will turn into hwy 415, lake and beach access signs will be brown. Cherry Glen and Oak Grove will be first two access points after dam. Approx distance from Interstate exit is 6 miles. (Dryden, Ontario 11 hrs, Minneapolis, 3.5 hrs, Duluth, MN 6hrs) Worthington, MN 3.5 hrs.)

Directions: FROM EAST: Take I-80W to exit 135 NW 2nd Ave, about Take 2nd Ave st north to SW Oralabor Rd, take a left, SW Oralabor Rd turns into hwy 415, lake and beach access signs will be brown. Cherry Glen and Oak Grove will be first two access points after dam. Cedar Rapids, 2 hrs, Moline, IL 3 hrs, Chicago, IL 5.5 hrs.



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