



Mardi Gras Race Week Presented by Gulf Coast Bank and Trust Company

One Design: March 18, 2017 - March 19, 2017

J27 Class: March 3, 2017 - March 5, 2017

PHRF: March 4, 2017 - March 5, 2017

NEW ORLEANS YACHT CLUB

NOTICE OF REGATTA

1. Organizing Authority *New Orleans Yacht Club, 403 N Roadway Drive, New Orleans, LA 70124.*

2. Rules

- 1. This regatta will be governed by the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and Prescriptions of US Sailing.*
- 2. [GYA Regulations for Sanctioned Events](#) will govern Capdevielle competition.*
- 3. Class Rules and GYA PHRF bylaws apply to their respective classes.*

4. *The Mardi Gras Race Week Sailing Instructions and this Notice of Regatta (NOR). The Sailing instructions shall govern in the event of conflict where applicable. Sailing Instructions will be available at the skipper's meeting.*

3. Entries



One Design

March 18 -19

Viper 640, Vanguard 15, VX One, Flying Scot (Open), Etchells, MC Scow, Finn, J/30, J/22, Rhodes 19, Melges 24, Melges 32, Hobie 33, etc.

- *All classes Welcomed!!! If your class is interested but not listed above, please contact 504-296-8818 or mgr@noyc.org*
- *Four boats are required to make a class. All classes must have 4 boats registered by February 28, 2017 to be scored and run by RC.*
- *The winner of the largest class in this division is awarded the Mardi Gras Race Week perpetual trophy.*

Weekend Races

March 18 - 19

Optimist, Kiteboard, Easterly 30 NA's, GYA Capdevielle (Optional Alternative Format)



PHRF Division

February 4 - 5

PHRF Spinnaker & Non-Spinnaker, PHRF Sport Boats, PHRF Multihull

- *Five boats are required to make a class.*
- *See PHRF Appendix to be released at a later date.*

1. Registration

- *Registration may be completed during any registration period (See below for registration deadlines) prior to that boat's Skipper's Meeting. You may register on-line at link at mardigrasraceweek.org, or in person.*

- *The MGRW Committee requests that skippers register early so that trophies and merchandise items may be ordered and engraved well in advance of the regatta.*

2. Entry Fee *The entry fee (US Funds) may be paid by credit card, cash, or club cross-charge for members of clubs with reciprocal privileges. Refunds are available before February 24.*

The entry fee is \$45 before February 24, and then rises to \$85.

3. Discounts *US Sailing Members may deduct \$5 from the entry fee.*

4. Entry Packet *Registration fee includes a welcome packet with one wrist band for the skipper and up to 3 crew members (Crew is defined by the Racing Rules) to include continental breakfast on race days, access to all events, open food buffet. Additional all-inclusive regatta wristbands which give the wearer access to all events and food buffets can be purchased for \$20.00 each.*

5. Schedule of Events

- *An updated sailing schedule will be released as the race date approaches although no later than February 28, 2015.*
- *All events are held at NOYC unless otherwise noted.*
- *A separate social event schedule will be released and may be updated as warranted.*

Racing Dates	
Wednesday, 3/1	Dry storage is available to splash boats, step masts, etc.

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Thursday, 3/2	Practice Race if scheduled, Measurement and weighing available starting for those classes which require it.
Friday, 3/3 - Sunday 3/5	For Three day event boats: Skipper's Meeting Friday at 8:45 at NOYC, first warning all days at 10:00.
Saturday, 3/18 - Sunday 3/19	Racing for all other classes except Capdevielle. Skipper's Meeting: 08:45 at NOYC, First Warning at 10:00
Capdevielle	Skipper's Meeting Saturday 3/18 at 10:30 First Warning Saturday 3/18: 12:00 First Warning Sunday 3/19: 10:00
Saturday 3/4 - Sunday 3/5	Racing for all PHRF classes including sport boats and multihulls.

6. Number of Races

- *GYA Capdevielle – Five Races will be scheduled in accordance with the Optional Alternate Format as described in Appendix G of the GYA Regulations for Sanctioned Events.*
- *Easterly 30 - Three races attempted*
- *For all other classes – The Race Committee, at its discretion, will attempt to run as many races as possible on each race day, unless otherwise noted.*
- *No starts after 1330 on Sunday 3/5 and 3/19.*

7. Scoring *For all classes – The RRS Low Point System (RRS A4) shall be used. No scores will be excluded. One race constitutes a series. This changes RRS A2*

8. Prizes

- *GYA Capdevielle prizes will be awarded based on GYA Regulations for Sanctioned Events.*
- *Daily awards will be awarded for 1st place in each class.*
- *Overall Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd for each class. Overall Prizes will be awarded on the last day of racing for all remaining classes at the After Race Party.*
- *The Mardi Gras Race Week Perpetual Trophy is awarded to the overall regatta winner of the largest adult one design class.*
- *Best Female Skipper and Best all Female crew (each weekend).*
- *Optimist awards will be based on age range, with first, second, and third places awarded to White, Blue, and Red fleet winners. In addition, there will be participation awards for participants in Green fleet, and regular MGRW awards for Advanced Fleet winners.*

9. Skipper's Meeting *The Skipper's Meetings will be held at New Orleans Yacht Club at which time Sailing Instructions will be distributed to the entrants. A representative of each boat is asked to attend this meeting to pick up registration packets and race changes. All crewmembers are encouraged to attend the meeting. Optimist Skipper's Meeting will be held at Southern Yacht Club. See Schedule of Events.*

10. Decision to Race and Liability Competitors participate in the Regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the Regatta.

11. Advertising Entrants may be required to carry event advertising as outlined in ISAF Regulation 20.4.

12. Racing Area The racing area will be located on the south shore of Lake Pontchartrain.

13. Official Notice Board The Notice Board is located just inside the north harbor entrance of NOYC.

14. Hotel and Lodging Detailed information on lodging and logistics can be found on the MGRW website – mardigrasraceweek.org.

15. Information

- **Mardi Gras Race Week Co-Chair:** Macho Slavich, 504-452-6306, broachin@msn.com & Jay Smith, 504-512-3481, jcarlylesmith@gmail.com. Also at mgr@noyc.com
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