



2017 GBCA Women's Regatta

Galveston Bay

September 16th 2017

Galveston Bay Cruising Association

1500 Marina Bay Dr. Building #113B, Clear Lake Shores, TX 77565

Notice of Race

Rules

The regatta will be governed by the *Rules* as defined in the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing, the Sailing Instructions and this Notice of Race.

For each race in the Regatta, each boat competing shall be helmed by a female from the *warning signal* for her class until she has *finished*.

Eligibility

This regatta is open to all boats with valid 2017 PHRF-GB certificates (spinnaker and non-spinnaker), boats entering for GBCA Club Handicap, and others that can form a one design class and supply a set of class rules, subject to the discretion of the race committee. A minimum of three boats is required to form a class. Classes which have formed by 2359 hours Friday, July 2nd, 2016 will be awarded trophies as follows:

- 3 boats: 1st place
- 4-6 boats: 1st, 2nd place
- 7-9 boats: 1st, 2nd, 3rd place

Classes which form after 2359 hours Friday, July 2nd, 2016 are eligible for trophies but trophies may not be available for presentation at the awards ceremony. Additional trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee.

Entries

Competitors may enter online at:

https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_club_events.php?CLUB_ID=162 .

2017 PHRF ratings should be verified to be correct on the PHRFGB website (www.phrfgb.com) if they are incorrect or missing, a certificate may be may be uploaded at the time of registration (preferred), or delivered to the competitors briefing. The entry fee will be \$40.00. Current members of US Sailing will receive a \$5.00 discount. Entry fees will be refunded if the entry is withdrawn prior to the entry deadline. The deadline for all entries is Wednesday, September 13, 2016 at 2359 CDT; however, entries received after 2359 CST, Sunday September 10th will be subject to a \$10.00 late fee.

Courses

Courses will be distance courses of various lengths around fixed marks, windward-leeward around dropped marks, or a combination of both; located in that part of Galveston Bay bounded by The Bayport Ship Channel, The Houston Ship Channel and the shoreline between Red Bluff and San Leon.

Sailing Instructions

Sailing instructions will be available online at:

https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_club_events.php?CLUB_ID=162 .

Any change to the sailing instructions or to the schedule of races will be posted before 0800 on the day it will take effect.

Notices to Competitors

Notices to Competitors will be posted online at

https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_club_events.php?CLUB_ID=162 .

Scoring

One completed race constitutes a series.

No races will be excluded from scoring. This Modifies RRS A4.

Schedule of Events

A Competitors Briefing's will be held at the GBCA office at 1900 Friday, September 15th.

As many races as practical will be run during the regatta. Subsequent races for each class will be started as soon as possible after the class has finished the prior race. The warning signal for the first race of the regatta will not be before 1100 hours September 16th.

Trophy presentation and party will be held on Saturday, September 16th after the conclusion of the last race at the GBCA clubhouse.