



GBCA Single Hand & Mixed Doubles Regatta

Galveston Bay

May 26 - 27, 2018

Galveston Bay Cruising Association & Watergate Yachting Center

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.

In the Single Hand regatta, only one person shall be allowed on a yacht while *Racing*. In the Mixed Doubles regatta, each yacht shall be allowed only two persons aboard while *Racing*, one male and one female.

Eligibility

These regattas are open to all boats with valid PHRF-GB certificates, boats entering for GBCA Club Handicap, US Sailing Yardstick 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 1700 hours Friday, May 18th 2018 will be awarded trophies as follows:

- 3 boats: 1st place
- 4-6 boats: 1st, 2nd place
- 7-9 boats: 1st, 2nd, 3rd place
- 10-12 boats: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th place
- 13 or more boats: 1st through 5th place

Classes which form after 1700 hours Saturday Friday May 18th, 2018 are eligible for trophies but trophies may not be available for presentation at the awards ceremony.

Expected classes are Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker, GBCA Cruising Club, and Multihull Portsmouth Yardstick.

Entries

Competitors may enter online at: https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_club_events.php?CLUB_ID=162. The Single Hand and the Mixed Double Regattas are two separate events and you must enter each Regatta you plan on racing in.

PHRF certificates should be verified to be accurate at www.phrfgb.com at the time of registration (preferred), or if inaccurate, should be provided to Race Management by the competitors briefing. The entry fee will be \$35.00. 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 Entry fees will be refunded if the entry is withdrawn prior to the entry deadline.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 Thursday, May 17, 2018 at 2359 hours CDT. *The combined entry fee for both regattas will be \$65.00.*

Courses

Courses for the Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker classes will be windward/leeward courses of various lengths around dropped tetrahedron marks; 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. For the GBCA Cruising Club and Multihull Portsmouth Yardstick classes, courses may be windward/leeward courses around dropped tetrahedron marks or distance-based courses around fixed marks based on the discretion of the Race Committee.

Sailing Instructions

Sailing instructions will be available at the GBCA office after 0900 Saturday, May 26, 2018 and 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 on the door of the GBCA office and at https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_club_events.php?CLUB_ID=162 .

Scoring

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

One completed race constitutes a series.

Schedule of Events

A Competitors Briefing for both events will be held at the GBCA office at 1900 Friday evening, May 25, 2018.

These are single day regattas, therefore, as many races as practical will be run during each 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 11:00 hours Saturday and Sunday, May 26 & 27, 2018.

A Recovery Party and awards presentation, following the Single Hand Regatta, will be held following the conclusion of the last race on Saturday at the GBCA Clubhouse at 1500 Marina Bay Dr., Clear Lake Shores, TX 77565.

Refreshments and trophy presentations for the Mixed Doubles Regatta will be on Sunday, May 27, 2018 at the GBCA clubhouse following the conclusion of the last race.