NOTICE OF RACE *"WFORC Regatta"* 45th Annual West Florida Ocean Racing Circuit October 10–13, 2019



Sanctioned by the GYA Offshore Council Hosted by Pensacola Yacht Club



1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing and the Gulf Yachting Association (GYA) Regulations for Sanctioned Events (available at <u>www.gya.org</u>).

2. ELIGIBILITY

2.1 PHRF boats shall not be less than 20 feet LOA.

2.2 PHRF boats must have a current or provisional GYA PHRF Rating Certificate with a rating no greater than 276.

2.3 Each competitor is responsible for their boat's compliance with the requirements of their Class and/or the GYA PHRF Certificate.

3. REGISTRATION

3.1 Eligible boats may enter by completing the event registration form at www.regattanetwork.com/html/calender.php#. Scroll down to the date of the event to find the link to the registration form.

3.2 Onsite registration at Pensacola Yacht Club during the Check-In will also be available but, as noted under Fees, there will be a late charge.

4. DIVISIONS

4.1 There will be a PHRF Fleet, which may be divided into classes by the Race Committee (RC) based on the number of entries and their PHRF ratings.

4.2 A minimum of five boats is required to constitute a class.

5. FEES

5.1 Entry fee per boat for all classes is \$200.

NOTE: A late registration fee of an additional \$20 shall apply for registrations after October 5. Entry fees are non-refundable.

6. EVENTS SCHEDULE Thursday, October 10th

1500 - 1800 – Check-In & Late Registration (PYC)

- 1700 Welcome Party with keg beer, drink specials, and Bushwackers (PYC)
- 1800 Competitors Meeting (PYC)

Friday, October 11th

- 0800 0900 Check-In & Late Registration (PYC)
- 0800 0930 Crew Breakfast (PYC Clubhouse)
- 1055 First Warning Signal.
- 1700 Hors d'oeuvres, keg beer, drink specials, and Bushwackers (PYC)
- 1730 Day 1 Winner Awards Ceremony (PYC)

Saturday, October 12th

0800 – 0930 - Crew Breakfast (PYC Clubhouse)

- 1055 First Warning Signal. A distance race is planned if weather is suitable.
- 1600 Band, hors d'oeuvres, keg beer, drink, and Bushwackers (PYC)
- 1730 Day 2 Winner Awards Ceremony (PYC)

Sunday, October 13th

0800 - 0930 - Crew Breakfast (PYC Clubhouse)

1055 – First Warning Signal.

1600 - Awards Ceremony (PYC).

7. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS [DP]

7.1 Compliance with United States Coast Guard (USCG) Regulations for Safety Equipment is required. All competing boats are also required to comply with World Sailing Offshore Special Regulation B for inshore racing (available at http://www.sailing.org/specialregs).

7.2 Participating boats are subject to inspection and may be disqualified if these USCG and World Sailing regulations are not met.

7.3 Crews on all boats must check in with the RC Signal Vessel while wearing their PFD at the beginning of each race day.

8. COURSES

8.1 Multiple dropped mark races, plus one distance race using government marks are planned. Course specifics will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.

9. SCORING

9.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A of the RRS will apply.

9.2 No race will be discarded if four (4) or fewer races are completed. One race will be

discarded if five (5) or more races are completed.

9.3 One (1) race must be completed to constitute a Regatta.

10. AWARDS

10.1 The overall winner on corrected time (Spinnaker Class A if so divided) will be awarded the Commodore Ronald F. Richards Memorial Trophy.

10.2 The Dr. Lindsay Riddle Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner of the most competitive PHRF class, if classes are divided, as described in the Sailing Instructions, excluding

any one-design classes.

10.3 The Commodore John Chappell trophy will be awarded to the winner of Class B, if classes are divided.

10.4 Class awards for first place will be presented to the Day 1 and Day 2 winners on Friday and Saturday respectively.

10.5 Class awards for first, second, and third place overall in the regatta series and the appropriate special awards will be presented on Sunday.

10.6 Classes that did not compete the previous year will receive certificates and recognition, and trophies will be ordered for presentation later.

11. STORAGE

11.1 Pensacola Yacht Club allows the storage of visiting competitors' boats and trailers for up to one week prior to and after PYC regattas without any storage charge. If storage is required for a longer period, transient storage rates are available. Contact PYC Dockmaster, Greg Spitzer at (850) 433-8804, ext. 108 or via email at dockmaster@pyc.gccoxmail.com for wet slip and dry storage arrangements.

12. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT

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