

# Pirates on the Pungo Sailboat Regatta

May 18-20  
Belhaven, NC



## NOTICE OF RACE

The *Pirates on the Pungo Regatta* is an annual fundraising being sponsored by The Belhaven Community Chamber of Commerce. Proceeds from this event will help support 501(3) c charities and Chamber initiatives.

### 1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 The regatta is open to any sailboat in seaworthy condition.

2.2 Registration may be entered online with payment by credit card or PayPal at Regatta Network or by sending the registration, along with a check, together with the required fees, to **Belhaven Community Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 147, Belhaven, NC 27810**.

2.3 A special “no-charge” entry fee is available for boats that will be sailed by a skipper and crew 18 or younger. See the information on fees below, and the registration form on the website.

2.4 Late entries will be accepted until 8:30 AM on Saturday, May 19 at the Town Docks in Belhaven, the location of the Skipper’s Meeting.

### 3. CLASSES

3.1 Sailing dinghies and Multihulls will compete both Saturday and Sunday, using Portsmouth ratings transposed to PHRF Ratings, on distance courses in the Pantego Creek, the Pungo River and Pungo Creek.

3.2 Keelboats will compete Saturday and Sunday, using PHRF ratings time on distance courses in the Pantego Creek, Pungo River and Pungo Creek. Keelboats must have a valid NC-PHRF certificate or obtain a temporary rating from event organizers. Boats may enter the following classes:

Spinnaker  
Non-Spinnaker

3.3 A special Cruising Class is provided for skippers and crew whose boats are not normally used for racing, but who want to participate in a fun event. Cruising Class will race on Saturday and Sunday, on the same courses used by the other classes.

3.4 Each class may be subdivided, at the discretion of the event organizers, based on the number of boats registered. Classes and divisions will be announced at the skippers’ meeting. Prizes will be given for first, second, and third place for all divisions.

3.5 Additional “One-Design” Classes may be established when (5) or more boats of a single type (i.e. Flying Scot, Force 5, Lightning, Sunfish, Hobe 16, Buccaneer 18, Tanzer 16, San Juan 21, Catalina 22, J/22, J/24, etc.) are entered in the regatta by 8:30 a.m. on May 19, 2018.

3.6 A Classic Boat Division is provided for boats whose **design** is at least 50 years old and/or are built using traditional wooden construction. Awards will be given for the “Oldest Boat”, and “Best Restoration”, as judged by the Race Committee.

3.7 All Classes will start and finish in the Pantego Creek. Handicaps will be assigned at the start of each race in a Pursuit Format.

#### 4. FEES

4.1 The entry fee for all classes will be \$105 for boat registrations and received by May 1. The names of boats registered by May 1 will appear on the event t-shirts. *After May 1, the entry fee for all classes will be \$125.00. Registration will include one Shore Side pass for the Skipper.*

4.2 Tickets for the Shore Side events (the *Buccaneer Bash* dinner/dance, the Captain’s Reception, two breakfasts, hotdog cookout) can be purchased for \$50.00. Visit the Pirates on the Pungo website for other ticket options.

#### 5. SCHEDULE

Registration:	Friday, May 18	4:00 PM to 8:00 PM
	Saturday, May 19	8:00 AM to 8:30 AM

Captains’ Reception and Entertainment: Friday, May 18 - 5:00 to 8:00PM at Belhaven Wynne’s Gut Town Dock.

Competitors’ Meeting: Saturday May 19, 9:00 AM at the Belhaven Wynne’s Gut Town Dock.

The Regatta will consist of one or more races for all classes on Saturday or Sunday. Warning signal for the first race is 10:55 AM on Saturday and 9:30 AM on Sunday.

*Buccaneer Bash* dinner and dance, Saturday, May 19, 6-11 PM.

Light lunch and Awards for all classes: Sunday, May 20 – 12:30 PM.

#### 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available by 5:00 PM on Friday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at the Registration desk at Wynne’s Gut Town Dock. Sailing instructions will also be available on the website: [www.piratesonpungo.org](http://www.piratesonpungo.org) .

#### 7. DOCKAGE AND ACCOMODATIONS

Dockage for the event is available at:

Town of Belhaven Wynne’s Gut Town Dock on a first come basis.

Belhaven Waterway Marina: call Dockmaster Greg at 252-944-0066 for reservations.

Dowry Creek Marina: call Dockmaster Jeff at 252-943-2728.

River Forest Marina: call Dockmaster Henry at 252-943-0030 for reservations.

River Forest Shipyard: call Dockmaster Axon at 252-943-2151.

Pungo Creek Marina: call 252 964-3777 for reservations

In addition, there are 10 free slips at the Cooperage Town Dock (near marker 12 in Pantego Creek) available on a first come basis. There is no water or power at this dock. Transportation will be provided between this facility and town if requested.

Camping will be permitted in a designated area. A list of local Bed & Breakfast accommodations is available on the event website.

## **8. SCORING**

The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply, with the exception that the first- place finisher in each race will be awarded .75 points and there will be no “throw-outs”. A boat’s standing in the regatta will be determined by adding the total of points awarded for finishing position in each race. Ties will be broken by comparing the finish position in the last race of the regatta.

## **9. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact:

Diana Lambeth at 919-880-1183

Event website: [www.PiratesonPungo.org](http://www.PiratesonPungo.org) (currently being updated)

On Facebook: pirates on the pungo