



2019 Spring Series Regatta

Galveston Bay

March 9th & 10th, 2019

Galveston Bay Cruising Association

1500 Marina Bay Dr. Suite 1592 Building #113B, Clear Lake Shores, TX 77565

Notice of Race

Amendment #2

Changes by Amendments:

- Identify handicap as TOT
- Social events Saturday after races
- Addition of Cruising Spinnaker Class to registration list

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.

Eligibility

This regatta is open to all boats with valid 2019 PHRF-GB certificates (spinnaker and non-spinnaker), boats entering for GBCA Club Handicap, boats that qualify for the Multihull class, and others that can form a one design class and supply a set of class rules, subject to the discretion of the race committee. Sub classes may be formed from a base class. A minimum of five boats is required to form a class. Classes which have formed by 1700 CST Friday, March 1st, 2019 will be awarded trophies as follows:

- 5-6 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 Friday, March 1st 2019 (Early Registration Deadline) are eligible for trophies, but trophies may not be available for presentation at the awards ceremony.

Entries

Competitors may enter online at:

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

Competitors sailing PHRF fleets should ensure their current certificates are available on-line at www.PHRFGB.com. Certificates that are not available online should be made available to the Race Committee

prior to the competitors' briefing. The entry fee will be \$75.00. Current members of GBCA will receive a \$5.00 discount. Entry fees will be refunded if the entry is withdrawn prior to the Early Registration Deadline. The deadline for all entries is Friday, March 8th 2018 at 1700 CST; however, entries received after 1700 CST, Friday, March 1st 2018 will be subject to a \$10.00 late fee.

Courses

Handicap classes are intended to have multiple large triangle windward/leeward races with 2-3nm legs Saturday and at least one triangle windward/leeward race with 2-3nm legs Sunday. One Design boats will have windward/leeward courses (length to be dependent on number of boats) run with as many as possible each day. Courses will be in the 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 at the GBCA office after 1900 Friday, Friday March 8th 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 hours CST 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

One completed race constitutes a series.

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

The low point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply

Handicap classes shall be scored as Time on Time as defined by US Sailing's PHRF to Time on Time conversion.

- $TCF = A / (B + PHRF)$
- TCF = Time on Time handicap
- A = 650
- B = 550 for this regatta

Schedule of Events

Friday, March 1st	1700 hours CST	Early Registration Deadline
Friday, March 8th	1700 hours CST	Registration Deadline
Saturday, March 9th	1000 hours CST	Competitor's Briefing at GBCA
Saturday, March 9th	1200 hours CST	Warning Signal for first race, other races to follow.
Saturday, March 9th	Conclusion of races	Post-race party at GBCA clubhouse.
Sunday, March 10th	1200 hours CST	Warning Signal for first race, other races to follow
Sunday, March 10th	1600 hours CST	Awards presentation at GBCA

Saturday's post-race party will be held at the GBCA clubhouse with live music, food and drinks starting at the conclusion of Saturday's races.

Jambalaya and Gumbo competition will be held at this social event.

- Entrants must bring at least 1-2 gallons of either jambalaya or gumbo.
- Jambalaya and gumbo entrants are not required to enter the regatta
- Jambalaya and gumbo will be judged by peers.
- Winners will be awarded Saturday during the social

During the Saturday Social, there will be an opportunity for someone to win a free entry fee to Texas Race Week.

Sunday's awards presentation will be held at GBCA clubhouse with normal refreshments.