



BAY YACHT CLUB



M/V *Bay Star*,
Corpus Christi, Texas

NOTICE OF RACE

2023 BYC Pursuit Series

Invitation / Organizing Authority:

You are cordially invited to participate in the Bay Yacht Club's 2023 Pursuit Race Series. This series is open to all eligible boats that file the proper entry form and fee before the first series race in which they intend to compete.

The organizing authority for this series is the Bay Yacht Club (BYC) of Corpus Christi, Texas.

Rules:

This series will be governed by the rules as defined in the US Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS) including US Sailing Prescriptions, this Notice, and the series Sailing Instructions. In the event of conflict between this Notice and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall govern.

Eligibility:

The series is open to any mono-hull boat that holds a current PHRF certificate or provisional rating from South Texas PHRF or has applied to the Principal Race Officer (PRO) for a temporary rating.

The PRO may assign a temporary rating to any boat for the purpose of this series and such decision on a boat's rating is final unless South Texas PHRF subsequently issues said boat a PHRF certificate. In the event, the South Texas PHRF rating will apply for races subsequent to the date of certificate issue.

Classes:

Classes for this series shall consist of All Sails and 150 (Non-Spinnaker). Classes may be combined or eliminated at the discretion of the Principal Race Officer depending on participation.

For the formation of a class, a minimum of two (2) boats will be required.

Series Entry Fee: \$50.00

Registration and Race Documents:

Register and download race documents at: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/26431>. A boat need register only once for the series.

Venue:

Racing will take place on Corpus Christi Bay.

Dates of Racing (one race per day)

May 20	Race #1
June 17	Race #2
July 22	Race #3
August 19	Race #4
September 16	Race #5
October 21	Race #6

Race Day Schedule:

1015 hours	Skipper's meeting aboard the BYC's <i>Bay Star</i> yacht berthed at Corpus Christi Marina E-Dock, or the Corpus Christi Boaters Facility.
1130 hours	Start time for the first boat in each class
TBD	Awards aboard <i>Bay Star</i> , approximately 30 minutes after last boat finishes.

Start:

Each race will use a pursuit start format. The boat with the highest handicap in each class starts first followed by the boat with the next highest handicap in the class, and so on. The boat with the lowest handicap in her class starts last. Time differentials between the start for the first boat and all pursuing boats are based on each boat's handicap and the length of the course.

Course:

Races will start and finish at the Wednesday night start/finish line inside the breakwater. The course marks will be Corpus Christi Bay Race Marks.

Course(s) to be sailed and the order of start for each class will be announced at each skippers meeting.

Scoring:

The series consists of six scheduled races, five of which are required to be completed to constitute the series. A race not completed may be rescheduled.

To qualify for inclusion in the series results, a boat must compete (i.e., come to the starting area) in five races.

A boat that does not come to the starting area shall be scored finishing points equal to the total number of boats in her class that came to the starting area plus two (2). A boat that comes to the starting area but does not start, does not finish, retires or is disqualified shall be scored finishing points equal to the total number of boats in her class that came to the starting area plus one (1).

When a boat has competed in five or fewer races, her series score will be the sum of her race scores. When a boat has competed in six races, her series score will be the sum of her race scores excluding her worst score. If a boat has two or more equal worst scores, the score for the race sailed earliest in the series shall be excluded. An excluded race counts as a race to qualify a boat for inclusion in the series results but not as one of her scored races.

The boat with the lowest series score is the winner of her class and others in the class are ranked accordingly.

Prizes:

Prizes will be awarded after each race for 1st place in class. For the series, prizes will be awarded for 1st through 3rd place in class for boats that qualify for inclusion in the series results.

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in these events entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 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 series.

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