

Notice of Race

Spring Regatta and GYA Finn Championships

May 17 & 18, 2025
Buccaneer Yacht Club
Mobile, Alabama



Posted (April 10, 2025)

1. Rules:

- 1.1 This event is to be sailed under the management of Buccaneer Yacht Club, the organizing authority, whose Race Committee will administer the races.
- 1.2 This event will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), this Notice of Race, the regatta sailing Instructions, the GYA Regulations for Sanctioned Events (available at www.gya.org), and applicable class rules.
- 1.3 The US Sailing Prescriptions in the Preamble to Part 5, Section B, and RRS 63.1 (b) are deleted.
- 1.4 Appendix V1 (Alternative Penalties) of the RRS will apply.

2. Sailing Instructions:

The Sailing Instructions will be available in hard copy at Buccaneer Yacht Club by May 17th, and on-line at <http://bucyc.com> and at Regatta Network.

3. Expected Classes and Eligibility:

Capdevielle Viper 640, Open Viper 640, Fish, and Finns. All yacht clubs that are current General Members of the GYA are eligible to compete in Capdevielle Viper 640s. Other one-design classes with three (3) or more entrants that would like to race may be added, subject to RC approval. A PHRF/Portsmouth Handicap race will be held on Saturday May 17th. Sailing Instructions for the PHRF/Portsmouth race will be available at the Competitor's meeting for that race.

4. Registration:

All registration for one design classes shall be through Regatta Network at [https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/\(#29666\)_home](https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/(#29666)_home). Registration for PHRF/Portsmouth will be on-site prior to the Competitor's meeting.

5. Entry Fees:

Open Viper 640, Fish, Finns and other one-design classes and PHRF/Portsmouth \$40.00

6. Schedule of Events:

Saturday May 17th.

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| 8:30-10:30 | Continental breakfast (Sack lunches available for purchase) |
| 10:30 | Competitor's Meeting for PHRF/Portsmouth race |
| 11:00 | Competitor's Meeting Capdevielle and other classes |
| 11:55 | Warning for PHRF/Portsmouth Handicap race |
| 12:55 | Warning for first Capdevielle race (Further Races Back-to-Back) |
| ASAP | After Racing – Trophy Presentation for PHRF/Portsmouth race |
| 19:00-21:00 | Food and Band |

Sunday May 18th:

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| 8:00-9:30 | Continental breakfast |
| 10:25 | Warning for first Capdevielle race (Further Races Back-to-Back) |
| 14:30 | No warning signals after this time. |
| ASAP | After Racing – Trophy Presentation |

7. Number of Races:

Five (5) races are scheduled for Capdevielle and One Design classes listed above (three on Saturday and two on Sunday, but three races could be sailed on Sunday if less than three are sailed on Saturday. As races will be sailed back-to-back, clubs are encouraged to provide support boats for any required on-the-water crew changes. The Race Committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors by VHF radio, the channel to be stated in the SIs. The number of races for other one-design classes (if any) will be determined before the start of racing for those classes. There will be one PHRF/Portsmouth Handicap race on Saturday.

8. Scoring:

Each class shall be scored using the low point system of Appendix A with no races excluded. This changes RRS A2.1. One race shall constitute a series.

9. Trophies

Trophies for Capdevielle Viper 640 will be awarded in compliance with GYA regulations: first, second and third overall and trophies for each race winner. A trophy will also be awarded to the Challenger Division winner. First, second and third place trophies will be awarded in Open Viper 640, Fish, and Finn. The Roy Sellers Jr. Memorial Perpetual Trophy will be presented to the winning Fish Boat skipper. The Geotechnical Engineering Testing, Inc. perpetual trophy will be presented to the first-place skipper in the PHRF Spinnaker division. Other PHRF/Portsmouth trophies and other one-design class trophies will depend on registration.

10. Safety and Disclaimer of Liability:

All boats shall comply with United States Coast Guard and State of Alabama safety equipment regulations. It is the responsibility of each skipper to determine if they should start a race or continue racing (RRS 3) or if wearing a life jacket is appropriate. This does not supersede any class rules or regulations that may require wearing life jackets while on the water or racing. By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks, including catastrophic injury or death.

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