



The Gulf Coast Sailing Club
Presents The 37th Annual
Southwest Florida Regatta



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OF NAPLES
MOTORSPORTS

Porsche of Naples Cup • 2013

Southwest Florida Boat of the Year Event
PHRF event

2nd Annual Naples Melges 20 Regatta

Saturday, March 16th – Sunday, March 17th, 2013

NOTICE OF RACE

Liability Disclaimer: Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Participants in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (the organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any participant, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each participant, or in the case of minors, each participant's parent or guardian agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such participant's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Organizing Authority (OA): Gulf Coast Sailing Club, PO Box 2121, Naples, Florida, 34106.

Regatta Headquarters (RH): The Tent at Crayton Cove Area, Seven 12th Ave South Naples, Florida 34102.

1. RULES:

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2013 -2016, the Melges 20/24class association, the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions. Applicable class rules of the West Florida Performance Handicap Racing Federation (WFPHRF) will apply. This is a WFPHRF BOTY event, and will be re-scored accordingly.
- 1.2 Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply.
- 1.3 The following RRS are to be amended; 29.1 (individual recalls), 30 (starting penalties), 35 (establishes time limits); 60.1(b) (redress), 62.1(a) (redress), and Appendix A (scoring) For Melges 24 - Rule 44.1 will be changed so that the Two-

Turns penalty is replaced by the One-Turn penalty.

1.4 Class rules will apply.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

2.1 - Open to all Multi-hull and self-righting single-hulled enclosed cabin sailboats that conform to their class rules and hold a valid West Florida PHRF (WFPHRF) rating, are assigned a rating by the OA, or are recognized one-design racing in a one design class only.

2.2 *Melges 20 class must meet the obligations of the Melges 20 Class Rules and their National Authority. All Melges 20 crews must meet the IMCA crew weight rules. (The same crews and sails must be used throughout the entire regatta and substitutions will not be permitted without the explicit written approval of the Protest Committee).*

2.3 - Boat owners who are not members of WFPHRF will have a WFPHRF equivalent rating not subject to appeal assigned to them by the OA for this regatta only.

2.4 – The Boat owner must be a member in good standing of a Sailing Club.

3 ENTREES AND FEES:

3.1 The entry fee, to participate in The Southwest Florida Porsche Cup is \$125 for members of US Sailing (USS) or \$135 for non-USS members.

FOR ENTRIES RECEIVED BY Friday, March 1th, the entry fee is REDUCED to \$110 for members of US Sailing (USS) or \$120 for non-USS members.

The entry fee includes One (1) event shirt and admission for One (1) to all weekend activities including wine and draft beer at each event1.

Additional weekend wristbands are available for purchase at \$50.00 each until March 7th. Then it goes up to \$60 until after the skippers meeting.

Individually: Friday only: \$20; Saturday only: \$40; Sunday only: \$20

At the door: Friday only: \$25 Saturday only: \$50, Sunday only: \$25.

3.2 Entries shall be made at [Regatta Network](http://RegattaNetwork), which is available at www.gulfcoastsailingclub.org. Email the Liability Disclaimer, Copy of Boat Insurance, if docking at HHYC, and a copy of a WFPHRF Rating Certificate (if not in a one design class) to Randy@GulfCoastSailingClub.org

3.3 Entry Deadline is 2000 hours, Friday, March 15, 2012.

4. 2013 PORSCHE of NAPLES REGATTA SCHEDULE OF EVENTS & RACE TIMES:

Friday, March 15

5 – 7 pm Registration & Check-in at the Big White Tent at Crayton Cove Cove
6:30pm Skippers' meeting and light dinner at the Tent

Saturday, March 16

11 am First Warning Signal followed by subsequent daily races
After 6 pm 1st Day's Results
6:30 pm Dinner Buffet sponsored by [Judy Hansen of Hansen Homes](#)



Sunday, March 17

11 am First Warning Signal followed by subsequent daily races
5 pm Post Race Social & Reception with an Irish send off.
5:30 pm Awards Presentation

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

5.1 Sailing Instructions (SI's) will be provided at the Skipper's Meeting.

6. MEASUREMENT – Melges20 class:

- 6.1 Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate before the close of registration.
- 6.2 The Organizers may weigh, measure or inspect any boat and or her equipment and sails before, during or after the races. There will not be any initial measurement. Sails shall be measured and stamped by an approved measurer before arrival at the regatta

7. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS – Melges20 class:

- 7.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the event without written permission of the protest committee.
- 7.2 Boats shall not be kept on a "hydro hoist" or other flotation devices during the regatta.

8. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS– Melges20 class:

- 8.1 Underwater breathing apparatus (including snorkels) and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

9. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 9.1 While racing, a boat shall not receive radio nor cell-phone transmissions that are not available to all boats, except for an emergency or as required by the Sailing Instructions.

10 CLASSES and AWARDS:

- 10.1 The following classes may be formed depending upon the number of entries received: Melges 20, PHRF Spinnaker A, PHRF Spinnaker B, PHRF Non-Spinnaker, PHRF True Cruising, and PHRF Multihull. Boats registering in the PHRF Spinnaker class will be assigned to either Spinnaker "A" or "B" classes based upon PHRF ratings.

10.2 The number of trophies awarded per class will be based on the number of boats entered in that class.

For 1 boat - 0 trophies awarded, 2 boats-1 trophy awarded, 3 boats-2 trophies awarded and 4+boats-3 trophies awarded.

11. REGISTRATION and SKIPPERS MEETING:

11.1 A boat shall be represented in person for registration at the Friday Skippers' Meeting, including picking up the Skipper's Bag, which shall contain the Sailing Instructions and a Class Streamer.

12. RACING AREA

12.1 "Racing Area 1" is located approximate 1 miles southwest of Gordon Pass of Naples FL.

13. COURSES:

13.1 The course to be sailed, the bearing and approximate distance to the first mark will be posted on the course board displayed on the Race Committee Signal Boat. Possible course layouts will be depicted in Addendum A of the Sailing Instructions.

14. SCORING:

14.1 One race will constitute the regatta and no score will be excluded. This changes RRS A2.

14.2 This event will be scored using RRS Appendix "A" the low point system. Corrected times shall be calculated based on the boat's WFPHRF rating (or assigned rating, see 2.2), the distance of the course sailed, and the actual elapsed time in which the course was sailed (time on distance).

14.3 WFPHRF's RLC rating shall be used for all races in which less than approximately 75% of the total distance of the course requires the boats to either tack or gybe. For races of 75% or greater, the BUOY rating shall be used. If there is any doubt, the RLC rating shall be used. The PRO is solely responsible for determining which rating category is used and the decision may not be appealed through redress. This amends RRS #60.1(b).

15. DOCKAGE & STORAGE:

15.1 For dockage in Naples contact Randy Young at 239-825-4728 no later than March 1st. Proof of boat insurance is required when requesting dockage. Reservations must be to GCSC by March 1th.

15.2 Marinas

Naples City Dock – Phone 239-213-3070, fax: 239-213-3072 and email: citydock@naplesgov.com.

16. Parking:

Must be done on site at the Big White Tent – No Street Parking available. Parking Plan Appendix A

16.1 Parking passes will be in the skipper's bags. They should be placed in the windshield to park on site.

16.2 There will be controlled access to the on site parking.

16.3 Teams are encouraged to carpool.

16.4 If on site parking is filled, you will be directed to City Parking lot.

17. LODGING:

17.1 Cove Inn

900 Broad Ave South Naples, FL 34103-4408 (239) 262--7161

Gulfcoast Inn Naples

2555 Tamiami Trail N Naples, FL 34103-4408 (239) 261-6046

GCSC rate:– call by ASAP

Mention "Porsche Cup"

Book Now! Rooms will NOT last at this rate.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

For Information, please go to our website at: <http://www.gulfcoastsailingclub.org>
or contact Randy for Racing Information at Randy@GulfCoastSailingClub.org

contact Chris Divine for Landside Event at ChrisD@GulfCoastSailingClub.org

Enter online at [Regatta Network](http://www.regattanetwork.com)

https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registration_form.php?regatta_id=6341



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