



2013 Gulf Ocean Racing Circuit

April 5-7, 2013

Sanctioned by the Gulf Yachting Association

Hosted by the Biloxi Yacht Club

Biloxi, Mississippi USA

NOTICE OF RACE

Rules

The races will be governed by *the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*; the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association and the GYA Regulations For Sanctioned Events (Available at www.gya.org). GYA PHRF maximum crew limits, except as any of these are altered by the sailing instructions. Advertising will be restricted to Category A.

Eligibility

Eligible yachts with a current GYA PHRF Rating Certificate may be entered by completing registration with the Biloxi Yacht Club through April 4, 2013, 18:00. No yacht with a GYA PHRF rating higher than 240 may participate.

Schedule of Events

The Race Committee may conduct multiple races in any of the three days of the series.

Event	Date	Time	Location
Registration	Up to April 4, 2013	18:00	
Briefing	Thursday, 4/4/2013	19:00	Dining Room
Race Offshore/"Round the Island"	Friday, 4/5/2013	09:55*	Biloxi, MS
Race(s) Sport Boat/Cruising	Friday, 4/5/2013	11:55*	Biloxi, MS
Race Offshore/Steeplechase	Saturday, 4/6/2013	09:55*	Biloxi, MS
Race(s) Sport Boat/Cruising	Saturday, 4/6/2013	11:55*	Biloxi, MS
Race(s)	Sunday, 4/7/2013	11:55*	Biloxi, MS

*Warning Signal Times

Advanced Registration

Yachts may register in advance on the BYC website (www.biloxiyc.org) or mail/deliver the registration form to the BYC Office (attn: 2013 GORC, address listed below). Yachts may also register on April 4, 2013 by 18:00 at the BYC Regatta Desk.

Fees

Offshore & Sport Boat Class

\$50 USSA Member
\$60 Non-USSA Member

Cruising/ Non Spinnaker Class

\$40 USSA Member
\$50 Non-USSA Member

Measurement

Each yacht shall submit a current valid GYA PHRF rating certificate number with the registration form. GYA PHRF maximum crew limits are in effect for this event.

Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be available at the Biloxi Yacht Club on Thursday April 4, 2013 and at the club's website at www.biloxiyc.org. Any questions concerning the Sailing Instructions must be provided to the Race Committee in writing before 20:00, Thursday, April 4, 2013. Answers will be posted no later than Thursday, April 4, 2013, at 21:00.

Regatta Site

The regatta site is illustrated on NOAA Chart 11373 at the Biloxi Yacht Club, Biloxi, Mississippi.

Safety

All yachts must meet United States Coast Guard (USCG) safety equipment regulations.

Scoring

The Low-point Scoring System Appendix A2 of the racing rules, no throw out races (alters Appendix A2.1), two races must be completed to constitute a series.

Classes

PHRF A, B & C will be available. This class will sail fixed mark, windward-leeward, and steeplechase race courses. This class will be limited to non-Sport Boats only.

A new Sport Boat class will be available, sailing windward/leeward race courses. Sport Boats are identified as "Sport Boats" on their PHRF certificates. Refer to www.GYA-PHRF.com for further information.

A Cruising/Non-Spinnaker Class will be available, this class will sail a fixed government mark course, one race per day and is not eligible for the Most Outstanding Yacht award.

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