

GBCA



# St. Patty's Day Spring Regatta

Galveston Bay  
March 15, 2014

Galveston Bay Cruising Association & Watergate Yachting Center  
1500 Marina Bay Dr. Suite 1592 Building #113B, Clear Lake Shores, TX 77565

## Notice of Race

### Rules

The regatta will be governed by the *Rules* as defined in the 2013-2016 Racing Rules of Sailing, the Sailing Instructions and this Notice of Race.

### Eligibility

This regatta is open to all boats with valid 2014 PHRF-GB certificates, boats entering for GBCA Club Handicap, and others that can form a one design class and supply a set of class rules, subject to the discretion of the race committee. A minimum of three boats is required to form a class. Classes which have formed by 1700 hours Wednesday, March 12, 2014 will be awarded trophies as follows:

- 3 boats: 1<sup>st</sup> place
- 4-5 boats: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> place
- 6-8 boats: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place
- 9-10 boats: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> place
- 11 or more boats: 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> place

Classes which form after 1700 hours Wednesday, March 12, 2014 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](https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_club_events.php?CLUB_ID=162) .

PHRF certificates may be uploaded at the time of registration (preferred), or delivered to the competitors briefing. The entry fee will be \$40.00. Current members of US Sailing will receive a \$5.00 discount. Entry fees will be refunded if the entry is withdrawn prior to the entry deadline. The deadline for all entries is Friday, March 14, 2014 at 1930 CST. However, entries received after 2359 CST, Wednesday, March 12, 2014 will be subject to a \$10.00 late fee.

## **Courses**

Courses will be distance courses around a combination of fixed government marks and dropped tetrahedron marks; located in that 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, March 14, 2014 and at [https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet\\_club\\_events.php?CLUB\\_ID=162](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 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](https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_club_events.php?CLUB_ID=162) .

## **Scoring**

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

One completed race constitutes a series.

## **Schedule of Events**

A Competitors Briefing will be held at the GBCA office at 1900 Friday, March 14, 2014.

One long or two shorter races may be run during the regatta, depending upon wind conditions. Subsequent races for each class will be started as soon as possible after the class has finished the prior race. The warning signal for the first race for each day of the regatta will not be before 1100 hours.

Following the conclusion of Saturday's races, festivities and awards presentation on Saturday, March 15th at the GBCA office, deck and pool area.