



BLUEWATER BAY SAILING CLUB



NOTICE OF RACE

2023 BBSC Sail Fest! **Sponsored By Gulf Pool Service** **Saturday & Sunday, June 24-25th, 2023**

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2. Sail Fest – PHRF is one of the races in the BBSC “Commodore’s Cup” series.
- 1.3. Sail Fest – PHRF is a single-race event, however, Sail Fest is a two-day event with PHRF race on Saturday, and small boat (Portsmouth) race on Sunday. Participation in both days is highly encouraged!

2. COMMUNICATION

- 2.1. This Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions, and notices to competitors will be available upon release electronically online at the official noticeboard at: <https://nextsailor.com/regatta/2023BBSCSailfest> (QR Code above) and also posted in hardcopy on the BBSC corkboard in LJ Schooner’s Oyster Bar (in the big-screen TV area).
- 2.2. Sail Fest – **Small Boats**: Information will be posted at BBSC.com, and on the BBSC Small Boat “GroupMe” page. Contact the fleet captain for help accessing that information.

3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 3.1. The Saturday race is open to all PHRF rated boats. The Fleet Captain will assign you a rating if you do not have one. The Small Boat race will be open to Portsmouth rated boats designed to be 21 feet in length or less.
- 3.2. Register electronically for the Saturday PHRF race at the link in 2.1 (above).
- 3.3. Fees: The PHRF entry fee is \$30 per boat, or one-time \$200 for the season. Small Boats are \$5 per sailor, per race, or \$30 for the season.

4. CLASSES

- 4.1. PHRF: Spinnaker, and X-Class.
 - 4.1.1. Spinnaker Class will use “legacy” GYA PHRF ratings.
 - 4.1.2. X-Class will be assigned a rating based on prior performance in BBSC events. Contact the Fleet Captain (info below) with questions.
- 4.2. Small Boat: All Portsmouth rated boats will compete in one class.



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5. SCHEDULE

5.1. Saturday, 24 June

- 9:00 In-Person Registration @ L.J. Schooner's Pavilion
- 10:00 Competitor's meeting
- 11:55 First Warning
- 5:00 (approximate) Results & Awards @ L.J. Schooner's Pavilion

5.2. Sunday, 25 June

- 1:00 First Start on Rocky Bayou – Four races are planned
- 3:00 No new race will start after 3:00
- 5:00 (approximate) Results & Awards @ L.J. Schooner's Pavilion

6. COURSES

- 6.1. The racing area will be located on the waters of the Choctawhatchee Bay and Rocky Bayou
- 6.2. X-Class will compete in a random leg course defined by a combination of government and dropped marks with a course length of approximately 15-17 NM.
- 6.3. Spinnaker Class will compete in three windward – leeward races with each race covering approximately four miles.

7. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 7.1. RRS 3 States the following: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that each skipper is responsible for the safety of his/her vessel and crew.

8. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 8.1. Race page on nextSailor <https://nextsailor.com/regatta/2023BBSCSailfest>
***Scan the QR Code at the top of the page**
- 8.2. Dockage for visiting boats, or shuttle back/forth from anchor: Coordinate with the BBSC Fleet Captain at PHRF-Fleet-Captain@bbsc.com or call/text (702) 686-9042

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