

BCYC PHRF Club Racing
Boca Ciega Yacht Club
September 18th, 2022 through June 18th, 2023
Gulfport, FL USA

Notice of Race (NoR)

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 *The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021-2024 including US Sailing Prescriptions* available at <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/rules-officiating/the-racing-rules-of-sailing-2021-2024/> applies.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available after on August 21st at <https://sailbcyc.org/sundayseries> and in the BCYC Club House at the Racing Announcements board.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The physical official announcement board is located inside of the BCYC Club House on the east wall.
- 3.2 The online official notice board is located at <https://sailbcyc.org/TrendingNow>
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs and at the Skippers' Meeting.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to current BCYC members and their invited guests sailing PHRF-rated sailboats.
- 4.2 All club-owned Catalina 16.5Ks or Sunfish must have a current BCYC member on board.
- 4.3 The PHRF handicapping system applies to all boats participating.
- 4.4 Eligible boats may enter by the series by sending an email to racing@sailbcyc.org including their full name, boat name, boat description, and PHRF handicap if known.

4.5 Late entries will be accepted in person by contacting the BCYC Racing Chair at the pre-race Skippers' Meeting.

5 **FEES**

5.1 There are no fees associated with this series.

6 **SCHEDULE**

6.1 Registration is open for the duration of the series

6.2 Races will be the Sunday following the third Friday of the month (i.e., BCYC "Club Weekend") for each month a club meeting is schedule. Dates of racing:

Date
9/18/2022
10/23/2022
11/2022
1/22/2023
2/19/2023
3/19/2023
4/23/2023
5/21/2023
6/18/2023

6.3 The number of races occurring each race day will vary based on weather and tide conditions. Number of races:

Class	Races per day Scheduled	Races per day Maximum
PHRF	1	3

6.4 A Skippers' Meeting will occur at the BCYC Club House Main Hall at 11:00 of each racing day unless announced differently by the BCYC Racing Chair.

6.5 Unless otherwise communicated at the Skippers' Meeting, the scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 12:00.

6.6 On the day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 14:30.

7 **EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

7.1 Each boat shall produce or verify the existence of a valid West Florida PHRF.

7.2 For sailboats without a current certificate issued by West Florida PHRF, a rating will be assigned by the BCYC Racing Chair using the West Florida or another organization's PHRF ratings for similar production sailboats sailing in similar conditions to Boca Ciega Bay.

8 **VENUE**

8.1 The sailing area is Boca Ciega Bay, south of the BCYC facility.

9 **SCORING**

9.1 The scoring system is defined in Appendix A of the RRS

9.2 Time-on-Time scoring using each boat's PHRF race results shall be used.

10 **RISK STATEMENT**

10.1 RRS 3 states: '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 sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

11 **PRIZES**

11.1 There are no monetary or trophy prizes. Top-performing boats and skippers in the series may have their names added to an appropriate plaque to be kept at the BCYC Club House. Token awards may also be announced and delivered at club meetings.

12 **FURTHER INFORMATION**

12.1 For further information please contact the BCYC Racing Chair via email: racing@sailbcyc.org