

# NOTICE OF RACE & RALLY BRISA ESTE

**MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND**  
**May 25, 26, 27, 2024**  
**Culebra, Puerto Rico**



## 1) General

The Organizing Authority (OA), BRISA ESTE, is honored to offer its members and the general sailing community the 2024 *Race of the Titans Regatta* and the *Vuelta a Culebra Fun Rally* scheduled for May 25, 26, and 27, 2024 at the eastern waters Puerto Rico and Culebra Island.

The three-day event will include:

- 1) A +/- 24nm regatta (***Race of the Titans***) from Fajardo to “Cayo Pirata” on Saturday,
- 2) A +/- 19nm fun sailing rally around Culebra on Sunday and,
- 3) On-land social activities on Saturday and Sunday evenings.

Vessels that decide not to register for Saturday’s *Race of the Titans* regatta may depart to Culebra at the time of their choice and participate in all on-land activities and on Sunday’s *Around Culebra Rally*.

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### **Saturday May 25 - Race of the Titans Regatta**

#### **Rules**

- 1.1. The regatta event is governed by the rules defined in the **Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)** 2021-2024 Edition. To the extent permitted by Part 7 of the RRS, specific provisions of the RRS could be modified, altered, or made inoperative by addendums to the Notice of Race (NOR) or by the Sailing Instructions (SI).
- 1.2. **Eligibility and Entry:** The regatta is open to sailboats of 25-ft or larger in the following classes:
  - CSA Jib & Main – (Single headsail and pole for the downwind leg).
  - CSA Performance Cruisers – (Symmetrical or Asymmetrical headsail and pole for the downwind leg)
  - PRHF RAYA (Race as You Are) – (Single headsail and pole for the downwind leg.)
- 1.3. Classes will be arranged according to rating. The RC will determine the number of divisions within the classes. The RC reserves the right to accept or reject entries in the classes.
- 1.3. Vessels participating in the Jib and Main and Performance Cruisers class shall be rated by the CSA handicap system, either “Measured “or “Simplified”. Only boats with official 2022, 2023, or 2024 CSA Certificates will be allowed to race. CSA rating certificates may be obtained by contacting Puerto Rico’s CSA Measurer Rafael Martinez, (787) 510-4817, and at [www.rjm4@email.com](mailto:www.rjm4@email.com)
- 1.4. Vessel participating in the PRHF RAYA class shall provide a PRHF rating certificate. However, in the absence of such, a rating may be assigned to the vessel in coordination with the RC prior to the commencement of the race.

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- 1.5 A minimum of three (3) vessels is required to constitute a class.
- 1.6 Depending on the number of vessels registered for the Saturday Regatta, the Race Committee may divide the class as it sees fit to make a fair division of participants.
- 1.7 The first warning for the regatta is scheduled to be at 1030 hrs.

## 2 – Registration for Saturday’s Race of the Titans Regatta

- 2.1 Registration and payment for boats participating on Saturday’s regatta and all other activities, shall be made through [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com) no later than Friday, May 24, 2024. *Registration through yacht scoring assumes participation in all activities, including Sunday’s rally. No need to register twice.*
- 2.2 Registration for boats skipping the regatta but taking part on Sunday’s rally and the on-land activities, or those arriving by other means, use this form to order: <https://forms.gle/vRHnzpZDyc8xq5Zu7>
- 2.3 **Entry fees:**

EARLY BIRD Until March 15, 2024.	REGULAR March 16, to April 15, 2024.	LATE Registration April 16, to May 24, 2024
\$190.00*	\$225.00*	\$250.00*
<p>Includes: Boat fee plus:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) One SPF Long Sleeve Shirt,</li><li>2) One Vuelta a Culebra cap</li><li>3) Dinner for one at Saturday night activity,</li><li>4) Dinner for one at Sunday night activity,</li><li>5) Welcome Kit.</li></ol> <p>Additional tickets and items are available at: <a href="https://forms.gle/vRHnzpZDyc8xq5Zu7">https://forms.gle/vRHnzpZDyc8xq5Zu7</a></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) Saturday Dinner per person - \$20.00</li><li>2) Sunday Dinner per person - \$25.00</li><li>3) Vuelta a Culebra SPF Long Sleeve Shirt - \$30.00 ea.</li><li>4) Vuelta Culebra Cap \$25.00 ea.</li></ol> <p>*Plus PR tax of 11.5%</p>		

## 3 – Course for Regatta (Race of Titans) - Marks

- 3.1
  - a. **Start** -East of the exterior seawall of the Safe Harbor – Puerto del Rey Marina.
  - b. Punta del Soldado (the southeastern point of Culebra) to Port (19-nm)
  - c. N -10 (red nun buoy) at the entrance to Ensenada Honda to Starboard (1.2-nm)
  - d. **Finish** - Southeastern point of “Cayo Pirata” Cay (1.4nm)

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- 3.2 The Start time, the location of the RCV, and additional racecourse information for the Saturday regatta will be notified by the RC at the Sailing Instructions

#### 4 - Communication, Notices, VHF Channel

- 4.1 Vessels shall carry a **VHF radio** to be used exclusively for the purpose of safety and RC communications. During the Regatta and Rally – through VHF Radio **Channel 9**.
- 4.2 Communications prior to the event shall be through the [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com) website, emails, and / or the BRISA Este Chat at WhatsApp.
- 4.3 Participants are encouraged to carry and be familiar with pertinent navigation charts and be aware of existing hazards to navigation.

#### 5 – Identification of Boat / Sails

- 5.1 Boats will be identified by national letters, numbers or combinations placed on all sails. In the case of a duplicate number the last boat to be registered should modify its number before the first warning signal.

#### 6- Sailing Instructions

- 6.1 The Sailing Instructions for the regatta shall be posted in [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com) website under ***“Race of the Titans 2024”***.

#### 7 – Safety

- 7.1 Safety requirements shall comply with USCG regulations and as per RRS instructions.
- 7.2 Participants should comply with recognized principles of sportsmanship and fair play.

#### 8 - Advertising

- 8.1 Boats may be required to display advertisements chosen and supplied by the OA.

#### 9 - Awards

- 9.1. Trophies will be awarded to the first three places of each class to be presented Sunday evening at the on-land activity.

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## **Around Culebra Rally**

### **Sunday May 26, 2024 -**

This is an informal non-competitive sailing activity for BRISA members and guests.

#### 10- Rules

- 10.1 Abide by applicable International Navigation Rules (72 COLREGS).
- 10.2 Carry and be familiar with NOAA Nautical Chart 25653 “Isla de Culebra and Approaches” or its equivalent.

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#### 11. Course

- 11.1 In general terms, the rally will consist of a counterclockwise course around Culebra Island, as follows:
1. **Start** at the Southeastern point of “Cayo Pirata” Cay.
  2. Nun Red Buoy 10 at the entrance of Ensenada Honda Bay to **Port**
  3. Culebra Island to **Port**.
  3. Cayo Luis Peña to **Starboard**.
  4. Nun Red Buoy 10 at the entrance of Ensenada Honda Bay to **Starboard**.
  5. **Finish** - Southeastern point of “Cayo Pirata” Cay.
- 11.2 The first warning signal for the Rally shall be at 1100 hrs.
- 11.3 Depending on the number of vessels, the RC may divide the fleet as it sees fit to provide a less crowded passage out of Ensenada Honda.

#### 12 - Advertising

- 12.1 Boats may be required to display advertisements chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

#### 13 – Certificates of Participation

- 13.1. Certificates of participation will be awarded to all vessels that complete the rally.
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### On-Land Activities

#### 14 - Schedule

- 14.1 The Culebra Municipal Pier at Ensenada Honda will be the location for registration and meeting place of on-land activities commencing on Saturday afternoon.
- **SATURDAY**, May 25,2024, 1900 hrs, gathering of participants at **La Lobina Sport Bar** for dinner, cash bar, and dancing with live DJ.
  - **SUNDAY** May 26,2024, 1900 hrs, gathering of participants at **La Lobina Sport Bar** for dinner, distribution of awards and certificates, cash bar, and dancing with live DJ.
  - **MONDAY**, May 27,2024, Participants are free to schedule their activities and return to their respective marinas as pleased.

Water taxi will be available for boat anchored at “Ensenada Honda” for a small fee.

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#### **Disclaimer of Liability**

Participants agree to take all responsibility for the nautical qualities of their vessels, the rigging, the crew's ability, and the safety equipment. Participants also agree to take any and all responsibility for damages caused to third persons (bodily injury included but not limited thereto) or their belongings, to themselves (bodily injury included but not limited thereto) or to their belongings, ashore and at sea as a consequence of their participation in the Rally, relieving of any responsibility BRISA Inc, its Officers, Directors, and all persons involved in the organization under whatever qualification.

Participants are to be acquainted with WS RRS Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a rally or to continue sailing is hers alone". In any case, Participants agree that BRISA Inc., their agents, the sponsors, and their agents, have no responsibility for loss of life or injury to members or others or for the loss of, or damage to any vessel or property. As part of the registration process, each individual participating must sign a waiver of liability. By participating in this event each Participant agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include high 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.

#### **Right to Use and Likeness**

By participating in this activity, participants automatically grant the OA the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures, and live, taped, or filmed television and other reproductions of the Participant during the period of this activity without compensation.

#### **Additional Information**

- a. Regatta Chairperson Enid Marie Reyes – [comodorobrisaestepr@gmail.com](mailto:comodorobrisaestepr@gmail.com)
- b. Regatta Officer – Cpt. Carlos Martinez – [cmartine97@gmail.com](mailto:cmartine97@gmail.com)

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## Addenda

### Race of the Titans Course:



