



# DUNEDIN BOAT CLUB <u>GULF SERIES</u>: Two Regattas, Six Race Dates

# **NOTICE OF RACE** ("NOR")

**2020** (Amended 8/3/20.)

DBC Gulf Series - (Winter Regatta) January 25, 2020 February 15, 2020 April 11, 2020 DBC Gulf Series (Fall Regatta) September 12, 2020 October 24, 2020 November 21, 2020

# 1. RULES

The races will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

# 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The races are open to any vessel which meets criteria for category 4 races plus equipment specified in the sailing instructions.
- 2.2. Registration will be on-line through Yacht Scoring and may be accessed at the Dunedin Boat Club "Racing" tab website or at these links: <u>https://www.yachtscoring.com/select\_event.cfm</u> https://dunedinboatclub.org/racing-2/201-racing-schedule
- 2.3. All Skippers and their entire Crew are required to register at Yacht Scoring.com. and registration must include participants contact information to include their email address and cell phone number to assist with communications and alerts.
- 2.4. All Skippers and their Crew during registration must read and acknowledge their respective waivers in order for the vessel to be able to compete.

# 3. FEES

# **DBC Gulf Series Details:**

- 3.1.1.Six race dates, multiple races possible
- 3.1.2. Register online via Yacht Scoring and PayPal, USD only.
- 3.1.3.Individual Race Date = \$15 per race date

3.1.4. Registration closes at 2000 hrs. EDT (8PM) on the Thursday preceding the race date

#### Winter Regatta Fees

3.1.5.Includes 3 race dates, multiple races possible

- 3.1.6. Series **<u>prepaid</u>** for 3 race dates = \$30.00 by close of registration
- 3.1.7.Individual race = \$15.00 per race date

# Fall Regatta Fees

- 3.1.8.Includes 3 race dates, multiple races possible
- 3.1.9. Series **<u>prepaid</u>** for 3 race dates = \$30.00 by close of registration
- 3.1.10. Individual race = 15.00 per race date
- 3.2 There will be no refunds.
- 3.3 There shall be a minimum of three registered competitors by 2000 hrs. on the Thursday preceding the race date in order for a race to be held.





# **4 RATING REQUIREMENTS**

All entrants must have a valid PHRF rating obtained from www.westfloridaphrf.org on record with DBC Race committee. Obtain a receipt acknowledgement from Race Committee. If you are awaiting your rating, you may be given a provisional rating by the Race Committee.

#### 5 VENUE

The location of the regatta will be in the Gulf of Mexico approximately one (1) mile south of the Clearwater Inlet marker #1.

#### 6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Yacht Scoring will be the Official Notice Board. The Dunedin Boat Club website will be the Unofficial Notice Board. The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available on-line through Yacht Scoring and may be accessed at the Dunedin Boat Club "Racing" tab website or at this link: https://www.yachtscoring.com/select\_event.cfm

#### 7 MARKS

Marks will consist of those described in the sailing instructions for that race with both orange buoys and large yellow canister inflatables used.

#### 8 CLASSES

- 1.1. A Class must have 3 boats to have an individual class start.
- 1.2. The class flag shall be nautical flag number 1 for the spinnaker fleet, nautical flag number 3 for the cruising fleet. Other class flags may be added as registration dictates.





#### 9 SCORING

- 1.1. Six "race dates" with multiple races per day possibilities are scheduled
- 1.2. Yacht Scoring on-line management will be used
- 1.3. Low Point scoring will be the point format
- 1.4. The cumulative total of the races completed for that "Race Date" will be the final standing for that Race Date used in that Regatta's final results.
- 1.5. In the event Race Committee cannot secure a boat to serve as Signal, a competitor boat who gives up a race to serve as Signal for Race Committee will be given points equal to 1<sup>st</sup> place for that specific race.

#### 10 START TIME

The starting sequence for all races within the DBC Gulf Series will begin at 1155 hrs.

#### 11 CHECK-IN

All boats are required to check in with the Race Committee via VHF radio channel 72 before the starting sequence begins or by crossing starboard to port at the stern of signal, providing their sail number and receiving Race Committee acknowledgement.





# 12 START/FINISH LINE

- 12.2 The start finish/ finish line shall be between an orange flag on the Committee Boat and an orange buoy on the pin end.
- 12.3 In the unlikely event of no Committee Boat, the start/finish line may be between two orange buoys on station. Competitors will be required to record their GPS finish time and simultaneously transmit their finish GPS time via VHF radio channel 72 to Race Committee as well as text that time to Race Committee as soon as possible. See FOR FURTHER INFORMATION below.

#### 13 TIME LIMIT

The time limit shall be 1600 hrs.

#### 14 LIMITS OF RACING

- 14.2 No race shall take place in winds consistently above 20 knots or severely foul weather, particularly with a westerly wind.
- 14.3 Race events are subject to a minimum of 3 competitors for each race

#### **15 NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT BEFORE THE START**

In the event of cancellation, the notice of cancellation will be displayed at Yacht Scoring, the Official Notice Board by 0900 hrs. the morning of the race. Every effort will be made to contact each entrant by cell phone.

#### 16 MAKE-UP RACES

There will be no Race Date make-ups.

#### 17 AWARDS

- 17.2 Awards for first, second and third place for:
- 17.2.1 The Winter Regatta awarded at a DBC General Meeting
- 17.2.2 The Fall Regatta awarded at a DBC General Meeting
- 17.2.3 The Dunedin Boat Club's BOAT OF THE YEAR ("BOTY") goes to the DBC Member with the lowest accumulated score in the Gulf as measured by Yacht Scoring.

#### **18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Sailing is an activity that has inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in these events are participating entirely at their own risk. <u>See RRS 4, Decision to Race</u>. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law. Competitors must complete registration and accept their waiver at online registration

# **19 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat is required to hold adequate insurance, and it is the owner's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure insurance is in place and adequate to participating in these events. Owner registration requires the name of their insurer and policy number.





# 20 Health & Safety – Covid-19 Precautions:

20.1 Competitors will abide by all the rules, regulations and documents that will govern this Regatta including any safety related measures required by any State emergency order(s) issued as a result of any health orders by the Federal, State or Local Government.

- 20.2 Due to COVID-19, this Regatta may be cancelled by as late as 2000 hrs. on Thursday preceding the race date. If cancellation becomes necessary, refunds will be processed.
- 20.3 Wearing of gators, buffs, or masks is encouraged at all times.
- 20.4 Social distancing is encouraged at all times.
- 20.5 Use of hand sanitizer and washing of hands is encouraged frequently.
- 20.6 No food will be provided by the Organizing Authority.
- 20.7 All county related guidelines, ordinances and information pertaining to COVID-19 can be found via the following link: <u>https://covid19.pinellascounty.org/</u>

# 21 FOR FURTHER INFORMAITON

For further information, contact Dunedin Boat Club - Race Chairman David Kresge at 813-833-2285 or dckoffsu@gmail.com