



**THE 80th ANNUAL
COMMODORE BERNARD L. KNOST
LADIES CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA
AUGUST 12-13, 2017
PASS CHRISTIAN YACHT CLUB
NOTICE OF RACE**

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

1.1. The organizing authority is the Pass Christian Yacht Club (PCYC).

1.2. GYA Regulation 23 – Judges and Protest Committees, states that there will be on-the-water judges. The judges will have the final authority as to whether a race shall be started or abandoned.

2. RULES

2.1. The regatta will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the prescriptions of US Sailing, the Gulf Yachting Association (GYA) *Regulations for Sanctioned Events (which can be found at www.gya.org)* and the respective class rules, except as any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions. In the event of any conflict, the NOR and Sailing Instructions shall govern.

2.2. Scoring: the RRS A4 Low Point System shall be used. However, no scores shall be excluded. This changes RRS A2.1.

2.3. Crew Lists and Crew List Changes: For the Flying Scot Class, Team Captains shall adhere to 2017 GYA Regulation 28.8 except the reporting time will be 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start of each race.

2.4. VHF Radios Aboard Flying Scots. Flying Scot Sailing Association Class Rule 7C is changed to allow the use of VHF radios to monitor the Race Committee (RC) on the same channel used by the RC and to receive notifications from the RC at any time during the race day. As a courtesy, the Race Committee will use Channel 68 to provide information to competitors. After the starting signal, the Race Committee will attempt to hail boats (including by VHF radio) that are OCS and boats that have not complied with RRS 30.1. The delay of such hails, the order of hailing, the lack of a hail, or failure of a competitor to hear such a hail shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

3. CLASSES AND ELIGIBILITY

3.1. Flying Scot competition for the Commodore Bernard L. Knost Trophy & Banner:

- (a) GYA General Member clubs in good standing are eligible to participate.
- (b) All requirements are outlined in the GYA Regulations for Sanctioned Events, and in particular Regulation 32.
- (c) Six (6) races are scheduled. One race completed shall constitute a series. A team member may sail in up to four races (either crew up to four times or skipper up to two times and crew up to two times).
- (d) All Team Captains, Skippers and Crew shall have been members of the GYA Club that they represent for at least one month prior to August 11, 2017.
- (e) Crews shall number three or four (the skipper and two or three crewmembers).
- (f) In accordance with Regulation 32.2 as modified and approved at the 2016 Annual Meeting, one crew in each race – not the skipper – may be in the 9-11 age range. Racing skippers and additional crew shall be limited to females who have reached the age of twelve years before January 1st of the year of the series.

3.2. PHRF Competition for the Drury Dragon Schneider Trophy:

Two races are scheduled. One race completed shall constitute a series. Entries are limited to seaworthy yachts not less than 20' LOA with a draft not less than 22" and with a minimum freeboard of 10". All yachts must be equipped with a VHF radio. More than half of the crew, including the skipper, must be female. Yachts that register as spinnaker class must have a current GYA PHRF certificate.

4. REGULATIONS GOVERNING MALE ASSISTANCE

There will be no male assistance to the Flying Scot class while the boat is in the water. The Race Committee may grant exceptions by request.

5. REGISTRATION AND FEES

Registration will be in the PCYC clubhouse on Saturday, August 12, 2017 between from 0900 to 1100. There are no registration fees for Flying Scot races. The fee for PHRF yachts will be \$50.00.

6. SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 12, 2016:

0900-1100 Breakfast & Registration

1000 PoBoys, ice, beer, and snacks available for takeout

1100 Competitor's meeting

1155 Warning signal for PHRF class yachts

1230 Warning signal for the first Flying Scot race with additional races to follow. Races will be sailed back-to-back, with crew changes on the water. If a team needs assistance changing crews, please notify the RC in writing prior to the Competitor's meeting.

1100 Lunch

1700-2100 A La Carte Dining

Sunday, August 13, 2016:

0900-1100 Coffee & Breakfast

1000 PoBoys, ice, beer, and snacks available for takeout

1055 Warning signal for PHRF class yachts

1155 Warning signal for Flying Scots. Additional races will be sailed back-to-back.

1430 No race will be started after 1430 hours

Trophy presentation will follow the conclusion of all races.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.

8. SLIPS

Teams requiring slips for spectator or crew change boats should contact the Harbor Master's Office Directly for assignment. Tel. (228)-452-5128. There may also be limited courtesy space available on the PCYC pier for August 11-13 on a reservation basis- please contact PCYC directly.

9. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For additional information, please contact:

PCYC and check the website for further information.

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