



NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, May 20, 2023

Southern Yacht Club

105 North Roadway Drive

New Orleans, LA 70124

(504) 288-4200

Gulf Yachting Association

ORGANIZED 1901 – REORGANIZED 1920

TO: Commodores of General and Affiliate Members
GYA Executive Committee
GYA Past Commodores
GYA Standing Committee and Council Chairmen
GYA Coordinator of each GYA General Member Club
GYA Associate Members

The Gulf Yachting Association Annual Board of Directors Meeting, in conjunction with the Opening Regatta will be held May 19-21, 2023, at the Southern Yacht Club, 105 North Roadway Drive, New Orleans, LA 70124, (504) 288-4200. GYA Standing Committee Chairs and Council Chairs should submit their written reports prior to the meeting to the GYA Secretary. As some mailing and/or email contact information at each club may have changed since our last meeting, please distribute this information to the appropriate contacts at your club if applicable.

FRIDAY, MAY 19, 2023

1730 GYA Executive Committee Meeting (Board Room)

1830 Commodores Cocktail Reception (by invitation)

SATURDAY, May 20, 2023

0830 - 1030 Continental Breakfast

1000 GYA Semi-Annual Meeting (East Dining Room)

1100 Competitors Meeting Underneath Clubhouse

1130 Flag Raising Ceremony (SYC Lawn)

1255 First Warning Signal; back-to-back races to follow

- Capdevielle & Open Viper 640

- GYA Masters Flying Scot

1730 - 2030 Food and Band "Rockin' Dopsie" under the Clubhouse

SUNDAY May 21, 2023

0800 - 0900 Continental Breakfast

1025 First Warning Signal; back-to-back races to follow

- Capdevielle & Open Viper 640

- Other One Design classes

1430 No races start after this time

ASAP Trophy Presentation under the Clubhouse

GYA COMMODORES (GENERAL MEMBER CLUB COMMODORES) – As a member of the GYA Board of Directors, your club's attendance is very important. We request that you please respond to the GYA Secretary no later than **Monday, May 1, 2023** as to if your club will have representation at the meeting, either by you personally or by a proxy (secretary@gya.org). This information will help to ensure a quorum is met so business may be conducted.

The following racing regulation changes will be presented for your consideration:

Current Rule

5.1 Race Committees

(b) The Lipton Cup race management shall be by the Lipton Race Committee appointed by the GYA Commodore using a US Sailing certified Regional or higher race official as the PRO.

Proposed Rule

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(b) The Lipton Cup race management shall be by the Lipton Race Committee appointed by the GYA Commodore using a US Sailing certified **Club Level** or higher race official as the PRO.

Current Rule

5.2 Judges and Protest Committees

(b) For the Opening, Lipton Cup, Junior Lipton Championship (Junior Lipton), Knost Ladies Championship (Knost), GYA Race of Champions, GYA Fish Class Championship, and GYA Offshore Challenge Cup, judges shall be appointed by the GYA Administrative Judge, be approved by the ExCom and shall include a US Sailing certified judge as the Chief Judge. Judges at these events shall be on the water during the event.

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Proposed Rule

26 GYA FORMULA WAVE CLASS CHAMPIONSHIP

26.1 Host Club. The Championship shall be sailed annually at a location and on a date approved by the BOD. The Host Club shall:

- a) Schedule and conduct the event annually.
- b) Provide the boats.
- c) Provide borrowed boat insurance.

26.2 Eligibility. Applications to Compete shall be accepted for a single team from any GYA club.

26.3 Trophies

- (a) The host club shall purchase and award trophies to the winning helmsman in each race.
- (b) The host club shall purchase and award trophies to the first, second and third place clubs.

26.4 Perpetual Trophy. The winning club shall be awarded the To Be Named Trophy and the GYA Formula Wave Class Championship Banner.

Renumbering due to new reg 26

GYA Sanctioned Event. A regatta or championship series established and sustained as a sanctioned event by the BOD shall be open only to GYA clubs and their members, unless otherwise stated in these regulations. A skipper who is a member of more than one GYA club may represent only one club in a sanctioned event. Sanctioned Events:

Event Name	Abbreviated Name	Event Style	Specific Governing Regulation
GYA Interclub Championship for the Commodore Auguste Capdevielle Memorial Trophy	Capdevielle	One-Design	Regulations 7 through 23
GYA Fish Class Championship for the John G. Curren Trophy	Fish Class Championship	One-Design	Regulation 24
GYA Multihull Championship for the Commodore Luis B. Pollack Trophy	Multihull	Handicap	Regulation 25
GYA FORMULA WAVE CLASS CHAMPIONSHIP		One-Design	Regulation 26
GYA Masters Regatta for the Commodore John Dane Memorial Trophy	Masters	One-Design	Regulation 27
GYA 420 Championship		One-Design	Regulation 28
GYA Individual Flying Scot Championship for the Cock of the Walk Trophy		One-Design	Regulation 29
GYA Laser Championship		One-Design	Regulation 30
GYA Lightning Championship for the Commodore Eugene Taylor Trophy		One-Design	Regulation 31
GYA Sunfish Championship for the Charles Galloway Trophy		One-Design	Regulation 32
GYA J/22 Championship for the Commodore Henry G. "Harry" Chapman Trophy		One-Design	Regulation 33
GYA Finn Class Championship		One-Design	Regulation 34
GYA Optimist Class Championship		One-Design	Regulation 35
GYA conducted semi-finals for US Sailing Championship		One-Design	Appendix D
GYA Offshore Challenge Cup	Challenge Cup	Offshore-ORR/PHRF	Regulation 40

GYA Women's HANDICAP Championship		Offshore-ORR/PHRF	Regulation 41
West Florida Ocean Racing Circuit	WFORC	Offshore-ORR/PHRF	Regulation 42
Gulfport to Pensacola Race		Offshore-ORR/PHRF	Regulation 43

The host club has established a room block for lodging at the following area hotels that are convenient to the club house:

Marriott Lakeway, 3838 N. Causeway Boulevard, Metairie, LA 70002, \$159 per night, please call (800) 542-8680 or book online, booking code "GYAGYAA"
<https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1678315668820&key=GRP>.

The Country Inn & Suites by Radisson Hilton Garden Inn, 2713 N. Causeway Boulevard, \$139 per night, please Call (504-383-6201 or book online, booking code "2305GY"
www.radissonhotelsamericas.com

If you have recently lost a member of your sailing community and would like to have them included in the silent prayer during the Board of Directors meeting, please forward name and club information to the secretary (secretayr@gya.org).

Southern Yacht Club will provide all GYA Clubs the program and schedule of events for the Opening Regatta competition for the following trophies:

- Commodore J. Gilbert Scheib Trophy
- Commodore John Dane Trophy (Masters Trophy)

Please remember to wear your blue blazer and white pants for the flag raising ceremony following the board of directors meeting. The Executive Committee looks forward to seeing everyone.

Sincerely,

Jennifer B. Schmidt
GYA Secretary/Treasurer