



2023 Labor Day Night Race

Davis Island Yacht Club Boat of the Year Event

Davis Island Yacht Club, Tampa, Florida
September 1st, 2023

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NOTICE OF RACE

Started in 1936 by the Tampa Sailing Squadron as a Labor Day cruise to Sarasota, in 1948 it became the Tampa to Sarasota Labor Day Race. In the early 1950's, DIYC took over sponsorship of the race and it has been running annually since that time. The Friday evening of Labor Day weekend, the night race begins just south of the Club and we promise to finish at a decent hour so you can enjoy your long weekend with your family and friends. This race kicks off our DIYC Boat-of-the-Year Series.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, including Appendix V2 (post-race penalty), and the DIYC 2023-2024 Boat of the Year Notice of Series.
- 1.2 This is a pursuit race, with individual starting times.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all boats with a valid WFPHRF certificate or a temporary rating assigned by the DIYC Club Measurer.
- 2.2 Expected Divisions are Spinnaker, Racer-Cruiser, and Cruising.
- 2.3 Under West Florida PHRF rules, this is a Category 4 event.
- 2.4 Cruising spinnakers are permitted for the Cruising Division. All Cruising boats intending to use a cruising spinnaker must declare so by email to fleetcaptain@diyc.org at least two days prior to the event.
- 2.5 Boats shall enter online at <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/26963> by following the Regatta Network event link from the DIYC home page.
- 2.6 Entries close at 2200 on September 1. Late entries may be accepted at the sole discretion of the Organizing Authority.

3 FEES

All boats: \$25.00 (Note: During the Freedom Summer Sales Tax Holiday no sales tax is due.)

4 SCHEDULE

There will be no check-in or competitors meeting.
1900 Base start time, all classes
The Club will serve chili after the regatta

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on the Regatta Network event website.

6 VENUE AND COURSE

- 6.1 The racing area will be Hillsborough Bay and Tampa Bay.
- 6.2 Distance course – 1 race is scheduled for all Divisions, up to 25 miles.

7 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 7.1 All Divisions will use the Scoring Penalty of RRS 44.3.
- 7.2 The 30% Penalty Taken After a Race of RRS V2 will apply.

8 SCORING

All Divisions will be scored TOD using West Florida PHRF RLC ratings.

9 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded at the annual Awards Banquet in each Division for first place, if 1-3 boats; top two, if 4-5 boats; top three, if 6 or more boats.

10 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. 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 injury, disease, or illness 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.

DOCKAGE

For dockage at DIYC before or after the event, please contact DIYC Dockmaster Chris Toro at dockmaster@diyc.org or 727-222-7561 for slip reservations.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Regatta Chair:

Brian Malone

FleetCaptain@diyc.org

Principal Race Officer: