

AMENDED NOTICE OF RACE
Women's Sailing Weekend - DAY 1
The Catherine Spiller Regatta



Women on the Water

DATE OF RACE: Saturday, June 10, 2017

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: Houston Yacht Club, 3620 Miramar Dr., Shoreacres, TX 77571 Phone: 281-471-1255

RULES: The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of US Sailing. By registering for the Regatta and paying the required entry fee, each participant agrees to be bound by the RRS and all other rules that govern the event.

A woman shall helm each boat which shall have a majority of the crew female. ~~A male boat representative may be on board for safety purposes only.~~ For a blind helms woman classified ABSA B1, B2 or B3 Three-Person Format, a male representative maybe on board to provide verbal helming guidance to her.

Registration: To register for this event, competitors log onto HoustonYachtClub.org and under "Race Information" find the Regatta Network Race Registration link and register there. There is a \$50.00 entry fee per boat. Entries after 1700 June 7, 2017, will be subject to a \$10.00 late fee. Entry fees will be refunded if the entry is withdrawn prior to 1700 June 8, 2017.

Note: *The Catherine Spiller Regatta is part of a two-day women's sailing weekend. The Fairfax Moody Regatta will be held on the second day. Separate trophies will be awarded for each regatta. Participants must register for each of the regattas separately on the Regatta Network website.*

FLEETS: PHRF Spinnaker, PHRF Non-Spinnaker, and PHRF Distance Non-Spinnaker. Classes may form within fleets as long as there are three or more entries. A class fewer than three entries will be regarded as having failed to form and will be assigned to the most similar class, or the entry may be refunded upon request. Boats in classes that fail to form may still compete for fleet prizes.

RATINGS: Yachts should have a current 2017 PHRF rating. Skippers of yachts without a

current PHRF certificate should contact the Principal Race Officer (PRO), Jack Yoes, at JackYoes@sbcglobal.net in order to be assigned a provisional rating.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Sailing instructions will be made available at the Competitors briefing (see schedule below).

NOTICES TO COMPETITORS: Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Race Information Notice Board located in the HYC breezeway adjacent to the main lobby.

COURSES: Courses will be detailed at the Competitors briefing. Courses planned are Windward-Leeward with Rule 26 starts and a distance course with a pursuit start. Three races are planned for Windward-Leeward course and one race is planned for the distance course. All courses will be held in upper Galveston Bay near HYC with participants sailing around designated marks.

SCORING: Scoring will be in accordance with Appendix A, Low Point Scoring System of the RRS. No race score will be excluded.

TROPHIES: The Catherine Spiller Regatta trophy will be awarded to the yacht with the lowest cumulative fleet score of the largest fleet. There is a perpetual trophy which will be awarded to the winner and kept in the HYC trophy case. Fleet trophies will be presented at a ceremony following the race (see schedule below).

For any additional questions, contact Regatta Chair: Sabra Francis at sslaval@sbcglobal.net or PRO: Jack Yoes at Jack.Yoes@sbcglobal.net.

WEEKEND SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (Locations subject to change)

Friday, June 9

7:00 pm Competitors Briefing – pickup packets – HYC Ballroom

Saturday, June 10. The Catherine Spiller Regatta

10:00 am Windward-Leeward Course - Warning Signal for the first race –up to 3 additional races to follow.

10:00 am Pursuit Course – Starting time for the staggered pursuit starting schedule.

4:00 pm Awards Ceremony – the Beachcomber
Teams meet at the Beachcomber, BYOB.
Dinner at the Beachcomber. Families welcome.

Sunday, June 11. The Fairfax Moody Regatta

10:00 am Windward-Leeward Course - Warning Signal for the first race –up to 3 additional races to follow.

10:00 am Pursuit Course – Starting time for the staggered pursuit starting

schedule.

After the races Awards Ceremony – the Beachcomber