



The Gulf Coast Sailing Club  
presents the

33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Southwest Florida Regatta



## 2009 Porsche of Naples Cup 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Naples Melges 24 Regatta *A Southwest Florida Boat of the Year Event*

Saturday, March 28 – Sunday, March 29



Featuring a Saturday Night Dinner Keynote  
Presentation by **Dawn Riley**



Sponsored by: *U.S. SAILING's Mount Gay Rum Speaker Series*

### NOTICE of RACE

**Liability Disclaimer:** Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Participants in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (the 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 participant, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each participant, or in the case of minors, each participant's parent or guardian agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such participant's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

**Organizing Authority (OA):** Gulf Coast Sailing Club, PO Box 2121, Naples, Florida, 34106.

**Regatta Headquarters (RH):** Hamilton Harbor YC, 7065 Hamilton Avenue, Naples, Florida.

#### 1. RULES:

1.1 - The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including the Prescriptions of US SAILING. Applicable class rules of the West Florida Performance Handicap Racing Federation (WFPHRF) will apply. This is a WFPHRF BOTY event, and will be re-scored accordingly.

1.2 - The following RRS are to be amended; 29.1 (individual recalls), 30 (starting penalties), 35 (establishes time limits); 60.1(b) (redress), 62.1(a) (redress), and Appendix A (scoring).

#### 2. ELIGIBILITY:

2.1 - Open to all Multi-hull and self-righting single-hulled enclosed cabin sailboats that conform to their class rules and hold a valid West Florida PHRF (WFPHRF) rating, are assigned a rating by the OA, or are recognized one-design racing in a one design class only.

2.2 - Boat owners who are not members of WFPHRF will have a WFPHRF equivalent rating not subject to appeal assigned to them by the OA for this regatta only.

2.3 - Boat owners must be a member in good standing of a Sailing Club.

### 3. ENTREES AND FEES:

3.1 - The entry fee, to participate in The Southwest Florida Porsche Cup is \$125 for members of US Sailing (USS) or \$135 for non-USS members.

FOR ENTRIES RECEIVED BY Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, the entry fee is REDUCED to \$90 for members of US Sailing (USS) or \$100 for non USS members.

The entry fee includes ONE (1) event shirt and admission for ONE (1) to all weekend activities. Additional wristbands are available for purchase at \$35.00 each (\$40 after Friday night).

3.2 – Entries shall be made on the Official Entry Form, which is available at [www.gulfcoastsailingclub.org](http://www.gulfcoastsailingclub.org). It should be accompanied by a copy of a WPHRF Rating Certificate (if not in a one design class) and a check for the entry fee made payable to the Gulf Coast Sailing Club.

3.3 - Entry Deadline is 1900 hours, Friday, March 27, 2009.

### 4. 2009 PORSCHE of NAPLES REGATTA SCHEDULE OF EVENTS & RACE TIMES:

#### Friday, March 27

Noon – 4:30pm Lift available for putting boats put in water (Melges 24)  
5 – 7 pm Registration & Check-in at the Hamilton Harbor Yacht Club,  
6:30pm Skippers' meeting at HHYC  
Sponsored by Judy Hansen of [Judy Hansen Homes](#)

#### Saturday, March 28

8 – 9:30 am Lift available for putting boats in water (Melges 24)  
11 am First Warning Signal followed by subsequent daily races  
5:30 pm Mount Gay Rum Cocktail Party  
6 pm 1<sup>st</sup> Day's Results  
6:30 pm Buffet followed by **US Sailing's Mount Gay Rum Speaker Dawn Riley**



**Dawn** is an expert big-boat and match-racing sailor. She was the first woman to manage an entire America's Cup syndicate, the first American, man or woman, to sail in three America's Cups and two Whitbread Round the World races.

#### Sunday, March 29

11 am First Warning Signal followed by subsequent daily races  
3 – 5:30 pm Lift available for taking boats out of the water (Melges 24)  
5 pm Post Race Social & Reception  
5:30 pm Awards Presentation

### 5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

5.1 – Sailing Instructions (SI's) will be provided at the Skipper's Meeting.

### 6. CLASSES and AWARDS:

6.1 – The following classes may be formed depending upon the number of entries received: Melges 24, PHRF Spinnaker A, PHRF Spinnaker B, PHRF Non-Spinnaker, PHRF True Cruising, and PHRF Multihull. Boats registering in the PHRF Spinnaker class will be assigned to either Spinnaker "A" or "B" classes based upon PHRF ratings. A minimum of three entries are required to form a class.

### 7. REGISTRATION and SKIPPERS MEETING:

7.1 – At least one representative from each entered boat must register at Friday's Skippers' Meeting and pick up a skipper's bag including race instructions and class streamer.

8. **RACING AREAS** will be in the Gulf of Mexico near the Gordon Pass of Naples, FL.

8.1 - "Racing Area 1" is located north of Gordon Pass, near the Naples Pier. All boats with the possible exception of the Melges 24 Class will race in Racing Area 1.

8.2 - "Racing Area 2" is located south of Gordon Pass may be used for the Melges 24 Class. The RC will announce their intention for the use of Racing Area 2 at the Skipper's Meeting.

8.3 -One race will constitute the regatta and no score will be excluded. This changes RRS A2.

#### **9. COURSES:**

9.1 – The course to be sailed, the bearing and approximate distance to the first mark will be posted on the course board displayed on the Race Committee Signal Boat. Possible course layouts will be depicted in Addendum A of the Sailing Instructions.

#### **10. SCORING:**

10.1 – This event will be scored using RRS Appendix "A" the low point system.

Corrected times shall be calculated based on the boat's WFPHRF rating (or assigned rating, see 2.2), the distance of the course sailed, and the actual elapsed time in which the course was sailed (time on distance).

10.2 – WFPHRF's RLC rating shall be used for all races in which less than approximately 75% of the total distance of the course requires the boats to either tack or gybe. For races of 75% or greater, the BUOY rating shall be used. If there is any doubt, the RLC rating shall be used. The PRO is solely responsible for determining which rating category is used and the decision may not be appealed through redress. This amends RRS #60.1(b).

#### **13. DOCKAGE:**

**13.1** - For dockage in Naples contact Gary Schwarting at 239-850-8155. Proof of boat insurance is required when requesting dockage.

#### **Marinas**

HHYC – You can leave your boat at HHYC prior to or after our regatta for 1.25/ft/night.

Port-O-Call - 550 Port O Call Way Naples, FL 34102 (239) 774-0479

Naples City Dock – Phone 239-213-3070, fax: 239-213-3072 and email:[citydock@naplesgov.com](mailto:citydock@naplesgov.com).

#### **14. LODGING:**

**14.1 - LaQuinta Inns & Suites** 1555 5th Avenue South Naples, FL 34102

Phone: (239) 793-4646 or 800-531-5900

**Fairfield Inn** 1785 Fifth Avenue South Naples, FL 34102

Phone: (239) 261-3500

**Lemon Tree Inn** 250 9th St South Naples, FL 34102 US

Phone: (239) 239) 262-1414 or 1.888.800.LEMO

**Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club**

851 Gulf Shore Boulevard North Naples, FL 34102 US

Phone: (239) 261-2222

**Gulf Coast Inn Naples** 2555 North Tamiami Trail Naples, FL 34103

Phone: 800-330-0046

#### **15. FURTHER INFORMATION:**

15.1 – For further information, please contact Commodore, Lisa Brice, at 239-860-3253.



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ENTRY FORM**

**Race Entry Fee:** \$100.00 (\$90.00 proof of USSA Membership)  
\$125.00 (Delivered to GCSC after March 18<sup>th</sup>) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
*Fee includes: One (1) Event shirt and One (1) Weekend Activity Ticket*

**Event Shirt Fee:** \$20.00 X Number \_\_\_\_\_ = **Shirt Total** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Please, indicate below the number and sizes of the Polo Shirts you would like to have reserved.

**Woman's** Small \_\_\_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Large \_\_\_\_\_ Extra Large \_\_\_\_\_  
**Men's** Small \_\_\_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Large \_\_\_\_\_ Extra Large \_\_\_\_\_ XX Large \_\_\_\_\_

**Weekend Activity Ticket** \$35.00 X Number attending \_\_\_\_\_ = **Person Total:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to GCSC: GRAND TOTAL** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**BOAT NAME** \_\_\_\_\_ **Sail number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Length** \_\_\_\_\_ **Draft** \_\_\_\_\_ **Beam** \_\_\_\_\_ **Rig** \_\_\_\_\_

**Make** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHRF Ratings-Buoy** \_\_\_\_\_ **RLC** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**SKIPPER'S NAME** \_\_\_\_\_ **CELL PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-MAIL Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**RACING CLASS ENTRY**

Melges 24  Spinnaker A  Spinnaker B  Non-Spinnaker  True Cruising  Multihull   
Class 1  Class 2A  Class 2B  Class 3A  Class 3B  Class 4

**SKIPPER** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: **Gulf Coast Sailing Club PO Box 2121, Naples, Florida, 34106**



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Entry Form Liability Disclaimer:

THIS DOCUMENT HAS IMPORTANT LEGAL CONSEQUENCES.  
 YOU SHOULD GET APPROPRIATE LEGAL OR OTHER ADVICE BEFORE SIGNING IT.

My crew and I recognize that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury associated with it. We have read the Racing Rules of Sailing RRS4, Decision to Race, and hereby acknowledge and agree that we are participating in this event entirely at our own risk.

I acknowledge and agree that neither the organizing authority nor the race committee, nor their members, will be responsible for (a) any damage to the entered boat or my other property, or (b) any injury to myself or my crew, including death, sustained as a result of the participation of myself, my crew, and the boat in this event.

I hereby waive any rights which I may have to sue the race organizers (the organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) with respect to personal injury or property damage suffered by myself or my crew as a result of our participation in this event and hereby release the race organizers from any liability for such injury or damage to the fullest extent permitted by law.

I have taken all necessary steps to ensure that I, my crew, and the entered boat are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law or that which a prudent seaman would consider advisable.

I understand this document has important legal consequences and have consulted such legal and other advisors as I deem appropriate before signing.

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_