

FOURTH ANNUAL LOWCOUNTRY CATBOAT GATHERING - 2020

NOTICE OF RACE

Dates	Saturday May 9, 2020
Organizing Authority	The Beaufort Yacht & Sailing Club – Beaufort, SC
Rules	The Gathering will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
Eligibility	The Gathering is open to all Catboats with a cat rig.
Entry	Eligible boats may enter by completing the Entry Form and paying the required fee to BYSC no later than the close of registration.
Fees	Boat Entry Fee \$20.00 (Included in 2019 Spring Series fee)
Meals	A steak dinner is planned Saturday evening on the BYSC screened deck. An informal discussion among attendees before dinner. Cost: \$25.00
Schedule	Friday May 8, 2020 6:00 - BYSC Evening Social. Sailors will dine at local seafood restaurant. Saturday May 9, 2020 – GATHERING RACE DAY 9:00 to 10:00 - Registration 10:00 - Skippers Meeting 11:00 – First Race - Warning Signal - Long Distance Race 2:30/3:00 – Second Race - Warning Signal - Short Race off BYSC 5:30 – Group Discussion/Coctail Hour - beer included in dinner fee 7:00 - Dinner
Awards	Trophy Awards - Dinner

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Courses/ Races	A total of two races are planned starting and finishing in the Beaufort River in front of BYSC. One around the buoys in front of BYSC plus a possible down river turning mark in front of the City of Beaufort depending on wind, the second a long distance race around a government mark off Parris Island. One race constitutes a Gathering. There will be one start for all boats. PHRF ratings will apply.
Scoring	PHRF ratings and PHRF time-on-time formula will be used.
VHF Radio	VHF radios are required. Channel 72 will be used. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. No other communication devices are allowed.
Disclaimer of Liability	Competitors participate in the Gathering sail entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision To Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the Gathering.
Lodging	Most hotel chains are represented in the Beaufort area.
Docking/ To BYSC	Docking and trailer storage at BYSC will be at no cost.
Driving To BYSC	From the North: take Rt. US 21 south, follow Bus. 21 through downtown Beaufort and over the Woods swing bridge. Take the second right, Meridian Rd. Turn right onto Yacht Club Drive. From the South: from SC 170 turn east(right) on SC 128 after the Broad River Bridge. At the stop light turn right to Route 21 through Poet Royal. At the light with Advance Auto Parts/Hardees turn right over the McTeer Bridge. Take the next left at Meridian Rd then left to Yacht Club Drive.
Contacts	Gathering Chairman: Marvin Day 843-929-9978c or 843-838-2505h

ENTRY FORM

Fourth Annual Lowcountry Gathering

May 9th, 2020

Name Street Address

City,State,Zip Day Phone Number

Boat Name Boat Type

Evening Phone Number Email Address

REGISTRATION PAYABLE TO BYSC \$20.00 (Included in Spring Series Fee)

Waiver

The undersigned acknowledges that in consideration of the efforts of the Organizing Authority for being allowed to participate in this Gathering and the acceptance of this application to race, does hereby waive and release any and all claims the undersigned may have against the host, its officers, directors ,or trustees and its committee members, measurers, judges, agents, and representatives arising out of the activities required for the races on the water, and does further covenant and agree not to sue or bring any claim or claims of any nature whatsoever against the host Organizing Authority or any of the persons and offices named or unnamed above who may be acting on the hosts or its/their behalf.

SIGNED

DATE