



2026-27 CYC/DBC Gulf Series
Fall Fling 2026 (9/12, 10/3, 11/7)
Winter Howler 2027 (1/16, 2/6, 4/10)

Organizing Authorities:
Clearwater Yacht Club, 830 Bayway Blvd., Clearwater &
Dunedin Boat Club, 51 Marina Plaza, Dunedin, Florida

NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Regattas will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) 2025-2028.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available online at the Event's Yacht Scoring website <https://yachtscoring.com/> (Search for Dunedin Boat Club) no later than at 1700 hrs. the night prior to the first race.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at Yacht Scoring website <https://yachtscoring.com/>.

- 3.2 All boats shall carry a workable VHF radio.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Classes will be Spinnaker, Cruising, and Multihull.

- 4.2 The event is open to any self-righting sailboat with an enclosed cabin and self-draining cockpit.

- 4.3 Spinnaker, Cruising and Multihull Boats must hold a current WFPHRF certificate and comply with the requirements for Category 4 races. See www.westfloridaphrf.org.

- 4.4 Classes may be combined or sub-divided at the sole discretion of the Organizing Authorities.

- 4.5 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form at <https://yachtscoring.com/>. The skipper and crew must register their personal information and acknowledge the waiver. Entries are not complete until payment, insurance details, crew information and waivers have been entered.

- 4.6 A cruising and multihull boat must declare her intent to use a spinnaker by 2000 hrs. the Thursday before the Series first race start date (allows scratch sheets to be correct). Cruising and Multihull boats must have their spinnaker measurements in their PHRF certificate.

5.0 FEE

- 5.1 The registration fee for each three-race regatta is \$70. Late Fee is \$80. There is a \$10 discount for US Sailing Members. Registration closes at 1700 hrs. the date before the first race in each regatta.

6.0 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 There will be NO Skippers Meeting prior to the first Race.
- 6.2 Class warning flag will be at 1155 hrs. on all six race dates.

7 VENUE

- 7.1 The race area will be in the Gulf, approximately 1.5 nautical miles south of Clearwater Pass channel marker #1.

8 COURSES

- 8.1 The Course will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

9.0 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1 Appendix V1, Alternative Penalties will apply.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 Low Point Scoring will be used. One race is planned (weather permitting) for each class, each race day. Race committee will announce as appropriate.
- 10.2 One completed race will constitute a regatta.

11 BERTHING

- 11.1 Contact the Dunedin Harbor Master at 727-298-3030 and/or the CYC Dockmaster at 727.484.8232 for possible rafting or dockage to see if there are any openings at the time of the regatta. Fees, paperwork and proof of insurance are required in advance. CYC regatta memberships will be authorized for registered captains and crew members for the day before, of, and after each race.

12 RISK STATEMENT

- 12.1 RRS 3 states 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone'. By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia and other causes.**

13 INSURANCE

- 13.1 Each participating boat must be insured with valid third-party liability insurance. The name of the insurance carrier and policy number **must be entered** into the Yacht Scoring "Competitor Comments" space.

14 PRIZES

- 14.1 Prizes will be presented based on the number of entries. A minimum of 2 boats per class is required for an award prize.
- 14.2 Further details on the date and location of the post Series awards will be in the Sailing Instructions.

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 15.1 For further information please access Yacht Scoring for on-line documents, or contact (racing@dunedinboatclub.org) or cycyachting@gmail.com or 813.833.2285.

15.2 This Gulf Series is made up of two Regattas. The Dunedin Boat Club Race Committee will manage the **Fall Fling Series**. Those dates are 9/12/26, 10/3/2026, and 11/7/2026. The Clearwater Yacht Club Race Committee will manage the **Winter Howler Series**. Those dates are 1/16/27, 2/6/27, 4/10/27.

15.3 The PRO for the Fall Fling is scheduled to be Margo Currey. The PRO for the Winter Howler is scheduled to be Tish Wold.

15.4 The Clearwater Yacht Club has extended an invitation to all those involved in the race to come back to their club for a post-race social. Those who are not members can use their credit card at the Tiki Bar. Docking/rafting will be at the end of Dock C. **You will need to notify their dockmaster one day prior to the race to confirm dockage. 727-447-6000**