# SWFL Boat Of The Year Notice of Series 2025-26

The Organizing Authority (OA) for each regatta is the Host Club. The series is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing and the Class Rules of WFPHRF. WFPHRF will use the results of each event to score the Series.

# **ELIGIBILITY**

All participants in any of the SWFL Boat of the Year Series that have a current, valid, WFPHRF certificate are automatically eligible to participate in the SWFL BOTY series. There is no fee or registration for entering the SWFL BOTY series. Each regatta must be entered separately according to the Organizing Authority's rules and cost of entry. Rating certificates are available online at www.westfloridaphrf.org.

# **SCHEDULE**

Regatta	Sponsor	Event Date	
Summerset	CMCS	October 17-19, 2025	
New Year's Cup	GCSC	January 3, 2026	
President's	GCSC	February 28, 2026	
Conquistador Cup	PGSC	March 6-8, 2026	
Naples Classic	GCSC	March 21, 2026	

## **DIVISIONS**

 Divisions may be assigned or combined by the Organizing Authority of each event. Note that your WFPHRF Certificate Endorsement will be used for the SW Florida BOTY series.

Spinnaker

Non-spinnaker

True Cruising

Multi-hull

Multi-hull Cruiser

### **QUALIFICATION**

• 50% of the races run (rounded up at .50) are required to qualify.

### **SCORING**

- This is a Low Point Series based on the average low score for all races started.
- RRS Rule A5.3 will apply.
- Worst 20% of race results will be thrown out on a division basis. For example, if a division sails 14 races for the season, then each boat will have her worst 3 races (including races in which they were not entered) dropped (20% of 14 = 2.8, which rounds up to 3).
- If a skipper and boat serve as Race Committee boat instead of competing in a race and have a valid PHRF certificate. They will have that race count as a qualifying race, and they will be awarded their season ending average points for races in which they were not RC boat; this score will be reflected at the end of the season and is not grounds for redress.

## **TROPHIES**

- BOTY trophies will be awarded based on the number of boats in each Class.
- 1st for 1 to 2 boats. 1st, 2nd for 3-4 boats. 1st, 2nd, 3rd for 5 or more.
- WFPRF awards and perpetual trophies will be awarded at the annual WFPHRF meeting or given to a WFPHRF area representative to be distributed to winners.
- Perpetual trophies are to be returned to the WFPHRF area representative by June 30th.
- Individual race trophies may be given out at the discretion of the Host Club.