GULF REGION BOAT OF THE YEAR
NOTICE OF SERIES 2025-2026

1. Organizing authority: The organizing authority shall be the club hosting the event.
2. Eligibility: The Boat of the Year series is open to all WPHRF members. No registration is required. Any boat competing in a Boat of the Year regatta is automatically included in the competition for Boat of the Year in their region.
3. Class Breaks: the primary groups covered by this Notice of Series are Spinnaker, Racer-Cruise and Cruiser.
4. Divisions: There must be three boats to constitute a division. If a competitor does not have sufficient boats in his class to constitute a division, he/she will be place in an appropriate division for that regatta. The score in that regatta will be applied to their position in their class in the BOTY series.
5. Scoring: This series will be scored on the Traditional High Point Scoring System. In order to qualify for the award in this series, a competitor must race at least 60%, or 3 of the 5 events in this series.

All boats properly entered and checked in with the race committee at the start of a race in a regatta will receive 5 participation points. The boat's score will be her overall assigned fleet position for her class/division at the end of the regatta.
THE TOTAL SCORE FOR THE SERIES will be the sum of the boat's best scores in the 3 of the 5 races in the series. If more than 3 races are entered, the 3 best scores will count with the worst being “thrown out”.
Points for DNF and DNS will equal 1 points.
Points for DSQ and DNC will be equal to 0.
Ties will be broken at the end of the series and all regattas will be included.
DOUBLE POINT REGATTA: Double participation points will be given for any regatta that is a one day event. If more than once race is held that day, the boat's overall finish for the day will be used. It will count as one regatta for the qualification in the series.

Gulf Region Boat of the Year Series
2026-2027

February 27 Distance Race
March 6 Pennington Cup
March 13 Dunedin Cup
March 14 Clearwater Challenge
April 24, 25 Race Weekend

Individual race scores within a regatta will be scored as follows:

US Sailing example defines “N” to be the number of boats in the same class that compete in a race. Each boat finishing that race and not hereafter retiring or being disqualified will be scored as follows, using an example of 20 boats in a class. The boat essentially receives their placement plus the number of boats they beat in that regatta.

Finishing Place	Calclations	Score
First	N	20
Second	N-1	19
Third	N-2	18
Fourth	N-3	17

6. Trophies: The number of trophies for each class/division will be based upon the number of boats qualifying for the series, having sailed at least 3 of the 5 Gulf Region boat of the Year regattas.

Number of Boats Qualifiying	Trophies Awarded
1	1
2	1
3	2
4	2
5	3