

THE SANTA ELENA REGATTA
Including the Jean Ribaut Cup and Pedro Menendez Cup
April 2 & 3, 2016

The Jean Ribaut Cup and Pedro Menendez Cup are two separate events sailed on consecutive days that are combined to form a significant sailing event named The Santa Elena Regatta which commemorates the 450th anniversary of the founding of the Spanish colony of Santa Elena on Parris Island. There will be two days of racing and social events sponsored by the Beaufort Yacht and Sailing Club.

N O T I C E O F R A C E

RULES: The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.

ELIGIBILITY: The Jean Ribaut Cup and Pedro Menendez Cup are open to monohull boats currently rated in the US Sailing PHRF manual and are at least 22' LOA. Boats that are less than 22' LOA but at least 18' LOA will be considered on a case by case basis. All boats must have at least two people on board. One design fleets will also be considered for entry but are not eligible to compete for the Ribaut, Menendez or Santa Elena Trophies.

All boats participating must have VHF radio communication capabilities, and be insured with a valid third party liability insurance policy.

ENTRY: For both events PHRF boats will be divided into two starting groups based on the PHRF ratings. The intent is to have boats sailing with boats of similar PHRF ratings. Both groups will sail the same course with the higher handicap rated group starting first. Spinnakers may be used if declared to the Race Committee prior to the warning gun for the first group to start of each event.

Both events will have a Racing Class and a Cruising Class. Boats must declare the class in which they will be sailing by the Competitors Meeting on Friday night.

There also will be an overall winner for the Santa Elena Regatta. Boats from both the Racing and Cruising Class are eligible for this event.

If there is interest one design fleets they will be given separate starts for their fleets.

REGISTRATION: Boats may register in advance by completing the attached Registration form as described. Registration will also be available at the Competitors Meeting Friday night before the Ribaut Cup.

SCHEDULE:

Friday, April 1, The Jean Ribaut Cup & Pedro Menendez Cup- 6:00 pm -

Registration and Competitors Meeting on the BYSC dock.

Friday, April 1, 6:00 pm - Flag Raising Ceremony and Sunset Friday/Cocktail

Party at BYSC Appetizers appreciated. Beverages available.

Saturday, April 2, The Jean Ribaut Cup - 11:00 am - Warning for first group on the race course – other groups to follow. A second race is planned. One race will constitute a regatta. Low tide Port Royal Sound at 10:29 am.

Saturday, April 2 - 6:00 pm. Ribaut Cup Awards Dinner at BYSC. Brief discussion of plans for Pedro Menendez Cup which will be held the following day. Beverages available but not included in dinner cost.

Sunday, April 3 - 9:00 am. Brief Competitors Meeting on BYSC dock mainly to discuss the course. Any changes to race course will also be put out on radio.

Sunday, April 3 - The Pedro Menendez Cup - 11:00 am - Warning for the first group of the on the race course - other groups to follow. One race is planned. Low tide in Beaufort at 12:30 pm.

Sunday, April 3 - Awards for Pedro Mendez Cup and Santa Elena Regatta at BYSC immediately following the finish of racing

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND NOTICE OF RACE: Sailing Instructions (SI's) and Notice of Race (NOR) will be available at the Competitors Meeting.

PENALTIES: Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

RACING AREAS:

Jean Ribaut Cup- Racing will be conducted on Port Royal Sound between Hilton Head, Bay Point and Parris Island; and the Beaufort River (Chart 11516). Course specifics in the SI's. Depending on conditions the intent is to start and sail the first race in Port Royal Sound; and have the second race start in Port Royal Sound and sail up the Beaufort River to finish at BYSC.

Pedro Menendez Cup - Racing will be conducted in the Beaufort River between the Woods Swing bridge and G"31" in the Beaufort River. Depending on conditions the intent is to start in the area just west of the Woods Swing Bridge by the Beaufort waterfront, sail down the Beaufort River, round on a government mark, then return the finish at BYSC. Rounding mark to be determined by existing conditions.

Sailing conditions will determine the starting areas, number of races and courses for the Ribaut and/or Menendez Cups.

SCORING: PHRF handicaps using the time-on-time computation method. All races count; there will be no races discarded. For each of the two individual events final positions will be determined by awarding finishing positions in each race based on corrected time and then adding the finishing positions together (if more than one race) to determine overall final position for each event.

The **Santa Elena Regatta** winner will be the boat from either the Racing or Cruising Class with the fastest corrected time for the combined Jean Ribaut and Pedro Menendez Cups.

PRIZES:

Perpetual trophies with the winners name on them will be kept at BYSC for the Jean Ribaut Cup, the Jean Ribaut Cruising Class, the Pedro Menendez Cup, the Pedro Menendez Cruising Class and the Santa Elena Regatta

For both events there will be a Racing Class and a Cruising Class. Boats must declare the class in which they are sailing by the Competitors Meeting on Friday night. The Jean Ribaut Cup and Pedro Menendez Cup will be awarded to the top finishing boat in the Racing Class for each respective day. The Jean Ribaut Cruising Cup and Pedro Menendez Cruising Cup will be

awarded to the top boat in the Cruising Class for each respective event. Keeper trophies will be awarded to both classes depending on the number of entrees. Both classes will sail the same course for all races.

The Santa Elena Regatta winner will be the boat with the fastest corrected total time for all races in the Ribaut and Menendez Cups. A keeper trophy will be awarded to the winner.

One Design: If there are separate starts for one design classes, boats racing in those classes will not be eligible for the Ribaut Cup, Menendez Cup or Santa Elena Regatta; however, there will be keeper trophies for those classes.

DOCKING: Docking space is available at BYSC on a first come basis.

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ORGANIZING AUTHORITY
Beaufort Yacht & Sailing Club
BEAUFORT, SOUTH CAROLINA

1/6/2016 2:45 pm

THE SANTA ELENA REGATTA
April 2, 2016 The Jean Ribaut Cup in Port Royal Sound
April 3, 2016 The Pedro Menendez Cup in the Beaufort River
REGISTRATION

Please complete registration form and send to Beaufort Yacht & Sailing Club, 30 Yacht Club Drive, Beaufort, SC 29907, by fax to 843-522-6857, by e-mail to office@byscnet.com or on website at www.byscnet.com. Registration must be received by March 15 to qualify for the Advanced Registration Discount.

Boat Name _____ Sail No. _____

Boat Make/Length _____ Boat Model _____

Keel style: _____ Size of jib: _____ % Furling Jib? Yes ___ No ___

Engine type: inboard ___ outboard ___ PHRF Handicap _____

Skipper/Owner's Name _____

Address _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____ Club _____

I certify that the above boat is correctly described. I agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and all other rules that govern this event. I release the Beaufort Yacht & Sailing Club, the Dataw Island Yacht Club and the event regatta race committees of all liability for injury to myself, my crew or damages to my boat. I assume all risk of injury to myself or to my crew. I understand that it is the skipper's responsibility to decide whether to sail or continue to sail. I will prevent any underage crew members from consuming alcoholic beverages.

Skipper/Owner _____ Date _____ Make _____

EVENTS ENTERED:

The Jean Ribaut Cup \$35 after 3/15 \$45 _____

The Pedro Menendez Cup \$35 after 3/15 \$45 _____

Or The Santa Elena Regatta (both events) \$60 after 3/15 \$80 _____

Ribaut Cup Awards dinner Apr 2 \$25 per person # ___ x \$25 = _____

Beverages not included in the event cost but will be available.

TOTAL _____

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