



**Boat Of The Year
Notice Of Series 2025-26**

1. September 27 – 28	BYC Kick-Off Regatta	Bradenton Yacht Club
2. October 31	Island 2 Island	DIYC / VYC
3. November 8	SYC Invitational	Sarasota Yacht Club
4. Jan 31 – Feb 1	Windjammer Regatta	VYC / VSS
5. February 7	Cherry Pie Regatta	Sarasota Sailing Squadron
6. February 21	Around Egmont Key Classic	Bradenton Yacht Club
7. March 14	Pot o' Gold Regatta	Sarasota Sailing Squadron
8. March 28-29	Sharks Tooth Regatta	VYC / VSS
9. April 11	Sarasota Bay Cup	Bird Key Yacht Club
10. May 13	Bone Island Regatta (Key West)	Bone Island Regatta

- The Organizing Authority is the location(s) hosting the event.
- All participants in any of the Sarasota Bay Yachting Association Boat of the Year Series that have a current, valid, WFPHRF certificate are automatically entered in the SBYA BOTY series. There is no fee or registration for entering this Series. Rating certificates are available at www.westfloridaphrf.org.
- A boat must compete in at least three of the Regattas to qualify for a SBYA BOTY award.
- A Boat may compete in one class only for the Series. Racer Cruiser Class is not included for SBYA BOTY scoring.
- Class breaks and divisions will be assigned by the Organizing Authority of each event. Their decision is final and not subject to a request for redress.
- The “fraction of boats beaten” scoring method will be utilized. Each final regatta score will be 0.1 point plus the fraction of boats beaten. For example, if your final standing in a regatta is 4th overall in a 10 boat fleet, since you beat 6 of 10 boats, the fraction of boats beaten = $6/10 = .600$. Your total race score = $0.1 + 0.600 = 0.700$
- The “series score” for each boat will be the sum of her race scores excluding her worst N scores, where N = 20% (rounded up) of the races completed by that class. For example, if a class 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). The qualified boat with the highest “series score” is the winner, and others are ranked accordingly.
- Awards per division will be determined by WFPHRF.
- Regatta organizers should reference Appendix E of WFPHRF Class Rules for Guidelines on Boat classes and courses.

SBYA MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

Bird Key Yacht Club
Sarasota Sailing Squadron

Bradenton Yacht Club
Sarasota Yacht Club
Bayshore Gardens Yacht Club

Venice Yacht Club
Venice Sailing Squadron