



# Buccaneer North American Championship

September 10-14, 2018



**Buccaneer Class Association  
in conjunction with  
Western Carolina Sailing Club  
5200 West Wind Way, Anderson, SC 29626 USA**

## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* except as modified by the Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto.

1.2 The Buccaneer Class Association (BCA) Constitution and Racing Rules, in effect at the time of the regatta, shall apply and prevail if there is a conflict with this Notice, unless modified by the Sailing Instructions.

### 2 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The organizing authority for this regatta is the BCA in conjunction with the Western Carolina Sailing Club (WCSC).

### 3 ADVERTISING

3.1 Advertising will be restricted to Category A.

3.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority

### 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Buccaneer 18 Class as defined in paragraph III A of the BCA Racing Rules. Chartered boats are eligible.

4.2 One member of the sailing team must be a BCA member (full, associate, family or lifetime) with membership established no later than 0900 on Sept 11, 2018.

4.3 Eligible BCA members may enter by completing the registration form on [YachtScoring.com](http://YachtScoring.com) (URL) together with the required fee per instructions on the registration form. Online entry fees may be made via credit/debit card or PayPal. Entry fees submitted by checks made out to the Buccaneer 18 Class Association can be mailed to Ronnie Ashmore at 116 Kenneth Drive Anderson, SC 29626.

### 5 FEES

Required fees are as follows:

5.1 2018 Buccaneer Class Association membership: \$35 per year. Membership payments can be made online at <https://bca3.wildapricot.org/join-us>.

5.2 BNAC 2018 Fees (includes skipper and one crew):

- \$300.00 before August 1, 2018
- \$350.00 after August 1, 2018

5.3 A Social Pass may be purchased for additional crew, family and friends that will include all meals and parties. The cost is \$100.00 for anyone over 14 years of age, \$50.00 for those younger.

### 6 SCHEDULE

Sunday, September 9	Registration and Measurement: 1600 - 2000
Monday, September 10	Registration and Measurement: 0800 – 1600 Practice races: 1400 - 1600
Tuesday, September 11	BNAC Day 1, The scheduled time for the first warning is 1100
Wednesday, September 12	BNAC Day 2, The scheduled time for the first warning is 1100
Thursday, September 13	BNAC Day 3, The scheduled time for the first warning is 1100
Friday, September 14	BNAC Day 4, The scheduled time for the first warning is 1100.



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	On the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1400
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There is no limit to the number of races that can be run on any given day or for the series. The number of races run each day shall be at the discretion of the PRO.

### **7 MEASUREMENTS.**

7.1 Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate prior to the start of racing. Contact the Class Measurer or Organizing Authority if there are questions or assistance is needed.

7.2 The **official class scale** will be available on-site for those that need to have their boat weighed.

7.3 Class representatives will be available on site starting Sunday at 1600 to assist with measuring.

7.4 Sail royalty patches will be available on site to be installed and/or numbered and initialed for previously unmeasured sails.

### **8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.**

Sailing instructions will be available on [YachtScoring.com](http://YachtScoring.com) after August 1 and will be posted on the BNAC Event Page of the Buccaneer 18 website (<http://buccaneer18.org/>). Changes to the sailing instructions made after August 15 will be posted [YachtScoring.com](http://YachtScoring.com) and on the Official Notice Board located at the WCSC clubhouse.

### **9 VENUE.**

WCSC will host the event on Lake Hartwell, Anderson, SC. The specific location for each day's racing will be posted on the Official Notice Board by 0900 each morning based on weather and anticipated traffic in the area.

### **10 THE COURSES.**

Please refer to the sailing instructions.

### **11 SCORING.**

11.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.2 Scoring will be in accordance with the low point scoring system (RRS Appendix A) and rule 90.3.

11.3 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When from five to nine races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When from 10 to 14 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores. When 15 or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three worst scores. A boat shall not be able to exclude a DSQ/DNE/DGM. This modifies RRS A2.

### **12 FLEETS.**

12.1 Competitors will select whether to compete in the "A" or "B" fleet.

12.2 No previous winner of a Buccaneer 18 class-sanctioned regatta will be permitted to compete in "B" Fleet.

12.3 Colored streamers, attached to the trailing edge of the boom, will differentiate boats in each fleet.

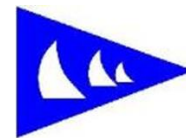
12.4 Skippers wishing to compete in "B" Fleet will indicate so when completing the online registration form. However, skippers can revise their fleet designation up until 0900 on September 11, 2018 by notifying the Regatta Chair.

12.5 The decision as to whether both fleets will race together, but with separate scoring, or race as individual fleets will be made prior to the Skipper's Meeting by the Regatta Chair and the PRO.



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### **13 STORAGE/LAUNCHING.**

Boats shall be kept in their designated spots with assignments given at Registration, which are subject to change by the direction of the regatta committee. There is an A-Frame with a manual chain fall hoist capable of unstacking double and triple stacked boats.

### **14 RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS.**

Use of hand held VHF radios will be permitted for communication from the Race Committee to competitors on channel 69 to be provided in the sailing instructions. As a courtesy, the Race Committee intends to use VHF radio to identify OCS boats and otherwise communicate with the fleet on the water. Failure to receive a hail, for a hail to be made, the order of hails made, or transmission of other communications to the fleet shall not be cause for redress.

### **15 DIGITAL DEVICES.**

Devices that provide real time or near real time boat speed, location, distance, windspeed, or water current information and electronic devices that provide wind direction are prohibited. Devices that store boat data for later retrieval ashore (i.e., RaceQ) will be allowed only when used in accordance with the sailing instructions.

### **16 PRIZES.**

16.1 For each fleet (A & B), the number of awards will vary based on the number of boats registered in the Fleet. The number of trophies awarded will be based upon the number of preregistered boats by August 1, 2018, as follows:

1-4 Boats Registered	1st Place Trophy
5-8 Boats Registered	1st - 2nd Place Trophies
9-15 Boats Registered	1st - 3rd Place Trophies
16-20 Boats Registered	1st - 4th Place Trophies
> 20 Boats Registered	1st - 5th Place Trophies

16.2 Sportsmanship: A prize will be awarded for sportsmanship.

16.3 Classic Boats: Prizes will be awarded to the top finishing skippers in boats greater than 30 years old (manufactured 1985 and earlier).

16.4 Centurions: A prize will be awarded to the highest finishing skipper and crew with a combined age over 100 years. Age determined as of midnight on Monday, September 10, 2018.

16.5 Other participation achievements and contributions may be recognized.

### **17 SOCIAL EVENT SCHEDULE.** Social Event Schedule (To Be Determined).

17.1 Breakfast: A continental breakfast will be provided from Monday through Friday.

17.2 Lunches: Fresh lunch fixings will be available in the WCSC Clubhouse for competitors to make bag lunches before going out on the race course each day. Please indicate number of lunches expected on the Registration Form.

**18 SPECTATOR BOATS.** If there is interest, places may be available for spectators on some of the Race Committee boats or a spectator boat. Please indicate any interest on the Registration Form.

**19 MEDIA RIGHTS.** Competitors give absolute right and permission to the BCA and WCSC for any photography and video footage taken of persons and boats during the event, to be published in any media worldwide whatsoever for any editorial, promotional, and advertising purposes and to be used in press information.



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## **20 INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS AND DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY.**

Each competitor must show proof of Liability Insurance with a minimum coverage in the amount of \$100,000 USD that is valid while competing in the United States. Competitor's proof of insurance and coverage must be presented at registration (or emailed to [sailtanzer@aol.com](mailto:sailtanzer@aol.com)). A copy of the Declarations Page of your boat policy or your homeowners policy showing liability coverage for the duration of BNAC (September 10 – 14, 2018) will serve as proof of insurance.

**20.1 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY.** Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. (See Rule 4, Decision to Race). The Organizing Authority and ALL SPONSORS and volunteers will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. The safety of the boat and its crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Skipper who must ensure that the boat is fully sound, thoroughly seaworthy, and manned by an experienced and physically able crew. Neither the establishment of regulations or inspection of a boat by a committee member in any way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the Skipper. The Skipper shall be responsible for his own conduct and that of his crew. In the event of a serious breach of conduct, the destruction of property or failure to comply with a reasonable request of any Race Officer or Event Committee member, the Skipper will be responsible for all damages and the boat may be subject to disqualification from the regatta.

## **21 SAFETY.**

All participating boats shall carry a tow line that is minimum 25 ft in length, and is at least 1/4-inch in diameter.

## **22 ACCOMMODATIONS**

22.1 There is abundant lake-front camping with hot showers available at WCSC. Racers are welcome to camp on the grounds and use the facilities. The club will be available for early arrivals starting Friday September 7th.

22.2 There are several hotels/motels available in the local area:

Baymont by Wyndham 864-261-1411	Fairfield Inn 864-332-9000
Hampton Inn 864-375-1999	Country Inn and Suites 864-622-2200
Holiday Inn Express 864-226-3312	Hilton Garden Inn 864-375-1999
Quality Inn 864-226-6051	Days Inn 864-375-0375

22.3 There are homes and condos on or near the lake available for rent through:

[AirBnB](#)  
[VRBO](#)

## **23 WCSC PET POLICY**

WCSC has a pet by permit only policy. If you plan to bring a pet to BNAC, you must make prior arrangements by signing and agreeing to the WCSC Pet Policy located on the BNAC [YachtScoring.com](http://YachtScoring.com) page. If you are found in violation, you will be asked to remove your pet from the WCSC grounds.

## **24 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact Ronnie Ashmore (864) 420-4782 or [sailtanzer@aol.com](mailto:sailtanzer@aol.com).

Regatta Chair: Ronnie Ashmore  
Principal Race Officer: John Kreidler