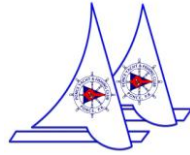


# XXIII Anniversary Discover the Caribbean Series 2012



*Feeder Race Fajardo a Salinas  
Sábado 3 de noviembre*

*Regatas (Registro & Skipper Meeting jueves 8 de noviembre)  
Viernes 9 al domingo 11 de noviembre  
Classes: J-24, IC-24, Racing, Cruising, Jib & Main & Chalanas 20-24-28*

*Day Afloat en Caja de Muertos  
Sábado 17 de noviembre*

*Dinghy Regatta  
Viernes 23 al domingo 25 de noviembre  
Classes: Optimist, Laser & Sunfish*



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Discover the Caribbean Series 2012



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## **Discover the Caribbean Series Regatta**

The Ponce Yacht & Fishing Club and the Organizing Committee has the great pleasure to invite you to the 23rd Edition of DISCOVER THE CARIBBEAN SERIES that will be held on November, 2012. The Early Bird Entre Fee, Feeder Race Skipper Meeting and Cocktail Party will be held on Thursday, October 18, 2012 at the Fresh Grill in Hato Rey, Puerto Rico.

Our sponsors are honored to offer the sailors from Puerto Rico and the Caribbean two weeks of competition and Sailing Festival with lots of shore parties. There will be a Feeder Race from Fajardo to Salinas on Saturday, November 3, 2012 and the Crew Bayú at Salinas.

Late Entry Fee will be Thursday, November 8, 2012 at Ponce Yacht & Fishing Club. The weekend of racing will be on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November 9 and 11, 2012 DAY AFLOAT on Caja de Muertos November 17 & DINGHY REGATTA on Friday 23, Saturday 24, Sunday 25, November 2012.

Dockage available from November 3rd (Feeder Race Salinas to Fajardo) until December 2, 2012 (Eddie Ramos Casellas Regatta). Please make arrangements directly with the PYFC by phone, 787.842.9003 or by email, <alice.pyfc@gmail.com>. Contact our Fleet Captain, Dr. Francis Vazquez, for slip according to LOA and draft of the yacht. The PYFC reserves the right to remove your boat to another slip according the availability of space. While the boat is at the facilities of the PYFC you must check the weather conditions daily. In case of bad weather you are responsible to move your boat to a safety area.

Free: Dock, music, food, parties, social activities for boys and girls including oldies, Don Q Rum and Medalla Beer cocktails, Don Q Press Conference, racing with your entry fee, lot of fun and the warmth love from all our PYFC Directors and members. See web [www.discoverpyfc.com](http://www.discoverpyfc.com) for this event and additional information. Come with your family and have fun!

*Lcdo. Manuel Frau Catasus*  
PYFC Commodore

# **Discover the Caribbean Series 2012**

**November 8, 9, 10, 11**

**Organizing Authority**

**Ponce Yacht & Fishing Club  
Ponce, Puerto Rico**

## **Notice of Race**

### **1. RULES**

- 1.1 This Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). To the extent permitted by Part 7 of the RRS, specific provisions of the RRS may be modified, altered or made inoperative by the Notice of Race (NOR) or the Sailing Instructions (SI).
- 1.2 Rules of participating ONE DESIGN classes will apply, except as modified, altered or made inoperative by the NOR or the SI, to the extent permitted by such class rules.
- 1.3 Boats in CRUISING CLASS may sail with two head sails and no spinnaker. The spinnaker pole in CRUISING CLASS is allowed. Catamarans and Trimarans shall race with their own rules.
- 1.4 Boats in Jib and Main CLASS have to sail with one head sail only. The use of spinnaker pole is not allowed. No crew member in these classes can hold the jib or genoa doing as spinnaker pole.
- 1.5 Genoas more than 150% will not be allowed for all Cruising and Jib & Main.
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

### **2. ENTRIES AND REGISTRATION**

- 2.1 Entries will be limited to Spinnaker Classes CSA Rating Rules. Cruising "A" and "B"; Jib & Main "A" and "B" are in PHRF classes. Jib and Main classes are not allowed to use spinnaker pole or any crew holding the jib or genoa as spinnaker pole. Racing Rules for Chalanas and One Class Boats are racing with their own rules.
- 2.2 All boats coming from 65 nautical miles out of PYFC will have free dock two weeks before and after the event. All boats coming from near PYFC will have one week before and after the event. All participants in Discover 2012 that stay in the Club to participate in the Eddie Ramos Casella's Cup to be celebrated on December 2, 2012 (No cost Entry Fee) will have free dock until December 2, 2012. Mother boats that bringing two or more boats will have free dockage
- 2.3 Entry Form and information may be obtained:

Ponce Yacht & Fishing Club

RE: Discover the Caribbean Series

3631 Paseo La Guancha, Ponce, Puerto Rico 00716-2026

Tel. 787.842.9003 Alice / Fax: 787.844.1300 [alice.pyfc@gmail.com](mailto:alice.pyfc@gmail.com) [www.discoverpyfc.com](http://www.discoverpyfc.com)

2.4 Entry fee will be as follow:

Early Bird .....October 18, 2012.....\$300.00  
Regular Registration.....Oct. 19 to Nov 8.....\$350.00  
Chalanas.....until Nov.8 .....\$110.00  
Dinghy Regatta .....Check with Alice at 787.842.9003

**Note: 7.00 % government Entry Fee**

**Entry Form personal check payment can be done by Air Mail.  
By card directly to P Y F C, E-Mail Address. Call Alice.**

2.5 All yacht not holding a current CSA or PHRF shall furnish information not later than 1800 hours on Thursday, November 8, 2012 directly to PYFC Office.  
[alice.pyfc@gmail.com](mailto:alice.pyfc@gmail.com) ; Fax: 787.844.1300

### 3. DIVISION OR CLASSES

3.1 The acceptance of yachts in a specific division or class is entirely at the discretion of the Regatta Committee. Division and classes will be arranged by organizing committee following CSA and PHRF ratings. The placement of yacht within divisions will be announced at the skipper meeting on Thursday, November 8, 2012 at 2000hrs.

### 4. SCHEDULE

4.1 Skippers check in and Registration

4.1.1 At PYFC Rear Commodore Office at Marlin Room, on Thursday, November 8, 2012, from 1800 hours to 2000 hours. Competitors shall register at the Registration Desk.

4.1.2 All competitors must complete registration before the Skipper's meeting.

4.2 Skipper's Meeting

4.2.1 The Skipper's Meeting will be held in the Playground's at 2000hrs of Thursday, November 8, 2012.

4.3 Races

4.3.1 Races will be back to back.

Friday, November 9, 2012 The first warning signal is scheduled for 1100 hours

Saturday, November 10, 2012 The first warning signal is scheduled for 1100 hours

Sunday, November 11, 2012 The first warning signal is scheduled for 1100 hours.

4.3.2 No warning signal will be hoisted after 1600 hours on Friday and Saturday. No warning signal will be hoisted after 1400 hours on Sunday.

### 5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

5.1 The sailing instructions will be available at registration time.

### 6. SCORING

6.1 If a minimum of 5 races are completed, one throw out will be allowed.

## 7. HANDICAPPING

- 7.1 The Jib and Main Classes "A" and "B" must declare the extra equipment like Bimini Top, barbecue, three blade propeller, etc. or any other equipment that may result in plus or minus handicap by the Race Committee.
- 7.2 Spinnaker divisions C.S.A. competitors must present certificate at your registration or not later than Thursday, November 8, 2012, 1800 hrs.
- 7.3 Chalanas will be placed into three classes according to the size 20, 24, 28 and with their own rules.
- 7.4 NOTE: Jibs or Genoas for Cruising and Jib and Main PHRF Classes Penalties: Less than 130% no allowances.

## 8. ADVERTISING

- 8.1 ISAF regulation 20.4 applies. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority (OA) in all or any of the races, if applicable.

## 9. NAVIGATION CHARTS

- 9.1 Entering yachts are requested to carry on board a current copy of NOAA chart 25638 Bahia de Ponce and Approaches.

## 10. SKIPPER'S CHECK-IN

- 10.1 The skipper's check-in to pick up instructions will take place at the PYFC, **Rear Commodore Office at Marlin Room**, from 1800 to 2000 hours, Thursday, November 8, 2012.

## 11. SKIPPER'S MEETING

- 11.1 The skipper meeting will be held at the PYFC, Playgrounds' Gazebo at 2000hrs on Friday, November 8, 2012. Sailing Instructions, class flag and courses to be sailed will be distributed at this time.

## 12. CREW PER YACHT

- 12.1 Minimum crew per yacht in all classes except Hobie and Snipes shall be in accordance with the rule which a yacht will be racing as rule in CSA and PHRF. The number of crew must be declared on registration of the yacht. Any changes must be informed and permission obtained from Race Committee Chairman. A 10 % variance in weight will be allowed.

## 13. ACCOMODATIONS

- 13.1 Participants must make accommodations on their own. our participants, \$86.00 night per person.

Phone number 787-813-5050



Special rates for

#### **14. CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION**

14.1 Services are available Monday through Saturday 0800 to 1630 hours at ports entry. USA registered boats not carrying aliens on board may clear by phone. When clearing custom by phone ONLY THE SKIPPER of the yacht is permitted while the procedures are being completed. Violations to the procedures could result in severe penalties by USA Customs and Immigration.

14.2 Alien must be clear before entering:

San Juan..... 787.253.4533 / 787.253. 4535 / 787.253.4536  
Ponce..... 787.841.3130 / 787.841.3131 / 787.841.3132  
Mayagüez..... 787.831.3342 / 787.831.3343  
Fajardo..... 787.863.0950 / 787.863.4075 / 787.863.0811 / 787.863.0170  
Vieques..... 787.741.8366  
Culebra..... 787.742.3531 / Over Night .... 787.253.4533 / 787.253.4536

**Neither the regatta organization nor sponsor or Ponce Yacht & Fishing Club shall be responsible for the obligation of visitors and participants to clear with the proper authorities.**

#### **15. RACING RULES**

15.1 All competitors are expected to know the navigation and racing rules and should carry a copy of these on board while racing.

#### **16. SAIL NUMBERS**

16.1 All competitors are advised that numbers will be required on main sails, spinnakers and any sails larger than 130%. Please get these in advance.

#### **17. MARINA ACCOMMODATIONS**

17.1 Marina accommodations shall be responsibility of master of each vessel. You are requested to contact PYFC Fleet Captain, Dr. José (Pepe) Muñoz (787.842.9003) & the Dock Master Alvalle (787.842.9003) or by VHF channel 68. Slips shall be assigned according to length of the yacht and space availability. Regatta Administration assumes no responsibility in this respect. The marina reserves the right to remove your yacht to another slip according to availability.

17.2 You must be aware of weather conditions during your visit at the PYFC and is your all responsibility to move your boat to a safety area in case of any kind of bad weather conditions.

#### **18. MOTHER SHIPS**

18.1 All mother ships have free dock with the entry fee of his racing boat. Call Alicia 787.842.9003. See entry form (2 of 2) page No. 8.

#### **19. AWARDS PRESENTATIONS**

19.1 The awards presentations for DISCOVER THE CARIBBEAN SERIES will be at the PYFC Marlin Room, Sunday November 11, 2012 beginning at 1730hrs, including Feeder Race, Fajardo-Salinas. Cocktail, music and other social activities. First, second and third place for the following classes.

## 20. CLASSES

### Flag: Sponsor Cup

Num.	Class	Class Flag
1	Catamaran and Trimarans	Blue
2	Jib and Main A	Green
3	Jib and Main B	Grey
4	Chalanas 28	Pink
5	Cruising	Purple
6	Chalanas 20 and 24	Brown
7	IC 24	Class Flag
8	J 24	Class Flag
9	Racing A	Yellow
10	Racing B	White

## 21. DISCLAIMER LIABILITY CLAUSE

Competitors participating in the regatta are entirely at their own risk. Competitors agree to be bound by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), by Sailing Instruction (SI), the Notice of Race (NOR) and any additional information to the SI or to the NOR. Competitors agree to take any responsibility for nautical qualities of their yacht, the rigging, the crew ability and safety requirements. Competitors also agree to take any and all responsibility for damages caused to third persons (bodily injury included but not limited thereto) or their belongings, to themselves (bodily injury included but not limited thereto) or to their belongings, ashore and at sea as a consequence of their participation in the regatta, relieving of any responsibility The Ponce Yacht and Fishing Club and all his members, the sponsors and all persons involved in the organization under whatever qualification and to accept full responsibility for their behavior and dress of yacht's crew, representative and guest. Competitors are to be acquainted with RRS Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone". In any case, competitors agree that The Ponce Yacht and Fishing Club Organization, the sponsors and their agents, have no responsibility for loss of life or injury to members or others or for the loss of, or damage to any vessel or property. As part of the registration process, each individual participating crewmember will be required to sign a declaration accepting this disclaimer of liability.

## 22. RIGHT TO USE AND LIKENESS

22.1 By participating in the Discover the Caribbean Series Regatta a competitor automatically grants the Discover the Caribbean Series Regatta Organizing Committee and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the competitor during the period of the Discover the Caribbean Series Regatta, without compensation.



## 23. INFORMATION

23.1 Alice Acosta (787.842.9003) Fax: (787.844.1300) <[alice.pyfc@gmail.com](mailto:alice.pyfc@gmail.com)> [www.discoverpyfc.com](http://www.discoverpyfc.com)

### ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Lcdo. Manuel Frau Catasus ..... PYFC Commodore  
Dr. David Kerr.....Race Committee Chairman  
Candido J. Pou Rivas.....PYFC Administrator  
José J. Nigaglioni .....Race Committee  
Cacho Pastrana ..... Race Committee  
Luis E. Matos Bayó ..... Judge  
Lcdo. Graham Castillo ..... Judge  
Prof. Nelson Ramírez .....Judge  
José Pou ..... Chase Boat  
Carlos Montull.....Consultant / Feeder Race  
Michael Serrallés..... Consultant / Feeder Race  
Ing. Robbie Ramos ..... Consultant  
José A. "Tuto" Santiago Canet.....Consultant  
Ing. Ronnie Ramos.....Consultant  
Jessica Fernandez.....Scorer  
Jorge Santiago.....Dinghy Regatta  
Ing. Joel J. Santiago Veray ..... Coordinator  
Ing. Jan González Madera..... Regatta & Event Director

**Ponce Yacht and Fishing Club welcome all sailors and families.  
Wish a happy sailing, lot of fun and happiness.**



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