- 1. <u>ELIGIBILITY</u>: Yachts must be single-hulled vessels, of thoroughly seaworthy type, strongly built and rigged, properly ballasted, with enclosed cabin.
- 2. MANAGEMENT: The race will be under management of the North Florida Cruising Club which shall have full power to interpret these conditions to decide preparatory signals. It is the responsibility of the owner and the master of each yacht to see that his vessel is seaworthy in hull, rig and gear, and the responsibility for accident or injury to any vessel or crew suffered in any way from any cause during or related to the race.
- 3. <u>ENTRY & MEASUREMENT</u>: Entries close Thursday, April 26 at midnight. Entries must be made on the prescribed form with a \$5 entry fee and sent to Terry Brady, 2709 Oakdale Drive West, Orange Park, Fla. 32073, or made in person at the NFCC meeting April 19. Entries in the IOR, MORC, and Off Sounding classes must have a valid measurement rating certificate.
- 4. <u>CLASSES</u>: The fleet will be divided into the following classes: IOR, MORC, Off Soundings, Class Boats, Cruiser A (with spinnaker), and Cruiser B (without spinnaker). Three boats are required to form a class with trophies being awarded as follows: First place for three and four boat fleets, First and Second for five and six boat fleets, and First, Second, and Third for fleets of seven or more boats.
- 5. <u>EQUIPMENT & CREW</u>: All yachts should be equipped to category four as shown in the USYRU Off Shore Equipment List dated 1974, with adequate crew and provisions to remain off shore overnight should conditions warrant.
- 6. SKIPPERS' MEETING: None. These instructions are in lieu of the skippers' meeting.
- 7. <u>RACING RULES AND RIGHT OF WAY</u>: The race will be conducted under the current Yacht Racing Rules of the International Yacht Racing Union as adopted by USYRU. The 720° rule will be in effect.
- 8. <u>SPECIAL LIMITATIONS & REQUIREMENTS</u>: Motors will not be sealed, but use of propulsion after the Preparatory Signal is prohibited, except for rescue purposes and emergencies.
- 9. START COURSE FINISH: The fleet will start as one class at 1000 hours, with the warning signal at 0950 hours. USYRU starting signals will be used with one minute drop intervals. (a): Start in an easterly direction between the committee boat and the St. Johns Channel Marker "R4". (b): Leave St. Johns Channel Marker "R2" to port and proceed to Fernandina. (c): Finish between St. Marys Entrance Channel Markers "C3" and "C5." In the event a committee boat is not on station, all yachts should attempt to record the finish time of the next yacht over the line. These times and the names of the yachts must be turned into the race committee at Fernandina.
- 10. <u>RETURN TO PORT</u>: After you have traversed the finish line and, if required, taken the time of the next yacht to finish, you are free to proceed to port. For information on facilities, contact Ted Scarboro, NFCC Cruise Committee Chairman, Phone 737-8923.
- 11. <u>ABANDONING THE RACE:</u> Any yacht abandoning the race and not continuing on to Fernandina shall attempt to notify other yachts of their intentions and for notification to the race committee.
- 12. <u>RESULTS & TROPHY PRESENTATION</u>: Results of the race will be published as soon as possible and trophies will be awarded at the next meeting of NFCC, May 17.
- 13. <u>RETURNING TO HOME PORT</u>: An early start on Sunday will be required to miss the ebb currents on the St. Johns River, also leave early enough Saturday to fight a flood current on the way to the starting line.

Length, of Race: 20 Nautical Miles

Current Information -- Eastern Standard Time

Fernandina	Saturday, Ap	ril 28, 1979	Mayport
1303 - Max Ebb 1652 - Slack Flood 1936 - Max Flood 2258 - Slack Ebb	25.5 2.48.30 06:84:1 2.52 06:84:1 2.48.30	08 11 14	48 - Slack Flood 57 - Max Flood 40 - Slack Ebb 34 - Max Ebb
0750 - Max Flood 1103 - Slack Ebb	Sunday, Apri	09 12 15	43 - Max Flood 25 - Slack Ebb 14 - Max Ebb 36 - Slack Flood