

**NFCC MAYPORT TO ST. AUGUSTINE RACE  
"NOTICE OF RACE" AND "SAILING INSTRUCTIONS"**

DATE AND PLACE: Saturday, May 23, 1992; 0900 hrs., EDST, Atlantic Ocean/Mayport Jetties to St. Augustine Sea Buoy.

REGISTRATION: The standard Yacht Racing Entry Form accompanying this notice must be completed in full and either mailed to Drew Oliver, Race Chairman, 2810 Yale Avenue, Jacksonville, Florida 32210, to be received no later than Thursday, May 21, 1992, or hand delivered to the Race Committee no later than the close of the regular NFCC meeting on Thursday, May 21, 1992. All entries must be accompanied with full entry fee.

ENTRY FEE: NFCC Members \$15.00; Non-Members \$20.00.

ELIGIBILITY: All yachts racing shall be assigned to one of three (3) classes: Spinnaker, Cruiser (Non-Spinnaker) or Open Provisional Class. For further eligibility requirements, see "Spinnaker and Cruiser (Non-Spinnaker) Classes" and "Open Provisional Class" below. There must be a minimum of 3 boats registered in a class in order to be considered a class.

SPINNAKER AND CRUISER (Non-Spinnaker) CLASSES: Shall be as defined by Performance Handicap Racing Fleet of Northeast Florida ("PHRF-NE Florida"). Spinnaker and Cruiser classes are required to have a valid rating certificate issued by PHRF-NE Florida. Contact Rick Peper at 260-3600 for any questions concerning PHRF ratings for Spinnaker and Cruiser Classes.

OPEN PROVISIONAL CLASS: The purpose of the Open Provisional Class is to allow yachts that have extra (cruising) gear and/or are currently non-PHRF rated to race for fun and a trophy. Yachts sailing in the Open Provisional Class shall be monohull, 25' and over, with overnight (cruising) potential, main and headsail ONLY and proper safety gear for ocean sailing.

THIS IS A NON-POINTS CLASS. No yachts shall accrue any points for any race sailed in the Open Provisional Class for any perpetual trophies presented by PHRF-NE Florida (i.e. Perpetual, River and Cruiser Trophies. **THIS CLASS IS FOR FUN!!!**

Entrants must submit (along with the racing fee and the Yacht Racing Entry Form) a detailed description as to why the entering yacht meets the requirements of Open Provisional Class better than Spinnaker Class or Cruiser (Non-Spinnaker) Class. All information requested on the Yacht Racing Entry Form must be completed in its entirety, including "PHRF Rating" if one has been assigned by PHRF-NE Florida. In the event entrant carries a valid PHRF-NE Florida certificate, the Race Committee, at its sole discretion after reviewing the Yacht Racing Entry Form and its attachment, may assign any entrant to another class.

If accepted into the Open Provisional Class, the Race Committee, at its sole discretion, shall assign a rating to yachts sailing in the Open Provisional Class. The rating shall be based upon current national PHRF ratings for the same type of yacht, the results of this class in previous NFCC races accepting applications for this class and held in 1992, and/or other information available to the Race Committee. The rating assigned shall be uncontestable and usable for only this particular race and shall in no way be recognized by PHRF-NE Florida or any other rating authority as a valid rating.

MANAGEMENT: The race will be under the management of the North Florida Cruising Club ("NFCC") as the organizing authority.

RACING RULES:

a. Spinnaker and Cruiser (Non-Spinnaker) Classes: This race will be governed by the 1989-92 (with the 1991 revisions) Racing Rules of International Yacht Racing Union, as adopted by the U.S. Sailing Association d/b/a U.S. Sailing (f/k/a United States Yacht Racing Union) ("IYRR"), the current in effect PHRF-NE Florida rules (except as altered herein) and these sailing instructions. Any yacht not in compliance with rules 25.2(a) and (b) of IYRR will be penalized 5 seconds per mile of the race course but will still be eligible to compete. Yachts rated with "Flashers" may race using their flasher in the Spinnaker Class with their rating in tact or they may race in Cruiser class without their flasher with their rating in tact. In any event the PHRF-NE Florida rating remains the same.

b. Open Provisional Class: This race will be governed by the 1989-92 (with the 1991 revisions) Racing Rules of International Yacht Racing Union, as adopted by the U.S. Sailing Association d/b/a U.S. Sailing (f/k/a United States Yacht Racing Union) ("IYRR") (except as altered herein) and these sailing instructions.

SKIPPER'S MEETING: There will be no Skippers' Meeting.

CHANGES IN THESE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Any change in these Sailing Instructions will be announced at the regularly scheduled NFCC monthly meeting at the Ramada Inn/I-295 and SR 13. on Thursday, May 21, 1992.

COURSE: Start between Race Committee boat and St. Johns River Channel buoy R "4". Proceed in an easterly direction from the starting line to St. John's channel buoy R2 "STJ" leaving it to starboard, thence to finish line.

START:

- a. 0900 Hours EST. Warning signal shall be at 0850 Hrs.
- b. The race shall be started in accordance with IYRR 4.4(a) System 2, (ii) and in accordance with subparagraphs a., b., and c. above.
- c. The starting line will be between R "4" and the Race Committee Flag on the Race Committee boat.
- d. After postponement has been signaled, a new preparatory signal shall be made one minute after the lowering of visual signal "AP" with one sound signal.

INDIVIDUAL RECALL: Shall be signaled by displaying code flag "X" along with one sound signal. The Race Committee shall attempt to hail the sail numbers of the infringing yachts. Failure to make or to hear such hail will neither be grounds for protest nor relieve a yacht of her responsibility to make a proper start.

GENERAL RECALL: General recalls shall be signaled by displaying code flag "First Substitute" with two sound signals. After a general recall has been signaled, a new preparatory signal shall be made one minute after the lowering of code flag "First Substitute" with one sound signal.

ABANDONMENT, CANCELLATION, CHANGE OF COURSE AND SHORTEN COURSE: The Race Committee may abandon, cancel, change or shorten the race in accordance with IYRR 5.

SAFETY: A yacht which retires from a race is asked to "make every effort" to notify the Race Committee either before leaving the course area or, if that is impossible, immediately after arriving ashore. All responsible mariners are encouraged to monitor VHF Channel 16 during the race. **THE RACE COMMITTEE SHALL ALSO ATTEMPT TO MONITOR VHF CHANNEL 16 FOR HAILING.** The Race Committee shall neither acknowledge nor answer any radio communications for any reason, except to acknowledge retirement or Mayday calls. **FOR SAFETY AND COURTESY PURPOSES, ANY REGISTERED YACHT NOT STARTING THE RACE OR RETIRING PRIOR TO ITS FINISH OF THE RACE SHOULD USE THEIR BEST EFFORTS TO NOTIFY THE RACE COMMITTEE.**

FINISH: The Finish Line shall be between the St. Augustine sea buoy BW "St.A" and the Race Committee flag on the Race Committee boat. In the event that the Committee Boat is not on station, all yachts should consider themselves finished when their yacht leaves BW "St.A" within 100 feet and due west to their starboard. Each finishing yacht should attempt to record their finish time as well as the finish time of the yacht ahead and the finish time of the next boat to finish. Times should be reported to the Race Committee at the St. Augustine Yacht Club or called in to Drew Oliver at (904) 387-4144 no later than 8:00 PM Tuesday, May 26, 1992.

ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES: The 720 degree turns penalty as provided in IYRR Appendix 3.1 shall apply. Any yacht which exonerates herself from a minor foul in this manner shall notify the Race Committee of such action at the Finish Line.

PROTESTS: A yacht intending to protest shall do so in accordance with IYRR 68.3. All protests must be presented in writing to the Race Committee within 48 hours after the race. Notice of protest must also be given immediately after finish by hail, acknowledged by the Race Committee. Competitors involved in a protest (parties to the protest and witnesses) shall be notified of the time and place of the hearing. It is the responsibility of those concerned to check with the Race Committee as to the time and place of the hearing. The Protest Committee (as appointed by the Race Committee) shall hear protests in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible. Protest forms are available by contacting Drew Oliver at 387-4144.

SCORING/TROPHIES: Finishing order shall be scored by correct time based on rating applied to the elapsed time. The Race Committee shall attempt to break ties. Race results shall be mailed to each skipper at the address noted on the Yacht Racing Entry Form and will also be published in the next edition of the NFCC "Windscoop". Trophies will be awarded at the next scheduled meeting of the NFCC. Meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month at the Ramada Inn, I-295 and SR 13.