NORTH FLORIDA CRUISING CLUB NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS BLUE MAX RACE 26 APRIL 1997

DATE & PLACE:

Saturday, April 26, 1997, on the St. Johns River, beginning in the vicinity of St. Johns River and the Rudder Club.

REGISTRATION:

The standard race entry form must be completed in full and either mailed to Don Campbell, 10511 Bigtree Circle East, Jacksonville, Florida 32257, by April 23, 1997 or in person at the North Florida Cruising Club meeting on April 17th, 7:30 pm, Ranada Inn, I-95 & SR13. The Race Committee assumes n o responsibility for delivery of entries submitted by mail.

ENTRY FEE:

\$20.00 for NFCC members, \$25.00 for Non-members. (Non-members \$20.00 with current US Sail card)

ELIGIBILITY:

PHRF yachts must have a valid PHRF certificate from PHRF of Northeast Florida. (PHRF Club handicapper is Todd Stickley)

A PHRF yacht participating in the race must have her sail number on the mainsails, spinnakers, and all headsails with a LP exceeding 130%. Her sail numbers are those allotted to her by

USYRU, her class, or her hull number.

This shall be considered "adequate opportunity" as

required by IYRR rule 25.2.

OPC yachts accepted into the Open Provisional class by the race committee, will be given a rating based on current national PHRF ratings of comparable yachts, experience, boat equipment,

and previous results of that yacht, if any.

CLASSES:

PHRF Spinnaker, PHRF Non-spinnaker, and OPC. Divisions will be further divided into classes if possible.

MANAGEMENT:

This race will be under the management of the North Florida Cruising Club, which is also the organizing authority.

RACING RULES:

The Regatta will be governed by the IYRR, the prescriptions of US Sailing, the rules of PHRF of Northeast Florida, and these sailing instructions.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

Changes in these sailing instructions will be announced at the Skipper's meeting at the Rudder Club.

SKIPPER'S MEETING:

The Skipper's meeting will be held at the Rudder Club at 11:30 am.

COURSE:

PHRF and OPC course-board will be displayed on starboard-side of committee boat.

START:

The start of the PHRF class will be at 1:00pm with the warning signal at 12:50pm. The OPC class will start at 1:10pm. PHRF yachts must cross the start line within 20 minutes of their start time or will be scored DNS. OPC yachts must cross the start line within 30 minutes of their start time or will be scored DNS. Starts will be in accordance with IYRR 4.3 system 2

RECALLS:

Individual recall will be in accordance with IYRR 7.1, and General recall will be in accordance with IYRR 7.2.

VISUAL SIGNALS:

Course changes, modifications, postponements, and other visual signals will be in accordance with IYRR 4.1.

PENALTIES:

The 720 degrees turns penalty, Appendix B1 section 1, will apply. Any yacht which exonerates herself from minor foul in this manor shall notify the Race-Committee of such action at the finish line.

PROTESTS:

All protests must be submitted in writing to the Race Committee within 1 hour after the race. Notice of protest must also be given immediately after finishing by hail, and acknowledged by the Race Committee. There will be a protest filing fee of \$10.00, which will be returned if the protest is upheld.

POST-RACE:

Mug Race pre-registration will be held at the Rudder Club from 6:30 P.M. - 10:00P.M. Race results will be provided as soon as possible after the race. AWARDS PRESENTATION will be at the NFCC meeting in May.

INFO:

For more info contact Peggy Campbell, (904) 296-9400 (w)

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