

NORTH FLORIDA CRUISING CLUB
NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
ELPHICK MEMORIAL RACE
30 AUGUST 1997

DATE & PLACE: Saturday, August 30, 1997, in the Atlantic Ocean, in the vicinity of St. Johns River Entrance Marker R "4" off of Mayport, Florida.

REGISTRATION: The standard race entry form must be completed in full and either mailed to Don Campbell, 10511 Bigtree Circle E., Jacksonville, Florida 32257, or delivered at the NFCC meeting on Aug. 21, 1997. All entries must be received by 0900, 28 Aug., which is 48 hours prior to the race start - NO EXCEPTIONS. The Race Committee assumes no responsibility for 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 US Sailing, her class, or her hull number. This shall be considered "adequate opportunity" as required by ISAF Appendix H.
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 Racing Rules of Sailing 1997-2000, US Sailing Prescriptions, the prescriptions of the NFSRA, and these sailing instructions.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Changes in these sailing instructions, if necessary, will be posted on the starboard-side of the Race Committee boat and the Race Committee will display Code Flag "L" (Come within Hail).

CHECK-IN: **THERE WILL BE NO SKIPPER'S MEETING**
All yachts must check-in with the Race Committee prior to the warning signal by sailing past the stern of the Race Committee boat and hailing their sail numbers, which hail shall be acknowledged by the Race Committee. Yachts not properly checked in may be scored DNS.

COURSE: PHRF Spinnaker Course: Start in the vicinity of St. Johns River Channel Marker R "4". Proceed easterly approximately 104 deg. mag. to St. Johns River Marker RW "STJ", leaving it to port. Proceed northerly approximately 355 deg. mag. to St. Mary's Inlet G "15", finish between the Race Committee boat and G "15".

PHRF Non-spinnaker and OPC Course: Start in the vicinity of St. Johns River Channel Marker R "4". Proceed northerly approximately 358 deg. mag. to St. Mary's Inlet G "15", finish between G "15" and the Race Committee boat.

START: The start of the PHRF Spinnaker class will be at 9:00am with the warning signal at 8:50am. The PHRF Non-spinnaker and OPC classes will start at 9:10am. PHRF Spinnaker yachts must cross the start line within 20 minutes of their start time or will be scored DNS. PHRF Non-spinnaker and 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 ISAF 26 system 2

FINISH: Finish in a northerly direction between G "15" and the Race Committee boat. In the Event the Race Committee boat is not on station, all yachts should record their own finish time when G "15" is within 100 feet and bears 270 deg. and record the finish time of the next yacht to finish. Turn times and names into Race Committee at the Fernandina Harbor Marina. PHRF Spinnaker yachts not finishing by 5:30pm will be scored DNF. PHRF Non-spinnaker and OPC yachts not finishing by 5:40 pm will be scored DNF. The race committee will attempt to remain on station until 5:40pm, August 30th, 1997, conditions permitting.

RECALLS: Individual recall will be in accordance with ISAF 29.2 and General recall will be in accordance with ISAF 29.3.

VISUAL SIGNALS: Course changes, modifications, postponements, and other visual signals will be in accordance with ISAF 25.

PENALTIES: The 720 degrees turns penalty, ISAF 44.1, 44.2 will apply. Any yacht which exonerates herself from minor foul in this manner 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 48 hours 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: Race results will be provided as soon as possible after the race, and will be posted, pending permission, at the Palace Saloon. AWARDS PRESENTATION will be at the NFCC meeting in September.

MISCELLANEOUS: For more info contact Peggy Campbell, 296-9400 (w). The Race Committee will use coordinated universal time adjusted to local (eastern) time. The Race Committee will attempt to have scratch sheets available for all boats. The Race Committee will maintain radio silence starting 10 minutes prior to the warning signal and continuing through both start sequences. The Race Committee will respond to emergencies only.