

THE SHIPYARDS OFFSHORE CHALLENGE 2003

MAY 17, 2003

RACE NOTICE

We cordially invite you to The Shipyards Offshore Challenge, sponsored by One Shipyard Place and hosted by Epping Forest Yacht Club. On Saturday, May 17th, 2003 the race will be open to all PHRF Card holders, and ONE DESIGN CLASSES with three or more boats. PHRF classes will be split into spinnaker and non-spinnaker then further divided if participation requires. PHRF Cruising will be a separate class.

REGISTRATION

All entrants shall register using the accompanying entry form. **Please return the completed form along with a \$25.00 entry fee payable to Epping Forest Yacht Club at the address below, attention Harbormaster. IF YOU START THE RACE YOU WILL RECEIVE AN ENTRY FEE REFUND (Free Race, Thanks to the Shipyards)**

Registration will close at 1700 hrs. on Friday, May 16, 2003.

Due to the logistics of administrating a quality ocean race the race will be postponed if 15 entries are not received by Monday, May 12!

Entry fee includes:

- * Free admission to the awards presentation party.
- * Skippers Bag with Regatta Shirt and Ball Cap (Additional available for purchase)

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, May 16, 2003

All Day - Entrants are cordially invited to bring their boats to Sister's Creek Marina.

Saturday, May 17, 2003

1000 hours – Warning Signal PHRF Spinnaker Boats

1005 hours - Start PHRF Spinnaker

1010 hours - Warning Signal for PHRF non-spinnaker and PHRF cruiser classes.

1015 hours – Start PHRF non-spinnaker and PHRF cruiser class

1600 hours - Low Tide at Mayport

The race course distance will be set to facilitate all boats finishing by 1600 hours.

1800 hours – Dock at Metro Park and ride the launch provided to One Shipyard Place

Prize giving party commences at the One Shipyard Place (the fine new downtown community)

Complimentary sodas, beer and heavy hors d'oeuvres.

THIS WILL BE THE FINEST AWARDS RECEPTION OF THE YEAR. SHIPYARDS IS A FANTASTIC SPOT.

1900 hours – Prize giving.

After Dark- FIREWORKS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

COURSE

The course will begin and finish in the Atlantic Ocean in the vicinity of two miles east of the Mayport Jetties. The PHRF Spinnaker boats will sail on a longer course than the course designated for the PHRF non-spinnaker and PHRF Cruiser classes. Course designations will be displayed from the race committee boat. Course designation descriptions will be available in the Sailing Instructions, distributed to competitors after registration is received.

For further information please contact Skip Canfield, Harbormaster, at 739-7150.

THE SHIPYARDS OFFSHORE CHALLENGE STORY:

In 2000 The First Coast Sailing Association expressed interest in adding another ocean race to the schedule. Epping Forest Yacht Club was excited to be involved. The original concept was to have an ocean race that was logistically “friendly” for all competitors. This certainly meant having the start and finish in the same place.

THIS YEAR One Shipyard Place is happy to be further involved in the boating community of north east Florida. The weekend will be full of surprises that will add up to the most fun and unique race of the year. Everyone is excited to be involved in what has all the makings to become an ocean classic. We invite ideas from all competitors for ways to polish the event to an even higher gloss for future editions of the Shipyard Offshore Challenge!

JOIN US FOR “COMMOTION IN THE OCEAN!”

Celebrate Jacksonville's maritime heritage with...



Friday, May 16, 9:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Saturday, May 17, 10 a.m. - 10 p.m.

Sunday, May 18, Noon - 6 p.m.

Downtown Riverfront / Northbank, St. Johns River

Participating Ships

Schooner Freedom

Schooner Voyager

Amara Zee (Theatre Ship)

Pride of Baltimore II

This maritime festival will highlight the essential roles the St. Johns River and the maritime community have played in the history of Jacksonville, and will be anchored by the visit of several Tall Ships® to Jacksonville's Downtown Riverfront. Other activities will surround the ships' visits, ranging from in-the-water events, such as the Parade of Sail, to landside demonstrations & events including boat building, port operations, music, seamanship demonstrations, & performance artists.

Schedule of Events

Friday, May 16, 2003

- Parade of Sail: Time: TBA
- Dockside Ship Tours
- Water Activities and Demonstrations
- Dockside Interactive Activities and Booths
- Dockside Entertainment
- *Amara Zee* Theatre performance of **Red Tides**



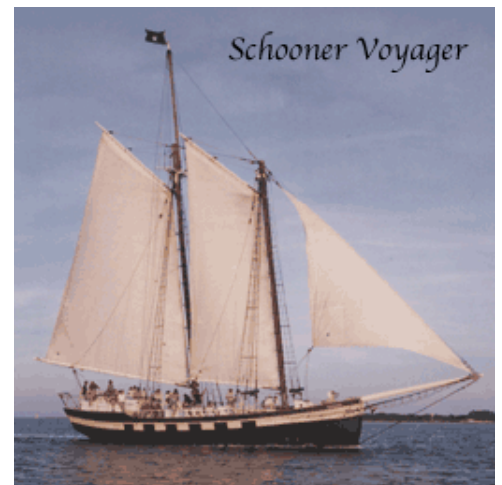
Saturday, May 17, 2003

- Dockside Ship Tours
- Narrated Port Tours
Time: TBA
- **SCHOLASTIC SAIL RACING @ THE LANDING (420'S)**
- **SHIPYARD OFFSHORE CHALLENGE (PHRF boats)**
- Water Activities and Demonstrations
- Dockside Interactive Activities and Booths
- Dockside Entertainment
- Fireworks Time: TBA



Sunday, May 18, 2003

- Dockside Ship Tours
- Dockside Interactive Activities and Booths
- Water Activities and Demonstrations
- Dockside Entertainment
- Pirate Battle Time: TBA



For more information on Sail Jacksonville, call (904) 630-3690 or e-mail events@coj.net

Sail Jacksonville is sponsored by:

The City of Jacksonville and Sail Jacksonville,

a not-for-profit organization founded in Jacksonville, Florida to support an annual waterfront festival celebrating Jacksonville's maritime heritage.

