

Notice of Race

Kings Day Regatta 2012

First Coast Sailing Association
PHRF Fall Series Race #5
Saturday, November 17, 2012



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- The regatta shall be contested per the Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (PHRF) rules of the First Coast Sailing Association and participating yachts must hold a current Rating Certificate. (www.sailjax.com)
- Yachts will earn points for the First Coast Sailing Association Awards, as this is the fifth of the six Fall Series races.
- Awards will be presented three deep in Cruiser, Non-spinnaker and Spinnaker Classes.
- **This regatta shall be the second race of the EFYC two race series (spinnaker class) for naming as the 2011 winner of the Alfred I. DuPont Trophy for sail competition on the St. Johns River, which was first awarded in 1936.**

Friday, November 16, 2012:

Participating boats are invited to arrive early and spend the Friday night at Epping Forest Yacht Club without charge, space available. Please make a reservation with the Harbormaster. 904 739-7150 or jtipton@efyc.com

Saturday, November 17, 2012

1030 Hours Complementary coffee and sweets at the Mariners Deck in the Marina

1145 Hours Registration Closes

1200 Hours Competitors Meeting

1300 Hours START

The racing rules, course description, starting sequence, etc. shall be announced at the 1200 hr. meeting. Race updates and other commentaries may be announced on VHF channel 68 as a courtesy, but shall not be relied upon as a substitute for attendance at the 1200 hr. meeting.

POST RACE

Hors d' oeuvres, soda and beer highlight the awards ceremony complements of Epping Forest Yacht Club. The course distance will be such that this post race gathering will be between 1600 and 1700 .

Saturday Night Docking

Participating boats are invited to spend Saturday night at Epping Forest Yacht Club without charge, space available. Please make a reservation with the Harbormaster. 904 739-7150 or jtipton@efyc.com

Registration using the First Coast Sailing Association standard entry form (www.sailjax.com) may be mailed to Epping Forest Yacht Club, 1830 Epping Forest Dr., Jacksonville Fl, 32217, attention John Tipton. Please include the \$30 (\$ 25.00 for EFYC members) entry fee (check payable to Epping Forest Yacht Club) and the completed entry form. Registrations will be accepted at EFYC marina until 11:45 A.M. on Saturday, 11/17/12.



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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Kings Day Regatta
Alfred I. duPont Trophy series race
Epping Forest Yacht Club
November 17, 2012

1. RULES

1.1 The Regatta will be governed by (1) these Sailing Instructions (SI), (2) the rules of the First Coast Sailing Association (FCSA), (3) the prescriptions of US Sailing, and (4) the Racing Rules of Sailing, 2009-2012 (RRS)

1.2 MANAGEMENT

The race will be under the management of the Epping Forest Yacht Club, which is the organizing authority.

1.3 REGISTRATION AND ENTRY FEE

Entry must be made on the standard FCSA Entry Form with entry fee paid before the competitors meeting.

The entry fee shall be \$30.00 per boat. (\$25.00 for EFYC members billed to their account)

1.4 ELIGIBILITY

Only boats having a valid FCSA PHRF Certification may compete. Entrants must have completed registration and paid fees to the regatta organizing authority before becoming official competitors. Vessels not having a current rating will be given a provisional rating.

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Window located on the west wall window of the Epping Forest Yacht Club Marina building (lower level).

3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes in the sailing instructions will be approved and posted before 1145 hours on the date it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the official club flag staff, next to the Harbormasters office.

4.2 Code Flag "AP". Answering Pennant, with two sound signals means "The race is postponed. It is advised to not leave the Harbor area." The time of the warning signal will be posted on the Notice Window before the lowering of the "AP" flag with one sound signal.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 1030 hours: Race committee arrives at Epping Forrest Yacht Club Marina; race day registration opens in the lower level room of the EFYC marina building.
- 1145 Hours: Registration closes.
- 1200 Hours: Competitors meeting.
- 1255 hours: Warning signal for the first class.
- 1600-1800 hours (approximate): Awards at Epping Forest Yacht Club Mariners Deck in the marina.

6. CLASSES

- 6.1 The fleet will be divided into 3 classes, spinnaker, non-spinnaker and cruiser.
- 6.2 The spinnaker class and non-spinnaker classes shall start first. The cruiser class shall start second.
- 6.3 Awards and/or trophies for this race shall be awarded three deep in all three classes.
- 6.4 The spinnaker class will compete for recognition on the Epping Forest Yacht Club, Alfred I. duPont Trophy. This race is the second in a two race series. The first race was the duPont Cup Regatta held at Epping Forest Yacht Club in the spring. The winner shall be determined via the Low Point System per RRS 89.3 and Appendix A.
- 6.5 The regatta is also race number 5 in the First Coast Sailing Association Fall Series for all three classes.

7. The Racing Area.

The racing area shall be between the Buckman Bridge to the south and the Fuller Warren Bridge to the north as depicted on NOA Chart 11492.

8. COURSES

Course(s) will be as announced at the competitors meeting.

9. MARKS

Marks will be yellow and / or orange inflatable marks, stationary government marks or other marks as designated by the RC.

10. Obstructions N/A

11. THE START AND FINISH

- 11.1 The start line will be between an orange flag on the race committee boat displaying the RC flag at the starboard end and a pin-end buoy at the port end.
- 11.2 Yachts shall check in with the race committee prior to the warning/class signal for the first start by sailing past the stern of the race committee boat on a starboard tack and hailing their sail number. Yachts failing to check in may be scored DNS.
- 11.3 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26 with the warning/class signal given five minutes before the starting signal. The warning/class signals for the second start will be given approx 5 minutes after the start signal of the first start.

- 11.4 The warning/class signal (5 minutes before start signal) for the spinnaker and non-spinnaker classes will be a red flag. The warning/class signal (5 minutes before start signal) for the cruiser class will be a yellow flag.
- 11.5 The preparatory flag (4 minutes to 1 minute before the start signal) for all classes will be the "P" flag. A solid blue flag may be used as a substitute for the "P" flag.
- 11.6 Rule 30.1, the "Round an End" rule shall be in effect regardless whether an "I" flag is or is not displayed on the RC boat. Yachts whose warning/class signal has not been made shall avoid interfering with yachts preparing to start.
- 11.7 Individual and general recalls will be made in accordance with RRS 29. In addition, as a convenience to competitors, the race committee will attempt to announce over VHF marine radio channel 68 the sail numbers or name of premature starters. If a general recall is signaled, the order of the starts will not change and subsequent starts will be delayed accordingly.
- 11.8 Yachts failing to cross the start line within 10 minutes of their class start signal will be scored DNS (modification of RRS 30).

12. The Finish

The finish line will be between the orange flag on the race committee boat displaying the RC flag at the starboard end and the pin-end buoy at the port end. The race committee will set the finish line in approximately the same position as the start line unless weather or other conditions require it be relocated.

- 12.1 The start and/or finish line(s) shall be closed to all vessels not starting or finishing.
- 12.1 Yachts failing to cross the finish line within 3.0 hours of their start shall be scored DNF (modification of RRS 35).

13. PENALTIES

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A one turn penalty (360 degree) in the same direction with one tack and gybe will apply. (Modification of RRS 44.4.) Any yacht that exonerates in this manner for a minor foul shall notify the race committee of such after finishing.

14. PROTESTS

A notice to protest must be given by hail immediately after finishing with acknowledgement from the race committee. Protests must be submitted in writing not more than 30 minutes following the race committee's arrival back at Epping Forrest Yacht Club Marina .The Protest Committee will hear protests in approximately the order of receipt.

15. PARTICIPATION

Sailing is an activity that has inherent risk of damage to property or injury to persons. Competitors in this regatta are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, Epping Forest Yacht Club, sponsors, or any other organization or official)will not accept any liability for damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to or after the regatta.