

IMPORTANT NOTICE

FIRST COAST SAILING ASSOCIATION SPECIAL MEETING

MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 2014

ST. AUGUSTINE YACHT CLUB – SOCIAL STARTS 6:00 PM, MEETING @ 7:00 PM 442 OCEAN VISTA AVENUE

St. Augustine, FL 32080

This is an important Special Meeting to vote on proposed changes in our Bylaws.

In accordance with Section 15.2 of our Bylaws: "The Bylaws may be amended or a new bylaw made by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at annual or special general meeting provided the proposed amendment or new bylaw be stated in full in the notice of the meeting."

In accordance with Section 3.1 of our Bylaws: "The members of the Corporation shall be limited to persons who are members in good standing and who shall have paid such measurement and membership fees....." This means that current FCSA certificate holders listed as "current" on the FCSA roster are voting members and are urged to attend.

In accordance with Section 6.3 of our Bylaws, Special Meetings of the general membership may be called by the Board of Directors, upon fifteen (15) days' written notice.

The proposed bylaws to be changed are attached to this Notice, highlighted in red text.

Please note the date and time. We'll have cash bar & food menu consisting of the following (each Selection is \$7.00):

Selection 1: Pulled pork sandwich w/fries or slaw Selection 2: Cheese burger w/fries or potato salad

Selection 3: Fried flounder sandwich w/fries or slaw

It would be helpful to place your food order in advance by e-mail to the following address: <a href="mailto:mailto



PROPOSED BY-LAWS CHANGES FIRST COAST SAILING ASSOCIATION, INC.

CHANGE NO. 1: ORIGINAL TEXT:

<u>Section 1.2 Purposes</u>. (second paragraph)

The organization shall be a non-profit organization with area of jurisdiction of Northeast Florida and Southeast Georgia. It is an area group under the United States Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (US PHRF), a subcommittee of the Offshore Racing Committee of the United States Sailing Association (US SAILING). The primary focus is to establish and maintain an equitable system of handicap ratings for yachts owned or chartered by members. The organization may also adopt and administer alternative and additional handicap rating systems from time to time.

CHANGE NO. 1: PROPOSED CHANGES:

Section 1.2 Purposes. (second paragraph)

The organization shall be a non-profit organization with area of jurisdiction of Northeast Florida, and including neighboring areas in Southeast Georgia, St. Augustine, Daytona and New Smyrna Beach. It is an area group under the United States Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (US PHRF), a subcommittee of the Offshore Racing Committee of the United States Sailing Association (US SAILING). The primary focus purpose is to: 1) promote sailboat racing among member clubs; 2) Coordination of the member sailing clubs; and 3) to establish and maintain an equitable system of handicap ratings for yachts owned or chartered by members. The term "Coordination" shall include:

- 1. Establish the annual racing schedule for member clubs including one-design and cruiser racing schedules through collaboration among the member clubs
- 2. Disseminate information for race schedules, changes, times, race results, club officers/contacts, local rules, and activities/information of interest to area sailors
- 3. Provide race management techniques and racing rules instruction
- 4. Organize annual interclub championship competition

The organization may also adopt and administer alternative and additional handicap rating systems from time to time. The organization may also promote regional competition and participation of member clubs by organizing regional racing events.

CHANGE NO. 2: ORIGINAL TEXT:

<u>Section 3.1</u> <u>Membership</u>. The members of the Corporation shall be limited to persons who are members in good standing of a yacht club, sailing club, or sailing fleet which is a member of a yacht racing association recognized by US SAILING and is located in the area where their boats are principally at berth, and who shall have paid such measurement and membership fees as shall be established from time to time by the Board of Directors.



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CHANGE NO. 3: ORIGINAL TEXT:

<u>Section 7.2 Functions</u>. The officers shall endeavor to promote the racing of handicap yachts over both closed and distance courses and are authorized to provide assistance and information to yacht clubs and their race committees for this purpose.

CHANGE NO. 3: PROPOSED CHANGES:

<u>Section 7.2 Functions</u>. The officers shall endeavor to promote <u>and organize</u> the racing of <u>handicap yachts-boats</u> over both closed and distance courses and are authorized to provide assistance and information to yacht clubs and their race committees for this purpose.

CHANGE NO. 4: ORIGINAL TEXT:

7.2.2 <u>Competition</u>: The officers shall provide for the development of intra-area handicap racing by encouraging competition between members for trophies in such events, and may act as the governing body in establishing the conditions of such events.

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