



## Ponce de Leon Full Moon Offshore Race

Saturday, August 20, 2016

### Notice of Race

- 1. Rules** Races will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013-2016, the Prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association and by these sailing instructions.
- 2. Eligibility** All sailboats. All boats must have a PHRF rating issued by the First Coast Sailing Association. (See Sailjax.com for forms). First time SAYC event entries without a rating from FCSA will be issued a provisional rating by SAYC.
- 3. Registration** Boats may register on the SAYC website <http://www.staugustineyachtclub.com/sailboat-racing/> Or by completing the attached entry form and sending it to the address listed on the form. Everyone should try to pre-register. The Skipper's Meeting will be held at 3 PM on the day of the race at the SAYC clubhouse, for final registration and sailing instructions.
- 4. Instructions** See attached Sailing Instructions.
- 5. Fees** Entry Fee is **\$31.95 inc. tax** per boat for SAYC members and **\$42.60 inc. tax** for nonmembers, which can be paid by cash, check or credit card. Entry fee checks made out to the St. Augustine Yacht Club should be sent to St Augustine Yacht Club, 442 Ocean Vista Ave., St. Augustine, FL 32080. Please note on the check that it is for "Full Moon Offshore Race". SAYC members may elect to charge the Entry Fee to their account.
- 6. Safety** The designated skipper shall be 18 years of age or older. The minimum crew size shall be 3 (including skipper). Children aged 14 and under will not count as crew. All yachts shall have a cabin enclosure, a cockpit, and shall conform to the 2010-11 ISAF Special Regulations Governing Offshore and Oceanic Equipment and Preparation including US SAILING Prescriptions for Category 4 with the following exceptions:
  - a. Paragraph 3.14.6a 'Lifeline... Specifications' is changed from "shall" to "should".
  - b. Paragraph 3.27.2 'Navigation Lights' location is changed from "shall" to "should".
  - c. Paragraph 4.10.1 'Radar Reflector' is changed from "shall" to "should".
  - d. Paragraph 4.11.1 'Navigation Equipment' is modified as follows: "Participating yachts shall carry appropriate charts and light lists for the race area and specifically NOAA Chart 11488 or equivalent".
  - e. Paragraph 4.12 'Safety Equipment Location Chart' is changed from "shall" to "should".



f. Paragraph 4.23 The requirement for SOLAS Pyrotechnic signals is waived; participating yachts shall conform to US Federal Regulations for carriage of visual distress signals.

All yachts shall conform to the following: Radio – Participating Yachts shall be provisioned with a 25 watt minimum VHF transmitter / receiver with a manufacturer’s recommended antenna. It is recommended that the radio have DSC capability.

It is recommended that each yacht be adequately prepared for medical emergencies and contingencies, with appropriate crew training and medical kit. Safety equipment should be carefully inspected for wear and deterioration.

Crew members on deck after sunset should be encouraged to wear a safety harness and life jacket equipped with a white strobe light, and personal EPIRB.

Yachts should carry adequate rig cutters and/or hacksaw with extra blades, as well as punches capable of driving out all standing rigging clevis pins.

Skippers should conduct a pre-race safety briefing for all crew members to consider possible contingencies and methods to avoid, minimize, or cope with them.

**7. Fleets** Boats register to race in one of two PHRF fleets: ‘Cruising Fleet’ ( using either their FCSA Spinnaker or Non-spinnaker Rating) or ‘Performance Fleet’ ( using their FCSA Spinnaker or Non-spinnaker Rating). Boats in both fleets opting to fly a spinnaker must declare so before the start of the race.

**8. Prizes** Trophies will be awarded for first, second and third for both classes. Trophies will be presented at the end of year awards ceremony Saturday December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016.

## **Full Moon Offshore Sailing Instructions – August 1, 2015**

The course will be from a line bearing east of the St. Augustine sea buoy (STA) at N 29° 54.95”, W 81° 15.23” to anywhere on latitude N 30° 08” (the latitude at which Ponce de Leon reportedly ended his northbound exploration of the Florida Coast and turned south), a distance of 13.05 NM, and back to the St. Augustine sea buoy (STA), overall distance 26.10 NM. In the event of hazardous conditions on the ocean a postponement or cancellation of the race will be announced at the Skippers Meeting. In the event of light air the course may be shortened before or during the race. No Committee Boat will be on station and the start line will be from the St Augustine sea buoy due east a distance of 300 ft. A racing yacht will properly start when she crosses north of this line within 300 ft. of the STA after 18:00.

There will be one start for both classes. The official start time is 18:00. Any vessel OCS before 18:00 will be disqualified.

The race committee boat will be chosen by the participants at the skippers meeting and will monitor channel 72 and can provide race information as well as record finish times transmitted or texted to them.

Each yacht shall record her own finish time (to the second) when (1) she is within 300 feet of the finish mark, and (2) that mark bears 270° Magnetic from the helm. Both conditions shall be met to have a valid finish. Record the finish time using the time piece that is synchronized with the Naval Observatory Master Clock (phone 202-762-1401). Finish times can be texted or called in to 904-610-7207 Madalin Keeble [phrfaction@icloud.com](mailto:phrfaction@icloud.com)

Races may be sailed with the assistance of self-steering gear, electric or wind (modifies RRS 52).

These races are intended to be a fun and friendly event, so protests are strongly discouraged. Varying boats with captains and crew of differing skill levels will be racing in close quarters so everyone is asked to be courteous and give spacing where needed. The Racing Rules of Sailing should be adhered to at all times.



# St. Augustine Yacht Club

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## YACHT RACING ENTRY FORM

RACE: Full Moon Offshore Race

DATE: August 20, 2016

YACHT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SAIL #: \_\_\_\_\_

YACHT MAKE/MODEL: \_\_\_\_\_ LENGTH: \_\_\_\_\_ COLOR: \_\_\_\_\_

PHRF \_\_\_\_\_ RATING: \_\_\_\_\_ US  
SAILING MEMBER # \_\_\_\_\_

FLEET: \_\_\_\_\_ (CRUISE FLEET or PERFORMANCE FLEET)

OWNER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

SKIPPER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS WITH ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

VESSEL NORMALLY DOCKED AT: \_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned, for and on behalf of himself/herself, his/her guests, and the members of the crew of his/her yacht, hereby assumes all risk of accident and expressly agrees that the St. Augustine Yacht Club shall not be liable, under any circumstance, for any loss or injury to participants or others or the loss or damage to any yacht. The undersigned further agrees to indemnify and does hereby indemnify and hold the St. Augustine Yacht Club free and harmless under, from and against any and all losses, costs, damages, attorney's fees and liability of any kind or nature whatsoever growing out of or resulting from participation in any SAYC sponsored race.

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Full Moon Race Entry  
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