

THE MOONLIGHT RACE

28 July 2018

The Rudder Club of Jacksonville 8533 Malaga Avenue Jacksonville Florida 32244 Notice of Race

1 RULES

- **1.1** The race will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the prescriptions of US SAILING, the rules of participating classes, and the scoring rules of the North American Portsmouth (NAPY) system.
- **1.2** Rule 41 is changed such that a boat accepting assistance under Fundamental Rule 1.1 is exempt from the provisions of RRS 41 Outside Help. Capsized sailboats are encouraged to accept assistance as necessary.
- 2 ADVERTISING:

Advertising shall not be displayed.

- 3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY
- **3.1** The regatta is open to boats of all classes.
- **3.2** Eligible boats may register on-line at http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/17055 or electronically during late registration on 28 July
- **3.3** All boats will race in the North American Portsmouth class. Boats without a Portsmouth rating will be assigned a temporary rating by the Club Handicapper.
- **4 FEES:** The entry fee is \$25.00. A \$5.00 discount applies to members of US SAILING. Rudder Club member entry-fee provisions apply.
- **5 SCHEDULE:** One race is scheduled.

Registration: On-line at:

http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/17055

Late Registration: On-line 1730 – 1830 Saturday

28 July 2018 at the Rudder Club.

Sailors Meeting: 1845 Warning signal 1955 Predicted Sunset: 2024 End of Civil Twilight: 2050 Predicted Waning Moonrise: 2107 Moon illumination at moonrise will be at 99%.

Predicted Moonset 29 July: 0811

- 6.1 The sailing instructions will be available after 1 July 2018 and will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board on the North Wall of the Rudder Club and the electronic bulletin board at http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/17055
- **6.2** Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board prior to 1900, 29 July
- **6.3** Oral changes to the Sailing Instructions may be made on the water and communicated to each boat prior to its warning signal.
- 7 VENUE: The racing area will be in the St. Johns River between the Buckman Bridge to the south and the Fuller Warren Bridge to the north as depicted on NOAA Chart 11492.

- **8 THE COURSE: The** Course will be published in the Sailing Instructions or as changes thereto and signaled on the water by VHF or white board.
- **9 TIME LIMIT:** The time limit shall be 3 hours. Boats failing to finish within 45 minutes corrected time after the first boat finishes will be scored "Did not Finish."

10 SAFETY

- 10.1 All boats shall be equipped with functional navigation lights and sound producing devices which comply with the Inland Navigation Rules. Lights shall be displayed at all times between the hours of sunset (2024) and sunrise (0644). Failure to comply with this requirement is protestable. Spreader and foredeck lights are allowed.
- **10.2** All boats are reminded that under fundamental rule 4 "The responsibility for a boats decision to participate in a race or continue racing is hers alone."
- **10.3** Persons in charge with limited night navigation experience are cautioned to try and obtain an experienced crew.
- 10.4 It is strongly recommended that all on-deck and open cockpit crew wear a lifejacket equipped with a light and whistle. Boats should have a MOB marking function GPS handily situated on board.
- 10.5 Boats shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or commercial fishing vessels while fishing or vessels with restricted ability to maneuver. Boats impeding other vessels may be subject to protest and possible disqualification.
- **11 PRIZES:** Results will be announced at the Rudder Club the next morning. First, second, and third place prizes will be awarded.

12 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the Race Officer Adam Norwood at anorwood@comcast.net or the Rudder Club Race Office at raceoffice@rudderclub.com.



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Sailing Instructions

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- 1.2 Racing Rule 41 is changed such that a boat accepting assistance under Fundamental Rule 1.1 is exempt from the provisions of RRS 41 - Outside Help. Capsized sailboats are encouraged to accept assistance as necessary.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on the north exterior wall of the Rudder Club and the on line notice board at http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/17 055.

3 CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted be posted on the Official Bulletin Board on the North Wall of the Rudder Club and the on line notice board at http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/17 055 prior to 1900 28 July.
- 3.2 Oral changes to the Sailing Instructions may be made on the water and communicated to each boat prior to its warning signal.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag pole located on the north side of the Rudder Club.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "one minute" is replaced with "not less than 45 minutes" in the race signal AP. Boats are requested not to leave the harbor when this signal is made.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACE

- 5.1 One race is scheduled.
- 5.2 Registration:

On line at

http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/17 055

Sailors Meeting: 1845 (Optional)
Warning signal for first class: 1950
Predicted Sunset: 2024
End of Civil Twilight: 2050
Predicted Waning Moonrise: 2107
Moon illumination at moonrise: ~ 99%.
Predicted Moonset 29 July: 0811

1730 – 1830 Saturday 28 July 2018

6 CLASS FLAGS

There will be one class and one start. The class flag will be Numeral Pennant One.



7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the St. Johns River between the Buckman Bridge to the south and the Fuller Warren Bridge to the north as depicted on NOAA Chart 11492.

8 THE COURSE

The course will be announced at the Sailors Meeting; posted on the Official Bulletin Board as a Notice to Competitors; and on the water to those competitors that do not attend the Sailors Meeting. The course will also be signaled on a white board displayed on the committee boat using the designators assigned river marks as depicted in addendum "A."

9 MARKS

Marks of the course, except for start and finish, will be government navigation markers or FCSA River Marks as depicted in Addendum "A." Mark E is a FCSA river mark and is a yellow inflated cylinder.

10 START

The starting line will be in the vicinity of race mark "E" and will be between an orange flag flown on the Race Committee Boat and an orange mark set toward the left side of the course from the RC boat.

11 THE FINISH

The finish line will be extending from an orange flag on the end of the Rudder Club pier and perpendicular (90°) to the final leg of the race course.

12 SCORING AND TIME LIMIT

- 12.1 Boats will be scored using the North American Portsmouth System.
- 12.2 The time limit shall be 3.5 hours for each class. Yachts failing to finish within 45 minutes corrected time after the first boat finishes will be scored "Did Not Finish."

 This changes rule A4.2.

13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1 Protests and requests for redress shall be written on forms available at the Rudder Club Race Office. They shall be filed with the Race Officer.
- 13.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished.
- 13.3 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, is in effect.
- 13.4 Protest and Redress hearings will be conducted at 1000 Sunday Morning 29 July.

14 SAFETY

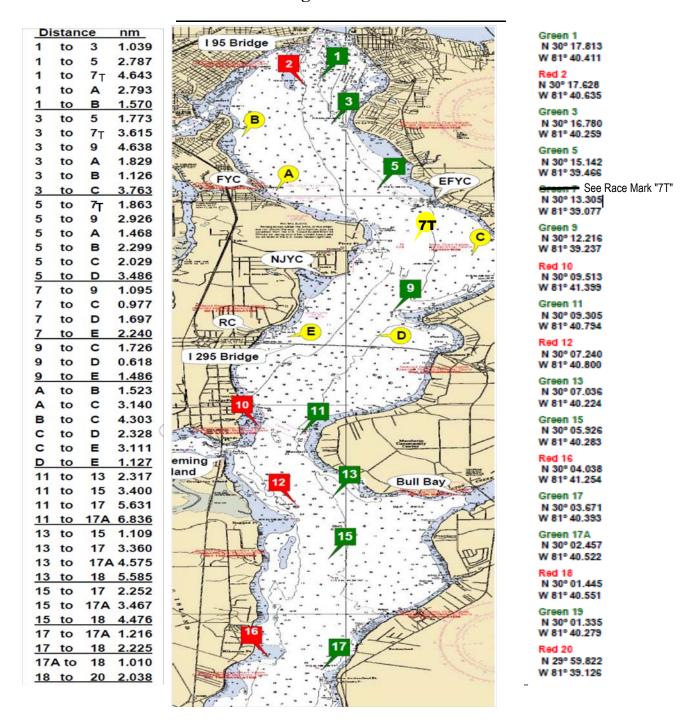
14.1 Boats intending to race shall sail past the stern of the committee boat on starboard tack prior to their warning signal and check in. Boats not finishing shall ensure the race committee knows they have dropped from the race. Failure to do so could result in an expensive USCG and FFWC Search and Rescue Operation. Offenders may be required to pay that cost or some portion thereof.

- 14.2 All competitors are required to conform to the U.S. Coast Guard regulations and the RRS concerning personal floatation devices and other required equipment. All boats are reminded that under fundamental rule 4 "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.
- 14.3 Boats shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel. Boats interfering with other vessels may be subject to protest by the Race Committee or contestants and possible disqualification.
- 14.4 In accordance with Rule 42.3(h), providing no significant advantage is gained, a boat may employ propulsion using an engine or other method to remain clear of a non-racing vessel when required by Inland Rules
- 14.5 All boats shall be equipped with functional navigation lights and sound producing device which comply with the Inland Navigation Rules. Lights shall be displayed at all times between the hours of sunset. Failure to comply with this requirement is protestable. Spreader and foredeck lights are allowed.
- 14.6 Any boat whose lights fail to illuminate in accordance with the rules shall proceed immediately to the Rudder Club or their home dock. They shall notify the race committee and sound restricted visibility signals in accordance with COLREGS while proceeding (one 4- 6 second blast every two minutes).

15 PRIZES

PRIZES: Results will be posted at the Rudder Club by 1100 29 July. First, second, and third place prizes will be awarded.

First Coast Sailing Association Race Marks



**Note: If set these marks will be an inflatable mark.
Race Mark "A"
N 30° 15.090 W 81° 41.160
Race Mark "B"
N 30° 11.648 W 81° 39.522
Race Mark "C"
N 30° 13.564 W 81° 37.989
Race Mark "D"
N 30° 16.581 W 81° 41.539
Race Mark "E"
N30° 11.648 W 81° 40.822
Race Mark "7T"

N N30° 13.305 W 81° 39.077