



## CHICKEN ISLAND RACE

## Saturday October 9, 2021

#### Notice of Race

The 2021 Chicken Island Race, sponsored by the Smyrna Yacht Club (SYC), will accommodate sailing vessels in a fun race starting at SYC, sailing under the South Causeway Bridge, around Chicken Island and returning to finish at SYC.

All boats will be handicapped prior to the race using the US Sailing PHRF book or some agreed upon method. Three or more boats will constitute a class.

### **RULES**

- All boats will start at the same time unless more than 10 boats are racing.
- Physical contact with another boat will require a 360 turn.
- Paddles may be used while under the South Causeway Bridge or within the bridge fenders
- Skippers choose clockwise or anti-clockwise rounding of Chicken Island

If more than 10 boats, the start will be a 'staggered' start in accordance with the handicap grouping. Slower boats will start first, followed by subsequent faster classes. Each boat will be required to fly a starting class color pendent, provided during registration/check-in at the skippers meeting.

Each registered boat will receive complimentary beer tickets for a glass of beer and 10 Chicken Wings for the crew provided by SYC for this race.

First and second places will receive prizes.

## Sailing Instructions

- I. The race will be governed by modified US Sailing rules for safety on the river.
  - A. All shallow water, water outside of the channel, and channel markers are considered a "Continuing Obstruction" and right of way shall be determined according to Rules 19 and 20 of 'The Racing Rules of Sailing'.

- B. If there are more than 10 boats, all boats need to stay out of the designated starting area before the start of their starting sequence to keep the line clear. Any boat within the designated starting area before their predetermined start time will be assessed a 720 degree penalty turn after their determined start.
- 2. The mandatory safety equipment will be in accordance with US Sailing Association
- 3. The first start will begin at 1:00 p.m.
- 4. The RC will reserve the right to shorten course.
- 5. Boats will start at a line running east between the southernmost finger dock of the club or a starting mark to the Race Committee boat. Boats that have not started, and boats that have finished, will stay clear of boats racing. Failure to do so may result in a DSQ.
- 6. There will be a 90-minute time limit on finish.
- 7. Since this is a river race with shoal areas just adjacent to the channel, any boat going aground is allowed to use their engine/paddle to assist themselves with getting off and back into navigable water. However, the engine may only be started to assist in getting off the ground and MUST be turned off as soon as the boat reaches water deep enough to navigate. Hard throttle acceleration before engine shut-down to gain 'coasting momentum' is not in the spirit of this race.
- 8. This is a "fun" race. Participants are expected to respect each other and resolve their own issues as the Race Committee will be deaf to protests.
- 9. If applicable, your starting time sequence and class flag color will be delivered to the skipper at the Skipper's Meeting.

### Communications

All communications will take place by yelling or on VHF radio channel 72 if equipped.

### Scoring

Finish place will be determined by the order in which boats cross the finish line.

In case of bad weather, the race will be run at a subsequent time, to be determined. A possible alternate is Sunday 10th October.

## Safety Regulations

All boats entered in the race must check in with RC and check out when retired. All boats will carry the US Sailing recommended safety equipment. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance and crew will sign the SYC event waiver of liability form. All boats will obey waterway laws.

## Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participating in the regatta do so entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, or prior to, during, or after the regatta. The decision to participate is entirely the boat skippers and their guests.

#### Event Schedule

Saturday	
11:15a	Late Registration
11:30a	Skipper's Meeting, change announcements, if any
12:55p	Warning (or class) flag up - (First class group, if more than 10 boats)
12:56p	Preparatory flag up
12:59p	Preparatory flag down
1:00p	Class flag down- START

#### Cost of Event

The entry cost is \$25 per boat. This entitles you to participation in the race, enjoy the food and free beer tickets.

#### REGISTRATION

You may obtain a registration form for all SYC Regattas online at <a href="https://www.smyrnayachtclub.com">www.smyrnayachtclub.com</a>. Click: Boating, Regattas.

Print out the application form: scan and email to Brian Flora <a href="mailto:bflora99@gmail.com">bflora99@gmail.com</a>, or mail it to Smyrna Yacht Club, P.O. Box 1560, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32170 (phone 386-427-4040) to arrive <a href="mailto:before October 2">before October 2</a>, 2021. After that date registration is \$30. A copy of the form is also shown below:



Reggata Application Form DS 1.8.2014.pdf





## Chicken Island Race

# Registration

Skipper Name:	Email:
	Phone:
Number of crew on board:	
Vessel Information:	
Make/Model :	
Sail # or Boat Name:	
Boat Portsmouth or PHRF Rating:	
<ul> <li>Will you need overnight trailer parking?</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Will you need overnight boat docking?</li> </ul>	

## Liability Waiver:

All sailor participants must sign the attached Liability Waiver.

I, (the "Participant), acknowledges that I have voluntarily applied to participate in the following activities at the Smyrna Yacht Club, located at 1201 South Riverside Drive, New Smyrna Beach, Florida 32168:
Activity which Participants will engage in:
I AM AWARE THAT THESE ACTIVITIES ARE HAZARDOUS ACTIVITIES AND THAT I COULD BE SERIOUSLY INJURED OR EVEN KILLED. I AM VOLUNTARILY PARTICIPATING IN THESE ACTIVITIES WITH KNOWLEDGE OF THE DANGER INVOLVED, AND AGREE TO ASSUME ANY AND ALL RISKS OF BODILY INJURY, DEATH OR PROPERTY DAMAGE, WHETHER THOSE RISKS ARE KNOWN OR UNKNOWN.
I verify the above statement by placing my initials here:
As consideration for being permitted by Smyrna Yacht Club to participate in these activities and use Smyrna Yacht Club premises and facilities, I forever release Smyrna Yacht Club, and their respective directors, officers, employees, volunteers, agents, contractors, and representatives (collectively the "Releasee") from any and all actions, claims, or demands that I, my assignees, heirs, distributees, guardians, next of kin, spouse and legal representatives now have, or may have in the future, for injury, death, or property damage, related to (i) my participation in these activities, (ii) the negligence or other acts, whether directly connected to these activities or not, and however caused, by any Releasee, or (iii) the condition of the premises where these activities occur, whether or not I am then participating in the activities. I also agree that I, my assignees, heirs, distributees, guardians, next of kin, spouse and legal representatives will not make a claim against, sue, or attach the property of any Releasee in connection with any of the matters covered by the foregoing release.
I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THAT THIS DOCUMENT IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT BETWEEN MYSELF AND SMYRNA YACHT CLUB AND SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.
PARTICIPANT
Signature Date