

**First Coast Sailing Association  
Annual Meeting Minutes  
February 12, 2022**

(St. Augustine Yacht Club main dining room)



**Chairman Tom Davis called the meeting to order at 10:00**

About 30 members and friends of the organization were in attendance.

**Chairman's State of the FCSA report**

Tom Davis made a PowerPoint presentation with historical information about membership, current goings-on, and other general information about the organization. See attached.

Items highlighted included the need to add race management recommendations to the website, in theory to bring more congruence amongst the race methodologies used by each club. Further, there is a need to make points races more obvious on the website calendar. Discussion from the floor suggested an additional listing of the races possibly to be part of the points grid link.

**St. Augustine Race Week report**

Dan Floryan, Event Chair, spoke about the 2020/2021 financials, sponsors, formats, etc. – what was good, what was not. A 'profit' of \$10-11k is anticipated for the 2022 event if all continues as planned. The dragon boat event has been dropped. In 2021 there were 33 offshore participants, 12 inshore, 16 youths in 420's. Opti's have been dropped for youth participation because the currents seemed to be too dangerous for many of the young kids. Sponsorship is on track, with the St. Augustine Tourist Development Council contributing again this year.

Guy Anderson, Co-Chair, reported that each year 40 to 60 volunteers from the various clubs come together to do the work to make it all happen. The leaders of this effort are to be recognized and thanked. Each club needs to work each year to find volunteers – this is an event for and by all the clubs, so let's keep up the good work.

Dave Montgomery, Entertainment Lead, reported that this year for the downtown tent musical entertainment, the bands will be Dewy Via on Thursday, and Bad Dog Mama on Friday. Both are well known and respected in the St. Augustine live musical performance community.

**SARW Scholarship Program report**

Dave Montgomery, Lead, spoke about the 2021 achievements. 2021 was the 7<sup>th</sup> year of this effort, and about \$47k has been distributed in that time. 30 scholarships were awarded in 2021: 4 to FYC, 10 to SAYC, 6 to RCoJ, 10 to HYS. It remains the responsibility of the individual clubs to find and propose kids for sponsorships – get out there and be active about it.

From the floor, Dave Huff reported that HRYC program spots are completely filled with paying participants. Dave Smith reports that the SYC board has adjusted the youth program to be for members only – he is working to modify that limitation.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Dick Leatherman, Treasurer, provided a written report of the current standings for both the FSCA and SARW accounts as of January 31, 2022.

Balances: FCSA \$7,064.46 SARW \$24,447.41

Both checking accounts have been reconciled as of January 31.

Thank you to Dan Floryan for diligently provided QC of the SARW bookkeeping.

SARW has an unused \$2,000 line of credit from FCSA.

Financial obligations are current for Insurance, FL sales tax, PO Box, US Sailing Membership, IRS 1099-NEC, and Chamber of Commerce Association. To be completed in March are the 2021 IRS 990N and the Florida nonprofit Corporate Annual Report.

In the last year, SARW distributed \$8,065 in sailing scholarships.

The incoming Treasurer, Allen Jones, has been given all the appropriate financial records, checkbooks, etc. Dick and Tom Davis, current Chairman, are working to schedule the official bank transfer of responsible signatories to the new incoming Treasurer and Chairman, Justin Muller. This should be completed before March 1.

## **Club Reports:**

### **Epping Forest Yacht Club**

Allen Jones reported that all recent dredging is complete and the marina is now fully functional and open for additional boats. Currently there are 11 sailboats (and some power thingy's too) and a lot more room is available. The open-invite race schedule for the year includes the DuPont and Kings Day races in the Spring and Fall, along with the Jessie Ball women's race in June.

Additional tangent discussion: Tom Davis brought up discussion of St. Johns Rive women's races. There have historically been 4 events throughout the year, but attendance has been falling to near zero. Based on his discussions this last year amongst the event organizers, he suggested that only 2 events be held, but that each be a much bigger event. He proposed the EFYC race and the FYC race. Floor discussion ensued, but no formal conclusions reached. However, the club representatives report they will be working on this.

### **Florida Yacht Club**

Jodi Weinbecker, Waterfront Director, was not in attendance. Sudan Grich read the points that Jodi prepared for this meeting. In general, FYC's youth program is booming. In addition, they will be hosting the Thistle National Championship in May ( a really big deal ). Link to the one-page document [here](#).

### **Halifax River Yacht Club**

Dave Huff reported that the GulfStreamer is on this year for its usual even-numbered biannual schedule. The NoR is already online, so link through SailJax. Racing begins May 27. The regular local Commodore's Cup race schedule is also planned throughout the year.

### **Harbor Sailing Club**

Queens Harbor Sailing Club has been reorganized as HSC. Jack Feeney continues to lead this entity. No representative attended this year's meeting.

### **North Florida Cruising Club**

Jerry Holt reported that NFCC will host 3 races and about 5 cruises this year. The membership numbers have diminished a bit in the last few years. We're still here though, for 54 years now.

### **Rudder Club of Jacksonville**

Tom Davis, Commodore, reported that RCoJ is trying diligently to begin ramping up their youth involvement. A full-time Waterfront Director has been hired (Telmo Bastera, recent JU graduate). The club is planning all the usual races this year including the multi-race, multi-series Portsmouth Flying Scot, et al races. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> year for the full moon Werewolf "beer can" racing during daylight savings. This year the club will host a second foiling board race regatta in May – last year's was well attended. It's new stuff... challenging for the race committee. The Mug Race will include a 20+ mile Tall Ships race north of the Shands bridge if 10 entrants sign up.

### **Smyrna Yacht Club**

David Smith reported that the plant is finally in great shape again after all the various repairs and upgrades implemented after the recent storms. The club's new Director of Sailing is Brian Flora (in attendance). The Lipton Cup remains the club's premier event and the NOR is posted online, link thru SailJax.com. The club now finally owns its own RC boat. The club's Precision 15's are being sold off and replaced this year.

### **St. Augusting Sailing**

The club has several Jeanneau 349's. On the last Sunday of each month, they have an intracub race amongst the fleet.

### **St. Augustine Yacht Club**

Justin Muller, Commodore, reported that Mark Dixon will be this year's new Director of Sailing, taking over for Brianne Muller. For 2022, the usual series and ocean races are planned – the first Frost Bite is this upcoming Wednesday. For their youth programs, the club now has acquired 6 additional 420's and 12 additional Opti's. They have 9 weeks of schedule youth classes this year. So far, 287 1-week slots have been sold.

### **Saint Augustine Sailing Sisters**

Brianne Muller reported that similar to 2021, 3 women's race regattas are planned. Spring Forward, Wendy Thomson Memorial, and Bikini. During the Bikini Race event last year, about \$8k was raised for SASS charities. A social gathering for current and interested members is scheduled this afternoon at Dog Rose Brewery.

### **11:45 – 12:45 Lunch Break**

Buffet lunch of burgers and dogs, et al provided by SAYC.

## **Rules Update**

Tom Davis reported that no significant changes have been made since last year. The phrf rated fleet consists 72% Cruiser, 23% Performance, 5% Sport. Jib Roller furling adjustments can be an issue for newer boats – that is, many are rated with the RF as part of the OEM design concept – keep in mind that an RF adjustment is for a ‘boat modification’. Crew weight limits no longer apply; this has been the case for 2 years now and no troubles seem to have resulted. This is the second year with the new/current phrf certificate. It is much more thorough and contains built-in calculations to aid in understanding the form and ratings adjustments. During 2021 several boats raced much of the year and never acquired official ratings – the individual club officers should work to reduce this problem.

## **Chief Rater’s report**

Adam Norwood, Chief Rater, reported that all renewals plus a few others from 2020 were mailed out via USPS in January. Several have already been returned. Should be able to have all completed and mailed back to the certificate holders before March 1. This year, individual certs will be available on SailJax.com (sans personal contact info) in addition to the summary listing.

## **2022 FCSA Officers were proposed.**

Chairman      Justin Muller

Vice Chairman TBA: Guy Anderson nominated from the floor.

Secretary      Adam Norwood

Treasurer      Allen Jones

Webmaster      Adam Norwood – not officially an officer position

Allen Jones nominated Guy Anderson for Vice Chairman – Dan Floryan seconded. Guy accepted nomination and a voice vote was unanimously in the affirmative. This was followed by a voice vote for the full slate, initiated by Tom Davis. Voice vote was unanimous.

Welcome to the new board members.

## **2022 Sailing Club Representatives Announced – designated by the respective clubs**

EFYC      Keith Keller

FYC      Jodi Weinbecker

HRYC      Dave Huff

NFCC      Robert Beringer

RCoJ      Tom Davis

SYC      David Smith

SAYC      Mark Dixon

HSC      Jack Feeney

SAS      Rose Ann Points

SASS      Melissa Wissel

### **2021 Trophies Awarded**

All open invitation club races were eligible for points. Compete in a minimum of four races, and at least 2 venues (with different organizing authorities) and you are eligible for the trophy hunt. The published scoring grid was used to award points for every race. Multiple regatta races in a single day are counted as 1 race. Distance and overnight races are scored as double the number of competitors. Highest totals win. No minimums apply for the women's series. Tom and Adam will work this Spring to get the published scoring grid link on SailJax to include a discussion of the rules to help everyone's understanding.

2021 awards were announced by outgoing Chairman Tom Davis, with incoming Chairman Justin Muller distributing the physical trophies to each recipient. Congratulations to each.

### **Adjourn, 13:15**

Adam Norwood, Secretary  
February 16, 2022

### **2021 Overall Offshore Performance Class:**

1<sup>st</sup> Rock Star, Tim Tucker (5514 pts)

### **2021 Overall Offshore Cruiser Class:**

1<sup>st</sup> Obsession, Norman Church (9000 pts)

2<sup>nd</sup> Ariel, Dan Floryan (7509 pts)

3<sup>rd</sup> Veria, Brianne Petit-Muller (7381 pts)

### **2021 Overall Inshore Performance Class:**

1<sup>st</sup> KAOS, Rich Brew (4460 pts)

2<sup>nd</sup> Rattle & Hum, Adam Norwood (3853 pts)

3<sup>rd</sup> Easy Button, Brett Staples (3344 pts)

### **2021 Overall Women's Series Cruiser Class:**

1<sup>st</sup> Flamingo 2, Jill Kennon (1879 pts)

2<sup>nd</sup> Veria, Brianne Petit-Muller (1871 pts)

3<sup>rd</sup> Swim Up Tiki Bar, Barbara Sperbeck (1543 pts)



# Annual Meeting

## February 12, 2022





# FCSA Officers - 2021

– Chairman	Tom Davis
– Vice Chairman	Justin Muller
– Secretary	Adam Norwood
– Treasurer	Dick Leatherman
– Chief Rater	Adam Norwood

**FCSA Website:**  
**[www.sailjax.com](http://www.sailjax.com)**

# Overall Agenda

## Ongoing Business

<b>10:00 – 10:15 AM</b>	<b>Chairman's Report</b>
<b>10:15 – 11:15 AM</b>	<b>Committee Reports</b>
<b>11:15 – 11:30 AM</b>	<b>Short Break</b>
<b>11:30 – Noon</b>	<b>Schedule, Club Comments</b>

## New Business

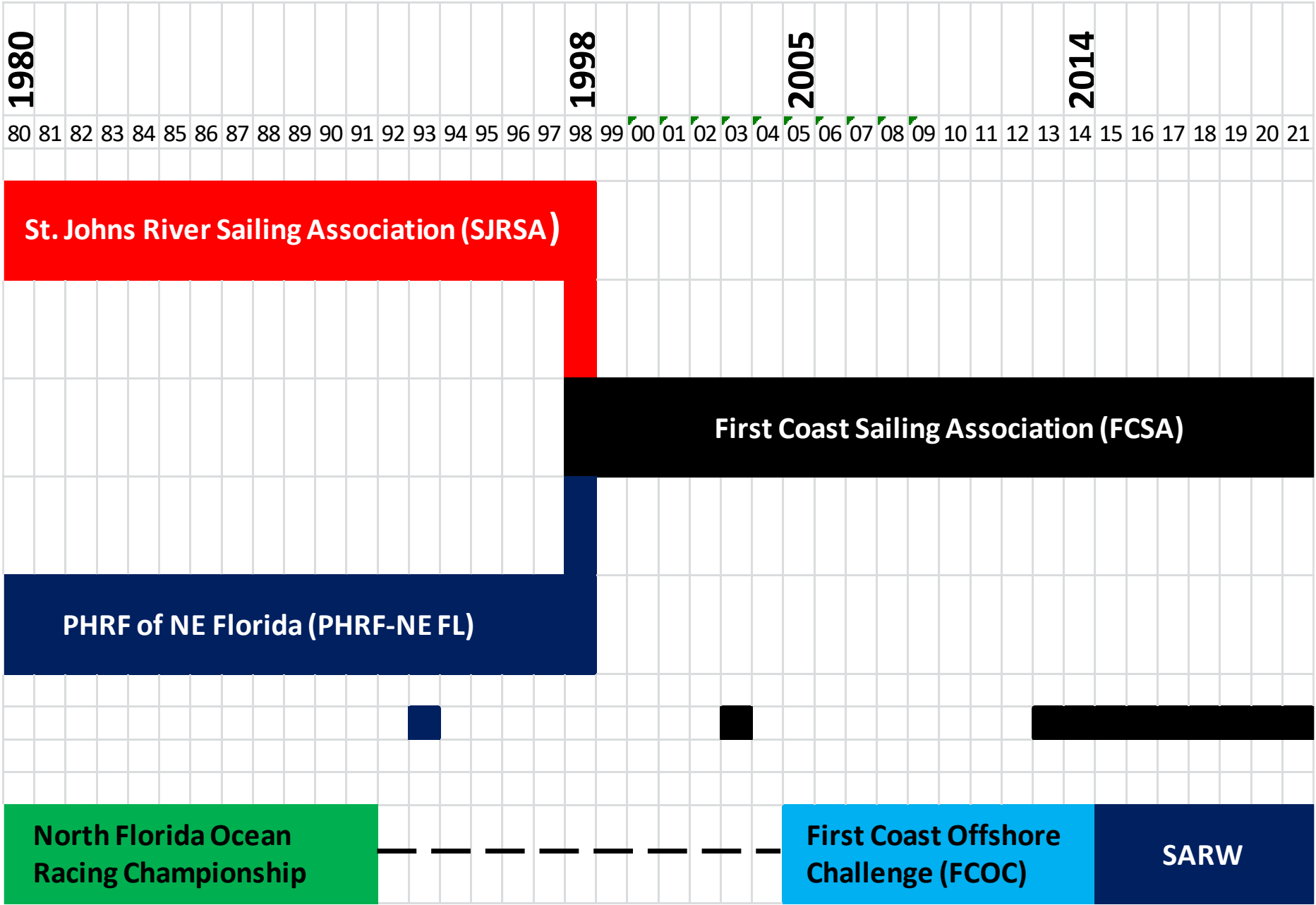
<b>1:00 – 1:30 PM</b>	<b>Elect Officers</b>
<b>1:30 – 2:30 PM</b>	<b>Annual Trophies / Adjourn</b>





# Chairman's Report

Tom Davis - Chairman



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First Coast Sailing Association (FCSA)

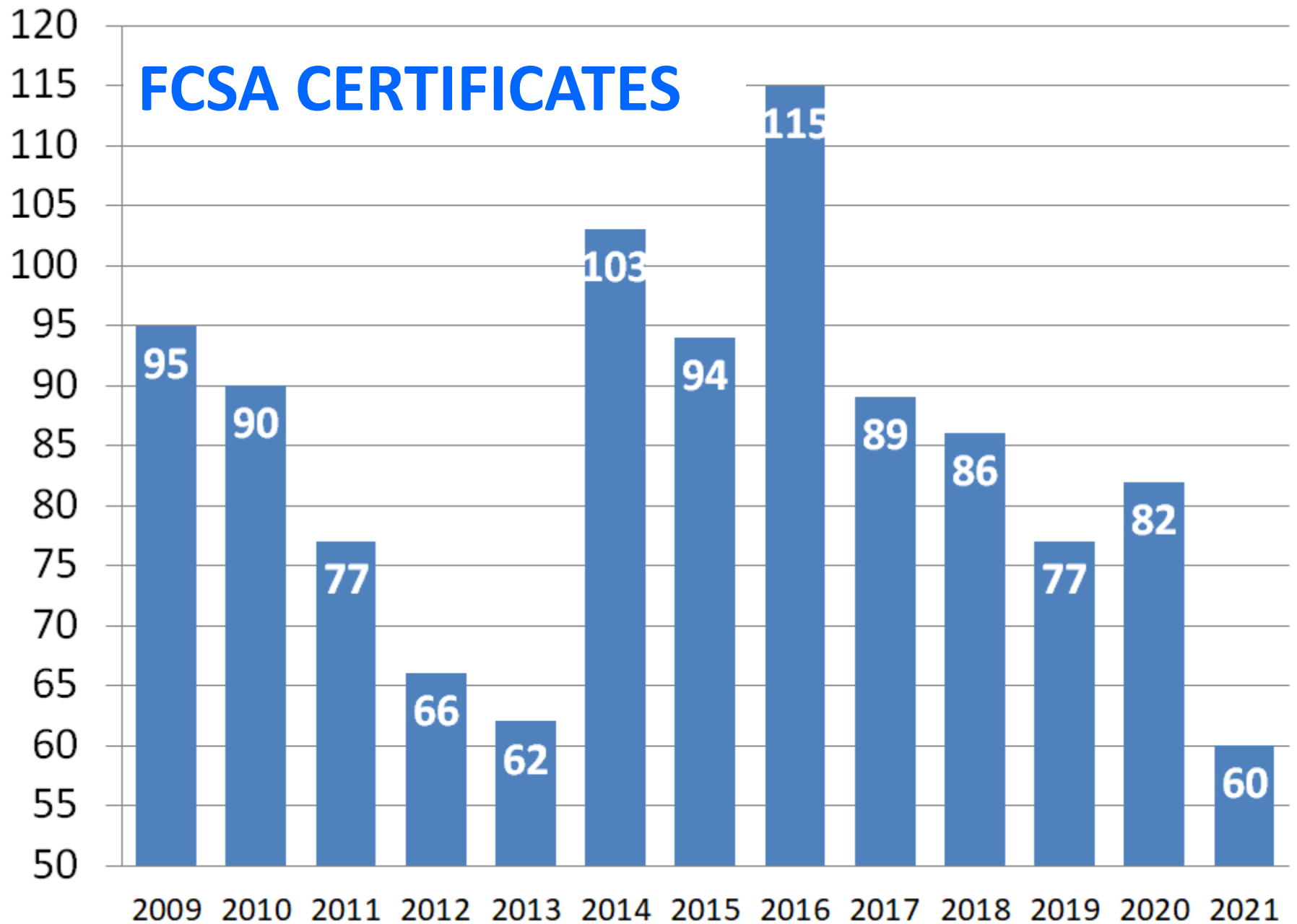
PHRF of NE Florida (PHRF-NE FL)

North Florida Ocean  
Racing Championship

First Coast Offshore  
Challenge (FCOC)

SARW

# FCSA CERTIFICATES



# Dues Structure

Regular Member (first time)	\$35
Regular Member (renewal)	\$30
Associate Member (first time)	\$25
Associate Member (renewal)	\$20
Change fee for current certificate	\$5
Temporary PHRF certificate, visiting boat	\$5
Member Club Annual Fee	<del>\$150</del>

# 2021 Accomplishments

- **We made the best of the pandemic and our member clubs acted responsibly.**
- **We are now using major update to the PHRF Rules made last year with minimal problems.**
- **There is now an agreed definition of a Cruiser versus Performance boat and the Owners now understand that.**
- **We revised and added more detail to the PHRF Certificate. This will improve our database and ensure higher accuracy and fair ratings.**

# **What Can We Fix in 2022?**

- **Continue to improve our race calendar**
- **Get participation up and get back on track with Annual Trophies**
- **Improve the PHRF Certificate renewal process such as on-line renewal and payment**
- **Publish guidelines for Race Management and list of designated races for the annual trophies**



# Treasurer's Report

## Dick Leatherman – FCSA Treasurer



# Treasurer's Report

- **Bank Balances as of January 31, 2022:**
  - FCSA \$7,064.46**
  - SARW \$24,447.41**
- **Financial obligations are current for:**
  - Insurance
  - P O Box
  - US Sailing membership
  - Monthly FL sales tax
  - IRS 1099-NEC
  - Visitors & Convention Bureau

# Treasurer's Report

- **Scholarship data for 2021:**
  - SARW has distributed \$8,065 in scholarships to 3 FCSA member organizations. This aided 25 sailing students.
  - SARW has an unused \$2,000 line of credit from FCSA.
- **Both the 2021 FL Non Profit Corp Annual Report and the IRS 2021 Form 990N will be filed in March.**

# **Treasurer's Report**

- **Both FCSA and SARW checking accounts have been satisfactorily reconciled for the most recent January 31, 2022 statements.**
- **Many thanks go to Mr. Dan Floryan for his diligent monitoring of the SARW spreadsheets throughout 2021.**
- **The incoming Treasurer, Allen Jones is being given the appropriate financial records and checkbooks.**

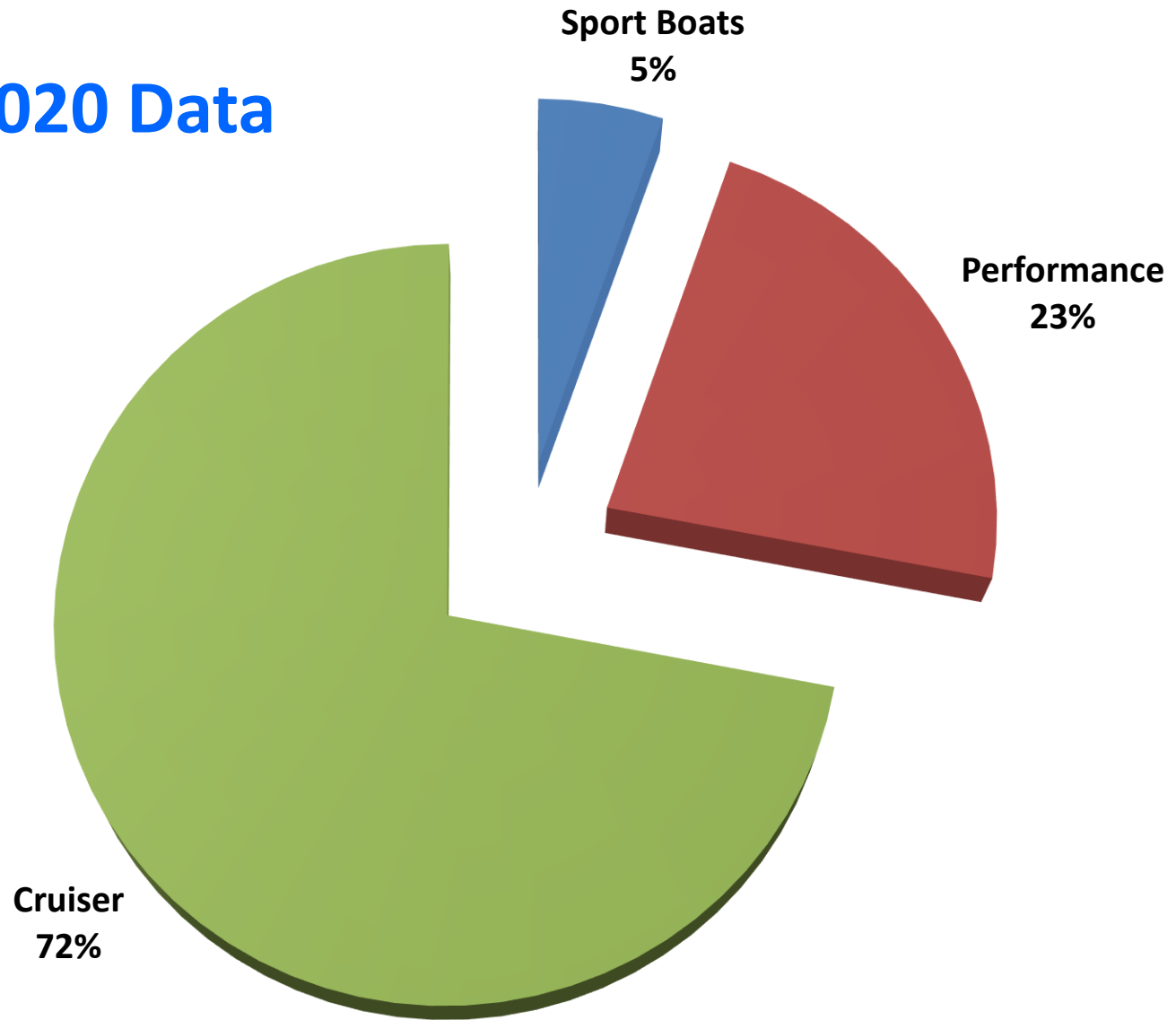


# PHRF Rules / Certificates

# **PHRF Rules Update**

- **In general, the PHRF Rules are cleaner wording and shorter document.**
- **Removed unnecessary wording related to Race Management. Focus on PHRF Rating.**
- **Separate document will be posted relative to recommended management of classes and scoring rules.**
- **Boats are now classified as Sport Boat, Performance, or Cruiser (SB, P, C).**

## June 2020 Data



# PHRF Rules Update

- **Classes are more defined based on sailing characteristics of the boat.**
- **Roller furling credit is more carefully defined and several boats have been corrected.**
- **Eliminated crew weight restrictions.**
- **Latest version of the PHRF Rules may be found on the FCSA website**

**[www.sailjax.com](http://www.sailjax.com)**



## Welcome to the 'First Coast Sailing Association' Website!

FCSA is a volunteer group formed to coordinate PHRF sailboat racing in the NE Florida region.

Board members are from the area yacht clubs and sailing organizations.

FCSA: 4446 Hendricks Ave, # 227 - Jacksonville FL 32207

### [Organization/Info/Contacts](#)

[EFYC](#) - Epping Forest Yacht Club

[FYC](#) - Florida Yacht Club

[HRYC](#) - Halifax River Yacht Club

[NFCC](#) - North Florida Cruising Club

[RCoJ](#) - Rudder Club of Jacksonville

[SAS](#) - St. Augustine Sailing

[SAYC](#) - St. Augustine Yacht Club

[SYC](#) - Smyrna Yacht Club

[SQH](#) - Sail Queen's Harbour

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[Rating Application](#) [Rating App pdf](#)

[YRALIS Base Ratings](#) [Circuit Grid](#)

[Results Worksheet](#) [ToT Descript](#)

[RiverChart/ATONS](#) [By-Laws](#)

[Racing Rules](#) [Racing Prescriptions](#)

[Appendix WP](#) [Protest Form](#)

2021 Schedule Drafted \\\

### [Schedule, NoRs, Results](#) [Ratings 2/23/2021](#)

2021 Schedules: [SAYC](#) [FYC](#) [EFYC](#) [RCoJ](#)

FCSA [Annual Meeting](#) - via "Zoom" Feb 25, 1900-2100

Details/Link TBA. Look out for an e-mail notice

PHRF renewals have been sent to all certificate holders.

If not yet returned, please use the old address instead:

4446 Hendricks Ave, # 227 - Jacksonville FL 32207

### [Sailing Links](#) [Wunderground](#) [Windy](#)

[Passage Weather](#) [NWS U-Pick](#) [Windfinder Map](#)

[NWS: E Mayport](#) [E Vilano](#) [at STA](#) [ESE Ponce](#)

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[Windfinder: Palatka](#) [GCSprings](#) [Julington](#) [Buckman](#)

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### Next...

Feb20, Mar06, 20: [Spring Series](#) RCoJ

Feb24, Mar10: [Frostbite](#) [FB420](#) SAYC

Feb 25: [Annual Meeting](#) FCSA

Mar 14: [Spring Forward](#) SASS

[St. Aug. Race Week](#) Apr 17-25

[Lipton Cup](#) May 01-02

[GulfStreamer](#) May 28-30

### Recent Results...

Feb 10: [Frostbite1](#) SAYC

Jan 01: [Hangover](#) RCoJ

Nov 14: [King's Day](#) EFYC

WNR [Summer](#) [Fall](#) [Combined](#) SAYC

Oct 11: [Compass Rose](#) SAYC

Oct 02: [Full Moon](#) SAYC

Nov 01, et al: [Werewolf](#) RCoJ

# Revised PHRF Certificate

- **More comprehensive – intended to aid in rating the boat.**
- **Includes Definitions diagram to aid in measuring sails and rig.**
- **Each Certificate Holder will now see how the adjusted rating is calculated.**
- **New Rating Application form contains built-in calculations to aid in filling out the form.**

# Revised PHRF Certificate

- **This year we will continue to improve the form.**
- **Future project to include on-line payment for Certificate renewal.**
- **Several boats currently racing need to renew. Club Race Officers should check entries.**



# **New Business**

## **Election of Officers**

### **Annual Trophies**

# Proposed Officers - 2022

- Chairman Justin Muller
- Vice Chairman To Be Nominated
- Secretary Adam Norwood
- Treasurer Allen Jones
- Chief Rater Adam Norwood

# Proposed Board of Directors - 2022

## Member Clubs

- Epping Forest Yacht & CC
- Florida Yacht Club
- Halifax River Yacht Club
- North Florida Cruising Club
- Rudder Club of Jacksonville
- Smyrna Yacht Club
- St. Augustine Yacht Club
- Harbour Sailing Club, Inc.
- St. Augustine Sailing
- St. Augustine Sailing Sisters

## Representative

Keith Keller  
Jodi Weinbecker  
Dave Huff  
Robert Beringer  
Tom Davis  
David Smith  
Mark Dixon  
Jack Feeney  
Rose Ann Points  
Melissa Wissel

# Scoring Rules for 2021 Annual Trophies

- **Show up for any club invitational race and you will be scored toward an annual trophy.**
- **Do four races at least two venues and you qualify for an Annual Trophy. It is as simple as that.**
- ***Following are a few details***



# Scoring Rules Adopted in 2020

- Use designated inshore and offshore invitational races that are already on the FCSA race calendar.
  - Most all of regularly scheduled invitational club races will count towards the annual points.
- Races will be categorized as “Inshore Series”, “Offshore Series”, or “Women’s Series”.
- FCSA Annual Trophies awarded for the three Series in Performance and Cruiser classes.
- Only 4 races required to qualify for a Trophy in the Inshore and Offshore Series. No minimum number of races for the Women’s Series.

## **Adopted in 2020**

- **All of the circuit races count toward the FCSA annual awards regardless of venue.**
- **Multiple races in a day are combined and count as 1 race.**
- **Distance and overnight races are scored as double the number of starters (e.g., 4 boats in a class are scored as 8 number of starters).**
- **All boats must race at 2 different club venues.**
- **Any ties will be broken according to RRS A8.**

# Changes Adopted in 2020

- **Note: The clubs don't need to do anything different.** FCSA will score the annual points races.
- **The St. Johns Spring and Fall Series are replaced by the “Inshore” designated races. Remember, only 4 races needed for a Trophy.**
- **No minimum number of races for the Women’s Series.**

# Proposed Series Scoring Matrix

NUMBER OF BOATS IN CLASS

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# Scoring Matrix

- **Place in class is read vertically within column under number of boats in class.**
- **750 points awarded to last place boat that finished in each class.**
- **Second lowest score in each class awarded to boats that registered and were scored DNC, RET, DNF, DNS, and OCS as defined by RRS A11.**
- **Lowest number in class is scored for boats in the Series that are DSQ in the race or did not register for the race.**