



# St. Augustine Yacht Club

## 30th Annual Monkey's Uncle Race

April 30, 2023

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, FCSA PHRF Rules and FCSA Bylaws.
- 1.2 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

### 2 Eligibly and Entry

- 2.1 All sailboats as defined in FCSA PHRF Rules and FCSA Bylaws.
- 2.2 Provisional ratings may be given by SAYC while ratings are being processed by FCSA.
- 2.3 Register online: <https://www.staugustineyachtclub.com/regatta/hfkuYNln0V>
- 2.4 Entries close at 1800 on April 29, 2023.

### 3 Fees

- 3.1 Entry Fee will be \$60.00 (\$45.00 SAYC Members) inclusive of tax for the regatta, payment must be received prior to racing. SAYC Members may charge their house account.
- 3.2 Each skipper receives a free t-shirt. To ensure correct size/style, shirts can be pre-ordered by sending an email directly to: [cqbren@bellsouth.net](mailto:cqbren@bellsouth.net). Deadline for pre-orders is Thursday, April 20, 2023.  
There are both men's and women's styles offered. This year's shirts are gold in color, made of a quick-dry SPF 40 fabric. Price is \$15.00 per shirt—same price as in 1993!

### 4 Schedule

- 4.1 Skipper's Meeting will be held at SAYC 10AM April 30. Please address any questions regarding the race and sailing instructions to Richard Amerling, Rear Commodore of Sail: [sailcommodore.staugustineyc@gmail.com](mailto:sailcommodore.staugustineyc@gmail.com) before April 30.
- 4.2 Warning signal will be at 1255 for the first racing class.

### 5 Sailing Instructions & Classes

- 5.1 Classes will be Performance Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker and Cruising Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker as defined in FCSA Bylaws. Declaration of Spinnaker/Non-Spinnaker must be declared at or before the skipper's meeting.
- 5.2 Sailing Instructions will be available at <https://www.staugustineyachtclub.com/regatta/hfkuYNln0V>

### 6 Venue & Courses

- 6.1 Racing will be in the vicinity of STA East of the Saint Augustine Inlet.
- 6.2 Courses will be provided in Sailing Instructions. Performance Class will race windward/leeward; Cruising Class will race W/L plus reaching to a jibe mark.
- 6.3 In the event of adverse weather racing will occur north of the Vilano Bridge in the Tolomato River.

### 7 Penalty System

- 7.1 Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

### 8 Scoring

- 8.1 Low Point Scoring as defined in RRS Appendix A.
- 8.2 Corrected times based on Time on Time and PHRF

### 9 Radio Communication

- 9.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 9.2 Race Committee will use VHF Channel 72 for course announcements and registration.

### 10 Prizes

- 10.1 Prizes will be presented at the After-Race Party commencing at 1700 at the SAYC. All participants are encouraged to attend.
- 10.2 Prizes will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> for all classes.

### 11 Disclaimer of Liability

- 11.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

### 12 SAYC Associate Membership

- 12.1 A portion of the non-member skipper's registration fee will pay for and grant a SAYC Associate Membership of the skipper for the duration of events hosted at the SAYC, that are directly related to this race, regatta or series. By registering for this event and attending any related event hosted at the SAYC clubhouse, skippers (non-member or otherwise) acknowledge that they are responsible for the conduct of their guests (the SAYC Code of Conduct may be found on the notice board inside the clubhouse) and any debt that their guests may incur.

**13 Insurance**

- 13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$250,000 per incident or the equivalent.

**14 Further Information**

- 14.1 For further information please contact Richard Amerling, Rear Commodore of Sail, SAYC – [sailcommodore.staugustineyc@gmail.com](mailto:sailcommodore.staugustineyc@gmail.com) 646-637-8546



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### Sailing Instructions

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, FCSA PHRF Rules and FCSA Bylaws.
- 1.2 If there is a conflict between these instructions and Notice of Race, these instructions shall take precedence.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

#### 2 Notices to Competitors

- 2.1 Notice to competitors will be posted on the official event website:  
<https://www.staugustineyachtclub.com/regatta/hfkuYNln0V>
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- 2.3 Prizes will be awarded at the After Race Party at SAYC

#### 3 Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted prior to the end of the skipper's meeting.

#### 4 Signals made Ashore

- 4.1 No signals will be made ashore.
- 4.2 If the race is to be cancelled or postponed
  - 4.2.1 It will be indicated per SI 2.1
  - 4.2.1 It will be announced as cancelled or postponed via email to participants
- 4.3 Skippers Meeting at the SAYC Clubhouse (registrations closed at end of meeting) 1000 May 2, 2021

#### 5 Schedule of Races

- 5.1 Schedule – April 30, 2023  
Warning signal for the first racing class will be at 1255. First racing class will start at 1300.
- 5.2 Schedule subject to RRS 27.3.
- 5.3 One race is scheduled.

#### 6 Classes and Class Flags

- 6.1 Classes will be Performance Spinnaker, Performance Non-Spinnaker and Cruising Spin and Non-spin as defined in FCSA Bylaws. Declaration of Spinnaker/Non-Spinnaker must be declared at or before the skipper's meeting.
- 6.2 Class Flags will be:

Performance Boats      Code Flag 5



Cruising Boats      Code Flag 6



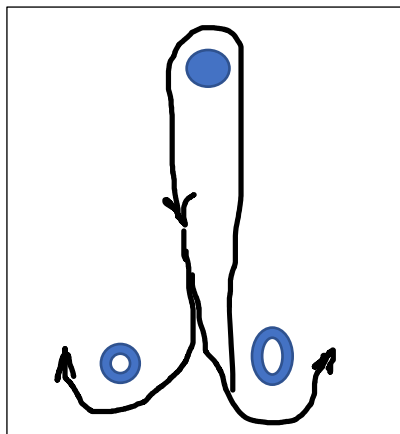
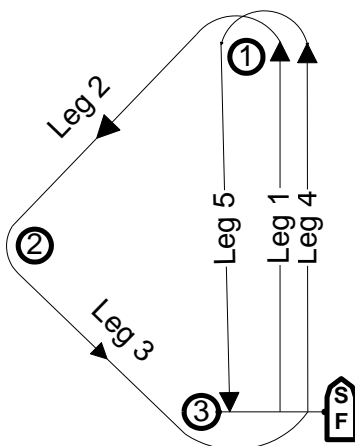
#### 7 Racing Areas

- 7.1 Weather Dependent - announced on VHF Channel 72 no later than 1130 should the inlet prove to be impassable
  - 7.1.1 **Primary** - In the vicinity of ATON "STA" to the East of the St Augustine Inlet, Saint Augustine, FL.
  - 7.1.2 **Secondary** - North of the Vilano Bridge in the Tolomato River, Saint Augustine, FL.

## 8 Marks & Courses

### 8.1 Primary

- 8.1.1 **Cruising Class**– Triangle + Windward + Leeward. **Performance Class**: Windward-Leeward with leeward gate



- 8.1.2 Marks may be an appropriate temporary mark or ATON “STA”. The windward mark (1) will be a robotic inflatable (“Robbie”).
- 8.1.3 Race Committee will announce bearing and distance to Mark 1, via VHF Channel 72, no later than 5 minutes before the first warning signal.
- 8.1.4 Race committee may shorten the course in accordance with RRS 32.2 at any mark. Should the course be shortened at Mark 3, the finish will be performed according to the diagram.
- 8.1.5 The gybe mark (2) for the Cruising Class will be a GPS lat/long point, given before the race on Channel 72. Performance Class will not have a gybe mark (W/L only).
- 8.1.6 StA (3) will be the leeward mark for the Cruising Class, rounded to port.
- 8.1.7 For the Performance Class, StA (3) and the starting pin (SF) will form a leeward gate—boats can either round StA to starboard, or SF to port. See poorly drawn diagram above.

### 8.2 Secondary

- 8.2.1 Courses will be setup in accordance to SI Appendix A
- 8.2.2 Race committee will indicate direction and laps via VHF Channel 72, no later than 5 minutes prior to warning signal

## 9 The Start

- 9.1 The start-finish line will be between ATON StA and an inflatable anchored buoy set between 100 and 200 yards of StA. The starting line will be oriented perpendicular to the wind direction.
- 9.2 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal
- 9.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 9.4 A boat that does not start within 30 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 9.5 If any part of a boat’s hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line during the two minutes before her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to broadcast her sail number on VHF channel 72. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 9.6 The Cruising Class (spin and non-spin) will start first; their start will be the prep signal for the Performance Class (spin and non-spin), who will therefore start 5 minutes after the Cruising start.

## 10 The Finish

- 10.1 If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes (likely), she should report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity. Text finish time to RCOS at 646-637-8546. A boat has finished when any part of her hull crosses the start-finish line.

## 11 Penalty System

11.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **12 Time Limits**

12.1 For all classes the time limit will be 3 hours.

12.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within 60 minutes the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet this time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## **13 Protests and Requests for Redress**

13.0. Yacht racing is a Corinthian sport based on the honor system. Please resolve your protests on the water. If you foul another boat and/or touch a mark, do your 360 and carry on racing. Avoiding contact is the responsibility of all boats (RRS 14).

13.1 Protest forms are available at the Saint Augustine Yacht Club. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

13.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 120 minutes for the primary racing area and 90 minutes for the secondary racing area after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

13.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at the Saint Augustine Yacht Club as soon as practical thereafter.

## **14 Scoring**

14.1 Low Point Scoring will be used as defined in RRS Appendix A.

14.2 Corrected times will be calculated using PHRF Time on Time – this modifies NOR 8.2.

## **15 Safety Regulations**

15.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

15.2 All boats must check-in with the Race Committee, via VHF Channel 72, or by sailing within hailing distance of the committee boat, no later than 5 minutes before the first warning signal

15.3 See RRS 27.1 and 40.

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