

NFCC FERNANDINA RACE

NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

DATE AND PLACE: April 20, 1985; 0900 E.S.T.; Atlantic Ocean-Mayport Jetties to St. Mary's River Channel Markers

REGISTRATION: The Standard Race Entry Blank accompanying this notice must be completed in full and either mailed to the following address to be received no later than April 18, 1985, or delivered by hand to the Race Committee no later than the close of the regular NFCC meeting on April 18, 1985. All entries must be accompanied with full entry fee. No entries will be accepted after April 18, 1985. Entries submitted by mail should be addressed to: John B. Macdonald, 1406 Northwood Road, Jacksonville, Florida 32207. The Race Committee assumes no responsibility for delivery of entries submitted by mail. Any doubt about sufficiency of registration should be resolved by verifying with the Race Committee its receipt of completed entry forms either before or at the regular NFCC meeting on April 18, 1985.

ENTRY FEE: All entrants, \$10.00.

ELIGIBILITY: All yachts racing will be assigned to classes and are required to have a current and valid PHRF rating certificate issued by U.S. PHRF of N.E. Florida. No entry will be accepted from any yacht which is less than 20 feet in length overall. This is a category 4 race as regards to minimum equipment and accommodations.

CLASSES: The fleet will be divided into PHRF classes, both spinnaker and non-spinnaker. All identical boats with more than five entries will constitute a one design class.

MANAGEMENT: The race will be under the management of the North Florida Cruising Club as the organizing authority.

RACING RULES: This race will be governed by the current Racing Rules of the International Yacht Racing Union, as adopted by the U. S. Yacht Racing Union, and these Sailing Instructions. Any yacht not in compliance with Rule 25.2(a)(b) will be penalized 5 seconds per mile, but will still be eligible to compete.

SKIPPER'S MEETING: There will be no Skipper's Meeting.

CHECK IN: All yachts must check in with the Race Committee at least 15 minutes prior to the start by sailing past the stern of the Committee Boat and hailing their sail numbers, which hail shall be acknowledged by the Race Committee. Yachts not properly checking in prior to starting will be scored DNS. Scratch sheets will be available from the Committee Boat.

**START:** The spinnaker class will receive their warning signal at 0850 and start at 0900. The starting signal (red flag) for the spinnaker class will be the warning signal for the non-spinnaker class which will receive their start at 0910. In the event of general recall of the spinnaker class the start for the non-spinnaker class will occur 10 minutes after the spinnaker class is successfully started. The starting line will be between the Race Committee Flag on the committee boat and St. Johns channel buoy R"4".

**COURSE:** Proceed in an Easterly direction from the starting line to St. Johns channel buoy R"2StJ" leaving it to Port, thence to Nassau Sound buoy N"6A" leaving it to Starboard and thence to finish line.

**FINISH:** Between St. Mary's Channel buoy C"3" and the committee boat anchored due west of C"3". If the committee boat is not on station take your own time as you cross an imaginary line between C"3" and "5" and within 100 meters of C"3".

**TIME LIMIT:** None.

**RETIREMENT:** Any yacht retiring from the race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible so that all participants may be accounted for.

**INDIVIDUAL RECALL:** Will be signalled by displaying code flag "X" with one sound signal. The Race Committee will attempt to hail the sail numbers of the yachts concerned.

**GENERAL RECALL:** Will be signalled by displaying code flag "First Substitute" with two sound signals. After a general recall has been signalled, a new preparatory signal will be made one minute after the lowering of code flag "First Substitute" with one cannon.

**PENALTIES:** The 720° turns penalty as provided in Rule 74.5 and Appendix 3, Alternative Penalties for Infringement of a Rule of Part IV, shall apply for infringement of a rule of Part IV.

**PROTESTS:** All protests must be presented in writing to the Race Committee within 24 hours after the race. Notice of protest must also be given immediately after finishing by a HAIL acknowledged by the Race Committee.

**RESULTS:** Finishing order will be scored by corrected time based on PHRF rating applied to elapsed time. Ties will not be broken. Race results will be posted at the Fernandina Welcome Station as soon as tabulated, will be mailed to each skipper, and will also be published in the next edition of the Windscoop. Trophies will be awarded at the May meeting of NFCC.