

# THE GATOR BOWL REGATTA

3 - 4 December 2005 *The Rudder Club of Jacksonville* 8533 Malaga Avenue Orange Park, FL 32073, USA

#### **Notice of Race**

**1. RULES** - The regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the prescriptions of US SAILING, the rules of participating classes, the rules of the First Coast Sailing Association (except as any of the foregoing are altered by the Sailing Instructions); and by the Sailing Instructions.

**2.** ALTERATIONS OF CLASS RULES - The rules of all classes with yachts participating as a class are altered so that membership in the class is not required. Flying Scots need to be FSSA members to be scored in the District series.

**3. ADVERTISING -** The regatta is classified as a Category "C" Event in accordance with ISAF Rule 20.

## 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:

4.1 - Eligible yachts are those who have officially entered by completing a registration form with the Rudder Club in advance or during the registration period as set forth in the Notice of Race. Display of sail numbers shall be in accordance with class rules.

4.2 It is anticipated that yachts will be divided into the following racing classes: "A" Class Catamaran, Flying Scot, Snipe, 420's, Laser, Portsmouth mono-hull, Portsmouth multi-hull, and Cruising Classes. Additional classes may be accommodated provided the minimum requirement of Rule 4.3 is met.

4.3 - A minimum of three registered yachts is necessary to constitute a class.

4.4 -Cruiser class yachts are required to have a current PHRF rating certificate issued by the First Coast Sailing Association.

### **5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**SATURDAY 3 December** - One design, and Portsmouth classes

Registration: 0930-1045 Competitor's meeting: 1100 Warning signal for first class: 1155 **SUNDAY 4 December -** Cruisers, One design and Portsmouth classes.

Cruiser Registration: 1000 - 1115 Competitor's (Cruisers) meeting: 1130 Warning signal for first one design class less multihull distance racers: 0955 Warning signal for cruiser classes and multihull long distance race: 1255

\*Note - No one design starting sequence will be commenced after 1230.

#### 6. ADVANCE REGISTRATION

6.1 - Yachts may register in advance by completing the registration form and sending it with the appropriate fees to:

Regatta Chairman Dick Allsopp c/o The Rudder Club of Jacksonville Inc. 8533 Malaga Ave. Orange Park, FL 32073

6.2 - Advance registration shall be postmarked no later than 21 November 2005

### 7. FEES

7.1 Entry Fee - \$25.00

\$20.00 - Entrants with current US Sailing membership card in their possession or listed on the US SAILING Web Site. as a member. Entrance fee for Rudder Club members as per Rudder Club provisions.

**8.** SAILING INSTRUCTIONS - Changes to this notice or the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the exterior bulletin board prior to 1000 on the morning of each race. Subsequent changes will be made in the form of a notice to Competitors. Schedule changes will be posted prior to 1900 (7:00 PM) on the day prior to the race. This notice, registration forms and sailing instructions will also be available on Gator Bowl Regatta Web Site at http://gatorbowl.home.comcast.net/.

**9. REGATTA SITE** The regatta site will be the Rudder Club of Jacksonville Inc.

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

**11. COURSES** Courses will be as shown in an addendum to the Sailing Instructions. and on the Gator Bowl Web Site <a href="http://gatorbowl.home.comcast.net/">http://gatorbowl.home.comcast.net/</a>.

**12. SCORING** The Low-point Scoring System, Appendix A of the racing rules, will apply. A yacht's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races. One race is necessary to constitute a series. A minimum of 3 races are necessary before a competitors worst race will be discarded.

**13. PRIZES** First, second, and third place prizes will be awarded in classes of more than five finishing yachts. First and second place prizes will be awarded in classes of four to five finishing yachts. A first place prize will be awarded in classes of three or less finishing yachts. Trophies will be awarded following racing on Sunday 4 December 2005.

14. Participation Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

**15. FURTHER INFORMATION** For further information, please contact:

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