

THE GATOR BOWL REGATTA

1 - 2 December 2007

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. Yachts participating in a PHRF event must be members of the First Coast Sailing Association.

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

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SATURDAY 1 December - One design, and Portsmouth classes. Three races are scheduled; however, time permitting additional races may be run for classes that so request.

Registration: 0930-1045

Competitor's meeting: 1100

Warning signal for first class: 1155

A dinner will be offered for all after

racing. The cost will be \$10.00 a person.

Please RSVP to Diane at the Rudder Club

904-264-4094 by 27 November if

planning to attend.

SUNDAY 2 December - PHRF, 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. Two

races are scheduled; however, time

permitting additional races may be run for

classes that so request.

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 19 November 2007

7. FEES

7.1 The Entry Fee is \$25.00 or \$20.00 for 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 the Rudder Club Web Site at www.rudderclub.com.

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 web site.

12. SCORING One race is necessary to constitute a series. When fewer than four races have been completed, a yacht's score will be the sum of her scores for all races. When four or more races have been completed a yacht's score will be the total of all her races excluding her worst score.

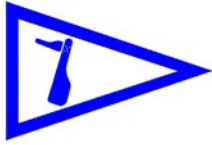
13. PRIZES First, second, and third place prizes will be awarded in classes of more than five

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 3 December 2007.

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:

Regatta Chairman Dick Allsopp
3385 Sequoia Rd.
Orange Park, FL
904-278-0329
dallsopp@ussailing.net



THE GATOR BOWL REGATTA

CRUISER CLASS and DISTANCE RACE

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2 December 2007

The Rudder Club of Jacksonville

8533 Malaga Avenue

Orange Park, FL 32073, USA

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the rules of the First Coast Sailing Association, and by these Sailing Instructions.

1.2 All US SAILING Prescriptions will apply.

1.3 The Regatta is designated Category A.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Official notices to competitors will be posted on the notice board located on the north exterior wall of the Rudder Club. Notices may also be published on the Gator Bowl Web Site at <http://www.rudderclub.com> or <http://gatorbowl.home.comcast.net>.

3 CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change in the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board on the Rudder Club north wall and on the Web Site. Changes after 0900 2 December will be in the form of a Notice to Competitors except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect..

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag pole located on the north side of the Rudder Club.

4.2 Code Flag "AP", Answering Pennant, displayed ashore with two sound signals (one when lowered) means "The race is postponed" The warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after "AP" is lowered.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 One race is scheduled.

5.2 Class divisions shall be posted on the Official Bulletin Board.

5.3 Schedule:

SUNDAY 2 December - Cruisers , PHRF, One design multihull and Portsmouth classes.

1000-1115: Cruiser Registration. Registration forms for on-line or advance registration are available at <http://www.rudderclub.com> or <http://gatorbowl.home.comcast.net>.

1130 - Competitors Meeting

1255 - First Warning Signal

Note: Multihull, one design and Portsmouth classes sailing the distance race on Sunday will sail in accordance with these Sailing Instructions.

6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be the International Numeral Pennants as depicted under Race Signals in the RRS

	Class	Pennant	
	Multihull Open	P1	
	Multihull Spare	P2	
	Monohull Open	P3	
	Spinnaker	P4	
	Non-spinnaker	P5	
	Cruiser	P6	

7 RACING AREA

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

8 THE COURSE

8.1 Race course for Cruiser Classes and multihull distance classes will be displayed from a course board on the committee boat.

9. MARKS

9.1 Marks may be either government navigation marks as depicted on NOAA Chart 11492 (as corrected by Notices to Mariners), FCSA Race Marks or inflatable marks. Government marks will be designated by their number as appearing on the chart. FCSA marks will be designated by their Alphabetic designator. An orange tetrahedron set to windward of the starting line as a windward mark will be designated "W", WHISKEY. Approximate positions are shown in Appendix A.

9.2 A limiting mark may be set to protect the committee boat close to her and on the same end of the starting line. No yacht shall pass between the limiting mark and the committee boat. (This limiting mark is not a mark of the course.)

10 START

14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

14.1 Protests shall be written on forms available at the Rudder Club. They shall be filed with the Regatta Chairman. Protest time will end 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. Protests will be heard in the approximate order received.

14.2 Protest notices will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board within 30 minutes following the protest time limit.

15 SAFETY

10.1 The Starting Line will be a line between an orange flag flown on the Race Committee/Signal Boat and a mark set toward the left side of the course from the Committee Boat.

10.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall remain clear of the starting area.

11 CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

To change the position of the next mark, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position. The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the mark may not yet be in the new position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the moved mark may be relocated without further signaling to maintain the course configuration..

12 THE FINISH

The Finish Line will be between an orange flag flown on the Race Committee/Signal and a mark set from the orange flag perpendicular to the course relative to the final leg of the course.

13 TIME LIMIT

The time limit shall be 3 hours for each class. Yachts failing to finish within 45 minutes corrected time after the first yacht of their class finishes will be scored "Did not Finish." This changes rule 35 and rule A41.

15.1 Boats shall attempt to check in with the Race Committee by sailing past on the non-course side prior to their class Warning Signal.

15.2 Boats withdrawing from a race prior to finishing shall make every effort to ensure that Race Committee is notified that they have dropped out

15.3 All competitors are required to conform with the U.S. Coast Guard regulations and the RRS concerning personal floatation devices and other required equipment.

15.4 Yachts shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel, and give way to commercial

fishing vessels while fishing or vessels with restricted ability to maneuver.

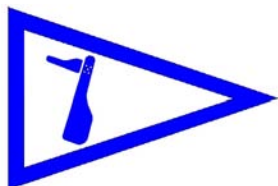
16 SCORING

The Low Point Scoring System of appendix A will apply. Cruisers will be scored by PHRF Time on Distance and multihull open classes will be scored in accordance with the

Portsmouth Yardstick (HC). One race must be completed to constitute a series.

17 PRIZES

Results will be announced at the Rudder Club following the race. First, second, and third place prizes will be awarded for each class



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1-2 December 2007

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ONE DESIGN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 US SAILING Prescriptions will apply
- 1.3 The Regatta is designated Category A.
- 1.4 Rules 35 and A4.1 of the RRS are changed by SI 13.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

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5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Five races are scheduled. Additional races may be scheduled for individual classes at that class's request.
- 5.2 Class divisions shall be posted on the Official Bulletin Board.

5.3 Schedule:

SATURDAY 1 December - One design, and Portsmouth classes Three races. Additional if requested by class representative.

Registration: 0930-1045

Sailors meeting: 1100

Warning signal for first class: 1155

SUNDAY 2 December - One design.

Multihull classes sailing the distance race on Sunday will sail in accordance with the Cruiser (Distance Race) Sailing Instructions.










Warning signal for first one design class less multihull distance racers: 0955

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

6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be the International Numeral Pennants as depicted under Race Signals in the RRS.

Class

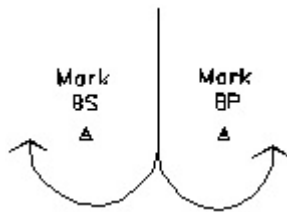
A- Class Catamarans	P1	
Hobie 18	P2	
Multihull Open	P3	
Flying Scot	P4	
Snipe	P5	
Monohull Open	P6	
Spare (as assigned)	P8	
Spare (as assigned)	P9	
Spare (as assigned)	P0	

7 RACING AREA

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

8 THE COURSE

- 8.1** Courses will be as depicted on illustration A and indicate the approximate angles between legs, the order of rounding, and the side on which each mark is to be left
- 8.2** . The course for each class will be displayed on a white board located aft on the starting line side of the committee boat. The designation shall consist of a letter and a number designating the course. The letter/number designations and the mark sequences are as set forth in attachment A.
- 8.3** If the Race Committee sets a gate instead of the Leeward Mark , boats shall sail between marks forming the gate from the direction of the last mark and round either the port mark leaving it to port or the starboard mark leaving it to starboard as shown in the example below.



- 8.4** If the Race Committee sets a offset mark in the vicinity of the windward mark, boats shall sail around both marks leaving them on the prescribed side.

9 MARKS

Marks A, BS, and BP will be yellow cylinders. Marks DA and DC will be orange cylinders. The Offset mark will be a large orange spheroid. Mark C will be a yellow tetrahedron. A new mark laid in accordance with Change of Course procedures will be an yellow tetrahedron. The start and finish marks will be orange spheres.

10 START

- 10.1** The Starting Line will be a line between an orange flag flown on the Race Committee/Signal Boat and a mark set toward the left side of the course from

the Committee Boat relative to the first leg of the course.

- 10.2** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

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12 THE FINISH

The Finish Line will be between an orange flag flown on the Race Committee/Signal Boat and a mark set toward the left side of the course from the Committee Boat relative to the final leg of the course. (Opposite side of the committee boat from the starting line.) This is to accommodate conducting starts for some classes while others are finishing.

13 TIME LIMIT

The time limit for the first yacht in each starting class to finish is 90 minutes from her start. Yachts failing to finish within 30 minutes (corrected time where applicable) after the first yacht in her class will be scored "DNF". This changes rule 35 and A4.1.

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- 16 SCORING** The Low Point Scoring System of appendix A will apply. Open classes will be scored in accordance with the Portsmouth Yardstick (HC) System. One race must be completed to constitute a series. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. If more than 3 races are completed her worst score will be discarded. For those boats participating in the distance race on Sunday, that race will be counted as one race in the one design series.

- 18 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. One design prizes will be awarded on Sunday 2 December.

Courses

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