Crab Trap Roundup THE FLORIDA YACHT CLUB SEPTEMBER 20,2008

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (Rev 1, time change)

- 1. **RULES:** The regatta will be governed by the 2005-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association, applicable class rules, the Notice of Race (except as any of these are altered by these sailing instructions) and by these sailing instructions.
- 2. ENTRIES: Eligible yachts may be entered by completing registration with the Florida Yacht Club. All entries shall have or show a valid PHRF rating issued by the First Coast Sailing Association. The regatta is open to all monohull cruising yachts and one-design cruising yachts with a current PHRF rating. \$25 for U.S. Sailing members, \$30 for non-members.

3. SCHEDULE: Skipper's Meeting at 16:00

TIME	SIGNAL	FLAGS & SOUND	CLASS
1700	Warning signal	Yellow up with one sound	Spinnaker
1701	Preparatory	P Flag up with one sound	Spinnaker
1704	One minute	P Flag down with one sound	Spinnaker
1705	Start	Yellow down with one sound	Spinnaker
1705	Warning signal	Blue up with one sound	Non-Spinnaker
1706	Preparatory	P Flag up with one sound	Non-Spinnaker
1709	One minute	P Flag down with one sound	Non-Spinnaker
1710	Start	Blue flag down with one sound	Non-Spinnaker
1710	Warning signal	Red Flag up with one sound	Cruiser
1711	Preparatory	P Flag up with one sound	Cruiser
1714	One Minute	P Flag down with one sound	Cruiser
1715	Start	Red Flag down with one sound	Cruiser

- 4. CLASS FLAGS: <u>Yellow</u> PHRF Spinnaker; Blue PHRF Non Spinnaker, Red Cruising
- 5. **RACING AREA:** The racing area will be on the St. John's River east of The Florida Yacht Club.
- 6. **THE COURSE:** The course number will be displayed on a board on the starboard side of the Race Committee Signal Boat prior to the warning signal of each race. The course will be indicated by course numbers as shown on Addendum A. Different classes may sail different courses.
- 7. MARKS: TBD at Skippers meeting.

8. THE START:

8.1 All yachts must check in with the Race Committee prior to the first warning signal by sailing past the stern of the Race Committee start boat on starboard tack and hailing her sail number. Yachts failing to check in may be scored DNS.

- 8.2 The races will be started in accordance with RRS 26, as set forth in SI 3.
- 8.3 The Warning Signal for each succeeding class shall be made with or after the starting signal of the preceding class.
- 8.4 The starting line will between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat at the starboard end and an adjacent starting buoy at the port end.
- 8.5 Yachts whose preparatory signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and of all yachts whose preparatory signal has been made.

9. **RECALLS:**

- 9.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1. The Race Committee will attempt to hail the sail numbers of the infringing yachts by loud hailer and/or by radio on VHF 74. Failure to make or hear such a hail will not be grounds for redress nor relieve a yacht of her responsibility to start correctly.
- 9.2 General recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.2.

10. THE FINISH:

- 10.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat on the starboard end and an adjacent mark or buoy.
- 10.2 A sound signal made from a Race Committee boat at the Finish Line means, "It has been recorded that this yacht has crossed the finish line".

11. TIME LIMIT:

- 11.1 A yacht shall start within five minutes of her starting signal or may be scored DNS.
- 11.2 The first yacht of each class shall complete the course with in two hours or the race will be abandoned.

12. PROTESTS:

- 12.1 The intent to protest must be logged with the Race Committee at the finish line. This modifies rule 61.1(a).
- 12.2 Protests forms will be available at the Fleet Center.
- 12.3 Protest forms must be filed with the Race Committee with in one hour of the time that the Race Committee boat docks.
- 13. **SCORING:** PHRF time allowances will be calculated using PHRF handicaps (as shown on the entry list) and the distance assigned to the race.
- 14. **ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES:** The two-turns, rule 44.1 and 44.2, shall apply for all races.
- 15. **PRIZES:** Trophies will be awarded to skippers placing first, second, and third in each class with at least five entries. Trophies will be presented for first place only in those classes with less than five entries. The trophy presentation will commence on the patio of the Fleet Center following the completion of the races.
- 16. **SAFETY:** A yacht which retires from a race must notify the Race Committee either before leaving the racing area, or, if that is not possible, immediately after arriving ashore. The Race Committee will monitor VHF channel 74.
- 17. **MISCELLANEOUS:** If the race committee boat is damaged as a result of a boat breaking a rule, that boat shall pay for the repairs.