

NOTICE OF RACE

SPRING RIVER RACE

February 21, 2009

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NORTH FLORIDA CRUISING CLUB

1.0 RULES :

- 1.1 The NFCC Spring River Race shall be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) 2009-2012, except as modified by Section 5 of this Notice of Race; the prescriptions of US Sailing, the PHRF rules of the First Coast Sailing Association (FCSA), and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 The North Florida Cruising Club (NFCC) is the Organizing Authority for this Race/Regatta.

2.0 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY :

- 2.1 Classes will be PHRF Spinnaker, PHRF Non-Spinnaker, and Cruiser Class.
- 2.2 Participating yachts must have a valid 2009 PHRF rating as defined by the FCSA PHRF list, or by presenting the Yacht's Certificate for inspection. In addition, a copy of a current non-local PHRF Rating certificate (if not issued by FCSA) must be submitted for review and possible adjustment to conform to FCSA ratings. Temporary ratings may be obtained prior to the race/regatta. Obtain forms from the FCSA official website www.sailjax.com.
- 2.3 All yachts in the Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker classes shall have sail numbers displayed on mainsails, spinnakers, and headsails with LP measurements equal to or exceeding 135% of the base of the triangle (>135% of J). Yachts in the Cruiser Class shall have sail numbers on the mainsails as a minimum.
- 2.4 Prior to racing, each yacht shall be properly registered by completing the Standard Race Entry Form found at www.sailjax.com and shall submit the proper fee. The race entry form may be mailed to the race committee before the race (see race committee address below – not responsible for mail service) or given to the race committee before the start of the race, or given to the race committee on the race committee boat on station before starting to race.
- 2.5 Note – Most local boats will receive new PHRF ratings this year – Check your certificates.

3.0 SCHEDULE :

- 3.1 There will be NO Skippers Meeting for the 2009 Spring River Race.
- 3.2 See *special race instructions* for this one time only event attached to this notice of race.
- 3.3 Racers may start any time after 10:00 AM on Saturday, February 21, 2009, and finish any time before 4:00 PM Saturday, February 21, 2009.
- 3.4 Results will be announced before Saturday, February 28, 2009 on the www.sailjax.com website.

4.0 FEES :

4.1 Entry Fees are as follows :

NFCC Members = \$ 25.00 (\$20.00 with proof of US Sailing Membership)

Non-NFCC = \$ 30.00 (\$25.00 with proof of US Sailing Membership)

5.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS :

5.1 The sailing instructions are attached to this Notice of Race

5.2 The Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions are available online at www.sailjax.com under the "Race" tab or you may request them directly from the race committee, see contact information below.

5.3 Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be made via VHF Channel 68 and listed on a white board on the side of the race committee boat on station.

6.0 VENUE :

6.1 The racing area will be on the St. Johns River as depicted on NOAA Chart 11492 between Markers 7 and 9. The race committee boat will be stationed between Markers 7 and 9.

6.2 See special one time only race instructions for this race attached to this Notice of Race.

7.0 THE COURSE :

7.1 See the Race Instructions for the course description.

8.0 PRIZES :

8.1 Five (5) or more boats per class = Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers

Four (4) or more boats per class = Prizes for 1st and 2nd place finishers

Three (3) or less boats per class = 1st Prize only

8.2 Prizes will be awarded at the next NFCC meeting March 19, 2009.

9.0 RACE COMMITTEE CONTACT :

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RACE INSTRUCTIONS

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Different format -
This race only

PURPOSE : This is a race against the "River". You can take advantage of the currents, the different winds, and the weather from morning to afternoon.

START TIME : Any time after 10:00 AM (Orange Flag Up)
FINISH TIME : Anytime before 4:00 PM (Orange Flag Down)

STARTING LINE : The Committee boat will be stationed between Marker 7 and 9, slightly to the east (out of the channel). The starting line will be between the Committee Boat and markers to the east and west (90 and 270 Degrees) of the Committee Boat.

STARTING : There will be no starting flag sequence. The course is available any time the orange flag is up. You start when you want, in the direction you want, going as fast as you want. A horn will blow each time you pass the start-finish line between the orange flag on the Committee Boat and the yellow marker on the side of the boat you are going thru.

Note – If two boats are approaching the start-finish line at similar times, in different directions, you will have to pay attention as to which horn is yours.

STARTING LINE : The starting line will be closed.

DISTANCE : Distance once around = 2.2 nm. Will be used in the calculations.

COURSE :

Going North - Start with Committee Boat to Port	or	Going South - Start with Committee Boat to Port
7 p		9p
Committee Boat to Port		Committee Boat to Port
9p		7p
Committee Boat To Port		Committee Boat to Port
7p		9p
Committee Boat To Port		Committee Boat To Port
Etc.		Etc.

RADIO : Race Committee will monitor channel 68

NOTES :

The Committee Boat will have bow and stern anchors out to maintain position. Use caution when approaching the Committee Boat.

You can start sailing to the North - passing between the committee boat and the marker to the east.
You can start sailing to the South - passing between the committee boat and the marker to the west.

Every time you pass between the Committee Boat and the marker, the Race Committee will sound the horn and record your time. You can sail the course around once, or as many times as you like.

Your best time, based on all complete laps, adjusted for handicap, will be your official race time for the day. Placement and awards will be based on the best corrected time.

You can start after 10:00 AM and quit after lunch. You can start after lunch and quit by 4:00 PM. The racing time will end promptly at 4:00 PM, when the orange flag on the committee boat goes down.

You do not have to pass between the Committee Boat and the marker every time you make a complete lap, but you must pass between the Committee Boat and the Marker to have your time recorded.

You can stop at any time and reverse directions at any time. But, you can only change directions at the Committee Boat. Please tell the committee boat when you pass if you have stopped or you are changing directions.

The race committee will record all the times for all boats and post them on the sailjax website by February 28, 2009, along with the final race results.

Registration and entry fees will be accepted "on the water". If you come during the race period, please approach the committee boat when other boats are not in the vicinity of starting or finishing. If possible e-mail the race committee ahead of time of your intention to race, with specifics, so we can start the paperwork.

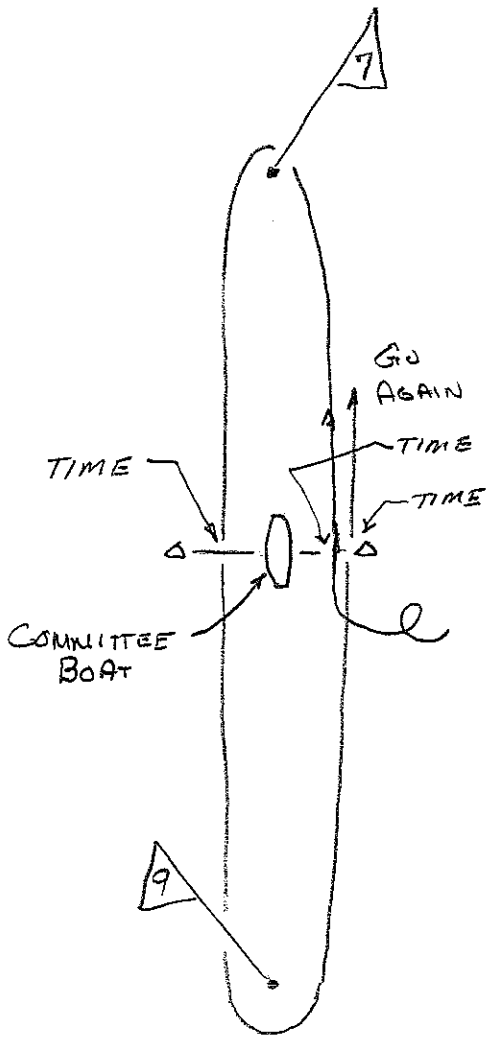
Results will be posted on the www.sailjax.com website with-in one week.

Awards will be given out at the next NFCC meeting, March 19, 2009.

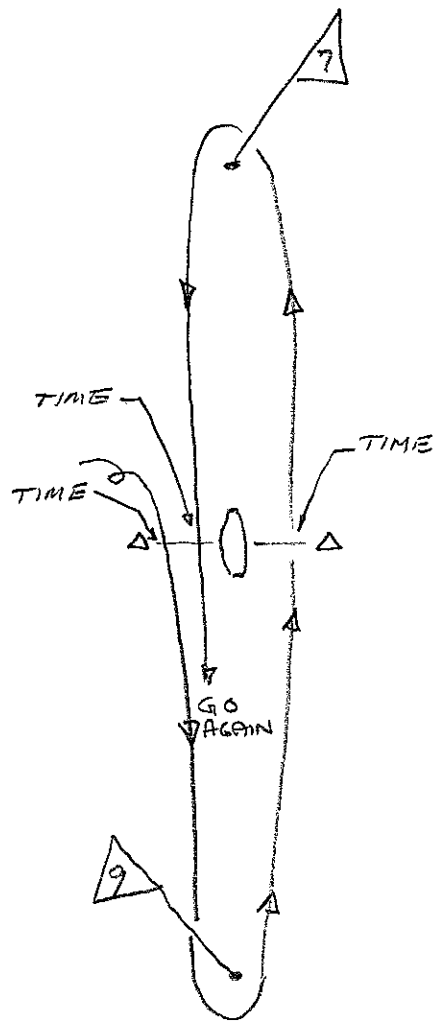
Questions Contact :

Allen Jones
"Bernoulli" (Committee Boat)

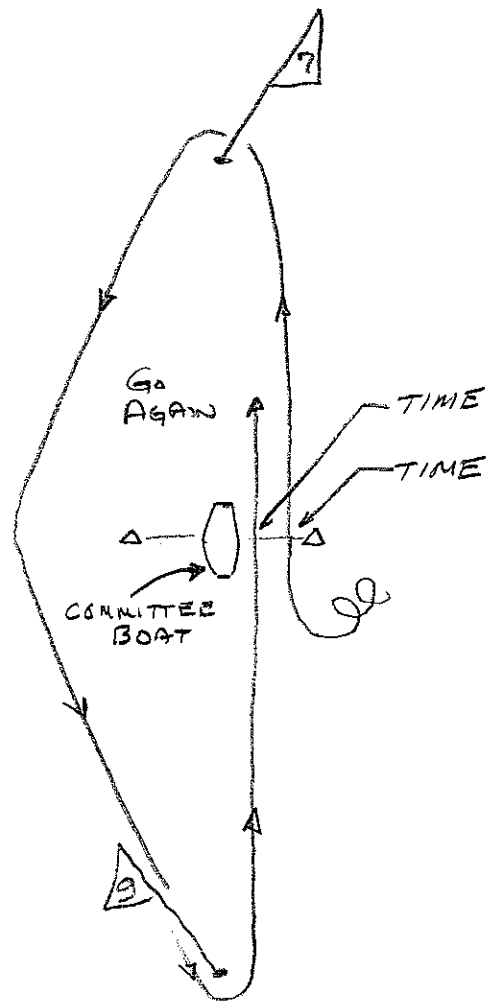
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STARTING
GOING NORTH



STARTING
GOING SOUTH



DO NOT HAVE TO
GO THRU START -
FINISH LINE EACH
DIRECTION.

BUT

TIMES ARE ONLY
TAKEN WHEN PASS
THRU START - FINISH

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FEB. 21, 2009

SPECIAL VENUE