

*GULF ATLANTIC YACHT CLUB INC.*  
**CEDAR KEY CATSAILING REGATTA**  
NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

**SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, OCT 24-25, 2009**

CEDAR KEY, FLORIDA

**Place:** Cedar Key Florida (Old Fenimore Mill Condos, 11 Old Mill Drive) Buoy races Saturday (24 Oct.), Distance Race Around the Islands Sunday (25 Oct.) Details: see below.

**Dates:** Saturday, Oct. 24 and Sunday Oct. 25, 2009

**Registration:** Separate race registration form must be completed in full. *YOU ARE URGED TO USE THE ONLINE SYSTEM:* <http://www.fleet80.com>. Select "Fleet 153 Cedar Key CatSailing Regatta". A hardcopy form is available by email to [trick-ey@ufl.edu](mailto:trick-ey@ufl.edu), [dacarls@gmail.com](mailto:dacarls@gmail.com), or [Robert.e.murph@citi.com](mailto:Robert.e.murph@citi.com). If you use hardcopy it must be delivered (with fee) to Sam Trickey 723 NW 19 St., Gainesville FL 32603 or completed prior to Skipper's meeting on first race date.

On-site registration: 5-7:00 pm EDT on Friday Oct. 24 and on Saturday Oct. 25, 9:00 – 10:30 am EDT, both at Old Fenimore Mill.

**Entry Fee:** Single-handed \$30.00 before race date, \$35.00 on race date. Double-handed add \$5.00 to either.

**Classes and Eligibility:** Portsmouth catamarans and open monohulls. Ratings based on current US Sailing Portsmouth data. Ratings are not protestable.

**Sail Numbers:** Boats with current US Sailing numbers or unique class numbers on their mainsails shall use those numbers. Boats without such numbers may, at the discretion of the organizers, be issued temporary numbers or other identifiers.

**Management:** This regatta will be managed by Gulf Atlantic Yacht Club Inc., ("GAYC") which is also the organizing authority.

**Racing Rules:** The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-12 ("RRS"), including US Sailing Prescriptions, and these Instructions govern the Regatta. The I-flag, Z-flag, and black-flag rules (RRS 30.1, 30.2, 30.3 respectively) are NOT in effect.

**Safety:** Flotation must be worn at Start; it is recommended that it be worn at all times. In addition, all competitors are required to conform with U.S. Coast Guard regulations concerning flotation and other required equipment. Skippers and crew members alike are reminded of RRS Fundamental Rules 1.1 ("Helping Those in Danger"), 1.2 ("Life Saving Equipment and Flotation Devices") and 4 ("Decision to Race").

**Check-in:** All skippers (or their designated representatives) must check in at Registration at Old Fenimore Mill before the Skippers meeting.

**Skippers Meeting:** 11:45 am EDT, Saturday, at Old Fenimore Mill.

**Changes in Instruction/Notices:** Changes in the Sailing Instructions, and notices, if necessary, will be posted at or near the Old Fenimore registration office and announced at the Skippers meeting, with written copies provided (if feasible), and repeated prior to each start sequence on VHF Channel 68, as well as available verbally from the Committee boat. This changes RRS Rule 90.2(c).

**Class Flags:** Announced at Skippers' meeting.

**Race Schedule:**

a) Saturday: Three buoys races expected. 1<sup>st</sup> warning signal 1300 EDT.

Sunday: Distance Race Around the Islands 1<sup>st</sup> warning signal 1000 EDT

**Note:** Three races constitutes a regatta.

b) When there has been a long postponement and when more than one race (or sequence or races, for two or more classes) will be held on the same day, the warning signal for the first race and each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

**Start/Finish; Courses and Marks:**

a) For buoy races, standard Hobie class courses will be used. Exception: gates will not be used.

No.	Course	Finish	Options for the Race Committee
1	(S) A C A	(F) Downwind	1 G 1 O 1 GO
2	(S) A C A C A	(F) Downwind	2 G 2 O 2 GO
3	(S) A C A B C	(F) Upwind	3 O
4	(S) A C A B C A	(F) Downwind	4 O
5	(S) A C	(F) Upwind	5 G 5 O 5 GO
6	(S) A C A C	(F) Upwind	6 G 6 O 6 GO
7	(S) A C A B C A C	(F) Upwind	7 O

S = start, A = weather mark, B = reaching mark, C = leeward mark, G = gate, F = finish, O = offset mark is used

Courses will be posted prominently on a Course Board on the stern of the Committee boat prior to each race and announced on VHF Channel 68 prior to each starting sequence. The Race Committee may shorten the course if necessary in accordance with RRS Rule 32, except that Course Board, verbal, and VHF Channel 68 notice may be used.

b) For the Around the Keys Race, the expected course is to encircle all the islands adjacent to Cedar Key (Snake, Atsena Otie, Seahorse, North Key) in either direction (either leave all islands to port or to starboard, as each skipper chooses), about 14 NM, with the start/finish between the Cedar Key town pier and Atsena Otie. (If necessary to shorten course, North Key will be omitted; about 9 NM)

**Time Limit:** The time limit for the first boat in each buoy race shall be 2.0 (two) hours. Boats failing to finish within 60 minutes of the first boat will be scored Did Not Finish: These limits modify RRS Rule 35.

**Penalties:** The 720 penalty rule (RRS Rule 44.1, 44.2) is in effect. Any boat which did penalty turns must notify the Race Committee promptly after finishing.

**Protests:** Any protesting boat must notify the Race Committee of the intent to protest promptly after finishing. Protests must be filed with the Race Committee in writing within one hour of the return of the Race Committee to shore after conclusion of the racing for that day. Protests will be heard in approximately the order in which they were filed.

**Handicapping and Scoring:** One-design and Portsmouth - time on time as relevant to classes. Low-point scoring system.

**Prizes:** To be announced at the Skippers Meeting.

**Information and Lodging:** For general information other than Registration, check the GAYC web page <http://www.gulfatlanticyachtclub.com> For information on handicaps and other Notice of Race and Sailing Instruction details, contact either Race Officer: Dave Carlson (352-332-1049; [dacarls@gmail.com](mailto:dacarls@gmail.com)) or Sam Trickey (352-375-4881; cell 352-246-2343; [trickey@ufl.edu](mailto:trickey@ufl.edu)). For information on arrangements, contact Robert Murph (904-252-2900; [Robert.e.murph@citi.com](mailto:Robert.e.murph@citi.com)). Rooms at Old Fenimore Mill at a reduced rate for a two-night minimum of \$130 per night - ask for "Cedar Key Regatta Rate" <http://www.fenimoremill.com/contact.html>; 800-767-8354

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**REGISTRATION FORM**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Fax No. \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ E Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Boat Make/Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Length Overall: \_\_\_\_\_ Sail No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Spinnaker: Yes/No

Portsmouth Rating \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-Registration fee \$30.00 (single) ; \$35.00 (double)

On-site fee \$35.00 (single); \$40.00 (double) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Extra Meal Tickets (Registration includes one or two  
at \$8.00 per person (Number \_\_\_\_\_) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total; \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make Checks Payable To: **Gulf Atlantic Yacht Club Inc.**

Send to: **Sam Trickey, 723 NW 19 Street, Gainesville FL 32603**

**RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT; ACCEPTANCE OF RACING RULES:**

IN CONSIDERATION OF BEING PERMITTED TO ENTER THESE RACES AND BEING FULLY KNOWLEDGEABLE OF THE RISK OF SAILING AS A COMPETITIVE SPORT (INCLUDING SERIOUS OR EVEN MORTAL INJURY AS WELL AS PROPERTY DAMAGE OR LOSS), THE UNDERSIGNED ("SKIPPER"), FOR AND ON BEHALF OF HIM-/HERSELF, ALL CREW MEMBERS OF HIS/HER VESSEL, AND ALL GUESTS ABOARD AGREES VOLUNTARILY TO ASSUME ALL RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH PARTICIPATING IN THESE RACES AND FURTHER TO RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS THE GULF ATLANTIC YACHT CLUB INC. ("GAYC"), ITS OFFICERS, ITS MEMBERS, ITS GUESTS, AND ITS AGENTS FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS AND LIABILITY FOR OR ON ACCOUNT OF DAMAGE OR INJURY TO HIM/HERSELF, HIS/HER BOATS, AND HIS/HER OTHER PROPERTY, OR TO PERSONS OR PROPERTY OF OTHERS ARISING OUT OF OR OCCURRING AS A RESULT OF PREPARATION FOR, PARTICIPATION IN, OR FOLLOW-UP TO THESE RACES. AND THE UNDERSIGNED FURTHER RELEASES GAYC, ITS OFFICERS, MEMBERS, ITS GUESTS, AND ITS AGENTS FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS AND LIABILITY FOR OR ON ACCOUNT OF DAMAGE OR INJURY TO HIM/HER SELF, ALL CREW OF HIS/HER VESSEL AND ALL GUESTS ARISING OUT OF OR OCCURRING AS A RESULT OF PREPARATION FOR, PARTICIPATION IN, OR FOLLOW-UP BY OTHERS FOR THESE RACES. AND THE UNDERSIGNED ACCEPTS THE SKIPPER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO OBTAIN A SIGNED RELEASE FROM EACH OF HIS/HER CREW AND GUESTS BEFORE THE RACES BEGIN. IN THE EVENT OF FAILURE TO OBTAIN SUCH A RELEASE, THE UNDERSIGNED AGREES TO PROTECT, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD HARMLESS GAYC, ITS OFFICERS, MEMBERS, ITS GUESTS, AND ITS AGENTS FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS AND LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES OR COMPENSATION THE SKIPPER MAY HAVE TO PAY ARISING FROM INJURIES TO ONE OR SEVERAL OF THE UNDERSIGNED'S CREW AND/OR GUESTS.

THE UNDERSIGNED ALSO AGREES TO ABIDE BY THE RACING RULES OF SAILING AND THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS OF THE RACE COMMITTEE FOR THIS REGATTA.

SKIPPER'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_