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57th Annual MUG RACE

THE RUDDER CLUB of Jacksonville Florida

Fellow Sailors,

The *MUG RACE* is upon us once again. Its Time to get your boats tuned up, Pull your crew together and set out after the coveted *MUG CUP*. The events this year for the 57th *MUG RACE* begin with the “**PREREGISTRATION PARTY**” at The RUDDER CLUB on April, 17th. Captains bags will be assembled and distributed at this time. The Green Cove Springs Marina will follow on Thursday April 29th with the “**THE HALFWAY PARTY**”. Be sure to stop by for great BBQ, BEER and MUSIC. Wear your 57th MUG RACE shirt and get in free.

Friday April 30, Skippers meetings will be held in Palatka’s waterfront Park for the South course and THE RUDDER CLUB for the North course. The RAT ISLAND YACHT CLUB will be having a cookout at THE MOOSE LODGE in Palatka after the skippers meeting. See the events page for the time of all parties and meetings.

Saturday, May 1, is race day, enjoy the day on the water with friends. The “**RACE DAY PARTY**” with Dinner, drinks and entertainment will be waiting at THE RUDDER CLUB after you finish.

Sunday breakfast May 2nd, is always a highlight for “the morning after”. The awards presentation will follow the breakfast to conclude this years events.

I would like to thank all the *MUG RACE* volunteers and sponsors for their time and efforts. Many hours are put in throughout the year by volunteers to help make this race possible.

Enjoy the festivities, stay hydrated, wear lots of sun screen and have a great race.

Gregg McGilloway
Commodore The Rudder Club of Jacksonville

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Pursuit Start for South Course

For the Mug Race, each boat receives a handicap at the start of the race. Your start time will be **based** on your boat's potential speed. Slower boats will be given, in essence, a head start. Below is an example of a starting sheet with corresponding start times for several boat types. All boats with handicapped using a time on distance formula of US Sailing's PHRF. Portsmouth rated boats will be converted to this rating system. **Also note that all Portsmouth multihull rated boats using spinnakers will have their boats rating re-calculated to account for the distance race spinnaker adjustment. This includes all multihulls that have ratings, which include spinnakers, because those ratings do not take into account the distance factor.**

Our intention is for every boat to have a shot at winning the coveted Mug Trophy for the first boat across the line.

Sample Pursuit Handicap Start (Samples – not accurate)

Start Time am	Boat
7:43:47	Sunfish
7:51:10	San Juan 21
8:04:39	Morgan 24
8:16:35	Flying Scot
8:41:13	Morgan 27
9:08:56	Hobie 16
9:28:11	Hobie 18
9:29:21	Olsen 30
9:31:16	Hobie 33
9:48:12	Prindle 19
9:55:31	Prindle 19/wspin
9:59:45	Nacra 6.0
10:00:55	Hobie 20/wspin
10:06:41	Nacra 6.0/wspin
10:35:11	RC 27

Shuttle Bus Schedule

The Shuttle Bus departs from The Riverfront Inn, Palatka, and The Rudder Club's front gate. The cost is \$6 per person in advance (paid by April 18, 2010) or \$10.00 with late registration. Please make reservations on registration form; otherwise, service may not be available.

	<u>From Rudder Club to Palatka</u>	<u>From Palatka to Rudder Club</u>
Friday, April 30, 2010	1st Bus: 5:30 p.m. 2nd Bus: 8:30 p.m.	7:00 p.m. 10:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 1, 2010	1st Bus: 5:45 a.m. Last Bus: 9:30 p.m.	9:45 a.m.

Easy Racing

Cruisers should plan to arrive in Palatka by Friday evening and dock or raft-up. One design boats on trailers should arrive in Palatka Friday, set up their boat and return their trailer to The Rudder Club in Jacksonville. All trailers are to be kept inside the gates. All cars must be parked outside the gates. Please make sure your car is not blocking traffic or other cars. A shuttle bus is available between The Rudder Club and Palatka as per the schedule above. To avoid waiting in lines, it is recommended that you register and pick up your race packets before arriving in Palatka on Friday.

Launching and Docking in Palatka

City Docks and Boathouse Marine ramps have no fee for race participants. Free dockage is available at Palatka City Docks and the Quality Inn, Palatka for individuals staying at the Inn. Raft ups are encouraged. You are responsible for the safety of your own boat. The City of Palatka, The Quality Inn and The Rudder Club assume no responsibility for damage or theft.

Dockage at The Rudder Club

Racers are allowed to raft up at The Rudder Club's dock Saturday night. Please observe signs on the dock, which reserve some areas for the Race Committee. All boats should be removed on Sunday. You are responsible for the safety of your boat; The Rudder Club assumes no responsibility for damage or theft.

Weather

Please be prepared for any type of weather. This can be a very long race. It could rain, be cold, sunny or partly cloudy. It is in your best interest to bring clothing for all types of conditions.

Accommodations

There are many hotels at both ends of the race. There is camping in Palatka on Friday in the park.

On the Water Safety

Please have necessary towlines, radios, PFDs, and distress signals. Remember that the Safety Boats are instructed to tow you to the nearest safe port if you need assistance off the course. They can not and will not tow you back to Palatka or the Rudder Club, unless that is the nearest Port.

Watching the Race by Boat

Please stay clear of all boats in the race and be aware that your wake may severely disadvantage or even capsize competitors in smaller boats. At the finish, please stay well clear of the finish line (which stretches between the large committee boat and the floating orange tetrahedron) and out of the path of the finishing boats. You are welcome to tie up temporarily at The Rudder Club dock on a space available basis. Overnight dockage is reserved for competitors and the Race Committee.

Watching the Race from Shore

This event is enjoyed by thousands of people each year. The trick is to find a spot to watch the race as it progresses. For the shore-bound, we recommend the following:

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| Palatka: | Watch the boats start from the Riverfront Inn or the US 17 Bridge. |
| Green Cove Springs: | Watch from the Hwy 16 Bridge or the fishing pier on the West Side of the river, north of the bridge. From Palatka, take US 17 North, right on Hwy 16, left at the first paved road after you pass Moody's Construction on the left (after Hwy 16 narrows to two lanes). |
| Rudder Club: | Watch the finishers come in and enjoy the festivities, but stay clear of the boat ramp. Parking is not allowed on The Rudder Club grounds. Parking will be marked and you can walk to the club grounds. Please be considerate of our neighbors. From Palatka, take US 17 North. After going under the I-295 overpass, the second traffic signal is Collins Road. Turn right on Collins Road and follow it to the river |

Trophy Presentation at The Rudder Club, Sunday, May 2, 2010

Definitions and qualifications for some trophies have been adjusted to reflect the reverse handicap start. Award ceremony begins at 10:30 a.m. Trophies will be awarded as follows:

South Course

The Mug Cup	First boat to finish
Commodore's Trophy	First Rudder Club boat to finish
Palatka Chamber of Commerce Trophy	First Multihull cruiser to finish
Sullivan E. Howard	First Dinghy (non cruising class) Monohull to finish
Ed Burroughs Trophy	First PHRF boat to finish
Bobbie Lee Johnson	First all female crewed boat to finish
Youngest Sailor Trophy	First boat to finish with skipper and all crew under the age of 19
Colin MacKenzie	First Putnam County resident to finish
Corinthian Trophy	Last boat to finish
Sportsman's Trophy	Best sportsman, exemplary race behavior (please inform race committee of any examples of Sportsmanship that you witness)
Archie Markland	First RCHS boat to finish
Class Trophies	More than 100 trophies to be awarded

North Course

John Saare Trophy	First PHRF boat to finish
J. Norman Brown Award	First Multihull to finish
Grace Rogers Trophy	First RCHS boat to finish

NOTICE OF RACE

The 57th Mug Race South Course and North Course

The Rudder Club of Jacksonville
Orange Park, Florida, USA
30 April - 2 May 2010

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Race will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association.
- 1.2 South Course (Boats with a masthead height of less than 44 feet) - RRS 26 is altered for this event in order to provide a pursuit start as described in the *US SAILING Race Management Handbook* (2009 - 2012), Portsmouth Method, page 303.
- 1.3 North Course (Monohulls with a masthead height of 44 feet or greater and cruising multihulls) - Boats entering in the PHRF Class will conform to the PHRF Rules of the First Coast Sailing Association.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising is permitted in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.3.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Boats whose configuration does not conform to the configuration prescribed by the class rules for that boat shall indicate this on their race registration in writing to the Race Committee.
- 3.2 Except for boats in PHRF classes, boats will be grouped into Mug Race specific classes hereinafter referred to as a "Class."
- 3.3 All boats are eligible for entry that can meet the requirements of one or more categories listed in 3.4 below.
- 3.4 Entrants will be divided into the following categories:

3.4.1 South Course (Mug Race) - those boats with mast heights less than 44 feet

a. Monohulls

- (1) Class (one design)
- (2) Monohull (RCHS scoring)
 - (a) Spinnaker
 - (b) Non-Spinnaker
- (3) RCHS (cruisers)
 - (a) Spinnaker
 - (b) Non-Spinnaker

b. Multihulls

- (1) Class (one design)
- (2) RCHS (Multihull non-cruiser)
 - (a) Spinnaker
 - (b) Non-Spinnaker

c. Sailboards

- (1) Greater than 7.5 square meters (Women)
- (2) Greater than 7.5 square (Men)
- (3) 7.5 square meters and less (Women)
- (4) 7.5 square meters and less (Men)

3.4.2 North Course (Tall Ship Race) - those monohulls with mast height of 44 feet and taller and cruising multihulls.

a. Cruisers

- (1) PHRF
 - (a) Spinnaker
 - (b) Non-Spinnaker
 - (c) Cruiser
- (2) RCHS (cruisers) those monohulls without PHRF certificates
 - (a) Spinnaker
 - (b) Non-Spinnaker
- (3) Cruising Multihulls
 - (a) Spinnaker
 - (b) Non-Spinnaker

3.5 A minimum of five registered boats is necessary to constitute a class for race and trophy purposes.

3.6 PHRF class boats are required to have a current PHRF rating certificate issued by First Coast Sailing Association. Current certificates from other areas will be accepted subject to review and possible adjustment as necessary to ensure conformity. Boats not having a current PHRF certificate and wishing to race in the cruiser PHRF division may obtain an interim rating certificate from the Rudder Club Handicapper upon presentation of a check for \$25.00 payable to First Coast Sailing Association.

3.7 Registration

3.7.1 Preferred - The preferred method of registration for eligible boats is on-line with the US SAILING Regatta Network. To register, select the Registration link on The Rudder Club Web Site at www.rudderclub.com. Boats registering on-line will receive a \$20.00 on-line registration discount if they register before 2400 28 April 2010. Boats may confirm that their registration has been recorded by selecting the participant lists available on the Rudder Club Web Site. Boats submitting an on-line registration but not completing the fee submission will receive an automated e-mail providing directions as to how to complete their registration. For boats needing assistance in registering on-line, please contact Dick Allsopp at 904-278-0329 or dallsopp@ussailing.net. Boats may also register by going directly to Regatta Network. The URL for the South Course is:

https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/append_registration_form.php?regatta_id=2632.

The URL for the North Course is:

https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/append_registration_form.php?regatta_id=2633.

3.7.2 Hand-Written-Registrations - Boats may register by mail or in person at the Rudder Club Office by submitting a completed registration form available on line at www.rudderclub.com or the registration form in the Mug Race brochure. Payment must be included. For mail-in registrations, mail to:

The Rudder Club of Jacksonville Inc.
8533 Malaga Avenue
Orange Park, Fl. 32073

3.7.3 Mail-in registration shall be postmarked no later than April 10, 2010. Mail in registrations will not be eligible for the advance registration

discount. Registrations hand delivered to the Rudder Club Office will not be accepted after 27 April 2010.

3.7.3 Boats not registering in advance or registering by mail may late register as in 5.1 and 5.2 as applicable.

3.8 All windsurfer and sailing canoe entries shall provide a dedicated support boat to follow them along the entire course. The support boat shall be equipped with a Marine VHF Radio capable of receiving and transmitting on Channel 78 or a cellular telephone. Support boats shall also be equipped with operable running lights that meet the requirements of the Inland Rules of Navigation. The support boat shall be in accompaniment when the windsurfer or canoe checks in at the starting line and finishes or the entrant will be scored DNS.

4 FEES

4.1 Advance, on-line registration with discount – On or before 4/28- \$70.00. Registration at the Registration Party will be on-line and receive this discount.

4.2 Registration Fee – Mail-in or in-person delivery anytime or on-line after 4/28 \$ -90.00.

4.3 Rudder Club and Palatka Yacht Club Member Discount: \$ 5.00.

4.4 US Sailing Discount \$ 5.00 Note: To be eligible for the US SAILING discount members must be a current member of US SAILING. On-line registration will check this automatically. Mail-in registrants must provide their US SAILING membership number on the registration form and enclose a copy of US SAILING membership card. Late registrants must present a current US SAILING membership card at the time of late registration.

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

5.1 South Course

Registration Party, Rudder Club of Jacksonville
Saturday, April 17, 2010 1500 (3:00 p.m.) –
1800(6:00 p.m.)

Late registration and Race Packet Pick Up,
Quality Inn, Palatka, Friday, April 30, 2010
1600 (4:00p.m.) – 1800(6:00p.m.).

Competitors Meeting Friday 30 April 2010 1915
(7:15 p.m.) Friday

The Mug Race Saturday 1 May 2010.
The five minute warning signal for start of
sequence of Reverse Handicap times for fleet is
at 0725. Boats are to cross starting line at or
after assigned times. Race committee will signal
boats over early in accordance with the Sailing
Instructions.

5.2 North Course

Registration Party, Rudder Club of Jacksonville
Saturday, April 17, 2010 1500 (3:00 p.m.) –
1800 (6:00 p.m.)

Late registration and race packet pick up, Rudder
Club of Jacksonville until Friday, 30 April 1800
(6:00p.m.)

Competitors Meeting at the Rudder Club Friday,
30 April, 2010 1915 (7:15 p.m.)

The Tall Ship Race Saturday May 1, 2010. The
Warning Signal will be sounded at 0725. The
Race will be started in accordance with RRS 26.

6 MEASUREMENT

- 6.1 Boats with a masthead height less than 44 feet
must compete on the Mug Race South course.
Boats with a mast height 44 feet and taller must
compete on the North Course. All boats are
subject to measurement by the Race Committee
at any time.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 The Sailing Instructions are posted on the
Rudder Club Web Site at
www.rudderclub.com, available at the
Registration Party and posted on the bulletin
boards of the Quality Inn and Suites Palatka
and The Rudder Club of Jacksonville.

8 COURSES

- 8.1 Courses are contained in the Sailing
Instructions.

9 VENUE

- 9.1 The racing areas are between the Palatka
Bridge and the Buckman Bridge as depicted on the
following:

South Course - NOAA 1187 (11492c)
and NOAA 11492 a and b
North Course - NOAA 11492

10 SCORING

- 10.1 South Course - The Race will be conducted
using the Portsmouth Method Pursuit Start
System as described in the US SAILING Race
Management Handbook (2009 - 2012) page
302. Each entrant is assigned a starting time
based upon The Rudder Club Handicap System
(RCHS), a time on distance handicap system.
Entrants will be scored by position when they
finish as in fleet racing i.e. 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th,
etc. This changes RRS26
- 10.2 North Course – There will be a single start on
the North Course conducted in accordance with
RRS 26.
- 10.3 Handicaps under the RCHS will be computed
as follows:
- 10.3.1 South Course –
- (a) For boats with a Portsmouth rating
RCHS Handicaps will be based on the
US SAILING formula for conversion of
Portsmouth to PHRF (RCHS = (DPN x
6) – 330. For US Portsmouth ratings see
Portsmouth Yardstick at
http://www.ussailing.org/portsmouth/pyi_index.asp. If registering on-line, you can
look up your code by clicking on
“Lookup Code” to the right of the USSA
Portsmouth Code box. Find your boat in
resulting drop down menu. This will list
your DPN number and your code. Click
on the code and your boat type will be
entered in your registration.
 - (b) For boats with no Portsmouth Handicap,
an RCHS rating will be assigned by the
South Course Handicapper based on
similarly configured boats and/or and
existing PHRF rating.
 - (c) Boats configured differently than the
configuration assumed for the class by
the North American Portsmouth
Yardstick in assigning a DPN will be
adjusted in the case of monohulls in
accordance with Table VI – **Optional
Allowance Modification Factors** and
for Multihulls in accordance with
Modification Factors for Multihulls.
 - (d) Boats belonging to a class rated in the
North American Portsmouth Offshore
Category will be assigned to the RCHS

- Cruiser Spinnaker or Non-spinnaker class as appropriate.
- 10.3.2 North Course –
- (a) Boats holding a First Coast Sailing Association PHRF certificate will be assigned a RCHS rating equal to their PHRF rating.
 - (c) Boats holding a valid PHRF rating issued by a PHRF rating organization other than the FCSA and wishing to race PHRF may apply to the handicapper for a temporary PHRF rating.
 - (b) Cruisers not holding a valid PHRF Certificate, but for which a PHRF rating exists for a similar boat, will be assigned an RCHS rating by the Handicapper based on that PHRF rating. The data base located at <http://www.sailjax.com/PHRF-Base-Ratings-Database.pdf> will be used as a basis for assigned ratings at the discretion of the Handicapper. These boats will race in the RCHS class.
 - (c) Boats not rated by PHRF but with a Portsmouth Rating will be assigned a RCHS rating based on the USSAILING Portsmouth to PHRF conversion formula. $RCHS = (DPN \times 6) - 330$. For US Portsmouth ratings see Portsmouth Yardstick at http://www.ussailing.org/portsmouth/py_index.asp. If registering on-line, the registrant can look up their code by clicking on “Lookup Code” to the right of the USSA Portsmouth Code box. Find the boat type in resulting drop down menu. This will list the DPN number and code. Click on the code and the boat type and DPN number will be entered in the registration.
 - (d) For boats with no rating base, a RCHS rating will be assigned by The Rudder Club Handicapper.
- 10.4 Entrants of a one-design class if racing as a Mug Race class will be assigned the same start time.
- 10.5 If five or more boats are entered in a one design class or handicap class they will be scored as a class as well as for an overall position.

11 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 11.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats.

- 11.2 This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 11.3 Communication with the Race Committee and support boats shall take place on Marine VHF Channel 78A (US). Boats, where equipped, shall also maintain a listening watch on Channel 16.
- 11.4 DSC boats are encouraged to have a working GPS connected to their VHF radio.

12 PRIZES

- 11.1 Prizes are as described in the *Trophy Section* of Mug Race brochure.

13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 13.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

14 INSURANCE

- 14.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance. This rule is not protestable.

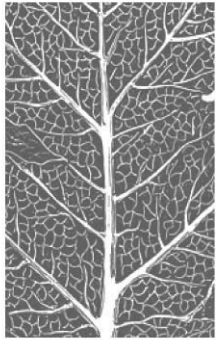
15 TRAILERS

- 15.1 The Mug Race is a one-way distance race. Trailers, vehicles and crew distribution between the two points of the race shall be arranged before setting sail in the race.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 16.1 For further information please contact the:

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12/05/10 – Gator Bow Regatta

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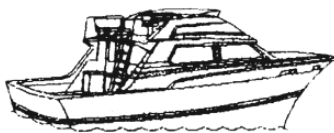
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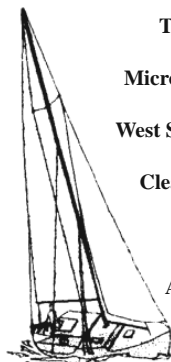
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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The 57th Mug Race

South Course and North Course

Organizing Authority - The Rudder Club of Jacksonville
Jacksonville, FL

30 April – 2 May 2010

1 RULES

1.1 The Regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the prescriptions of the US Sailing Association.

1.2 South Course (Boats with a masthead height of less than 44 feet) - RRS 26 is altered for this event in order to provide a pursuit start as described in the *US SAILING Race Management Handbook* (2009 - 2012), Portsmouth Method, page 303. This rule change does not affect North Course Boats.

1.3 North Course boats entering in the PHRF Classes will conform to the PHRF Rules of the First Coast Sailing Association.

1.4 When proceeding to and from the race area, boats are to pass only through the center span of the Buckman Bridge.

1.5 In accordance with SI 15.15, a boat accepting assistance under RRS Fundamental Rule 1.1 is exempt from the provisions of RRS 41, Outside Help. This changes RRS 41.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to Competitors will be placed on the official notice boards located as follows:

- South Course - in the registration area of the Quality Inn, Palatka.
- North Course - North exterior wall of the Rudder Club

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Changes to Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Race Bulletin Board on the north exterior wall of the Rudder Club and the lobby window of the Quality Inn in Palatka before 0630 on 1 May 2010.

4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

4.1 South Course - One race
0725, 1 May 2010 - A 5 minute, Race Warning signal will be sounded.
0730 - The International Code Flag G will be raised to signal the start of pursuit handicap times for the fleet. A signal will be sounded to call attention to the raising of this flag. Boats are to cross starting line at or after their assigned times. The Race Committee will attempt to signal boats that are over early. Each boat is responsible for ensuring that it has not started prematurely.

4.2 North Course - One start
0725, 1 May 2010 - A 5 minute, Race Warning signal will be sounded. The race will be started in accordance with RRS 26.

4.3 Time will be based on the National Institute of Standards and Technology time as broadcast by radio station WWV in Fort Collins Colorado. These may be accessed by telephone at 303-499-7111, Internet at <http://nist.time.gov/timezone.cgi?Eastern/d/-5/java> or by radio. The station radiates at 10,000 Watts on 5, 10, and 15 MHz; and 2500 Watts on 2.5 and 20 MHz

5 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will not be used for the South Course. International numeral pennant One (1) will displayed as the class flag for the North Course.

6 RACING AREAS

The racing areas are between the Shands Bridge in Palatka and the Buckman Bridge as depicted on the following:

South Course - NOAA 1187 (11492c) and NOAA 11492 a and b. North Course - NOAA 11492.

7 COURSES

7.1 Courses are as depicted in appendices A and B to this document.

7.2 South Course (The Mug Race) From the Start Line sail north through the mid course gate located just south of the Shands Bridge at approximate position N29 58.7 W081 37.2 to mark "A" (N30 11.1 W81 41.0) which is located on the west side of river approximately 1/4 mile south of the Buckman Bridge. Leave Mark A to your boat's starboard side and proceed to finish line located on the east side of river approximately 1/4 mile south of The Buckman Bridge. Approximate position of the finish line is N30 11.1 W81 39.7.

7.4 Boats are to pass through only the navigation span of the Shands Bridge.

7.5 North Course - Start at the line approximately 1/4 mile south of the Buckman Bridge (N30 11.1 W81 39.7) on the east side of the river. Proceed west approximately 1 mile to marker "A" (N30 11.1 W81 41.0) leaving it to your boat's port side. Proceed south approximately 12 miles to mark "B" (N29 59.5 W81 38.6) located approximately 1/2 Mile north of the Shands Bridge leaving it to your boat's

port side. Proceed back north to marker “A” leaving it to your boat’s starboard side. Proceed south to marker “C” (N30 05.4 W81 40.1) leaving it to your boats starboard side. Proceed back north to marker “A” leaving it to your boat’s starboard side and proceed to finish line.

Note: All positions are approximate. Rhumb lines between marks do not necessarily provide for safe navigation. Each boat is responsible for its own safe navigation.

8 MARKS

Mark A will be two orange cylinders lashed together. Marks B and C will be large yellow cylinders. Marks B and C are for the North Course only.

9 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

All government navigation markers marking shoal areas and the shoal areas they mark are considered obstructions. This is not to restrict shoal draft boats from passing shoreward of the marker.

10 THE START

- 10.1 South Course - Will be between a staff bearing an Orange Flag on the Signal Boat and the US Government Red lighted buoy #48 The site for the start is just NE of the Palatka Bridge (Highway 17) , Palatka Florida.
- 10.2 North Course - Will be between a staff bearing an Orange Flag on the Signal Boat and a pin buoy marking the other end of the line. The site for the start will be ¼ mile south (N30 11.1 W81 39.7) of the Buckman Bridge on the east side of the river.
- 10.3 The start lines of both courses are closed except for boats actually starting.

11 THE FINISH

- 11.1 North and South Course - Will be between a staff bearing an Orange Flag on the Signal Boat and a pin buoy marking the other end of the line. The site for the finish will be south of the Buckman Bridge on the East side of the channel approximately N30 11.1 W81 39.7. When finishing, ensure that the boat’s Mug Number is clearly visible to those on the Finish Boat.
- 11.2 The finish line is closed except for boats actually finishing. If you do not hear a horn sounded as you finish, come by the Signal Boat on the non-line side and ensure that they were able to see your number.

11.3 South Course Mid-course Gate.

- 11.3.1 A mandatory mid-course gate will be set in accordance with SI 7.2. The Race Committee will record the time of all south course entries passing this line. Times for entrants passing this line will be used to compute class prizes where no entrant of that class finishes within the time limit, even if the entrant is later forced to retire in accordance with SI 11.1. These times will not be used in the scoring of overall finish positions. RRS 32.2(c) applies.
- 11.3.2 The mid-course gate will be between an orange flag displayed on the Mid Course Signal Boat and an inflated yellow cylinder.

12 TIME LIMIT

- 12.1 Racing, for both courses, ends at 2015 (8:15p.m). Boats finishing after that time will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). Yachts south of the mid course gate after 1830 (6:30 p.m.) are required to retire from the race and will be scored as DNF.

13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1 Protests must be filed at the Rudder Club Race Office. No protest will be taken after one and one half hours past the race time limit. If you intend to protest notify the Finish Signal Boat after you have finished and cleared the finish line. Protest hearings will be scheduled as soon as possible and posted on the official notice board at the Rudder Club.

14 SCORING

- 14.1 Scoring will be the low point system and based on the boat’s order of finish for the South Course and corrected elapsed time for the North Course.

15 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 15.1 All boats must sail past the Start Signal Boat on its non-starting line side and check-in prior to starting. Boats should pass the signal boat so that their Mug Number is clearly visible to those on the signal boat.
- 15.2 Rudder Club patrol boats will patrol the race course to render assistance. Any of the above support team members may assist you if needed and you will not be charged or need to worry about vessel salvage rules. It is their commitment to the race to assist boats in need and to help the boat reach the nearest safe place to remove the craft from the river. Support boats may display a red and yellow checkered flag to signify their role as support boats.
- 15.3 All skippers must notify the Race Committee if they abandon the race. The following means are available: Rudder Club telephone (904) 264-4094;

VHF Channel 78; through any Rudder Club Patrol Boat. This is a United States Coast Guard Requirement. Violators may be required to pay the cost of any search initiated as a result of their failure to comply with this requirement.

- 15.4 All boats while racing will display a colored banner from their backstay, starboard shroud or sail plan in that order of preference. This banner is specific to either the North Course or the South Course and shall be removed when the boat is no longer racing. The banners will be provided in the race packet.
- 15.5 All entrants sailing single-handed shall wear a U.S. Coast Guard approved Personal Flotation Device while racing.
- 15.6 After sunset, participating yachts must display running lights and proceed in accordance with the Inland Navigation Rules.
- 15.7 All participants are reminded that a vessel under sail may not impede the passage of a vessel that can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway. Tugs pushing barges ahead are frequently encountered in the racing area and fit this category and should not be impeded. They must be given ample sea room.
- 15.8 If necessary to avoid impeding the passage of vessel whose passage is not to be impeded under the Inland Rules of Navigation, a boat may use its engine or any other means of propulsion provided it does not gain a significant advantage in the race.
- 15.9 Boats may use any other means of propulsion provided it does not gain a significant advantage in the race in order to transit the navigation span of the Shands Bridge. The area where this is permissible is from north of the mid-course gate to two boat lengths North of the Shands Bridge.
- 15.10 ISAF Rules govern the relationship between yachts while racing. These rules do not apply between racing yachts and non-participating vessels or yachts after completing the race and departing the race area. In these cases, the Inland Navigation Rules apply.
- 15.11 Participating boats are encouraged to carry on board day and night distress signals. The simple orange rectangle displaying a black ball and circle is suitable for day while flares or star shells are best for night.
- 15.12 All boats are to have on board a tow line to be used if the vessel requires towing to the nearest shoreline for the boats safe removal from the river.
- 15.13 It is the skipper's responsibility for the logistics, safety and sportsmanship of his crew and boat.
- 15.14 Each boat will be provided a large number on a placard. This number will be used to record start, mid course and finish time and to identify the boat in the event of an emergency. The boat shall conspicuously display it to the start, finish and mid

course line boats as well as to any race support boat that approaches them. It is the boat's responsibility to ensure that the number has been seen by the race support boats in each instance.

- 15.15A boat accepting assistance under RRS Fundamental Rule 1.1 is exempt from the provisions of RRS 41, Outside Help. This changes RRS 41.
- 15.16 DSC equipped boats are encouraged to have a working GPS connected to their VHF DSC equipped Radio.
- 15.17 All windsurfer and sailing canoe entries shall provide a dedicated support boat to follow them along the entire course. The support boat shall be equipped with a Marine VHF Radio capable of receiving and transmitting on Channel 78 or a cellular telephone. Support boats shall also be equipped with operable running lights that meet the requirements of the Inland Rules of Navigation. The support boat shall be in accompaniment when the windsurfer or canoe checks in at the starting line and finishes or the entrant will be scored DNS.

16 PRIZES

- 16.1 Trophies will be awarded at the awards ceremony at 10:30 a.m. on 2 May 2010 at The Rudder Club.



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The Rudder Club of Jacksonville, Inc.

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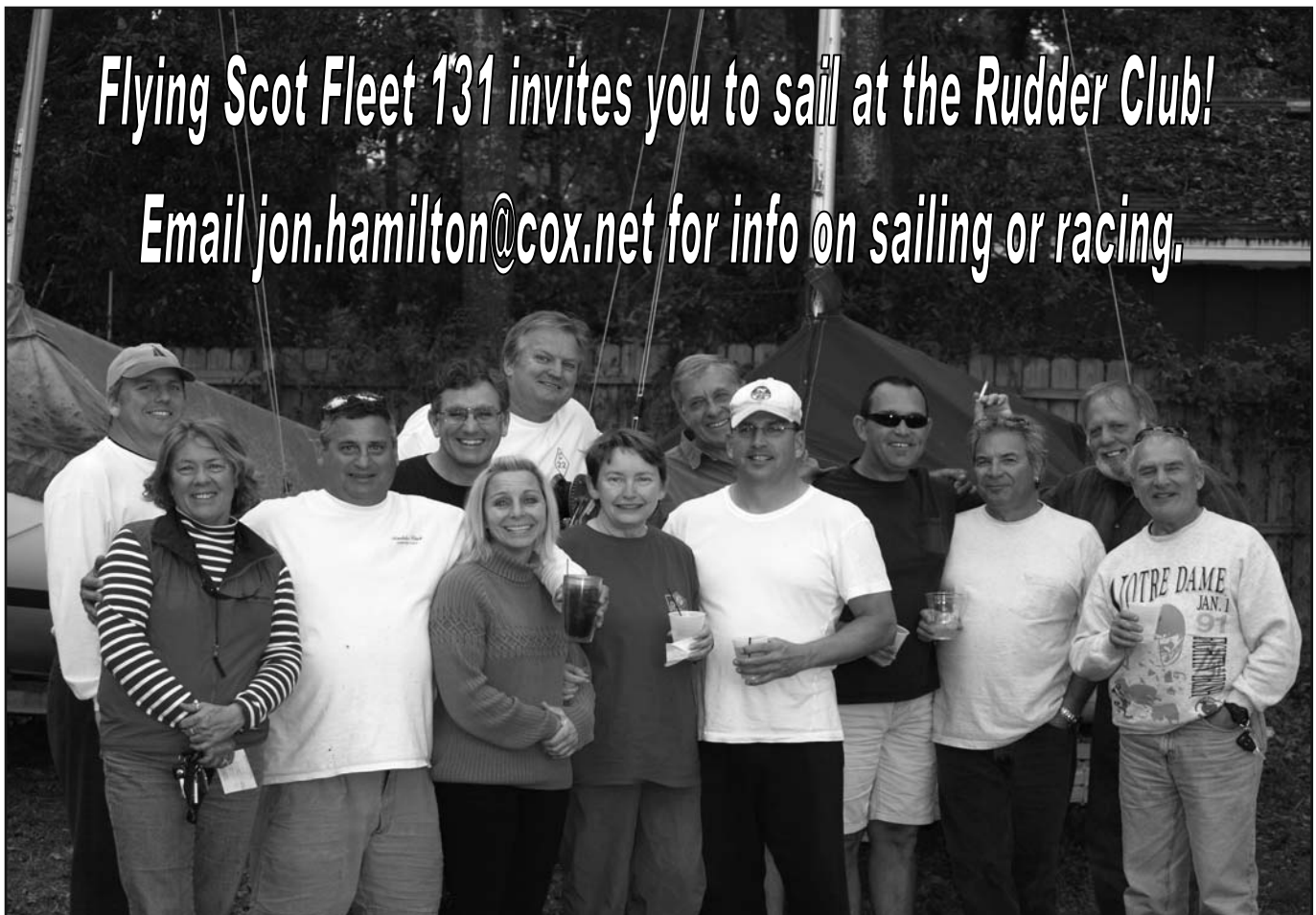
No matter what your experience level, the Rudder Club's diverse membership and programs can meet virtually any need.

Could it be that you're a true beginner looking to learn to sail? We provide basic lessons on a regular basis. Are you new to the Northeast Florida area, or within commuting distance, and looking to determine if sailing holds a long term interest for you? Are you unsure what your first purchase should be? Association with Rudder Club members will allow you to crew on a variety of boats, gain hands on experience with true veterans and answer your own questions as you begin to learn to sail. Are you a dedicated racer? If so, the Rudder Club offers an extensive, year-round racing program of both formal and informal events.

Perhaps you are looking for a club membership that will provide camaraderie for the entire family. The club offers a junior sailing program for youth's ages 8 to 18, using a combination of classroom instruction and hands on experience on the Rudder Club's 10-foot prams. Members may participate, for free, in regularly scheduled social events, use the outdoor swimming pool and the clubhouse complete with dressing rooms and hot showers. Facilities include picnic and children's play areas.

Every effort is made to ensure that membership is affordable. Membership initiation fee is \$250 with a nominal monthly dues requirement. Young Adult memberships require a \$125.00 initiation fee, and Junior and Non-resident memberships start at \$25 initiation fee with greatly reduced monthly dues.

So, whether you are looking to learn to sail, searching for a wholesome and challenging environment for the entire family, or trying to find an affordable club home for you and your boat, we invite you to "test the water". **Please give Kathi Dye (Rudder Club Manager) a call at (904) 264-4094 on Tuesday through Friday from 9-1:30 for further details.**



The Palatka Yacht Club

The objectives of the Palatka Yacht Club (PYC) are to promote good fellowship and cooperation among its members, the sport of yachting, safety afloat, and techniques of good seamanship.

PYC was incorporated in 1976 filling a gap during which no yacht club existed in Palatka after the St. Johns Yacht Club ceased operation. The St. Johns Yacht Club, legally incorporated in the 1950s, was the originator of the first Mug Race.

Dan and Nancy Sheffield moved to Palatka and organized the PYC very much like the one that they had belonged to in Miami. During the first few years, PYC primarily conducted over night cruises as most members had cabin motorboats. Monthly dinner meetings were held at member homes. Over the years, the power cruisers were joined by a sail fleet and some local “round the buoys” racing.

PYC boats have participated in every Mug Race. Club members provide support for the Mug Race by assisting the race committee at the start of the race and by providing hospitality for the racers. PYC sponsors the Gene O’Connor Commemorative Trophy to the first PYC member to finish the race and the Colin Mackenzie Memorial Trophy for the first Putnam County resident to complete the event. Both Mr. O’Connor and Mr. Mackenzie were participants in the first Mug Race.

After many years of not having a large enough membership to afford a clubhouse, the PYC dream of owning their home was achieved in 2004. The club acquired a large hull originally destined to become a floating entertainment vessel. PYC renovated the hull into a multilevel floating clubhouse with inside seating for nearly 100. Built in the style of an 1800s riverboat, the clubhouse, complete with wheelhouse and towering stacks, is moored on the St. Johns River at Browns Landing, about 11 miles south of Palatka.

Activities at the clubhouse are many and cover everything from regular monthly gatherings to weekend boating rendezvous, including canoe trips. On the great St. Johns River, we enjoy all forms of boating.

The commodore and the entire membership welcome visitors to join them at our monthly gatherings or boating trips. For more information on PYC, visit <http://palatkayachtclub.org> or call us at 888-851-1811.

Early Mug Races

The following history of early Mug Races is based on information from Gene O’Connor, who in 2009, is the last living Palatka sailor from the first Mug Race and former commodore of the Palatka Yacht Club and the St. Johns Yacht Club.

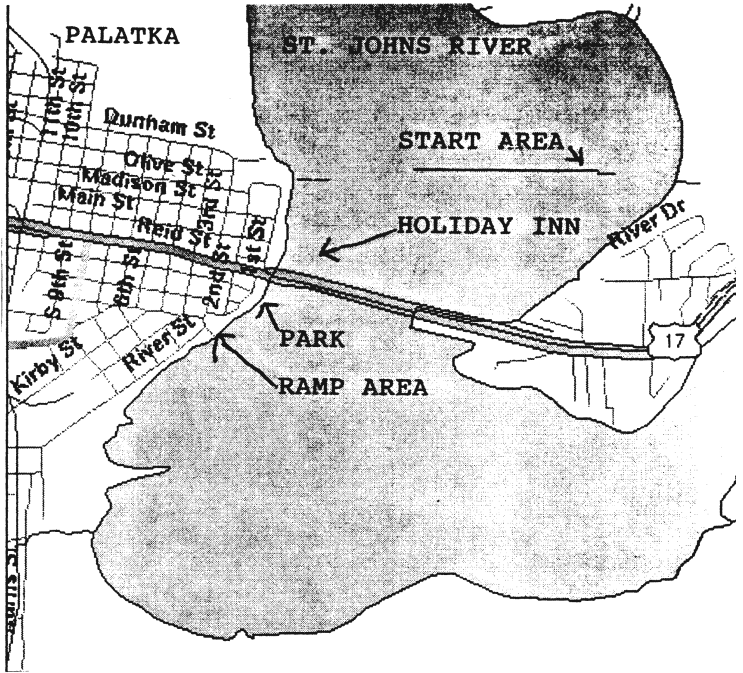
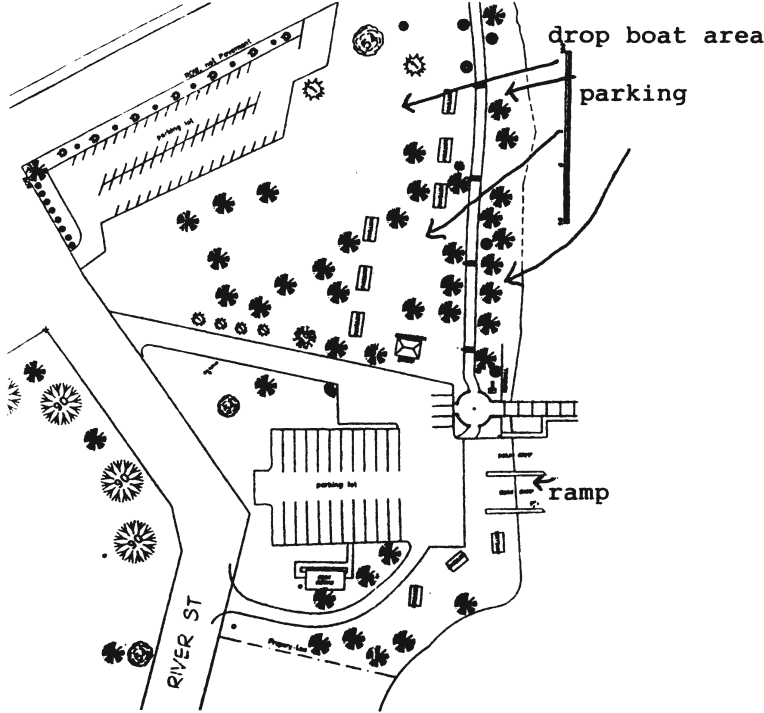
The Florida Yacht Club had been conducting in June an annual sailboat race, St. Johns Regatta, in Jacksonville on the St. Johns River. Sailors in Palatka had grown “tired” of sailing to and from Jacksonville for the regatta. So, several of the Palatka sailors decided in 1953 to race home south, or upstream, on the river. The one to finish first in Palatka would receive a frosty mug of beer. Seven boats participated in this first “mug race,” with Albert Holt, Jr., winning the mug in his homemade scow-type boat named *Square Head*.

The rules for sailing home were not quite your normal rules for a regatta. For the start, all boats were at anchor. Upon the starting signal, they would raise the anchor and start sailing to Palatka. Should the wind die, which it often did, one person on each boat could swim the boat, throw and retrieve the anchor moving upstream, paddle, walk the boat on a sandbar... The sailors just had a good time reaching Palatka by any creative means possible—they just wanted to have fun.

After about four years, the racers decided to switch direction of the race to take advantage of the southeasterly afternoon sea breezes. So, they headed north, or downstream, towards the Rudder Club. The Rudder Club hosted the racers with a party at the finish. The Rudder Club took over running the race when the St. Johns Yacht Club folded and made it into the current race with a high registration of over 400 boats.



PALATKA AREA MAPS



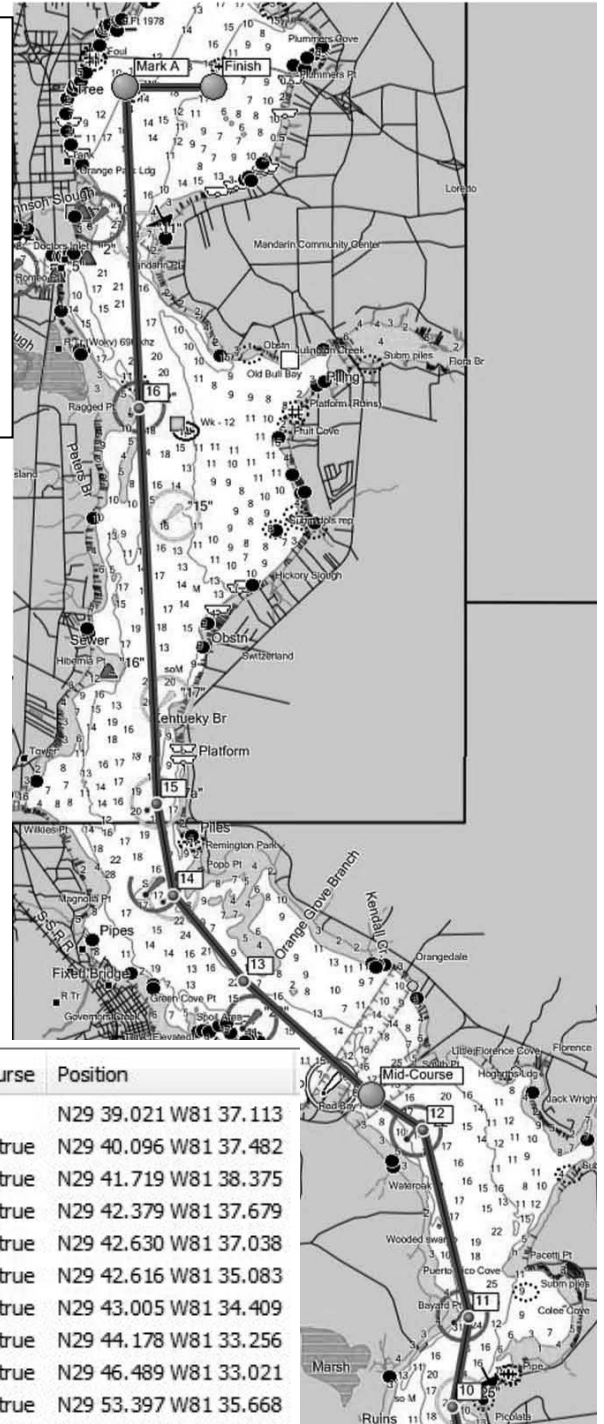
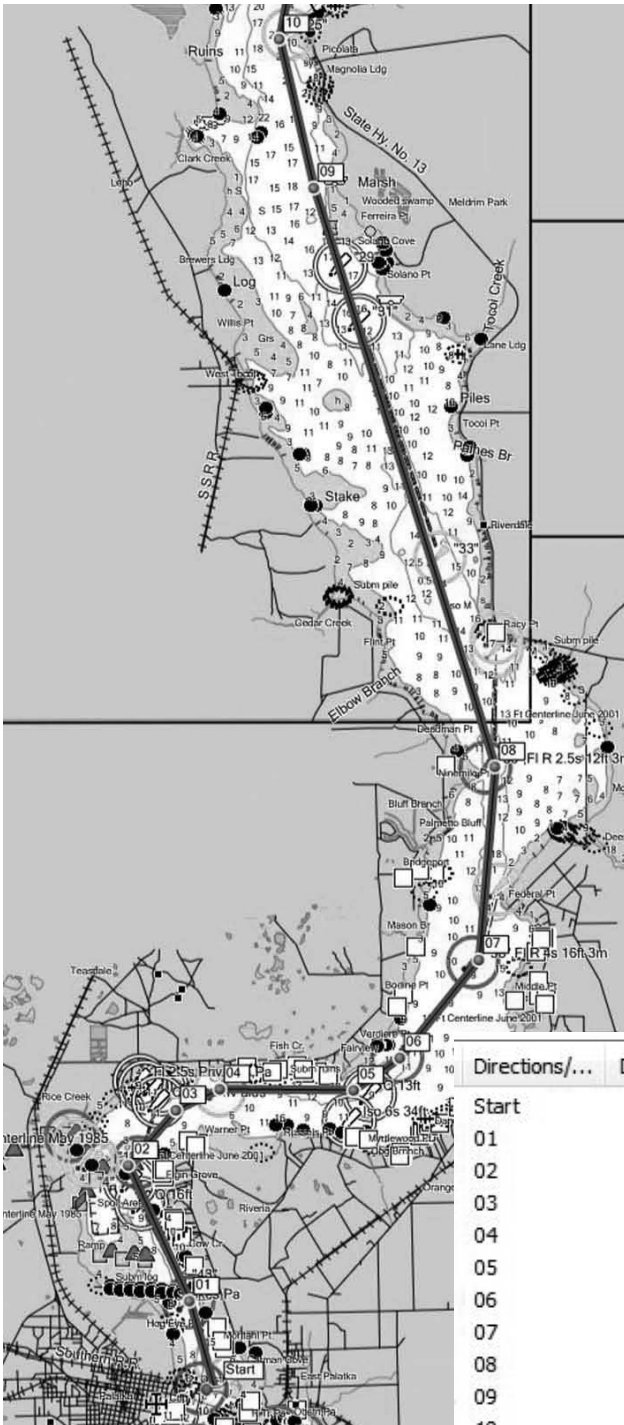
Start	N29 39.017 W81.37.323
Mid Course Gate	N29 58.931 W81 37.366
Mark A (Leave to Stbd)	N30 11.1 W81 41.0
Finish	N30 11.1 W81 39.7

Mug Race 2010 South Course Diagram

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Direction of Travel – Bottom to Top Left First

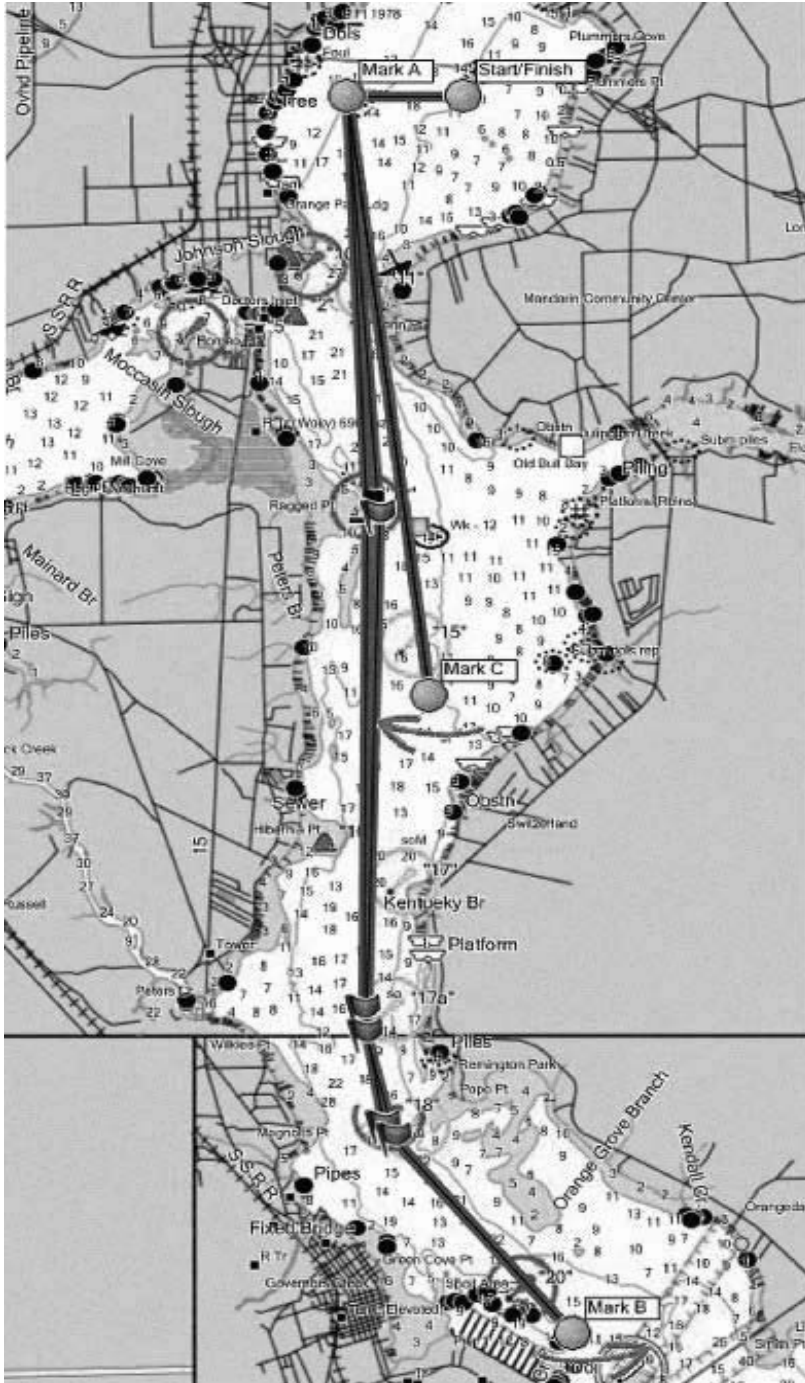
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Directions/...	Distance	Leg Length	Course	Position
Start	0 ft			N29 39.021 W81 37.113
01	1.1 nm	1.1 nm	343° true	N29 40.096 W81 37.482
02	2.9 nm	1.8 nm	334° true	N29 41.719 W81 38.375
03	3.8 nm	0.9 nm	43° true	N29 42.379 W81 37.679
04	4.4 nm	0.6 nm	66° true	N29 42.630 W81 37.038
05	6.1 nm	1.7 nm	90° true	N29 42.616 W81 35.083
06	6.8 nm	0.7 nm	56° true	N29 43.005 W81 34.409
07	8.4 nm	1.5 nm	40° true	N29 44.178 W81 33.256
08	10.7 nm	2.3 nm	5° true	N29 46.489 W81 33.021
09	18.0 nm	7.3 nm	342° true	N29 53.397 W81 35.668
10	19.8 nm	1.8 nm	346° true	N29 55.178 W81 36.172
11	20.9 nm	1.1 nm	11° true	N29 56.260 W81 35.934
12	23.3 nm	2.3 nm	346° true	N29 58.522 W81 36.606
Mid-Course	24.1 nm	0.8 nm	302° true	N29 58.931 W81 37.366
13	26.2 nm	2.1 nm	311° true	N30 00.319 W81 39.243
14	27.6 nm	1.4 nm	319° true	N30 01.353 W81 40.280
15	28.7 nm	1.1 nm	349° true	N30 02.460 W81 40.522
16	33.5 nm	4.8 nm	357° true	N30 07.234 W81 40.795
Mark A	37.4 nm	3.9 nm	357° true	N30 11.100 W81 41.000
Finish	38.5 nm	1.1 nm	90° true	N30 11.100 W81 39.700

Mug Race 2010 North Course Diagram

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Sequence of Marks

Start	N30°011.1' W81°39.7'	
Mark A	N30°011.1' W81°41.0'	Leave to Port
Mark B	N29°59.5' W81°38.6'	Leave to Port
Mark A	N30°011.1' W81°41.0'	Leave to Starboard
Mark C	N30°005.4' W81°40.1'	Leave to Starboard
Mark A	N30°011.1' W81°41.0'	Leave to Starboard
Finish	N30°011.1' W81°39.7'	

Official Track for distance purposes only.

	Directions/Name	Distance	Leg Length	Course	Position
1.	Start/Finish	0 ft			N30 11.117 W81 39.750
2.	Mark A	1.1 nm	1.1 nm	270° true	N30 11.117 W81 41.000
3.	002	5.0 nm	3.9 nm	177° true	N30 07.234 W81 40.795
4.	003	9.8 nm	4.8 nm	180° true	N30 02.444 W81 40.827
5.	004	10.9 nm	1.1 nm	170° true	N30 01.350 W81 40.613
6.	Mark B	13.5 nm	2.6 nm	138° true	N29 59.402 W81 38.576
7.	005	16.0 nm	2.5 nm	318° true	N30 01.236 W81 40.494
8.	006	17.0 nm	1.0 nm	345° true	N30 02.216 W81 40.802
9.	007	21.9 nm	4.9 nm	1° true	N30 07.130 W81 40.663
10.	Mark A	25.9 nm	4.0 nm	356° true	N30 11.117 W81 41.000
11.	Mark C	31.7 nm	5.7 nm	172° true	N30 05.441 W81 40.122
12.	Mark A	37.4 nm	5.7 nm	352° true	N30 11.117 W81 41.000
13.	Start/Finish	38.5 nm	1.1 nm	90° true	N30 11.117 W81 39.750

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APPLICATION FORM

Please provide all requested information. Most errors in scoring past Mug Races have been attributable to incomplete or incorrect information provided at registration. To race in PHRF class, you must present a current PHRF card or purchase a card from First Coast Sailing Association at check-in. Yachts with mast height under 44 feet must race the South Course.

Were you registered in a previous Mug Race? Yes No (check one)

Person in Charge _____ Address: _____

City _____ State _____ :Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Office Phone: _____ Fax: _____

North Course _____ South Course _____ Birthdate _____

Boat Name _____ Boat Make: _____ Boat Model _____ Length: _____

Mast Height _____ Sail Number: _____ Hull Color _____ Sail Color _____

NOTE: A temporary Mug Race number will be issued to each registered boat.

Emergency Contact Name _____ Phone: _____ Relationship _____

Yacht Club Affiliation: _____ Membership # _____

U.S. Sailing Member: Yes No (check one) Membership # _____

All Female Crew: Yes No (check one)

Putnam County Resident: Yes No (check one)

Youth Crew (all under 16 years of age): Yes No (check one) _____

Crew Names: _____

Choose one of the following categories below (A,B or C). Provide all information requested in that block. If you select a one-design class, you will be assigned to that class provided there are enough entries.

Category A: Cruiser (keeled, displacement hull or live-aboard sized Catamarans or Trimarans)

Yachts participating in this class shall be over 20 feet. with overnight cruising facilities, a self bailing cockpit and proper safety gear.

North Course:

PHRF: _____ Spinnaker _____ Non-Spinnaker _____ Cruiser _____

RCHS _____ Spinnaker _____ Non-Spinnaker _____

Multihull Cruiser _____ Spinnaker _____ Non-Spinnaker _____

South Course:

RCHS Cruiser _____ Spinnaker _____ Non-Spinnaker _____

Category B: Choose one:

Monohull (Centerboard, Daggerboard or Leeboard)

One Design (fully class legal): _____ Portsmouth rating _____

Open Class: _____ Portsmouth Rating _____

Multihull (Catamaran, Outriggers or Hydrofoils)

One Design (fully class legal): _____ Portsmouth rating _____

Open Class: _____ Portsmouth Rating _____

If modified, you must declare modifications. Select boxes that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Carrying trapezes above class allowance | <input type="checkbox"/> Non-class legal mainsail of same sail area | <input type="checkbox"/> Class normally with small jib, sailing without jib |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-class legal mainsail of greater sail area | <input type="checkbox"/> Class normally with large jib, sailing without jib | <input type="checkbox"/> Larger than standard jib |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class normally without jib carrying small jib | <input type="checkbox"/> Taller mast than standard | <input type="checkbox"/> Class normally without jib carrying large jib |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wider than standard beam | <input type="checkbox"/> Class normally without spinnaker, carrying one | <input type="checkbox"/> Less than class minimum crew weight |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class normally without Genoa or reacher, carrying one | <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please explain below | <input type="checkbox"/> Class normally without spin. or reacher, carrying one |

Other modifications – explain here

Category C: Sailboard (Check One)

Female (Sail >=7.5 Square Meters)

Female (Sail <7.5 Square Meters)

Male (Sail >=7.5 Square Meters)

Male (Sail <7.5 Square Meters)

REGISTRATION FEES AND ORDER FORM

Note: Each skipper receives one free Mug Race Pass with registration. The Mug Race Pass entitles the bearer one race T-shirt, one after race dinner, four draft beers or soft drinks. Please order extras as needed and fill out all of the information below. All mail-in and any registration after April 18th will be \$90.00

	Fee	Quantity	Amount
Entry Fee (Pre-registration discount \$20)	\$90	x _____	\$ _____
Mug Race Pass for Crew or Guest	\$20	x _____	\$ _____
After Race Dinner/Rudder Club	\$5	x _____	\$ _____
Beer Pass	\$5	x _____	\$ _____
T-shirts	\$15	x _____	\$ _____
XX Large T-shirts	\$18	x _____	\$ _____
Shuttle Bus (each way)	\$10	x _____	\$ _____
Rudder Club Member Discount	-5	Member # _____	\$ _____
US Sailing Discount	-5	Member # _____	\$ _____

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Skipper's T-shirts are included with paid registration.

Skipper's Shirt Size: Medium Large Extra Large XX Large
 Crew (indicate quantity) Medium Large Extra Large XX Large

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Saturday, May 1, 2010	1st Bus: 5:45 a.m. Last Bus: 9:30 p.m.	9:45 a.m.

Circle One: Check Master Card Visa
 # _____ Exp ____/____
 Signature: _____ (if Master Card or Visa)

RELEASE OF LIABILITY

In consideration of the acceptance of my application to enter the Mug Race, I understand and accept that serious accidents occasionally occur during yacht racing events and that participants in yacht racing occasionally sustain mortal or serious injuries and/or property damage as a consequence thereof. I knowingly assume the risks of yacht racing.

It is the skipper's responsibility to obtain a signed release from each member of his or her crew before the race begins.

I agree to abide by the rules, regulations and sailing instructions of the Mug Race, the ISAF and the United States Sailing Association. I also agree to allow Video or photographs of my boat and crew to be used for advertising and promotional purposes. Minors must present a copy of this form signed by a parent or guardian before being allowed to race.

Skipper's Signature _____ Date: _____, 2010
 (parent or guardian if a minor)

Please check your registration form. Did you indicate T-shirt size? Do you need a shuttle – Have you circled the time?

Mail to: Rudder Club of Jacksonville, 8533 Malaga Avenue, Orange Park, FL 32073






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