THE LABOR DAY REGATTA

September 4 - 6, 2010 The Rudder Club of Jacksonville 8533 Malaga Avenue Orange Park, FL

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS.)
- 1.2 The rules of participating classes and the PHRF rules of First Coast Sailing Association will apply.

2. ADVERTISING

Advertising shall be in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20 paragraphs 20.2 and 20.3.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all PHRF boats holding a PHRF rating certificates issued by the First Coast Sailing Association and boats of the Flying Scot, J-24, Laser, A Class Catamaran, Hobie 16, Hobie 18, Snipe, Catalina 22, and Portsmouth classes.
- 3.2 Additional classes of three or more boats will be accommodated.
- 3.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing The Rudder Club entry form.

4. FEES

- 4.1 The registration fee for the regatta is \$30.00.
- 4.2 A five Dollar discount applies to members of US Sailing.

5. SCHEDULE

5.1 September 4th - One Design & Portsmouth classes

Registration: 1100 –1130 Sailors meeting: 1200

Warning signal for first class: 1255

Three races are scheduled

Dinner after racing will be provided by Hobie Fleet 111. There is a \$10.00 fee per person.

5.2 September 5th - One Design & Portsmouth classes

Warning signal for first class: 0955

Two races are scheduled

Awards ceremony following racing.

5.3 September 6th - PHRF classes

Registration: 1000 –1130 Sailors meeting: 1200

Warning signal for first class: 1255

Three races are scheduled

Awards ceremony following racing.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on or before September 1, 2010, and will be posted on the official bulletin board on the North exterior wall of The Rudder Club and on The Rudder Club web site at www.rudderclub.com.

7. VENUE

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 COURSES

Courses and course diagrams will be contained in the Sailing Instructions. The courses for all classes will be windward leeward courses.

9. TIME LIMIT

The time limit for the first boat in each starting class to finish is 60 minutes from her start. Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes of the first boat in their class will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35 and A4.1.

10. SCORING

- 10.1 One design classes will be scored in order of finish. PHRF Classes will be scored using time on distance. Open classes will be scored in accordance with the Portsmouth Yardstick (HC) System.
- 10.2 One race must be completed to constitute a regatta. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

11. SAFETY

- 11.1 All competitors are required to conform to the U.S. Coast Guard regulations and the RRS concerning personal floatation devices and other required equipment.
- 11.2 Yachts shall not impede the passage of a vessel that can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or commercial fishing vessels while fishing or vessels with restricted ability to maneuver. Racing yachts interfering with such vessels are subject to protest by the Race Committee or contestants and possible disqualification.

12. PRIZES

First, second, and third place prizes will be awarded in classes of more than five registered boats. A first place prize will be awarded in classes of three or less registered boats.

13. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Contact The Rudder Club office at 904-264-4094. The PRO for the One Design racing is Rich Brew; the PRO for PHRF racing is Rob Smith.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.



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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. **RULES** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the prescriptions of US Sailing, and the rules of the First Coast Sailing Association.
- 2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the North exterior wall of The Rudder Club.
- **3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1100 on the day it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- **4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located on the North side of The Rudder Club.
- **4.2**The warning signal for the first race will be made not less than 45 minutes after Code Flag AP is lowered.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Competitors meeting: 1100 1200
- 5.2 The scheduled time of the first warning signal for the first race is 1255.
- 5.3 Three races are scheduled.
- **5.4** No warning signal will be made after 1600.

6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1 Spinnaker Fleet class flag will be International Numeral Pennant P1:



6.2 Non-Spinnaker and Cruiser Fleets class flag will be International Numeral



 RACING AREA The racing area will be 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 COURSES

- **8.1** The courses sailed shall be windward/leeward. See addendum.
- 8.2 If gates are set instead of a Leward Mark, boats shall sail between the 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.
- **8.3** If an offset mark is set in the vicinity of the windward mark, boats shall sail around both marks leaving them to port.

9. MARKS

- **9.1** Marks may be orange cylinders and/or yellow spheres.
- 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 boat shall pass between the limiting mark and the committee boat (this limiting mark is not a mark of the course.)

10. THE START

- **10.1** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and a port-end starting mark.
- **10.2** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- **10.3** A boat starting later than 3 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.
- 11. **THE FINISH** The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and a port-end finishing mark.
- 12. TIME LIMIT Boats finishing more than 15 minutes after the first boat that sails the course finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- **13.1** Protests shall be delivered to the Regatta PRO within one hour after the race committee boat docks.
- 13.2 The protest time limit and a list of protests received will be posted on the official notice board. Hearings will be held as soon as possible after racing in the Club House office.

14. SAFETY

- **16.1** Check-in. All boats shall check-in with the Race Committee prior to the warning signal for first race of the day by sailing past the committee boat on the non-course side.
- **16.2** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible by hail on VHF channel 78.
- 16.3 Boats shall not impede the passage of a vessel that can safely navigate only within a narrow channel and shall give way to commercial vessels with restricted ability to maneuver. If necessary, a boat may use its engine or any other method to avoid impeding the passage of a commercial vessel provided it does not gain a significant advantage in the race (Rule 42.3.)

