

Prior to racing in the Moonlight Regatta, everyone is invited to the Moonlight Burn-it.  
- A Rudder Club tradition.

Bring your own meat to 'burn' on our grills, and we provide the side-dishes and desserts.

Grills will be ready at 6pm, in plenty of time for the skippers' meeting.

As part of our celebration of the new bulkhead, **this party is free to everyone**,  
**Please RSVP** with an e-mail to [office@rudderclub.com](mailto:office@rudderclub.com) by Thursday July 14.

*(Note: As a requirement of our license, all alcoholic beverages consumed on the grounds must be purchased at our bar.)*



## THE MOONLIGHT REGATTA

July 16, 2011

*The Rudder Club of Jacksonville*

8533 Malaga Avenue

Orange Park, FL 32073

### Notice of Race

#### 1 RULES

**1.1** The race will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the prescriptions of US SAILING, the rules of participating classes, and the PHRF rules of the First Coast Sailing Association.

**1.2** Rule 41 is changed such that a boat accepting assistance under Fundamental Rule 1.1 is exempt from the provisions of RRS 41 - Outside Help. Capsized sailboats are encouraged to accept assistance as necessary.

#### 2 ADVERTISING

Advertising shall not be displayed.

#### 3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

**3.1** The regatta is open to boats of all classes.

**3.2** Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and submitting it electronically or printing it and submitting it by facsimile or in person at the time of registration. The registration form is also available at <http://www.rudderclub.com/>

**3.3** Anticipated classes are PHRF Spinnaker, PHRF Cruiser, PHRF Non-Spinnaker, Portsmouth Monohull, Portsmouth Multihull and Flying Scot. To constitute a class there must be three or more boats. Additional classes of three or more boats will be accommodated.

**4 FEES:** The entry fee is \$25.00. A \$5.00 discount applies to members of US SAILING. Rudder Club member entry-fee provisions apply.

#### 5 SCHEDULE

**5.1** Schedule of Events

Registration 1800 – 1900 Saturday 16 July

Sailors Meeting 1930

Warning signal for first class: 2025.

**5.2** Number of races

One race is scheduled.

#### 6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

**6.1** The sailing instructions will be available after 28 June 2011 and will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board on the North Wall of the Rudder Club and on the Rudder Club Web site at [www.rudderclub.com](http://www.rudderclub.com).

**6.2** Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board prior to 1900, 16 July 2011.

**6.3** Oral changes to the Sailing Instructions may be made on the water and communicated to each boat prior to its warning signal.

#### 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 will be published in the Sailing Instructions or as changes thereto and signaled on the water by a white board.

#### 9 TIME LIMIT

The time limit shall be 3 hours for each class. Boats failing to finish within 45 minutes corrected time after the first yacht of their class finishes will be scored "Did not Finish."

#### 10 SAFETY

**10.1** All boats shall be equipped with functional navigation lights which comply with the Inland Navigation Rules. Lights shall be displayed at all times between the hours of sunset (2030) and sunrise (0637). Failure to comply with this requirement is protestable. Spreader and foredeck lights are allowed. The moon will be one day past "full" (98%

illumination) and will rise at 2125.

**10.2** All boats are reminded that under fundamental rule 4 "The responsibility for a boats decision to participate in a race or continue racing is hers alone."

**10.2** Boats shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or commercial fishing vessels while fishing or vessels with restricted ability to maneuver. Boats impeding other vessels may be subject to protest and possible disqualification.

**11 Prizes**

Results will be announced at the Rudder Club on Sunday afternoon 17 July at 1400. First, second, and third place prizes will be awarded.

**12 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact Tom Holland at [holland971@bellsouth.net](mailto:holland971@bellsouth.net) or the Rudder Club Race Office at [raceoffice@rudderclub.com](mailto:raceoffice@rudderclub.com).



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**RACE REGISTRATION FORM**  
**2011 Moonlight Regatta**

**Person in Charge** \_\_\_\_\_  
 (See RRS 46)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/St/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

**Boat Name** \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Make/Model \_\_\_\_\_

Sail Number \_\_\_\_\_

MMSI If installed \_\_\_\_\_

**Class/Rating (Portsmouth or PHRF):**

Class \_\_\_\_\_

Portsmouth Monohull \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Portsmouth Multihull \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

PHRF Spinnaker \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

PHRF Non-Spinnaker \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

PHRF/Cruiser \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

**Yacht Club Affiliation** \_\_\_\_\_

**Crew Names:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Agreement and Statement of Understanding**

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 my responsibility as the person in charge 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.

Signature Person in Charge \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 if person in charge is a minor



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**Sailing Instructions**

**1. RULES**

- 1.1 The race will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of US SAILING.
- 1.2 Racing Rule 41 is changed such that a boat accepting assistance under Fundamental Rule 1.1 is exempt from the provisions of RRS 41 - Outside Help. Capsized sailboats are encouraged to accept assistance as necessary.

**2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board on the north exterior wall of the Rudder Club.

**3. CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board prior to 1900, 16 July 2011. Time permitting Changes may be posted on the official Rudder Club Web site at [www.rudderclub.com](http://www.rudderclub.com).
- 3.2 Oral changes to the Sailing Instructions may be made on the water and communicated to each boat prior to its warning signal.

**4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag pole located on the north side of the Rudder Club.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "one minute" is replaced with "not less than 45 minutes" in the race signal AP. Boats are requested not to leave the harbor when this signal is made.

**5. SCHEDULE OF RACE**

- 5.1 Schedule 16  
Date: 16 July 2011  
Registration: 1800-1900 (6pm – 7pm)



Sailors meeting: 1930

Warning signal for first class: 2025

- 5.2 Classes: Three or more boats are required to constitute a class. The following classes are anticipated: Spinnaker and Non-spinnaker. This constitutes a change to and supersedes NOR article 3.3.
- 5.3 There will be one race.

**6. CLASS FLAGS**

- 6.1 Class flags will be the International Numeral Pennants as depicted under Race Signals in the RRS.

Class	Pennant	
Spinnaker	P1	
Non-spinnaker	P2	

- 6.2 Class assignments will be posted as a Notice to Competitors.

**7. RACING AREA**

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 COURSE**

The course will be signaled on a white board displayed on the committee boat using the designators assigned river marks as depicted in addendum "A."

**9. MARKS**

- 9.1 Marks of the course, except for start and finish, will be government navigation markers or FCSA River Marks as depicted in Addendum "A." Mark E is a FCSA river mark and is a yellow cylinder.

9.2 The start and finish mark will be the committee boat at one end displaying an orange flag and an orange sphere.

## **10 START**

10.1 The starting line will be between an orange flag flown on the Race Committee Boat and a mark set toward the left side of the course from the RC boat.

10.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

## **11 THE FINISH**

The finish line will be between an orange flag on committee boat and River Mark "E" as shown in addendum "A."

## **12 SCORING AND TIME LIMIT**

12.1 Races will be scored using the Portsmouth North America System.

12.2 Time Limit

The time limit shall be 3 hours for each class. Yachts failing to finish within 45 minutes corrected time after the first yacht of their class finishes will be scored "Did not Finish." This changes rule A4.2

## **13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

13.1 Protests and requests for redress shall be written on forms available at the Rudder Club Race Office. They shall be filed with the Race Chairman.

13.2 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished.

13.3 Protest and Redress hearings will be conducted at 1000 Sunday Morning July 17.

## **14 SAFETY**

14.1 Boats intending to race shall sail past the stern of the committee boat on starboard tack prior to their warning signal and check in. Boats not finishing shall ensure the race committee knows they have dropped from the race. Failure to do so could result in an expensive USCG and FFWC Search and Rescue Operation. Offenders may be required to pay that cost or some portion thereof.

14.2 All competitors are required to conform to the U.S. Coast Guard regulations and the RRS concerning personal floatation devices

and other required equipment. All boats are reminded that under fundamental rule 4 "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is her's alone.

14.3 Boats shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel. Boats interfering with other vessels may be subject to protest by the Race Committee or contestants and possible disqualification.

14.4 In accordance with Rule 42.3(h), providing no significant advantage is gained, a boat may employ propulsion using an engine or other method to remain clear of a non-racing vessel when required by Inland Rules.

14.5 All boats shall be equipped with functional navigation lights which comply with the Inland Navigation Rules. Lights shall be displayed at all times between the hours of sunset (2030) and sunrise (0637). Failure to comply with this requirement is protestable. Spreader and foredeck lights are allowed.

## **15 PRIZES**

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