



Navy Jacksonville Yacht Club

P.O. Box 29, Naval Air Station

Jacksonville, FL 32212-0029

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2012 Sweethearts for the USO Regatta

All proceeds from this event go to the Jacksonville Area USO

NOTICE OF RACE Saturday, February 18th, 2012

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) 2009-2012, the prescriptions of US SAILING and by the Sailing Instructions.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 PHRF Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker, and Cruiser classes.
- 2.2 All boats competing must have a valid PHRF rating from the First Coast Sailing Association (FCSA).
- 2.3 All PHRF boats shall have their sail numbers displayed in accordance with FCSA regulations which are available at www.sailjax.com.
- 2.4 Eligible boats may enter by completing the FCSA Standard Entry Form available at www.sailjax.com. Register in advance or on race day.

Advance registration forms can be mailed with entry fee to:

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3. SCHEDULE

- 3.1 0930-1100 Registration
 1100 Skippers' meeting
 1200 Warning signal for first class
 ASAP Awards presentation at the end of races.

4. FEES

- 4.1 Entry Fee is \$30.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1** The sailing instructions will be available at 1030 on race day.
- 5.2** Changes to this notice or the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the exterior bulletin board at NJYC on race day.

6. VENUE

- 6.1** The PHRF racing area will be in the St. Johns River as depicted on NOAA Chart 11492 between the Buckman Bridge to the south and the Fuller Warren Bridge to the north.

7. THE COURSES

- 7.1** The courses to be sailed will be described and the skippers' meeting and will be displayed on the committee boat.

8. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 8.1** A one or two 360 degree turns penalty will be used as specified in Rule 44.1 and 44.2.

9. SCORING

- 9.1** The Low-point Scoring System, Appendix A, Rule A4.1 of the racing rules, will apply.
- 9.2** Results will be posted at NJYC and on www.sailjax.com.

10. PRIZES

- 10.1** First, second and third place prizes will be awarded for all classes. This is not a FCSA series race; series points will not be awarded.

11. SAFETY

- 11.1** All competitors are required to conform to the U.S. Coast Guard regulations and the RRS concerning personal flotation devices and other required equipment. All yachts are reminded that under fundamental Rule 4 "A boat is solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or to continue racing."
- 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. BASE PASSES

- 12.1** A member of NJYC will be at the Yorktown Gate from 9:30 to 10:30 am on the day of the race to help with base entrance. All persons entering the base must have a picture ID. All vehicles must have and provide proof of current registration and insurance.

13. INFORMATION

- 13.1** Social and awards after the race with food available. Docking is available on the southern face of F Dock or as directed by the dock master. F Dock is the first dock as you approach Mulberry Cove Marina from the east. Please hail on channel 68.
- 13.2** Point of contact: NJYC phone 904-778-0805, Steve Crowder 352-235-2481.