



## **SMYRNA YACHT CLUB BREWERS CUP REGATTA** **Saturday October 24th, 2015**

### **Notice of Race**

The 2015 "down wind river race" Brewers Cup Regatta, sponsored by the Smyrna Yacht Club (SYC), will accommodate offshore racing classes in a fun race between the Mosquito Lagoon and the SYC.

All boats will be handicapped prior to the race using the US Sailing PHRF book and previous performance(s) in this event where appropriate. The race will begin at SYC, or Marker 15 in the lagoon, running north to south, or south to north, depending on the wind direction. Advanced notice will be given at the skippers meeting.

**Warning!! Be prepared to encounter pirates if we have to return from the lagoon after the race.**

The start will be a 'staggered' start in accordance with the handicap grouping. Slower boats will start first, followed by subsequent faster classes. Each boat will be required to fly a starting class color pendent from their backstay, provided during registration/check-in at the skippers meeting.

Each registered boat will receive three complimentary beer tickets for a glass of beer provided by SYC for this race.

First, second, and third places will receive prizes.

### **Sailing Instructions**

1. The race will be governed by modified US Sailing rules for safety on the river.
  - A. All shallow water, water outside of the channel, and channel markers are considered a "Continuing Obstruction" and right of way shall be determined according to Rules 19 and 20 of 'The Racing Rules of Sailing'.
  - B. All boats need to stay out of the designated starting area before the start of their starting sequence to keep the line clear. Any boat within the designated starting area before their predetermined start time will be assessed a 720 degree penalty turn after their determined start.
2. The mandatory safety equipment will be in accordance with US Sailing Association
3. The first start will begin at 11 a.m. either from the lagoon, or SYC pier.

A warning signal (red class) will be raised for the first start at 10:55, followed by the preparatory (blue-white square) at 10:56. The preparatory flag will be removed at 10:59, and the first starting class flag raised simultaneously. The starting class flag will then be dropped at 11.00, commencing the start of that classes' race.

The class flags will be raised one minute before a designated class starting sequence (5-minute sequence), and removed at each subsequent designated start.

Each boat will start at their eligible group starting time. The RC will keep track of starting eligibility and hail those over early.

All boats waiting to start, but not yet eligible, must keep clear of starting area as marked with a starting zone 50 yards behind the line. Boats in this area prior to their designated start will be penalized with a 720 degree turn after their designated start.

4. The RC will reserve the right to shorten course.
5. Boats will start at a line running east between the southernmost finger dock of the club to the Race Committee boat and/or a starting marker, or east of the RC boat in the lagoon to a starting marker. Directions will be determined by wind conditions and announced at the Skippers meeting. Boats that have not started, and boats that have finished, will stay clear of boats racing. Failure to do so may result in a DSQ
6. There will be a three hour time limit on finish.
7. Since this is a river race with shoal areas just adjacent to the channel, any boat going aground is allowed to use their engine to assist themselves with getting off and back into navigable water. However, the engine may only be started to assist in getting off the ground and MUST be turned off as soon as the boat reaches water deep enough to navigate. Hard throttle acceleration before engine shut-down to gain 'coasting momentum' is not in the spirit of this race."
8. This is a "fun" race and protests are not anticipated. Participants are expected to respect each other and resolve their own issues. While protests are not anticipated, protests can be submitted to the SYC Race Committee. Forms will be available at registration. Protests will be delivered to the committee within 60 minutes of race completion. No further avenues of appeals will be available.
8. Your starting time sequence and class flag color will be delivered to the skipper at the Skipper's Meeting.

### **Communications**

All communications will take place on VHF radio channel 72.

### **Scoring**

Finish place will be determined by the order in which boats cross the finish line. All boats will be handicapped in respect to type of sails, intended use of spinnaker, double head sail, prop configuration and deployed bimini.

In case of bad weather, the race will be run at a subsequent time, to be determined. A possible alternate is Sunday 25th October.

### **Safety Regulations**

All boats entered in the race must check in with RC, and check out when retired. All boats will carry the US Sailing recommended safety equipment. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance. All boats will obey waterway laws within communities of the course, south of the club.

## Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participating in the regatta do so entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, or prior to, during, or after the regatta. The decision to participate is entirely the boat skippers and their guests.

## Event Schedule (Long course)

8:30 a.m.	Skipper's Meeting
10:55	Warning (red class) flag up- First class group
10:56	Preparatory flag up
10:59	Preparatory flag down, first class starting flag up.
11:00	Class flag down- Start of first class

## Cost of Event

The entry cost is \$25 per boat. This entitles you to participation in the race; receive a complimentary medallion and three beer tickets.

## REGISTRATION

You may obtain a registration form for all SYC Regattas online at [www.smyrnayachtclub.com](http://www.smyrnayachtclub.com). Click: Boating, Regattas.

Print out the application form: scan and email to David Smith [arkell@cfl.rr.com](mailto:arkell@cfl.rr.com) , or mail it to Smyrna Yacht Club, P.O. Box 1560, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32170 (phone 386-427-4040) **before October 21st, 2015. After that date registration is \$30.**

A copy of the form is also shown below:



Reggata Application Form DS 1.8.2014.pdf



Lipton Cup

Summer Solstice

Brewers Cup

## SYC Regatta Application Form

Vessel Information Name of Vessel \_\_\_\_\_

Make/Model/Designer \_\_\_\_\_ Sail Number \_\_\_\_\_

LOA \_\_\_\_\_ft Draft \_\_\_\_\_ft Year of Manufacture \_\_\_\_\_

Beam \_\_\_\_\_Ft LWL \_\_\_\_\_ft J \_\_\_\_\_ft E \_\_\_\_\_ft P \_\_\_\_\_ft

Rated Sail Area \_\_\_\_\_ LP of largest Jib \_\_\_\_\_ Spinnaker Yes  No

Double Head Sail Yes  No  Sail Foil: Dacron  Mylar/Kevlar

Furling Jib Sail Yes  No  Bimini Yes  No

Hull Form: Full Keel  Fin  Swing  Dagger  Center Board

Wing Bulb  Catamaran  Trimaran

If your vessel is non-standard or modified in any way, please comment:

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Do you require dock space at SYC \_\_\_\_\_

Which Sailing Class to you wish to enter?

Division 1  Division 2  Division 3

Skipper Information: Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AGREEMENT**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Participant"), acknowledges that I have voluntarily applied to participate in the following activities at the Smyrna Yacht Club, located at 1201 South Riverside Drive, New Smyrna Beach, Florida 32168:

Activity which Participants will engage in: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

**I AM AWARE THAT THESE ACTIVITIES ARE HAZARDOUS ACTIVITIES AND THAT I COULD BE SERIOUSLY INJURED OR EVEN KILLED. I AM VOLUNTARILY PARTICIPATING IN THESE ACTIVITIES WITH KNOWLEDGE OF THE DANGER INVOLVED, AND AGREE TO ASSUME ANY AND ALL RISKS OF BODILY INJURY, DEATH OR PROPERTY DAMAGE, WHETHER THOSE RISKS ARE KNOWN OR UNKNOWN.**

**I verify the above statement by placing my initials here: \_\_\_\_\_**

As consideration for being permitted by Smyrna Yacht Club to participate in these activities and use Smyrna Yacht Club premises and facilities, I forever release Smyrna Yacht Club, and their respective directors, officers, employees, volunteers, agents, contractors, and representatives (collectively the "Releasee") from any and all actions, claims, or demands that I, my assignees, heirs, distributees, guardians, next of kin, spouse and legal representatives now have, or may have in the future, for injury, death, or property damage, related to (i) my participation in these activities, (ii) the negligence or other acts, whether directly connected to these activities or not, and however caused, by any Releasee, or (iii) the condition of the premises where these activities occur, whether or not I am then participating in the activities. I also agree that I, my assignees, heirs, distributees, guardians, next of kin, spouse and legal representatives will not make a claim against, sue, or attach the property of any Releasee in connection with any of the matters covered by the foregoing release.

**I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THAT THIS DOCUMENT IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT BETWEEN MYSELF AND SMYRNA YACHT CLUB AND SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.**

**PARTICIPANT**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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Date