

HALIFAX RIVER YACHT CLUB
COMMODORE'S CUP 2016 8-Race Series
&
SPECIAL RACES
ENTRY FORM

OWNER INFORMATION:

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____
Street Address: _____ Email: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Club Affiliation: _____ Boat Name: _____

SAILBOAT INFORMATION:

Boat Type: _____ Boat Designer: _____ Boat Builder: _____
Model Year: _____ HID: _____ Documentation No.: _____
State Registration No.: _____ Sail No.: _____

Please check class you will be racing in: Spinnaker Non-Spinnaker Cruising

I will also be participating in the following races: (Commodore's Cup Entry Fee includes all except St. Augustine Dash)

- HRYC Double Handed Race
- St. Augustine Dash (SEPARATE ENTRY FEE)
- Old Timers Memorial Race (also Race 8 of Commodore's Cup Series)
- Ponce to Canaveral Race

Please enter my yacht described above, for the **2016 COMMODORE'S CUP** series. In consideration of HRYC accepting my entry, I warrant that my yacht shall be outfitted and equipped in accordance with race conditions, that she shall have all required equipment aboard, that she shall be seaworthy in hull, rig, and gear, and that she shall be competently manned. By entering this race and starting this race the skipper of the entry agrees to comply with all condition of the race and decisions of the Race Committee, and does for himself, his personal representatives, heirs, and assigns, waive any and all claims as may accrue to him or them against the Halifax River Yacht Club, its officers, directors, members, employees and agents, arising out of the participation of my yacht in these races. I acknowledge and agree that neither Halifax River Yacht Club nor its officers, directors, members, employees and agents, assumes or accepts any liability in response for property damage to any boat or personal injury to a skipper, crew, or friends suffered while participating in any of these races including pre-race or post-race activities. **The skipper acknowledges and agrees that the decision to start or continue a race is solely the responsibility of the skipper.**

Owner Signature _____ Date _____

Entry for the series must be accompanied by a check in the amount of **\$190.00, which includes tax**. Be sure to return your 2016 FCSA Rating Renewal form to FCSA for your 2016 Valid Rating Certificate. If you did not have an FCSA Valid Rating for 2015, please fill out the 2016 Application for First Coast Sailing Assoc. (FCSA) Valid Rating (see page 2) and return it with this entry form and a separate check for \$35.00 to FCSA. All entrants will have use of the HRYC facilities on race days. Entry fee for this series includes all special races EXCEPT THE ST. AUGUSTINE DASH. Entry fee for that race is \$35.00. Any single race may be entered with a \$35.00 fee for that race.

Make check payable to: Halifax River Yacht Club

Mail entry to: Halifax River Yacht Club
Attn: Race Committee
331 S. Beach Street
Daytona Beach, FL 32014

2016 Commodores Cup

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The rules governing the 2016 Commodores Cup will be: The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016 (RRS), the 2016 Commodores Cup Notice of Race (NOR) the 2016 Commodores Cup Sailing Instructions (SI), the 2016-2017 ISAF Regulations (ISAF), the First Coast Sailing Association 2016 (FCSA) Rating Procedures and Racing Rules and any special instructions issued by the HRYC Race Committee. FCSA Ratings Procedures and Racing Rules are published at www.sailjax.com.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Any notices to competitors will be posted at HRYC on the official notice board and will also be available at www.hryc.com.
- 2.2 **Communications via VHF radio shall be made on channel 72.** All instructional communications via VHF radio will cease 5 minutes before the first warning signal.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of the race will be posted by 2000 hrs on the day before it will take effect. Any changes will also be posted at www.hryc.com.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

No Signals made ashore will be displayed at any time.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Dates of racing are as follows:
- Race #1 - March 6, 2016
 - Race #2 - March 20, 2016
 - St. Augustine Race Week March 31-April 2, 2016
 - Race #3 – April 9-10, 2016 (SYC Lipton Cup)
 - Race #4 – May 15, 2016
 - GulfStreamer Race May 27-29, 2016
 - Race #5 – June 18, 2016 (SYC Summer Solstice)
 - Double Handed Race – July 17, 2016
 - Race #6 – July 31, 2016
 - Race #7 – August 14, 2016
 - St. Augustine Dash – Sept. 2, 2016
 - Race #8 – September 25, 2016 (Old Timer's Race)
 - Ponce to Canaveral Race – October 8, 2016
- 5.2 Races #1 through #7 shall be buoy races with courses to be determined by the Race Committee.
- 5.3 The Double Handed Race, St Augustine Dash, and the Old Timers Memorial (CC Race #8) and Ponce to Canaveral Race shall be ocean races with courses described in their own Sailing Instructions.
- 5.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the Commodores Cup races 1, 2, 4, 6,7 and 8 will be 1255 for the Cruising Class and 1305 for the Spin and Non-spin classes.

5.5 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the SYC Lipton Cup, the SYC Summer Solstice, the Double Handed Race, the St Augustine Dash, the Old Timer's Race and the Ponce to Canaveral Race are noted in their respective Sailing Instructions.

6 THE COURSES

6.1 The Race Committee signal boat will notify the competitors of the course to be raced upon anchoring. See www.hryc.com/Yachting/Sailing for the course information for races #1, #2, #4, #6, and #7. All marks are to be left to port, except that the final rounding of R2 MAY require leaving it to starboard due to the new (for 2016) Finish Line. In that event the RC will announce the change on Channel 72. SEE FINISH LINE INFORMATION FOR IMPORTANT CHANGE FOR 2016.

6.2 Courses for the SYC Lipton Cup, SYC Summer Solstice, Double Handed Race, the St Augustine Dash, the Old Timers Race and the Ponce to Canaveral Race are noted in their respective Sailing Instructions.

7 MARKS

7.1 Marks are 72"x 60" orange marks.

8 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

8.1 There are no areas that are designated as obstructions unless amended by the race committee signal boat.

9 THE START

9.1 The Cruising Class warning will be at 1255 and the Spin and Non-spin Combined Class warning will be at 1305 for races 1,2,4,6 and 7. See specific event start times in the separate Sailing Instructions for all other 2016 races.

9.2 Races shall be started as stated below in section 9.3 (SI). This changes rule 26 (RRS).

9.2 The starting line for races 1,2,4,6,and 7 will be between the committee boat and the designated starting pin (R "2"), to the east of Ponce Inlet. IN THE EVENT OF A WESTERLY WIND THE START LINE MAY BE MOVED AND R"2" WILL BE A TURNING MARK. SEE www.hryc.com/Yachting/Sailing, HRYC TRIANGLE COURSES FOR DETAILS. See specific event starting lines in the Sailing Instructions for all other 2016 races.

9.3 The starting sequence will be as follows:

- Five minutes before the start of the race a preparatory signal of a white flag will be raised and displayed for a period of one minute.
- Four minutes before the start of the race the white flag will be lowered.
- Four minutes before the start of the race a blue flag will be raised and displayed for a period of three minutes.
- One minute before the start of the race the blue flag will be lowered.
- The race will start upon the raising of the red flag one minute after the blue flag has been lowered.
- One audible signal will be sounded upon the raising of all flags.
- The raising of a flag constitutes the official signal

10 RECALLS

- 10.1** Display of code flag “X” and one sound signal shall signal individual recalls. A boat recalled shall be notified by hail and on VHF channel 72 if possible.

11 THE FINISH

- 11.1** For races 1,2,4,6,and 7 the finish line will be between the committee boat stationed due North 000* of the “Mac Smith” Light on the Ponce Jetty and the Light. Note that this adds .7mile on a course of 270* to the published course length (SEE www.hryc/Yachting/Sailing HRYC TRIANGLE COURSES). See specific Sailing Instructions for all other 2016 races. See 11.2 below for finishing the race when the committee boat is not “on station”.
- 11.2** If the Race Committee is not “on station”, the finish line will be an imaginary line running due North 000* from the “Mac Smith Light” at the end of the jetty within 100 yards of the jetty. Finish times will be when the helm crosses the imaginary line. If competitors are directed to take their own finishing times, they will call or text them in to 904.806.2389. Competitors should include their boat name, sail number, and finish time in 24hr format. Finish times should be reported as soon as possible after finishing.
- 11.3** Finish marks for the SYC Lipton Cup, SYC Summer Solstice, Double Handed Race, the St Augustine Dash, the Old Timers Race, and Ponce to Canaveral Race are noted in their respective Sailing Instructions.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1** The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3 (RRS), will apply. A boat will not be scored worse than DNF. (Did Not Finish).

13 TIME LIMITS

- 13.1** Time limit for all classes in the Commodores Cup Races 1, 2, 4, 6, and 7 is 4.5 hrs. If no boat has passed the first mark within 2hr the race may be abandoned.
- 13.2** Commodores Cup boats failing to finish within 4.5 hrs of the start in races 1,2,4,6,and 7 will be considered DNF.
- 13.3** Time limit changes for all races will be posted as described in rule 2.1(SI).
- 13.4** Time limits for the SYC Lipton Cup, SYC Summer Solstice, Double Handed Race, the St Augustine Dash, the Old Timers Race, and Ponce to Canaveral Race are noted in their respective Sailing Instructions.

14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1** HRYC Protest forms are available at HRYC and online at hryc.com. Protests shall be filed on an HRYC Protest Form and be delivered within the protest time limit.
- 14.2** For the Commodores Cup Series the protest time limit is 12:00 hrs of the day following the race. The same time limit applies to protests by the Race Committee and Protest Committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 (RRS) and 62.2 (RRS).
- 14.3** Protests and time limits for the SYC Lipton Cup, SYC Summer Solstice, Double Handed Race, the St Augustine Dash, the Old Timers Race and Ponce to Canaveral Race are noted in their respective Sailing Instructions.

- 14.4 Protests shall be filed in person at HRYC.
- 14.5 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted in accordance to rule 2.1 of the Sailing Instructions to inform competitors under rule 61.1(b).
- 14.6 Protest hearings shall be scheduled within 5 days of being filled. All parties listed on the protest form will be advised of the date and time of protest. All protests hearings will be held at HRYC, 331 Beach St., Daytona Beach FL.
- 14.7 A list of boats that, under instruction 14.4, have acknowledged breaking rule 42 or have been disqualified by the Protest Committee will be posted before the protest time limit.
- 14.8 Breaches of instructions 16 and 24 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 14.9 Decisions of the Protest Committee will be final as provided in rule 64.
- 14.10 All boats shall carry at all times an HRYC protest form and a standard protest flag.

15 SCORING

- 15.1 1. When 6 or more races have been completed in the Commodores Cup Series, a boat's series score will be the 6 best scores excluding her worst scores. In the event races are cancelled, the RC reserves the right to score 60% of races run for awards purposes.

2. Scoring will be the low point system.

3. Additional scoring points:

DNC (Did Not Complete) # of entrants +1

DNS (Did Not Start) # of entrants +1

OCS (Over Course Side) # of contestants +1

DNF (Did Not Finish) # of contestants +1

RAF (Retired After Finishing) # of entrants +1

DSQ (DiSQualified) # of entrants +1

DNE (Disqualified, Not Excludable) # of contestants +1

DGM (Disqualified, Gross Misconduct) # of entrants +5

BFD (Black Flag Disqualification) # of entrants +5

ZFP (Z Flag Penalty) # of entrants + 20%

SCP (Scoring Penalty Taken) # of entrants + 20%

TLE (Time Limit Expired) last place +1

- 15.2 All boats shall be scored using their PHRF rating and corrected *time on distance*.

- 15.3 The Race Committee reserves the right to reclassify any boat at its discretion

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1 Check-in: Boats shall sail within hailing distance of the committee boat, and state their boat name and sail number and fleet

- 16.2** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 16.3** All boats shall carry all the necessary safety equipment required by law, regulation, or class rules.
- 16.4** All boats competing in the Commodores Cup Series shall comply with all ISAF Category 4 requirements

17 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 17.1** Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.

18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 18.1** A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, the HRYC Rating Policies and Rules, the Sailing Instructions and all other rules and policies that apply. On the water, a boat may be instructed by a Race Committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

19 OFFICIAL BOATS

- 19.1** Official boats will be marked with a race committee flag.

20 SUPPORT BOATS

- 20.1** All support boats shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have started the race, the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

21 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 21.1** A boat shall neither send nor receive any radio, mobile phone or WIFI network transmissions while racing that are not available to all boats.

22 PRIZES

- 22.1** Prizes will be given as follows:

- 1st, 2nd and 3rd in all classes with 5 or more boats competing
- 1st and 2nd in all classes with less than 5 boats competing

23 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 23.1** The Race Committee will be in charge of all scheduled races. The Race Chairman or his designate will have final decision over management issues of the race, including, but not limited to whether a boat will be allowed to compete, penalties (except protest – which will be over-seen by the protest committee), scoring, eligibility of yachts to race and time limits.

Despite the schedule to race and despite the Race Committee's decision to race, it is **ALWAYS** the skipper's decision whether he, his vessel and/or his crew should participate in any race. The responsibility of the decision to race and any and all consequences lie **SOLELY** with the skipper, captain or owner/operator of the vessel. **YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFETY, HEALTH AND WELFARE OF YOUR VESSEL AND ANYONE ABOARD! YOU ARE FURTHER RESPONSIBLE FOR ACTIONS TAKEN BY YOUR CREW AND DAMAGE TO, OR CAUSED BY,**

YOUR VESSEL. THIS SHOULD ALWAYS GUIDE YOUR DECISION TO RACE AND YOUR ACTIONS WHILE RACING. The Race Committee accepts *NO* responsibility for your decision to race and the consequences that accompany it.

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

24 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$250,000.00 (USD).



First Coast Sailing Association PHRF Rating Questionnaire

www.sailjax.com

BaseRating _____ AdjRating _____

Adj' mts _____

N-SpAdj _____ N-SpRating _____

Handicapper _____

Dues _____

Sail #: _____ Boat Name: _____

Year Built: _____ Boat Mfg/Make: _____

Year Designed: _____ Nominal Length (ft) _____ Hull #: _____ Hull Color: _____

Displacement (lbs): _____ Ballast (lbs): _____ Modifications: _____

Fill in all measurements in feet to 3 decimals (example: 8 ft - 7.25 inches should be written 8.625)

FYI: (1"=0.083, 2"=0.167, 3"=0.250, 4"=0.333, 5"=0.417, 6"=0.500, 7"=0.583, 8"=0.667, 9"=0.750, 10"=0.833, 11"=0.917)

LOA: _____ J: _____ Fore-triangle Base Length LP Jib Max: _____ % of J

LWL: _____ I: _____ Fore-triangle Jib Height ISP: _____ Fore-triangle Spin Height

Draft: _____ P: _____ Mainsail Luff Length SPL / JSP: _____ Spin Pole Length

Beam: _____ E: _____ Mainsail Foot Length WPL: _____ Whisker Pole Length

Keel Type: _____ (Fin, 3/4, Full, Wing, Bulb, CenterBoard, DaggerBoard, Swing, Other)

Aux Motor: _____ In Aperture? Y/N _____ (OB, IB-Feathering/Folding, IB-Fixed 2-blade, IB-Fixed 3-blade, Other)

Y/N _____ Cruising Roller Furling Headsail (with sun-cover and above-deck drum)
Y/N _____ Roller Stowing Main (in-mast or in-boom)

Spinnaker (Sym, Asym, Both, None): _____ Docked (Wet, Lift, Trailer): _____

Located (Marina Name or Private Dock Locale): _____

First Last Name: _____ Hm/Nite Ph: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Bus/Day Ph: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Cell Ph: _____

e-mail: _____

Yacht Club Memberships: _____

WAIVER: I certify that the listed boat is seaworthy and meets all other requirements of the FCSA Regulations, US Sailing, and all other regulations relating to the races that I enter, and that the information and measurements I have provided here are true and correct. In consideration of receiving a PHRF rating, and for myself, my heirs, and assigns: (1) I confirm that in assigning this boat a handicap rating, FCSA makes no representations or warranties that the boat is designed, maintained, equipped, crewed, rigged, or operated in a safe and seaworthy manner, and waive any claim thereto; (2) I confirm that FCSA has not assumed any obligation to assure that the boat, equipment, or maintenance meets the above requirements, and hereby hold harmless FCSA, its officers, handicappers, employees, or agents from any liability or responsibility resulting from the design, equipment, or use of the boat by me or by others.

\$35, payable to FCSA
FCSA Chief Rater
4446 Hendricks Ave, # 227
Jacksonville, FL 32207

Signature

Date