



Notice of Race Rev:10/29/15

ST. AUGUSTINE RACE WEEK

Raising Sails for Glory and For the Kids
March 30 - April 1, 2016
<http://www.sarw2016.com>



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The St. Augustine Race Week Regatta (Inshore Events) is two days of inshore sailing, multiple races per day, on the Tolomato River and off the Bayfront downtown in St. Augustine within view of the Castillo San Marco and the Bridge of Lions. Race courses will be set between Tolomato River markers #57 and #54 (north of the Vilano Bridge) with final race(s) on Friday to be held off the downtown Bayfront quay. Those races will be between the Bridge of Lions and Matanzas River marker #2. These races will be followed by Invitational Races on Saturday and Sunday for Juniors racing 420s and Optimists and will be run concurrently with Offshore Races taking place on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Race Week includes daily live entertainment, drinks, and food at the Event Tent adjacent to the downtown Municipal Marina. The final awards party will be held Saturday evening at the St. Augustine Yacht Club.

A Competitor's Meeting is scheduled for 1800 March 30th at the St. Augustine Yacht Club.

- RULES** The First Coast Sailing Association (FCSA) is the Organizing Authority for the St. Augustine Race Week Regatta. The Regatta shall be governed by the "2013-2016 Racing Rules of Sailing" (RRS) as amended by the US Sailing Prescriptions; the PHRF rules of the FCSA (<http://www.sailjax.com>); and class rules for any One-Design class established.
- ADVERTISING** Comply with current ISAF Regulation 20: <http://www.sailing.org/documents/regulations/isafregulations/index.php>
- FEES (a) The Regatta Fee of \$150 + tax** will cover two days of racing; four Bayfront Event Passes for Thursday and Friday including drink tickets and light continental breakfasts; two Awards Event Passes for Saturday at SAYC; and a Skipper's Bag with two Regatta hats and shirts, local discount coupons, and other goodies. Withdrawals after March 18 will forfeit \$60. No refunds will be made for withdrawals after March 25, and entries tendered after that are subject to rejection at the discretion of the Race Committee. Additional Award Dinner Event Passes will be \$25 + tax.
- ENTRY FORMS AND OTHER DOCUMENTATION** Prior to racing, each yacht shall be registered and shall submit (1) the proper Fee; (2) a Crew Declaration form including a landside emergency contact (which may be updated at the Competitors' Meeting); and (3) a copy of a current PHRF certificate or similar (if not issued by FCSA) for possible adjustment to conform to FCSA ratings. Register and obtain forms at (<http://www.sarw2016.com>) or link from (<http://www.sailjax.com>).
- CLASSES** **Class 1** will consist of lighter boats including daysailers and sport boats. **Class 2** will consist of heavier displacement boats. A minimum of three entrants are required to establish a class. Yachts using performance sail materials (non-Dacron) cannot compete in Class 2. If there are too few to form any One Design class, those boats shall compete in Class 1. The Race Committee reserves the right to assign any boat to a particular Class or combine classes as necessary.
- PRIZES** Trophy flags for individual races will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers in each class or division of class. Regatta trophies will be awarded for overall 1st thru 3rd place in each class.
- SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** Obtain SI's and scratch sheets from the regatta website or at the Competitors' Meeting.

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Inshore Races – Sailing Instructions

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Boats will race in one of two PHRF fleets with lighter boats in one class (Class 1) and heavier displacement in the other (Class 2). Daysailors and sport boats are encouraged to participate. These boats will sail in the fleet with lighter boats (Class1) and will be assigned a PHRF rating by the race committee if they do not already have one. See Notice of Race, section 5, Classes and Divisions for more details on establishing a class of boats. The race committee reserves the right to assign boats to Class 1 or Class 2 at or before the Skippers' Meeting.

The Class 1 fleet may be required to sail a longer course. Boats in both classes can elect to fly a spinnaker **but must declare so before the start of each race and hence will use a lower handicap for that race.**

All races, three if time allows, will be held on courses north of the Vilano Bridge. Races will be sailed on courses between Markers 54 and 57 as shown on the attached diagrams. Starting and finishing will be between the Committee Boat and Marker 55. The courses will be selected the day of the race depending on wind conditions and may vary between races. The first race will start at 10:00 am for the Class 1 fleet and 10 minutes later for Class 2. All races will use the following start sequence. Subsequent starts for races for the rest of the day will be announced after the last boat finishes the previous race. The timing of the start is determined by the removal of the class flags (time pieces and watches are relative). Sounds are secondary and may fail. The Race Committee can delay start times, combine fleets, or separate fleets at its discretion.

5 minutes before the start	Class Flags Raised	Class 1 = Code flag 5 Class 2 = Code flag 6	Horn Sound
4 minutes before the start	Preparatory Signal	"P" Flag raised (Blue with white square)	Horn Sound
1 minute before the start	"P" Flag Removed		Long Horn Sound
0 time The Start		Class Flags Removed	Horn Sound

All sailors must check in with the committee boat at least 15 minutes before the start on **VHF channel 78** or by passing by the Committee boat and hailing. Election to fly a spinnaker in both classes must be announced prior to the start of each race. The race committee will monitor channel 78 and can provide race information up until the class flags are raised.

Courses may be shortened if conditions require it. The 720 Degree Turn Rule will be in effect (rule 44.1 and 44.2).

The following flags may be flown by the committee boat:

Postponement:	rectangular pennant with red and white stripes
General Recall:	yellow pennant outlined in blue
Individual Recall:	white square with a blue cross
Shorten Course:	a white square with a blue square in its center
Come Within Hail:	Code Flag L, yellow and black squares



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The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016 (RSS) should be adhered to at all times.

Boats will be allowed one 'throw-away' if **5, or more, races are completed**, otherwise all will count.

All non-finishers (DNS, DNF, DSQ) will be scored in accordance with Rule A9.

REGATTA BURGEES - While racing, each yacht shall fly from her backstay or her starboard shroud (if no backstay) the official Race Week burgee, to be distributed along with each Skipper's Bag when registering (modifies RRS Prescriptions 56).

Race courses each morning will be on the Tolomato River between Day Marks 57 and 54 as shown below:

