

**DuPont Cup Regatta**  
**DuPont Cup Series #1 of 2**  
**Saturday, April 29, 2017 – EFYCC Marina**  
**Epping Forest Yacht and Country Club**  
1830 Epping Forest Drive Jacksonville, Fl. 32217

**Notice of Race**

**1.0 RULES**

The Regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RSS), the rules of First Coast Sailing Association and this NOR.

These rules may be altered by the Sailing Instructions.

**2.0 ELIGIBILITY**

2.1 The race is open to all boats with a current PHRF certificate from First Coast Sailing Association

(FCSA). [www.sailjax.com](http://www.sailjax.com)

2.2 Boats that do not have a current PHRF rating assigned by FCSA may obtain a provisional rating (\$35.00 first-time annual fee) that will be submitted to FCSA for review and issuance of a Rating Certificate.

2.3 A boat participating in the Spinnaker or Non-Spinnaker Class shall have an identifying sail number on her mainsail.

2.4 Eligible boats may enter by completing a registration with Epping Forest Yacht and Country Club, which is the Organizing Authority.

2.5 Boats shall register in one of the following three classes: Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker or Cruiser Class. Boats will be scored in the FCSA Annual Series based on the class designated on its entry form.

**3.0 CLASSES**

3.1 Performance Classes: The performance classes will consist of a Spinnaker Class and a Non-Spinnaker Class. These classes may be further subdivided at the Race Committee's discretion if there is a sufficient number of entries.

3.2 Cruiser Class: A Cruiser Class will be offered. Refer to PHRF Rules of FCSA definitions and rules to the Cruiser Class.

3.3 A multihull Cruiser Class may also be formed provided there are at least three registrants. Refer to PHRF Rules of FCSA for rules pertaining to multihull cruisers.

**4.0 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

4.1 Friday, April 28: Complimentary docking at EFYCC the evening before the race.

4.2 Saturday, April 29: **9:00-10:00a.m. Complimentary Coffee and Pastries; 10:00a.m.-11:45a.m. Registration; 12:00p.m. Competitors Meeting; 12:55p.m. Warning Signal; 1:00p.m. Race Start.**

**5.0 ENTRY FEE/ REGISTRATION**

5.1 Entry fee is \$30.00 for EFYCC Members and \$35.00 for Non-Members. Payment may be in the form of cash, check or through the club membership point of sale system. Please make checks payable to Epping Forest Yacht and Country Club. If paying cash please bring the exact amount due if possible. Entry fee must be accompanied by an entry form (Standard Race Entry Form available at [www.sailjax.com](http://www.sailjax.com)) during registration. If paying by check ahead of time, please include your registration form and mail to: Epping Forest Yacht and Country Club c/o Harbormaster 1830 Epping Forest Drive Jacksonville, Fl. 32217. Boats may always register between the hours of 10:00a.m. through 11:45a.m. on the day of the race.

**6.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

6.1 Sailing Instructions will be available to be downloaded from the First Coast Sailing Association website [www.sailjax.com](http://www.sailjax.com). Copies will also be available at the registration table on the day of the race.

### **7.0 COURSE**

7.1 Course will be a single PHRF Time on Distance race using government navigation marks and or inflatable markers.

### **8.0 SCORING THE RACE**

8.1 Classes will be scored using the PHRF Time on Distance system.

8.2 The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.

8.3 Results of this race will be forwarded to the First Coast Sailing Association for inclusion in the Annual Series scoring.

### **9.0 RACE PRIZES**

9.1 First, Second and Third place prizes will be awarded in each class.

### **10.0 INFORMATION**

10.1 For additional information or questions concerning this Regatta please contact the EFYCC Harbormaster Keith Keller (904) 739-7150 or email [kkeller@efyc.com](mailto:kkeller@efyc.com).



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**Sailing Instructions**

**1. RULES**

1.1 The Regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) except as modified by the rules of the First Coast Sailing Association and these Sailing Instructions

1.2 Racing Rules A4 and A5 are changed by SI 12.3 as follows: “A boat starting later than ten minutes after her starting signal will be scored “did not start” without a hearing”.

1.3 Racing Rules A4 and A5 of the RRS are changed by SI 14.1 as follows: “A boat failing to finish within 60 minutes in corrected time after first boat in her class will be scored “Did not finish” without a hearing”.

**2. ENTRIES**

2.1 Eligible boats are those who have officially entered by completing a registration form with EFYCC in advance or during the registration period as set forth in the Notice of Race.

2.2 Additional eligibility requirements and class definitions are defined in the Notice of Race Articles 2 and 3.

**3. SAFETY**

3.1 All Competitors are required to conform to the U. S. Coast Guard regulations and the RRS concerning personal floatation devices and other required equipment.

3.2 Boats 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 boats interfering with other vessels may be subject to protest by the Race Committee or contestants and possible disqualification.

3.3 Race Committee will monitor VHF channel 72.

3.4 Boats shall attempt to check in with the Race Committee by sailing past on the non-course side prior to their class Warning Signal.

3.5 Boats withdrawing from a race prior to finishing shall make every effort to ensure that the Race Committee is notified that they have withdrawn.

**4. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS**

4.1 Notice to competitors will be posted on the official notice location on the Mariner’s Deck window at EFYCC Marina.

**5. CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

5.1 Any change in the Sailing Instructions will be posted in accordance with SI 4.1 before 12:00p.m. on the day of the race.

5.2 Oral changes to the Sailing Instructions may be communicated to each boat while on the water and prior to her warning signal.

## **6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the club flag staff, next to the Harbormasters office.

6.2 Code Flag "AP", Answering Pennant, with two sounds means "The race is postponed. It is advised not to leave the Harbor area." The time of the warning signal will be posted on the Notice Window before the lowering of the "AP" flag with one sound.

## **7. RACE SCHEDULE**

7.1 Saturday, April 29, one race.

7.2 Schedule of Events:

Registration: 10:00-11:45 am

Competitor's Meeting: 12:00 noon

Warning Signal: 12:55

## **8. CLASSES**

8.1 Performance Class: The performance class will consist of Spinnaker Class and a Non-Spinnaker Class. These classes may be further subdivided at the Race Committee's discretion if there is a sufficient number of entries.

8.2 Cruiser Class: A Cruiser Class will be offered. Refer to PHRF Rules of FCSA definitions and rules pertaining to the Cruiser Class.

8.3 Class flags are listed on page 5 of the Sailing Instructions.

## **9. THE RACING AREA**

9.1 The racing area shall be between the Buckman Bridge to south and the Fuller Warren Bridge to the north as depicted on NOA Chart 11492.

## **10. COURSES**

10.1 The official race course will be announced at the Skippers Meeting at 12:00 noon the day of the race.

10.2 Course(s) will be as announced and posted alongside the Notice of Race on the outside downstairs window of the Captains Deck at the competitors meeting.

## **11. MARKS**

11.1 Marks will be yellow and / or orange inflatable marks, stationary government marks or other marks as designated by the Race Committee.

11.2 One single race will be offered for each class. The course may be a combination of Navigation Marks on the river and marks set by the Race Committee.

## **12. START**

12.1 The Starting Line will be a line between an orange flag flown on the Race Committee Boat and an inflatable mark set toward the left side of the course from the Committee Boat.

12.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area.

12.3 A boat starting later than ten minutes after her starting signal will be scored "Did Not Start" without hearing. This changes Rules A4 and A5.

### **13. THE FINISH**

13.1 The Finish Line will be between an orange flag flown on the RC Boat and an inflatable mark set to the left side relative to the final leg of the course.

### **14. TIME LIMIT**

14.1 The time limit shall be 3 hours for each class. A boat failing to finish within 60 minutes in corrected time after the first boat in her class will be scored "Did Not Finish" without a hearing. This changes RRS Rule 35 and Rule A4.1.

### **15. PROTESTS**

15.1 Protests shall be filed with RC. Protest time will end one hour after RC Boat docks after the racing.

15.2 Protest notices will be posted on the official notice location on the Mariner's Deck window at EFYCC Marina.

### **16. SCORING**

16.1 Classes will be scored using PHRF Time on Distance.

16.2 The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply.

### **17. RESULTS**

17.1 Results will be announced at Epping Forest Marina following the race. The results will also be posted on the FCSA website [www.sailjax.com](http://www.sailjax.com).

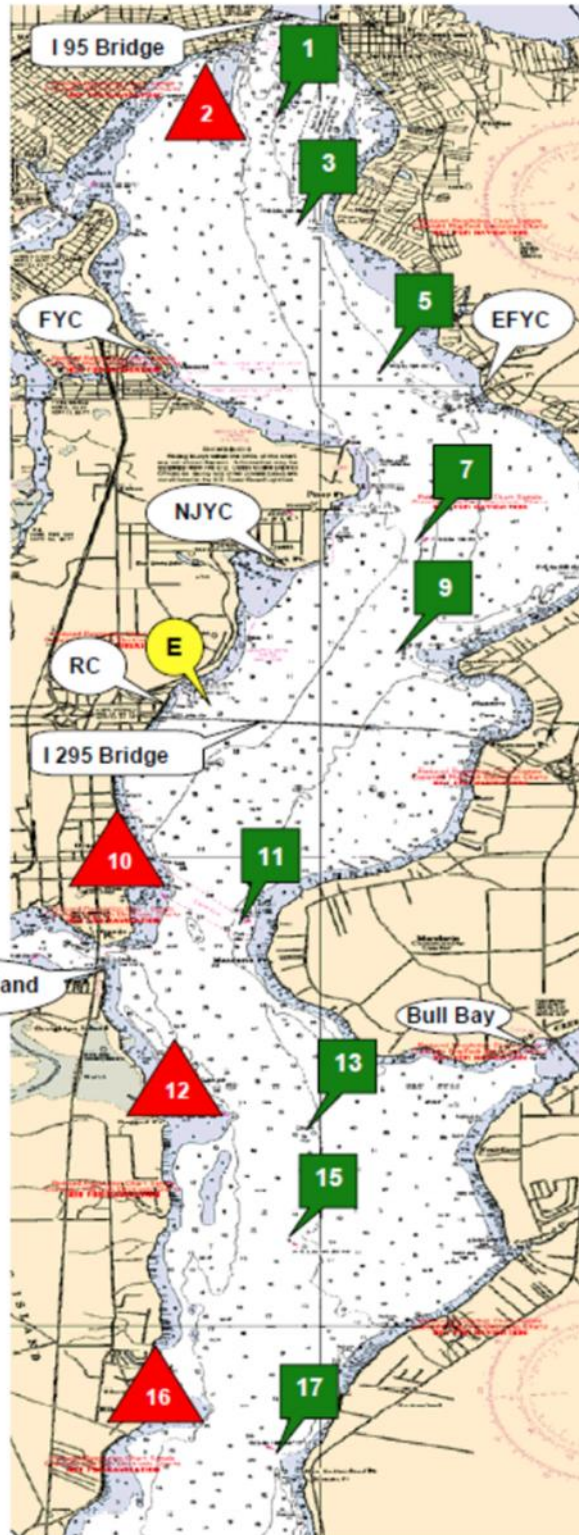
**FURTHER INFO:** Keith Keller, Harbor Master (904) 739 - 7150



- 1 to 3 1.104 nm
- 1 to 5 2.787 nm
- 1 to 7 4.643 nm
- 3 to 5 1.703 nm
- 3 to 7 3.546 nm
- 5 to 7 1.863 nm
- 5 to 9 2.926 nm
- 7 to 9 1.095 nm
- 7 to E 2.240 nm
- 9 to E 1.486 nm
  
- 11 to 13 2.317 nm
- 11 to 15 3.400 nm
- 11 to 17 5.631 nm
- 13 to 15 1.109 nm
- 13 to 17 3.360 nm
- 15 to 17 2.252 nm



\* Marks 2, 10, 12, 16 are well placed. Do not sail out of the channel without local knowledge.



From 2009  
USCG Light List

River Mark G1  
N 30° 17.813  
W 81° 40.411

River Mark R2  
N 30° 17.628  
W 81° 40.635

River Mark G3  
N 30° 16.719  
W 81° 40.218

River Mark G5  
N 30° 15.142  
W 81° 39.466

River Mark G7  
N 30° 13.305  
W 81° 39.077

River Mark G9  
N 30° 12.216  
W 81° 39.237

Race Mark "E"  
N 30° 11.648  
W 81° 40.822

River Mark R10  
N 30° 09.513  
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River Mark R12  
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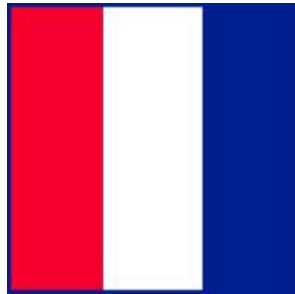
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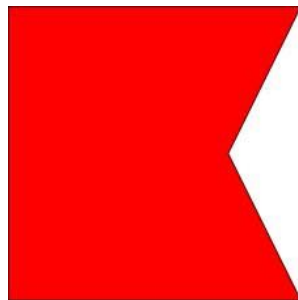
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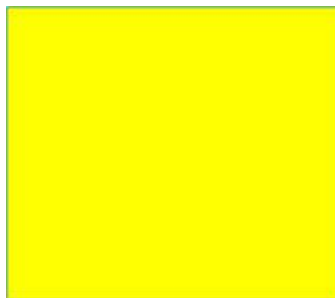
**Class Signal Flags Description:**



Spinnaker Class "T"



Non-Spinnaker Class "B"



Cruiser Class "Q"

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## Club reactivates DuPont trophy

**By Lawrence Dennis**  
**Times-Union boating editor,**

One of Florida's oldest sailing trophies has been rediscovered and has come home.

The Alfred I. DuPont Cup, which Jessie Ball DuPont - the widow of its namesake - donated to a Jacksonville sailing association in 1936, has been found.

The 2-foot tall, exquisitely engraved silver-plated trophy, which has been "missing" since 1968, has been presented to the Epping Forest Yacht Club and reactivated to serve once again as the award for an annual series of sailing races on the St. Johns River.

The cup will be displayed at the EFYC, whose present clubhouse was the home of the DuPont's.

"This a tremendous find for the history of Jacksonville, especially its sailing history," EFYC commodore John MacDonald said. "There's a good chance that Mrs. DuPont herself at some time had her hands on this."

Mrs. DuPont donated the trophy to the new St. Johns Yachting Association in 1936, and it was awarded to the winner of series of races on the river in 1936-40. After that, growing war clouds and World War II suspended the competition as most of the sailors who raced for the cup went off to war.

Many of them got out of sailing when they came back and the cup wasn't contested again until a brief revival in 1966-68. After that, it disappeared again, and efforts to locate it were fruitless.

"I've tried for 10 years to find out where the cup was," said Leland Bell, a retired Jacksonville businessman who's now 88 years old and is the sole surviving member of the founding board of the St. Johns Yachting Association.

The cup was rediscovered in an unlikely series of events that began several weeks ago when an article on the missing trophy appeared in the Times-Union, with an appeal to anyone who knew its whereabouts to contact the EFYC. "Billy Arnold, the last recipient of the cup [in 1968] called and said, 'I know where it is. Do you want it?' " MacDonald said as he accepted the trophy for the EFYC. "It's fitting that Billy Arnold won the first duPont Cup when he was 16 years old, and he was the last to win it."

"It's a beautiful trophy, and I'm glad to see it put back into service," Arnold said. "I was 16 when I won it first [he also won the cup in 1937] and 48 when I won the last one."

Arnold kept the cup after 1968 when the St. Johns Yachting Association dissolved.

The trophy was presented to the EFYC by Arnold and Bell - along with a picture of Bell's Star-class boat, Ortega, that competed for the cup in 1936-40 - through a deed of gift similar to the one that conveyed the America's Cup to the New York Yacht Club in the 1870s.

Though not as ornate, Jacksonville's 63-year old version of the America's Cup is still an antique work of art.

The trophy features a beautiful circular engraving in great detail of what appear to be two Star boats under sail on the St. Johns, complete with ripples on the surface of the water and clouds and three seagulls in the sky. The lid is capped by an engraved replica of one of the masonry pine cones that decorate the Epping Forest grounds. Instead of handles, the trophy has hanging yachtsmen's anchors.



Though no value has been established for the cup, the owner of the firm that made it in 1935-36 said the trophy was irreplaceable.

"You couldn't make something like this today," Roy Thomas of Jacksonville's Jacobs Jewelers said. "There are no more master [hand] engravers like the one who had to have engraved this."

MacDonald said the EFYC, which accepted the cup at the awards ceremony for its annual DuPont Cup Regatta, would maintain the trophy as a separate award. It will be presented for accumulated points in the club's three annual races.

They include the March DuPont Cup, the August Leukemia Cup and the November Baptist/St. Vincent's regattas.



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