



SMYRNA YACHT CLUB BREWERS CUP REGATTA
Saturday October 28th, 2017



Notice of Race

The 2017 "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 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.

Starting Sequence for Brewers Cup

The starting sequence is identical to that of the Lipton Cup except that the race is a pursuit race employing a staggered start. The second group 5 minute countdown will commence at the same time as the group 1 start signal. The third group 5 minute countdown will commence at the same time as group 2 start signal and so on for subsequent groups.

Pre warning of the first start will be given by the Race Committee on channel 72.

Program 51 on iStart Pro

TIME	CONDITION OR SIGNAL
T	Class Flag raised for group 1 -- one long sound signal
T + 1 minute	Preparatory Flag ('P' flag) raised -- one long sound signal
T + 4 minutes	Preparatory Flag('P' flag) removed -- one long sound signal
T + 5 minutes	START - Class Flag removed -- one long sound signal
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T = is at the same time as the group1 start	Class Flag raised for group 2 -- one long sound signal
T + 1 minute	Preparatory Flag ('P' flag) raised -- one long sound signal
T + 4 minutes	Preparatory Flag ('P' flag) removed -- one long sound signal
T + 5 minutes	START - Class Flag removed -- one long sound signal
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T = is at the same time as the group 2 start	Class Flag raised for group 3 -- one long sound signal Proceed in the same manner as above for this and all subsequent groups

The Preparatory 'P' flag (a yellow flag with a black circle) will be displayed. If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line or one of its extensions during the last minute before her starting signal, she shall thereafter sail from the course side across an extension (around the end) to the prestart side before starting.

A Sierra flag (a white flag with a blue rectangle) and the sounding of two horns on the Committee Boat will signal SHORTEN COURSE. The Committee Boat will announce details via channel 72. See the Racing Rules of Sailing for other signal flags.

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 29th 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

Friday

4:30p – 6:00p Late Registration, Pick up materials

6:00p Skipper's Meeting

Saturday

8:30a Late Registration, Coffee & Doughnuts

10:00a Change Announcements, if any

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, enjoy the food and free beer tickets.

REGISTRATION

You may obtain a registration form for all SYC Regattas online at www.smyrnayachtclub.com. Click: Boating, Regattas.

Print out the application form: scan and email to Genie Flynn eflynn@snet.net, or mail it to Smyrna Yacht Club, P.O. Box 1560, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32170 (phone 386-427-4040) to arrive **before October 27th 2017. 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:

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

Date