



Smyrna Yacht Club presents The Lipton Cup 2019

Time to register.

The Smyrna Yacht Club 2019 Lipton Cup takes place
on the weekend of April 5th to 8th



- Friday night Skippers Meeting leads into hors-d'oeuvres and a Pusser's Rum Pour

The regatta consists of 3 races just off Flagler Avenue. Any club or sailing organization can join in the team competition by signing up at least three boats. A perpetual trophy goes home with the winning team for one year.

The entry fee remains at \$50.

To register go to SYC web page, www.smyrnayachtclub.com. Click "Boating" "Regattas" The page will open on the Lipton Cup, where you will find the NOR and all documents related to the regatta; also attached to this email.

You may also contact Dave Smith, Director of Sailing at arkell@cfl.rr.com

Saturday Events

- The All Hands on Deck Jamboree invitational for sponsors and competitor's guests.
- The Saturday night party gives all competitors the opportunity to socialize in the bar, discuss the day's racing, followed by dinner and music by Tagé

Sunday Events

- After the last race on Sunday, gather for hors d'oeuvres, beer and the trophy presentations.

NOTICE OF RACE

2019 Lipton Cup Regatta

April 5th – 7th 2019

The 2019 Lipton Cup Regatta, sponsored by Smyrna Yacht Club (SYC), will accommodate three offshore racing divisions during a fun weekend. It is our hope that participants will leave our restored club with a sincere appreciation of the hospitality extended by the membership of our club. We feel that the historical significance of this prestigious cup will grace the weekend with the spirit intended by its donor. The weekend is planned to promote competition and camaraderie in an ambiance of yacht racing.

Participants will receive two free tickets to the “All Hands On Deck Jamboree” at the Springhill Suites Hotel on the beach at the end of Flagler Avenue. This event will take place during racing on Saturday 6th April and these tickets are provided for competitors’ guests and family, who are not part of the crew.

Owners, crews, and spouses are invited to all the other cash bar SYC cocktail parties.

RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) in effect at race time.

ELIGIBILITY/DIVISIONS

The regatta is open to all sailboats of suitable seaworthiness to participate in near shore racing in the Atlantic Ocean. The seaworthiness of a boat is solely determined by the person entering the boat.

Boats will be entered into three Divisions.

- Division I - Boats with spinnakers.
- Division II - Combined non-spinnaker and competitive cruising boats division.
- Division III - Cruising boats with or without spinnakers.

Cruising Boats in Division III may fly a spinnaker. Competitors must declare their intention to fly a spinnaker and will be handicapped accordingly.

See 'Team Challenge' under 'Awards' below.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions are available on the Smyrna Yacht Club web page or in print at the time of registration

VENUE

All courses will be set south of Ponce Inlet off the City of New Smyrna Beach in the Atlantic Ocean.

COURSES

Courses to be sailed will be listed in the sailing instructions.

HANDICAPPING

Racing will be handicapped according to the PHRF system administered by First Coast Sailing Association. Smyrna Yacht Club will act as intermediary for those sailors who do not have a FCSA certificate. If you had a FCSA certificate in 2018 you may apply direct for a renewal. Competitors should submit their FCSA certificate with their regatta application.

SCORING

Scoring will be done according to Appendix A of the Racing Rules of Sailing.(RRS) The Low Point System will be used. Three races are scheduled. Only one race must be completed to complete the regatta. All races completed will be scored. No scores will be excluded. Ties will be broken according to RRS section A8.

BERTHING

The outer docks at Smyrna Yacht Club have been rebuilt and docks will be available to visiting boats. Please make application for space on the Regatta entry form.

RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

Communication from the Race Committee with competitors will be primarily via VHF radio (on channel 72)

Except in an emergency, no vessel shall make or receive radio transmissions not available to all competitors. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

AWARDS

Trophies will be awarded to the first three places in each division. The winners of each division will be inscribed on the base of the historic Lipton Cup which is displayed in perpetuity in the Smyrna Yacht Club trophy case.

TEAM CHALLENGE

Any existing organization, such as a yacht club, sailing club, etc., is eligible to participate in the Team Challenge. To compete in the Team Challenge, the organization must have at least three boats entered in the Lipton Cup Regatta. The organization may nominate more than three boats, but must notify the Race Committee as to which boats are representing them before the first race.

There is no limit to how many boats an organization may enter and boats do not have to be entered in all divisions. They could, in theory, all be entered in one of the Divisions. Clearly, entering boats in all divisions increases the opportunity for improved team scores.

A perpetual trophy will be engraved with the name of the winning organization and will be held in possession of the winning organization until the following year's regatta. The winning organization will be known as the Lipton Cup Team Challenge Champion for the duration.

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta at their own risk. See Rule 4 of the RRS "Decision to Race." The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

INSURANCE

Each competitor shall be insured with third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per event or the equivalent.

EVENT SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, April 5th

1700 - 1900	Welcome by Commodore Peter Satterlee, registration, hors d'oeuvres, cash bar, and Skipper's Meeting (recommended but not compulsory). The meeting will be a Q&A session as all information is contained in the Sailing Instructions.
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SATURDAY, April 6th

0700 - 0800	Registration for "Late Comers" (Coffee and Donuts.)
1030	Start for Division III of the first race on the ocean, followed by the start for Divisions I and II. The second race will follow as soon as practical after the finish of the first race.
1830	Competitors & Friends Party. Reservations requested. Ballroom.

SUNDAY, April 7th

0830	Breakfast buffet. Please make a reservation.
1100	Start of Division III of the race on the ocean, followed by start for Divisions I and II
1700	Awards presentation, hors d'oeuvres, cash bar in the ballroom. Timing is dependent on results calculations and protest issues.

EVENT COSTS (Credit cards are accepted for food and beverages.)

Advanced Registration for all competitors with aFCSA PHRF certificate. (Before April 1 st 2019)	\$50 Late registration \$60
Advanced Registration for all other competitors including PHRF rating fee. (Before April 1 st 2019)	\$85 Late registration \$95
Competitors & Friends Party with band Saturday	\$25 (includes tax and tip)
Sunday Breakfast Buffet	\$ 12 (includes tax and tip)
Cash Bar	Per Drink Charge

REGISTRATION

You may obtain a registration form online at www.smyrnayachtclub.com. Click Boating, Regattas, Lipton Cup. Print out the application form and scan and email to David Smith arkell@cfl.rr.com, or fax to 386 427 4640, or mail it to Smyrna Yacht Club, P.O. Box 1560, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32170 (phone 386-427-4040).

Early registration discount applies until April 1st 2019. Checks will not be deposited until the Monday following the regatta, so if you change your plans, just call our office by noon on April 5th and your check will be returned. You may also register in person at SYC on April 5th or April 6th.



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

2019 Lipton Cup Sailing Instructions

The Lipton Cup Regatta will be held under the authority of the Smyrna Yacht Club Lipton Cup Race Committee. It will be governed by the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) Racing Rules of Sailing and the prescriptions of US Sailing and the 2019 Lipton Cup Regatta Sailing Instructions.

Racing Divisions

The race will be split into three separate Divisions.

Division I	Racing – Spinnaker Class. Boats with unlimited sails, including spinnakers, and Mylar or Kevlar sails.
Division II	Racing – Non Spinnaker Class. All boats that regularly participate in racing but do not fly spinnakers. They may have Mylar or Kevlar sails.
Division III	Cruising Class. Boats must have all Dacron sails. Boats may fly a spinnaker; however competitors must declare their intention to fly a spinnaker and will be handicapped accordingly.

Whisker poles are permitted in all Divisions. All participants will complete the entry form and the First Coast Sailing Association PHRF Rating Questionnaire. The Lipton Cup Race Committee will assist entrants with the completion of the Questionnaire if necessary. Participants with a FCSA rating only need submit their rating certificate.

Skippers Meeting

There will be a general skipper's meeting at the SYC Tiki Hut at 6.00 pm on Friday 5TH April. Significant items of the sailing instructions will be highlighted and questions will be answered. Attendance is recommended but is optional. Skippers are responsible for understanding the sailing instructions prior to race time.
Communications

The primary source of communications with the fleet from the Race Committee will be via VHF radio (Channel 72)

All competitors should monitor channel 72 for one half hour before the race. Important information, schedule changes, and course changes will be broadcast. All boats must check in with the Committee Boat prior to the start of the racing sequence.

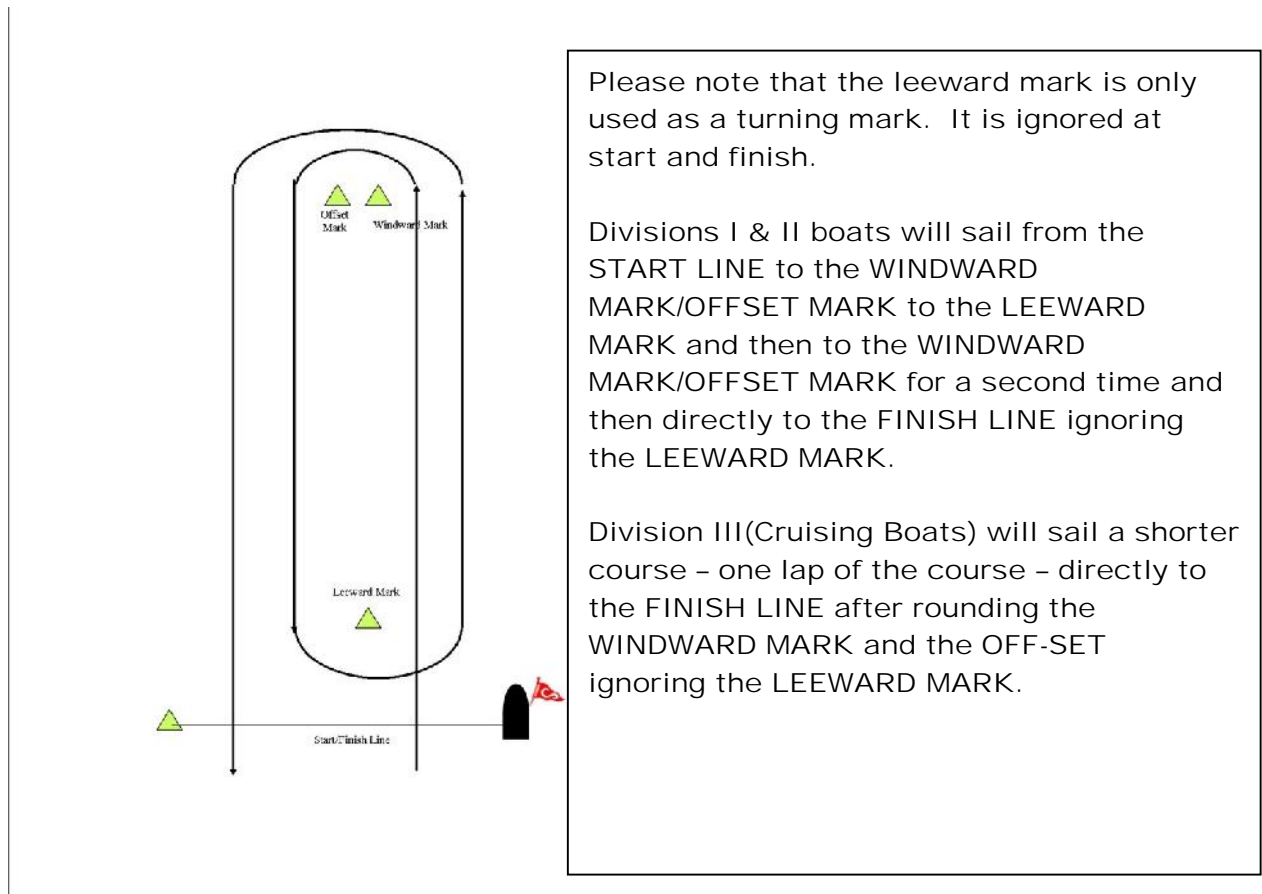
Scoring

Scoring will be done according to Appendix A of the Racing Rules of Sailing. The Low Point System will be used. Three races are scheduled. Only one race must be completed to complete the regatta. All races completed will be scored. No scores will be excluded. Ties will be broken according to The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) section A8. Team Challenge ties will also be broken according to the RRS.

The Course

The races will be held on the ocean approximately two miles south of Ponce Inlet, just off Flagler Ave. in New Smyrna Beach. For all the races on Saturday and Sunday, one course as detailed below will be used. The windward leg will be approximately 2.0 nm. The Race Committee has the option to shorten or change the course depending on conditions.

Course One is a counter clockwise rounding of the marks and is described below. All marks are rounded leaving the marks to port.



The course will be announced by the Committee Boat on channel 72. The course may be changed, shortened, postponed, or cancelled at the discretion of the Race Committee. It is the responsibility of each skipper to decide whether to retire due to inclement conditions, not the Race Committee.

Starting Sequence

Division III will start first. Divisions I & II will start as soon as Division III boats are clear. Watch for the raising of the Class flag.

Saturday – Race 1: T = 10.30 (or as announced on channel 72 by RC)

Saturday – Race 2: T = announced by RC. Stay close to the starting area after finishing.

Sunday: T = 1100 (or as announced on channel 72 by RC)

TIME	CONDITION OR SIGNAL
T	Class Flag raised for Division III (white) and one sound signal.
T + 1 min.	Preparatory Flag raised, one sound ('P' flag).
T + 4 min.	Preparatory Flag removed, one long sound.
T + 5 min.	<u>Start</u> - Class Flag (white) removed, one sound.
T = As soon as Division III are clear.	Class Flag raised for Division I & II (red) and one sound signal.
T + 1 min.	Preparatory Flag raised, one sound ('P' flag).
T + 4 min.	Preparatory Flag removed, one long sound.
T + 5 min.	<u>Start</u> - Class Flag (red) removed, one sound.

A Sierra flag (a white flag with a blue rectangle) and the sounding of two horns on any Race Committee Boat will signal SHORTEN COURSE. The Committee Boat will announce details via channel 72

Safety

All boats shall carry the safety equipment required by their class, and by the United States Coast Guard. Skippers are responsible for the safety of their boats and crews. Weather permitting; SYC patrol boats will cover the racing area to control non-participating water craft and to render assistance to any participating boat in need. All skippers are urged to employ common sense and safe boating procedures.

Any vessel not following directions by the Race Committee, or SYC patrol boats, may be subject to a penalty up to and including disqualification.

Please remember that VHF channel 16 is for EMERGENCY USE ONL and is constantly monitored by the U.S.C.G.

SYC patrol boats operations will be coordinated on VHF channel 72.