



St. Augustine Yacht Club

Commodore's Cup

November 6, 2022

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and FCSA PHRF Rules.
- 1.2 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 Eligibly and Entry

- 2.1 All sailboats eligible for a FCSA PHRF Handicap.
- 2.2 At the discretion of the Race Committee, provisional ratings may be given, while ratings are being processed by FCSA. FCSA membership and valid rating are required to be eligible for prizes.
- 2.3 Entry must be done online at www.staugustineyachtclub.com.
- 2.4 Entries close at 2000 on November 5, 2022.

3 Fees

- 2.1 Entry Fee will be \$55.00 (\$40.00 SAYC Members) for the regatta, payment must be received prior to racing. SAYC Members may charge their house account.

4 Schedule

- 4.1 Skipper's Meeting will be held at the St. Augustine Yacht Club at 1000 on November 6, 2022.
- 4.2 First warning signal will be at 1255. If there are 2 classes they will start at the same time.

5 Sailing Instructions & Classes

- 5.1 Classes will be Performance & Cruising Mono-hulls as defined in FCSA PHRF. Declaration of Spinnaker/Non-Spinnaker must be declared at or before the skipper's meeting.
- 5.2 Sailing Instructions will be available on 11/1/2022 at www.staugustineyachtclub.com.

6 Venue & Courses

- 6.1 Racing will be in the vicinity of STA East of the Saint Augustine Inlet.
- 6.2 Courses will be provided in Sailing Instructions and / or at the skippers meeting.

7 Penalty System

- 7.1 Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

8 Scoring

- 8.1 The scoring system is as follows: Low Point Scoring as defined in RRS Appendix A.
- 8.2 Corrected times will be calculated using PHRF Time on Time.

9 Radio Communication

- 9.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. VHF channel 72 will be used for all race communications.

10 Prizes

- 10.1 Results will be announced at the SAYC after racing. Participants are encouraged to attend for cocktails and dinner.
- 10.2 Prizes will be presented for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each class, with at least 3 boats competing, at the SAYC Awards Banquet in November.

11 Disclaimer of Liability

- 11.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, 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.

12 SAYC Associate Membership

- 12.1 A portion of the non-member skipper's registration fee will pay for and grant a SAYC Associate Membership of the skipper for the duration of events hosted at the SAYC that are directly related to this race, regatta, or series. By registering for this event and attending any related event hosted at the SAYC clubhouse, skippers acknowledge that they are responsible for the conduct of their guests and any debt that their guests may incur.

13 Insurance

- 13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$250,000 per incident or the equivalent.

14 Further Information

14.1 For further information please contact Mark Dixon, Rear Commodore of Sail, SAYC – sailcommodore.staugustineyc@gmail.com – 860-304-3844.



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2022 Commodore's Cup Race

Sailing Instructions

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 If there is a conflict between these instructions and Notice of Race, these instructions shall take precedence.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 Notices to Competitors

- 2.1 Notice to competitors will be posted on the official event website:
<https://www.staugustineyachtclub.com>

3 Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted prior to the end of the skippers meeting.

4 Signals made Ashore

- 4.1 No signals will be made ashore.
- 4.2 If the race is to be cancelled prior to 1030 November 6, 2022
 - 4.2.1 It will be indicated per SI 2.1
 - 4.2.2 It will be announced as cancelled via email to participants
- 4.3 Skippers Meeting at the SAYC Clubhouse 1000 November 6, 2022 (registrations close at 2000 on Nov. 5, 2022)

5 Schedule of Races

- 5.1 Schedule – November 6, 2022. All boats start at 1300.
- 5.2 One race is scheduled.
- 5.3 The course will be announced at the skipper's meeting. There will be no flags or signals.

6 Classes and Class Flags

- 6.1 There may be one or two classes depending on number of entries. Declaration of Spinnaker or Non-Spinnaker must be made prior to the end of the skippers meeting.

7 Racing Areas

- 7.1 The racing area will be in the vicinity of ATON "STA" at the St. Augustine, FL Inlet.

8 Marks & Courses

- 8.1 The start and finish mark will be ATON "STA". There will be no committee boat on station.
- 8.2 Course description and mark coordinates may be given at the skipper's meeting or via VHF channel 72.
- 8.3 The course is intended to be a triangle course offshore, with the Cruising Class sailing around the triangle to finish, and the Performance Class sailing around the triangle and then doing an extra leg to the first windward mark and back to the finish line.
- 8.4 Boats will round the mark coordinates using GPS location. It is recommended that all boats save their GPS tracks, or take a picture of their GPS showing time and coordinates indicated that they have successfully "rounded" each "mark". All marks will be left to port.
- 8.5 The **starting line** shall be an imaginary line extending right from "STA" (looking up the course) 100 yards perpendicular to the heading of the first leg of the course, leaving "STA" to port.
- 8.6 The **finish line** shall be an imaginary line extending 50 yards from "STA" in a heading that is perpendicular from the heading of the last leg of the course, leaving "STA" to port.
- 8.7 If any boat is protested under RRS 28 she **MUST** be able to provide evidence of "touching" each side in the form a digital time-stamped photograph of her navigation device showing her position at the touch point. If she is unable to provide such evidence she shall be disqualified without a hearing, this changes RRS 63.

9 The Start

- 9.1 The start for all boats will be at 1300 using GPS Time. There will be no flags or signals.
- 9.2 Any boat observed to be over early may be protested by the observing boat. Along with the requirements of RRS 61.1, the protesting boat shall also make an announcement to the fleet via VHF 72.
- 9.3 A boat that does not start within 30 minutes after the start shall be scored DNS. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

10 The Finish

- 10.1 A boat will be considered finished when she is within 50 yards of ATON STA per SI 8.6.
- 10.2 Each competitor shall take her time when the helmsperson is at the appropriate bearing.
- 10.3 Each competitor shall report her finish time over VHF 72 at the earliest opportunity.
- 10.4 Each competitor shall report her time as "Yacht Name XX:XX:XX" via text to 860-304-3844 within 30 minutes of her finish time.

11 Time Limits

- 11.1 For all classes the time limit will be 4 hours.

13 Protests and Requests for Redress

- 13.1 Protest forms are available at the Saint Augustine Yacht Club. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 13.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished.
- 13.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of protest hearings. Hearings will be held at the Saint Augustine Yacht Club as soon as practical thereafter.
- 13.4 Intent to protest shall be sent via text to 860-304-3844 as "Yacht A protesting Yacht B for breaking RRS X.XX, Y.YY, etc." within 30 minutes of the protesting boats finish.

14 Scoring

- 14.1 Low Point Scoring will be used as defined in RRS Appendix A.
- 14.2 Corrected times will be calculated using PHRF Time on Time.

15 Safety Regulations

- 15.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify other boats via VHF 72 and via text to 860-304-3844.
- 15.2 All boats SHALL have a representative and must check-in at the skipper's meeting.
- 15.3 See RRS 27.1 and 40.

16 Radio Communication

- 16.1 Except in an emergency, or to comply with above instructions, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

17 Prizes

- 17.1 Prizes will be presented at the SAYC Awards Banquet on November 13.
- 17.2 Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with enough entries per class.
- 17.3 After race party and announcements will be held at the St. Augustine Yacht Club.

18 Disclaimer of Liability

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