



# St. Augustine Yacht Club

## SASS - Wendy Thomson Memorial Regatta

### Notice of Race. May 13, 2023

The Saint Augustine Sailing Sisters (SASS) with the SAYC are proud to present a Women's race featuring all female helmspersons and encouraging all female crews or majority female crews.

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, FCSA PHRF Rules and FCSA Bylaws.

#### 2 Eligibly and Entry

- 2.1 All sailboats as defined in FCSA PHRF Rules and FCSA Bylaws.
- 2.2 At the discretion of the Race Committee, provisional rating may be assigned.
- 2.3 Entry may be done online or by presenting entry form found at <https://staugustineyachtclub.com/regatta/LPR77V46Jm>

#### 3 Fees

- 3.1 Entry Fee will be \$45.00 inclusive of tax for the regatta, payment must be received prior to racing. SAYC Members may charge their house account.

#### 4 Schedule

- 0930 Skippers Meeting at Camachee (registrations closed at end of meeting)
- 1255 Mixed Crew Warning Signal (Start 1300)
- 1305 All Female Crew Warning Signal (Start 1310)

#### 5 Sailing Instructions & Classes

- 5.1 Classes will be all women and mixed crew (at least 50% women). A woman must be on the helm at all times.
- 5.2 Spinnakers must be declared prior to the end of the Skipper's Meeting.
- 5.3 Sailing Instructions will be available on 05/08/2021 at <https://staugustineyachtclub.com/regatta/LPR77V46Jm> and distributed to racing email list. Please contact [sailcommodore.staugustineyc@gmail.com](mailto:sailcommodore.staugustineyc@gmail.com) to be included in email list.

#### 6 Venue & Courses

- 6.1 Racing will be in the vicinity of STA Buoy East of the Saint Augustine Inlet.
- 6.2 Courses will be provided in Sailing Instructions and at the skippers meeting.
- 6.3 In the event of adverse weather racing will occur north of the Vilano Bridge in the Tolomato River.

#### 7 Penalty System

- 7.1 Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.
- 7.2 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

#### 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. A five (-5) second per mile adjustment will be made for each male on-board in mixed crew.  
A three (+3) second per mile adjustment will be made for each mother, child, grandchild or stepchild aboard with a maximum allowance of 15 seconds.

#### 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.
- 9.2 Race Committee will use VHF Channel 72 for course announcements and registration.

#### 10 Prizes

- 10.1 Prizes will be awarded for both classes (All Female and Mixed Crew) at the SAYC Clubhouse after race party, starting at 1700.

#### 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 (non-member or otherwise) acknowledge that they are responsible for the conduct of their guests (the SAYC Code of Conduct may be found on the notice board inside the clubhouse) 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 Contact Richard Amerling, Rear Commodore Sail, SAYC – [sailcommodore.staugustineyc@gmail.com](mailto:sailcommodore.staugustineyc@gmail.com) – 646-637-8546.



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### Sailing Instructions

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, FCSA PHRF Rules and FCSA Bylaws.
- 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.
- 1.4 Except in an emergency a woman shall be on the helm at all times.

#### 2 Notices to Competitors

- 2.1 Notice to competitors will be posted on the official event website:  
<https://staugustineyachtclub.com/regatta/LPR77V46Jm>

#### 3 Changes to Sailing Instructions

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

#### 4 Signals made Ashore

- 4.1 No signals will be made ashore.
- 4.2 If the race is to be cancelled or postponed
  - 4.2.1 It will be indicated per SI 2.1
  - 4.2.1 It will be announced as cancelled or postponed via email to participants

#### 5a Schedule of Races

- 5.1 Schedule – May 13, 2023
  - 1255 Mixed Crew Warning Signal (Start 1300)
  - 1305 All Female Crew Warning Signal (Start 1310)
- 5.1 Schedule subject to RRS 27.3.
- 5.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 5.3 Depending on the number of boats entered, the RC may at their discretion combine the two classes into one start

#### 5b Classes and Class Flags

- 5.1 Classes will be Mixed Crew (at least 50% female) and All Female. Declaration of Spinnaker/Non-Spinnaker must be made prior to the end of the Skipper's Meeting
- 5.2 Class Flags will be:

Mixed Crew

Code Flag 5



All Female

Code Flag 6



#### 6 Racing Areas

- 6.1 Weather Dependent - announced at Skipper's Meeting or via VHF Channel 72 no later than 1130 should the inlet prove to be impassable
  - 6.1.1 **Primary** - In the vicinity of ATON "STA" to the East of the St Augustine Inlet, Saint Augustine, FL.
  - 6.1.2 **Secondary** - North of the Vilano Bridge in the Tolomato River, Saint Augustine, FL.

#### 7 Marks & Courses

##### 7.1 Primary

- 7.1.1 The course is intended to be a triangle course offshore, with both classes sailing around the triangle to finish.
- 7.1.2 The committee boat will announce the course either at the skippers' meeting or on VHF 72 not less than 15 minutes prior to the warning time.
- 7.1.3 Check in with RC by sailing past the committee boat and hailing on VHF Channel 72. Specify boat name, mixed or all female crew, spinnaker or non-spinnaker.
- 7.1.4 The **start-finish line** shall be set between an orange flag on the committee boat and an inflatable buoy.

7.1.8 An inflatable robotic mark (Robbie) will serve as the windward mark. GPS lat/long coordinates will be used to create a gybe mark.

7.1.7 All marks to be rounded to port.

## 7.2 Secondary

7.2.1 Courses will be setup in the Tolomato River north of the Vilano Bridge. Starting line will be adjacent to channel marker 57.

7.2.2 Race committee will indicate direction and laps via VHF Channel 72, no later than 5 minutes prior to warning signal

## 8.1.9 The Start

8.1.9.1 Standard 5-minute starting sequence will be used as per RRS 26

8.1.9.1 If boats are on course side at the start (OCS) X flag will be displayed (see below) and one sound will be made. Yachts OCS will be hailed on Channel 72. General recall: First substitute flag displayed and two sounds. See <https://sarasotabayyachting.org/flags.htm> for information on flags

## 8.1.10 The Finish

8.1.10.1 A yacht that has completed the course as described will be scored finished when any part of her hull crosses the finish line.

## 10 Penalty System

10.1 For all classes RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## 11 Time Limits

11.1 For all classes the time limit will be 3 hours.

11.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within 60 minutes the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet this time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## 12 Protests and Requests for Redress

12.1 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.

12.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

12.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at the Saint Augustine Yacht Club as soon as practical thereafter.

## 13 Scoring

13.1 Low Point Scoring will be used as defined in RRS Appendix A.

13.2 Corrected times will be calculated using PHRF Time on Time. A five (+5) second per mile adjustment be made for each male on-board in mixed crew.

## 14 Safety Regulations

14.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

14.2 All boats must check-in with the Race Committee, via VHF Channel 72, or by sailing within hailing distance of the committee boat, no later than 5 minutes before the first warning signal

14.3 See RRS 27.1 and 40.

## 15 Radio Communication

15.1 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.

15.2 Race Committee will use VHF Channel 72 for course announcements and registration.

## 16 Results

16.1 Results for both classes (All Female and Mixed Crew) will be announced at the SAYC Clubhouse after race party, starting at 1700.

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Individual Recall:



