King's Day Regatta
Saturday, November 21, 2026
Epping Forest Yacht & Country Club

NOTICE OF RACE

All participants are requested to acknowledge their intent to race along with boat name, class, and PHRF Rating by calling Keith Keller 904-739-7150 or e-mailing kkeller@efyc.com by Tuesday noon November 17. This is non-binding.

NOTICE OF RACE

1.0 RULES:

1.1 The Race will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the PHRF rules of the First Coast Sailing Association (FCSA), and the EFYCC Race Committee Epping Forest Yacht and County Club is the organizing authority for this Race/Regatta.

2.0 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:

2.1 Boats must have a current PHRF Rating to receive awards. PHRF Certificates are issued by the First Coast Sailing Association (FCSA) and can be found in the www.sailjax.com website. Boats without current PHRF Ratings may also participate.

2.2 All boats participating in the Performance class with LP measurements equal to or exceeding 130% of the base of the triangle (>130% of J) shall have sail numbers displayed on mainsails and headsails.

2.3 Boats in the Cruiser Class shall have sail numbers on the mainsails as a minimum.

3.0 REGISTRATION:

3.1 Prior to racing, each yacht shall be properly registered by completing the Standard Race Entry Form found at www.sailjax.com and shall have submitted the appropriate registration fee.

3.2 Registration forms and fees may be turned in to the Race Committee during registration on the Mariner's Deck in the EFYCC marina day of the race during the registration period. See the section on Schedule below for times.

4.0 CLASSES:

4.1 The class entered and the PHRF Rating must be declared on the Standard Race Entry Form before the close of registration.

4.2 The regatta will offer two (2) Classes: Performance and Cruiser Class.

5.0 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

5.1 Registration period is 10:00 AM to 11:45 AM on the day of the race on the EFYCC Mariner's Deck.

5.2 The "Skipper's Meeting will be on the EFYCC Mariner's deck at 12 PM.

5.3 Please review all aspects of NOR/SI for the King's Day Regatta 2026.

5.4 Each class will race one race scheduled for Saturday, November 21, 2026.

5.5 Warning signal for the start of the first-class racing will be at approximately 12:55 PM on the day of the the race.

5.6 The first class to start, will be five minutes after the Warning Signal.

5.7 There will be a post-race gathering following the race on the upper Mariner's Deck area adjacent to the bar in the EFYCC Marina. Race results will be announced at this time. There will be a cash bar available for all beverages. There will also be lite bites available as well.

6.0 ENTRY FEE/REGISTRATION:

6.1 Regatta entry fee is $ 40.00 for EFY&CC Members and $ 45.00 for Non-EFY&CC Members. Payable to the EFY&CC.

6.2 Member fees may be charged to Club account. Non-member fees may be check or the exact amount in cash.

7.0 RACING AREA:

7.1 The racing area will be on the St. Johns River between the Fuller Warren and Buckman Bridges as depicted on NOAA Chart 11492.

8.0 SAFETY:

8.1 All competitors are required to comply with U.S. Coast Guard Regulations and the RRS Guidelines concerning vessel safety, personal flotation devices and required equipment.

8.2 Boats shall not impede the passage of a vessel that can only navigate within a narrow channel or commercial fishing or vessels with restricted ability to maneuver.

8.3 The Race Committee will monitor VHF Channel 72.

9.0 INFORMATION:

9.1 Contact is Keith Keller at kkeller@efyc.com or office 904-739-7150.

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1.0 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS AND CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

1.1 Any changes or notices to competitors will be incorporated into the Schedule Section of the sailjax.com website. The Notice of Race and/or the Sailing Instructions will be updated to show any changes. These changes will be posted on the website no later than 4 PM on the Thursday before the race. If there are changes, post the "Skipper's Meeting", but before the warning signal, the "Come with-in Hail" Flag will be flown on the committee boat to signify any changes made during this period of time.

2.0 COMMUNICATIONS BEFORE AND DURING THE RACE:

2.1 The Race Committee will monitor VHF Channel 72.

2.2 Boats shall check in with the Race Committee Boat by passing behind the stern of the Committee Boat and hailing their boat name and "checking in".

2.3 The Race Committee will attempt to hail boats that are over the start line early via VHF Channel 72. However, the race flags as shown in the Rules of Racing shall govern.

2.4 Boats withdrawing from the race prior to finishing shall make every effort to contact the Race Committee Boat of their intentions.

3.0 MARKS:

3.1 The course may be a combination of Navigation Marks on the River and marks set by the Race Committee.

4.0 THE COURSE(S):

4.1 The course(s) will be posted on white board(s) during the "Skipper's Meeting" defined by letters and numbers in sequence.

4.2 "W" on the white board will designate the Windward Mark from the starting line.

4.3 "L" on the white board will designate the Leeward Mark from the starting line.

4.4 "O" on the white board will designate an Offset Mark - if used. The course heading in degrees will be given from the previous mark.

4.5 Subscript "p" or "s" will designate leaving that mark with the mark on the port or starboard side of the boat respectively.

4.6 A "1" on the white board will signify once around, a "2" will signify twice around, etc.

4.7 Government Navigation Marks will be designated by the Numerical Mark Number.

4.8 See the course displayed via the white board when posted regarding closed start/finish lines.

5.0 CLASS FLAGS:

5.1 The class flag for Performance class will be the "T" flag.

5.2 The class flag for Cruiser class will be “Q” flag.

6.0 RACE SCHEDULE:

6.1 One single race for each class is scheduled for Saturday, November 21, 2026.

6.2 Warning signal for the first class to start racing will be at approximately 12:55 PM.

6.3 Warning signal for the second class to start racing will be at approximately 1:15 PM.

7.0 START:

7.1 Performance Class boats will start between the orange flag on the committee boat and the starting buoy to port side of the Race Committee Boat as approaching the starting area in the direction of starting.

7.2 Cruiser Class boats will start between the orange flag on the committee boat and the starting buoy to the port side of the Race Committee Boat as approaching the starting area in the direction of starting.

8.0 STARTING SEQUENCE: (Similar for each class-flags shall govern, horns are not official).

8.1 Three horn blasts (designating "get ready") approximately 1 minute before the warning signal of the starting classes.

8.2 The Class Flags are raised with one horn blast as the warning signal designating the beginning of the five-minute sequence.

8.3 Four minutes before their start the Preparatory Flag "P" will be raised with one horn blast class flag remains up.

8.4 One minute before their start the Preparatory Flag "P" will be lowered with one long horn blast.

8.5 The Class Flag remains up until start time (zero minute) and then lowered with one horn blast at class start time.

8.6 Boats not starting within 15 minutes of their scheduled start shall be scored "Did Not Start" (DNS).

9.0 RECALLS:

9.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1. The Race Committee will attempt to hail the Sail numbers of infringing yacht(s) by hailing and or radio on VHF 72. Failure to make or hear such a will not be grounds for redress nor relieve a yacht of her responsibility to start correctly.

9.2 General recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.2.

10.0 FINISH:

10.1 The finish lines for each class will be the same as the start lines for each class.

11.0 TIME LIMIT:

11.1 The time limit for each class shall be 3 hours from the starting time of it's class.

11.2 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.

12.0 SCORING THE RACE:

12.1 Classes will be scored using PHRF Time on Distance.

12.2 The Low Point scoring system will apply per RRS Appendix A.

13.0 PROTESTS:

13.1 Intent to protest(s) shall be hailed to the Race Committee on the Race Committee boat within 15 minutes after finishing their race. A protest flag shall be visible near the stern of the protesting boat when hailing the committee boat.

13.2 A filled out formal protest form shall be turned in to the Epping Forest Office or e-mailed to Keith Keller before 6 pm Sunday November 22nd. to be considered.

14.0 POST RACE :

14.1 Prizes/trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the race committee depending on participation in each class

14.2 There will be a post-race gathering following the race on the upper Mariner's Deck area adjacent to the bar in the EFYCC Marina. Race results will be announced at this time. There will be a cash bar available for all beverages. There will also be lite bites available as well.

14.3 Race results will be posted to the www.sailjax.com website as soon as the scoring and reporting process is complete.

15.0 INFORMATION:

15.1 Contact is Keith Keller at Office 904-739-7150 or kkeller@efyc.com

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