

56th Annual Miami to Key Largo Race

APRIL 16, 2011

NOTICE OF RACE

The Miami Yacht Club Sailing Foundation invites you to become part of the 56th Annual Miami to Key Largo Race. The proceeds from this race support **the Miami Yacht Club's Youth Sailing Foundation** and its programs, which promote youth sailing from beginning through advanced racing levels.

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The organizing authority is the MYC Youth Sailing Foundation.

2. RULES

2.1. The Race will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) as adopted by the US Sailing Association, PHRF rules and regulations, and any class rules except as amended by the sailing instructions.

2.2. The Class rules will be used except that RRS are changed to prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged breach of a class rule requiring class membership.

2.3. The requirements of RRS, Appendix G, ISAF markings on sails shall not apply.

2.4. There are no PHRF crew restrictions on number or weight of crew.

2.5. All boats must have a towline available of at least 20'.

2.6. All competitors sailing on beach cats and open/non-cruising boats must wear a US Coast Guard approved PFD while racing.

3. ENTRY

The Miami to Key Largo Race is open to all boats over 14' that submit a completed entry form. Entry forms can be obtained at the Miami Yacht Club / MYC Youth Sailing Foundation website at <http://www.mycyouthsailing.org/calendar.php> or by calling MYC office at 305-377-9877.

Entry forms must be submitted by midnight, April 13, 2011 and can be faxed, mailed or submitted online.

4. CLASSES

4.1. The following classes are expected to participate: PHRF, ARC, Beach Cats, Portsmouth, and MASF.

4.2. Other classes may be added by sufficient participation of at least three boats.

4.3. PHRF - A current PHRF rating certificate must be submitted with application. Race Committee reserves the right to adjust ratings for certificates outside the Southeast Florida Region.

4.4. ARC - Monohulls not racing in PHRF or One Design will be scored in the ARC Fleet, provided sufficient information is given to develop a rating. Ratings from previous races will be taken into consideration. If insufficient information is available to develop a rating, the boat will be scored in the "open" class with no handicap system in use. It is the skipper's responsibility to provide sufficient information.

4.5. Multi-hulls not racing in One Design classes will be scored on the Portsmouth handicap system. Boats will be assigned to classes based on Portsmouth rating.

4.6. The fleets will be divided into Classes according to rating handicaps and other factors at the discretion of the Race Committee.

4.7. Trapeze rigs are not allowed unless provided for in One Design class rules.

4.8. Final scratch sheets will be included in the registration packets distributed at the skippers' meeting.

5. COURSE

The Race will consist of one race from the area just south of the Rickenbacker Causeway in Miami to the finish in an area north of the Jewfish Creek entrance in Key Largo. The Race will start with warning signal at 7:55 am, with start at 8:00 am. All boats will start at the same time on a long starting line. We expect over 150 boats to compete.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Draft Sailing Instructions will be made available on the Miami Yacht Club/MYC Youth Sailing Foundation's web site at: <http://www.mycyouthsailing.org/calendar.php> Final version will be made available at the skippers' meeting.

7. PARKING

Very limited parking is available at the Miami Yacht Club. Car and trailer parking is available for a fee at the public boat ramp next to the Miami Yacht Club. Competitors that wish to leave boats/trailers on Miami Yacht Club property must reserve a pass with the Club Manager. Passes will be provided on a first come, first served basis.

8. ADVERTISING

As defined under RRS, Appendix 1 for Category A, unless modified by class rules to Category C.

9. HOSPITALITY

Reservations and information concerning hotels, trailer storage facilities, marinas, and local restaurants are the responsibility of the entrants and crews.

10. FEES

Entries fees will be discounted by \$5.00 for US Sailing members
Early Registration Entry Fee - \$80 Multihulls and Monohulls (Before March 27th)
Registration Fee - \$100 Multihulls and Monohulls (After March 27th to April 13th)

11. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

April 13, 2011	Midnight deadline for all entries, no exceptions
April 14, 2011	8:00 p.m. Skippers' meeting, packet pick-up & party
April 16, 2011	8:00 a.m. Start
April 23, 2011	6:00 p.m.- 9:30 p.m. Awards ceremony and dinner

12. PRIZES

12.1. Trophies will be given out at the awards ceremony. The Perpetual Trophies remain on display at the Miami Yacht Club.

12.2. Trophies will be awarded to the top three to five finishers of each class depending on number of entries per class. The following ten (10) perpetual trophies that are kept by the Club will also be presented:

The Jack Schuh Trophy *First to Finish Monohull and First to Finish Multihull*

The Commodore Fred Darlow Trophy *First to Finish MASF Elapsed Time*

The Art Livingston Trophy *First to Finish Stock Tornado*

Mark Albury Perpetual Trophy *First Beach Cat - Corrected Time*

Rodney Burdine's Perpetual Trophy *First Overall ARC – Corrected Time*

First Overall PHRF *Corrected Time*

Jim Williams Trophy *First to Finish Monohull*

The Commodore Jack Schuh Memorial Trophy *MASF Rated Multihull with the Lowest Corrected Time*

Hunter Trophy *First Hunter to Finish*

Catalina Trophy *First Catalina to Finish*

13. CONTACTS

13.1 Contact MYC's Commodore, Henry Vidal at myccommodore@bellsouth.net

You may also contact the Club's Office Manager, Teresa De Armas at 305-377-9877 or mycmanager@bellsouth.net

13.2 Vice Commodore and Race Chair: Leandro Spina at jlspina@hotmail.com

13.3 Race PRO: Sean Ferrell at