

NOTICE OF RACE

The 62nd Mug Race

The Rudder Club of Jacksonville
Jacksonville, Florida, USA
1 May - 3 May 2015

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Race will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association.
- 1.2 NOR 10.1 alters RRS 26 to provide a pursuit start as described in the *US SAILING Race Management Handbook* (2009 - 2013), Portsmouth Method, page 303.
- 1.3 NOR 10.3 changes RRS 90.3.

2 ADVERTISING

Advertising is permitted; however, it must conform to the guidelines of ISAF Regulations 20.2.1, 20.2.2, 20.2.4 and 20.2.6.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Boats whose configuration does not conform to the configuration prescribed by the class rules for that boat shall indicate this on their race registration and Supplemental Form online or in writing to the Race Committee. The term "class" where used refers to broad categories of boats as used under the Portsmouth System such as "Centerboard Class"; "Offshore Class" etc.
- 3.2 All boats are eligible for entry that have a mast height of 44 feet or less and can meet the requirements of one or more categories listed in 3.4 below.
- 3.3 For scoring purposes boats will be grouped into Mug Race specific groups hereinafter referred to as a "Fleet," "Division," or "Sub Division."
- 3.4 Entrants will be divided into the following Fleets.
 - (a) Monohulls (Boats included in the Portsmouth Yardstick Centerboard and Keelboat categories and similar non-listed boats.)
 - (1) Spinnaker Division
 - (2) Non-Spinnaker Division
 - (b) Cruisers (Boats included in the Portsmouth Yardstick Offshore Classes and similar boats.)
 - (1) Spinnaker Division
 - (2) Non-Spinnaker Division
 - (c) Multihulls (Boats included in the Portsmouth Yardstick Multihull category and similar non-listed boats.)
 - (1) Multihull
 - (i) Spinnaker Division
 - (ii) Non-Spinnaker Division
 - (2) Multihull Cruiser (must be greater than 20', have overnight accommodations, self-bailing cockpit and proper safety gear).
 - (i) Spinnaker Division
 - (ii) Non-Spinnaker Division

NOTE: The Portsmouth Yardstick may be viewed at <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/offshore-big-boats/portsmouth-yardstick/current-tables/>

- (d) Windsurfers (Boats included in the Portsmouth Yardstick Windsurfer Tables)
 - (1) Div II (SA = < 6m²)
 - (2) Div IIB (SA = 6-7m²)
 - (3) Div IIC (SA = > 7m²)
- 3.5 A minimum of five registered boats is necessary to constitute a division for race and trophy purposes. Divisions may be combined should insufficient numbers register.
- 3.6 Registration
 - (a) Preferred - The preferred method of registration for eligible boats is on-line with the US SAILING Regatta Network; either at https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registration_form.php?regatta_id=9850 ; or through the event web page at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/9850> . Boats registering on-line will receive a \$20.00 on-line registration discount if they register before 2400 19 April 2015. Boats may confirm that their registration has been recorded by selecting the participant lists available on the event Regatta Network Web Site. Boats submitting an on-line registration but not completing the fee submission will receive an automated e-mail providing directions as to how to complete their registrations. For boats needing assistance in registering on-line, please contact Dick Allsopp at 904-314-5237 or raceoffice@rudderclub.com . Smart phone and tablet users may view Mug Race data formatted for mobile phones on: http://www.regattanetwork.com/mobile/mobile_event_detail.php?regatta_id=9850 .
 - (b) Hand-Written-Registrations - Boats may register by mail or in person at the Rudder Club Office by submitting a completed registration form included with this Notice. Handwritten registrations will not be eligible for the advance registration discount. Payment must be included. For mail-in registrations, mail to:

The Rudder Club of Jacksonville Inc.
8533 Malaga Avenue
Jacksonville, Fl. 32244.
- (c) Mail-in registration shall be postmarked no later than April 19, 2015. Mail in registrations will not be eligible for the advance registration discount. Registrations hand delivered to the Rudder Club Office will not be accepted after 24 April 2015.

(d) Boats not registering in advance or registering by mail may register as in 5.1 and 5.2 as applicable.

3.7 All windsurfer and sailing canoe entries shall provide a dedicated support boat to follow them along the entire course. The support boat shall be equipped with a Marine VHF Radio capable of receiving and transmitting on Channel 78 and a cellular telephone. Support boats shall also be equipped with operable running lights that meet the requirements of the Inland Rules of Navigation. The support boat shall be in accompaniment when the windsurfer or canoe checks in at the starting line, the mid-course gate and the finish or the entrant will be scored DNS.

3.8 Other dedicated support boats for junior entries etc. are encouraged to provide the Race Committee with mobile phone and radio calls sign information to be used in the case of an emergency.

4 FEES

4.1 Advance, on-line registration with discount – On or before 4/19 - \$80.00. Registration at the Registration Party will be on-line and receive this discount.

4.2 Registration Fee – Mail-in or in-person delivery anytime, or on-line after 4/19 - \$ 100.00.

4.3 Rudder Club, Rat Island Yacht Club, and Palatka Yacht Club Member Discount: \$ 5.00.

4.4 US Sailing Membership Discount- On-line registration will check this automatically when member number is entered. Mail-in registrants must provide their US SAILING membership number on the registration form and enclose a copy of US SAILING membership card. Late registrants must present a current US SAILING membership card at the time of late registration.

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

5.1 Registration Party

(a) The party will be held at The Rudder Club of Jacksonville Saturday, April 18, 2015 at 1500 (3:00 p.m.) – 1800(6:00 p.m.). Computers will be available and assistance will be provided to register on line. Packets for those already registered or those registering at the party will be available for pick up.

5.2 Late registration and Race Packet Pick Up, Quality Inn, Palatka, Friday 1 May, 2015 1600 (4:00p.m.) - 1800(6:00p.m.).

5.3 Competitors Meeting Friday 1 May 2015 1915 (7:15 p.m.)

5.4 The Mug Race Saturday 2 May 2015.

The five minute warning signal for start of the sequence of Reverse Handicap times is at 0725. At 0730 the International Code Flag G will be raised to signal the start of pursuit handicap times for the fleet. A signal will be sounded to call attention to the raising of this flag. Boats are to cross starting line at or after assigned times. Race committee will signal boats over early in accordance with the Racing Rules of Sailing.

6 MEASUREMENT

Boats with a masthead height greater than 44 feet may not compete in the Mug Race. All boats are subject to measurement by the Race Committee at any time.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions are posted on the Regatta Network Official Web Site at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/9850> , available at the Registration Party and posted on the Bulletin Board where official race documents will be posted as well as on the official web site. The Bulletin Board will be on the North Wall of the Rudder Club until 1400 on 1 MAY at which time it will shift to the glass entry door of the Quality Inn and Suites Palatka.

8 COURSES

The course is contained in the Sailing Instructions.

9 VENUE

The racing areas are between the Palatka Bridge and the Buckman Bridge as depicted on the following: NOAA 1187 (11492c) and NOAA 11492 a and b

10 SCORING

10.1 The Race will be conducted using the Portsmouth Method Pursuit Start System as described in the US SAILING Race Management Handbook (2009 - 2013) page 302. Each entrant is assigned a starting time based upon The Rudder Club Handicap System (RCHS), a time on distance handicap system. Entrants will be scored by position when they finish as in fleet racing i.e. 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th etc. This changes RRS26.

10.2 Handicaps under the RCHS will be computed as follows:

(a) For boats with a Portsmouth rating, RCHS Handicaps will be based on the US SAILING formula for conversion of Portsmouth to PHRF (RCHS = (DPN x 6) - 330. For US Portsmouth ratings see Portsmouth Yardstick at

<http://www.ussailing.org/racing/offshore-big-boats/portsmouth-yardstick/current-tables/> . If registering on-line, you can look up your code by clicking on “Lookup Code” to the right of the USSA Portsmouth Code box. Find your boat in resulting drop down menu. This will list your DPN number and your code. Click on the code and your boat type will be entered in your registration.

(b) For boats with no Portsmouth Handicap, an RCHS rating will be assigned by the Rudder Club Handicapper based on similarly configured boats and/or an existing time on distance rating.

(c) Boats configured differently than the configuration assumed for the class by the North American Portsmouth Yardstick in assigning a DPN will be adjusted in the case of monohulls in accordance with Table VI – **Optional Allowance Modification Factors** and for Multihulls in accordance with **Modification Factors for Multihulls**.

(d) Boats belonging to a class rated in the North American Portsmouth Offshore Category will be

assigned to the RCHS Cruiser Spinnaker or Non-spinnaker division as appropriate.

- (e) If five or more boats are entered in a one design class as defined by class rules or a RCHS handicap class (boats within a range of RCHS ratings) they will be scored as a class as well as for an overall position.

10.3 Boats finishing after sunset 2005 (8:05 P.M.) on 2 May will be scored DNF as per direction of the US Coast Guard. Boats crossing the mid-point gate after 1930 (7:30P.M.) on 2 May will likewise be scored DNF. This changes Rule 90.3.

11 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 11.1 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions nor respond to radio communications not available to all boats.
- 11.2 This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 11.3 Communication with the Race Committee and support boats shall take place on Marine VHF Channel 78A (US). Boats, where equipped, shall also maintain a listening watch on Channel 16.
- 11.4 DSC boats are encouraged to have an assigned MMSI (Maritime Mobile Service Identity) and a working GPS connected to or integral to their VHF radio. Boats may obtain a free MMSI at <http://www.boatus.com/mmsi/instruct.htm>.

12 PRIZES

The Mug Cup	First boat to finish
Commodore's Trophy	First Rudder Club boat to finish
Palatka Chamber of Commerce Trophy	First multihull cruiser to finish
Sullivan E. Howard Trophy	First Portsmouth Centerboard or Keel class boat to finish
Archie Markland Trophy	First monohull cruiser to finish
Bobbie Lee Johnson Trophy	First all-female crewed boat to finish
Youngest Sailor Trophy	First boat to finish with skipper and all crew under the age of 19
Colin MacKenzie Trophy	First Putnam County resident to finish (registered PIC)
Corinthian Trophy	Last boat to finish
Sportsman's Trophy	Best sportsman, exemplary race behavior
Class Trophies	

13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 13.1 Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this regatta are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, *Decision to Race*. Completion and submission of a registration form for this regatta constitute an acceptance of and agreement to abide by the Racing Rules of Sailing, this Race Notice and the Sailing Instructions.

14 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance. This rule is not protestable.

15 TRAILERS

The Mug Race is a one-way distance race. Trailers, vehicles and crew distribution between the two points of the race shall be arranged before setting sail in the race.

16 SHUTTLE BUS SCHEDULE

	Rudder Club to Palatka	Palatka to Rudder Club
Friday , May 1,	1st Bus: 1730 5:30p.m. 2 nd Bus 2030 8:30p.m.	Only bus 1900 7:00 p.m
Saturday 2 May	1st Bus: 0545 2 nd Bus 0900	

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the:

The Rudder Club of Jacksonville, Inc.

8533 Malaga Avenue Jacksonville, FL 32244

www.rudderclub.com

Email – raceoffice@rudderclub.com (904)302-7192
office@rudderclub.com (904) 264-4094

NOTE: This Quick Response Code when scanned on a smart phone or other scan capable mobile device will take the user to a specific mobile device structured site on Regatta Network containing information on the Mug Race and the ability to register on-line. It will also contain the latest information on the race status as well as the NOR, the SIs and any changes there to. The actual link to this page is http://www.regattanetwork.com/mobile/mobile_event_detail.php?regatta_id=9850



REGISTRATION FORM for Mail-in or Hand-delivered Registrations Only

The Mug Race is restricted to boats with a mast height 44 feet or less as measured from the water line to the mast tip or the highest attachment on the mast while the boat is in a normal-upright, un-heelled position. Please provide all requested information. Most errors in scoring past Mug Races have been attributable to incomplete or incorrect information provided at registration. On-line Registration by April 19 receives a \$20 discount. Go to <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/9850>.

Person in Charge (PIC): First Name _____ Last Name _____

US SAILING/MNA # _____ Address: _____

City _____ State _____ :Zip: _____ Home

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Allow Text Messages (SMS) from the Rudder Club Yes _____ No _____

Yacht Club Affiliation: _____ Birthdate _____ Sex: Male/Female _____

PIC Shirt Size Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ Extra Large _____ Extra Extra Large _____

Putnam County Resident: Yes _____ No _____ Number in Crew including PIC _____

Emergency Contact Name _____ Relationship _____

Phone: _____

All Female Crew Yes/No _____ All youth crew (under 19) Yes/No: _____

Maritime Mobile Service Identifier (MMSI): _____

Non-Standard Sail Plan Yes/No: _____ Non-Standard Hull/Rig/Trapezes/Crew Yes/No: _____

If either are "Yes" See attached Supplement

Boat Name _____ Manufacturer: _____ Model _____

NAPY Code: _____ Length: _____ Sail Plan: _____ Sail Number: _____

Desired Class: (Please Select)

<input type="checkbox"/> Cruiser Spinnaker See Note A	<input type="checkbox"/> Multihull Cruiser Spinnaker See Note B
<input type="checkbox"/> Cruiser Non-Spinnaker See Note A	<input type="checkbox"/> Multihull Cruiser Non-Spinnaker See Note B
<input type="checkbox"/> Monohull Spinnaker	<input type="checkbox"/> Windsurfer (SA = < 6m2)
<input type="checkbox"/> Monohull Non-Spinnaker	<input type="checkbox"/> Windsurfer (SA = 6-7m2)
<input type="checkbox"/> Multihull Spinnaker	<input type="checkbox"/> Windsurfer (SA = > 7m2)
<input type="checkbox"/> Multihull Non-Spinnaker	

Note A: Boat must be listed or be similar to a boat listed in Portsmouth Offshore Classes. See http://offshore.ussailing.org/Portsmouth_Yardstick/Current_Tables.htm.

Note B: Multihulls in this class must be over 20' with overnight cruising facilities, self-bailing cockpit and proper safety gear.

Crew Names (If known) Update changes with Race Committee

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REGISTRATION FEES AND ORDER FORM

Note: Each skipper receives one free Mug Race Pass with registration. The Mug Race Pass entitles the bearer to one race T-shirt, one after race dinner, four draft beers or soft drinks. Please order extras as needed and fill out all of the information below. All mail-in on any date and any on-line registration after April 19th will be \$100.00

	Fee	Quantity		Amount
Entry Fee	\$100	x		
Mug Race Pass for Crew or Guest	\$22	x		
After Race Dinner Rudder Club	\$6	x		
Beverage Pass (4 soda/water/draft beer)	\$5	x		
T-Shirts	\$15	x		
XX Large T-Shirts	\$18	x		
Shuttle Bus (each way)	\$10	x		
Rudder Club, Palatka Yacht Club Rat Island Yacht Club Member Discount	-\$5	Member #		
US SAILING Member D	-\$5	Member #		

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Skipper's T-shirt is included with paid registration. Additional shirts should match the number paid for above.

Indicate Skipper's shirt size on front of form.

Crew Small # _____ Medium # _____ Large # _____ Extra Large # _____ XX Large # _____

(Indicate Quantity)

From Rudder Club to Palatka

From Palatka to Rudder Club

Friday, May 1, 2015

1st Bus: 1930 5:30 p.m.

1900 7:00 p.m.

2nd Bus: 2030 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 2, 2015

Morning Bus: 0500 5:45 a.m.

Night Bus: 0900 9:00 p.m.

Circle One: Check Visa Master Card

_____ Exp _____ / _____ Sec Code _____

STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

I understand that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury and that my decision to race in this event is entirely at my own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Prior to racing I will have obtained a signed release from each member of my crew. I further agree to abide by the rules, regulations and sailing instructions of the Mug Race, the ISAF and the United States Sailing Association. I certify that I am the "person in charge" of this boat in accordance with RRS 46.

NOTE: Minors must present a copy of this form counter-signed by a parent or guardian before being allowed to race.

Skipper's Signature _____ Date: _____

Parent or Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

If Skipper is a minor

Please check your registration form. Did you indicate T-shirt size? Do you need a shuttle? Have you circled the time?

Mail to: Rudder Club of Jacksonville, 8533 Malaga Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32244

OFFICE USE ONLY: Date Rec'd: _____ Check # _____ MC/Visa _____ Cash _____

MUG RACE SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION FORM

(Fill in form only if not in conformance with class rules) Unless otherwise specified in Tables all Cruiser (Offshore Class boats are considered to be spinnaker configured)

PIC Name _____
First Last

E-Mail Address _____

Boat Make _____ Model _____

Boat Name _____ Sail Number _____

Masthead Height _____ NAPY Code _____ *****

Portsmouth DPN (if known) _____ See *****

***** For Portsmouth designator and D-PN go to the following link
http://offshore.ussailing.org/Portsmouth_Yardstick/Current_Tables.htm Sample follows:

Centerboard Classes	NAPY Code	D-PN	Wind HC For Handicap Range			
			0-1	2-3	4	5-9
14 (Int.)	14	85.3	86.9	85.4	84.2	84.1
29er	29	84.5	(85.8)	84.7	83.9	(78.9)

MH Modifications - If modified, you must declare modifications. Select boxes that apply.

<input type="checkbox"/> Carrying trapezes above class allowance	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-class legal mainsail of same sail area (i.e. square top)
<input type="checkbox"/> Class normally with small jib, sailing without jib	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-class legal mainsail of greater sail area than standard
<input type="checkbox"/> Class normally with large jib, sailing without jib	<input type="checkbox"/> Larger than standard jib
<input type="checkbox"/> Class normally without jib carrying small jib	<input type="checkbox"/> Taller mast than standard
<input type="checkbox"/> Class normally without jib carrying large jib	<input type="checkbox"/> Wider than standard beam
<input type="checkbox"/> Class normally without spinnaker carrying one **	<input type="checkbox"/> Less than class minimum crew weight **
<input type="checkbox"/> Class normally without Genoa or reacher, carrying one **	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Other</i> , please explain below
<input type="checkbox"/> Class normally without spinnaker or reacher, carrying one **	<input type="checkbox"/> Greater than class maximum weight

** See MH Modification Table - http://offshore.ussailing.org/Portsmouth_Yardstick/Current_Tables/MH_Modification_Factors.htm

Monohull and Cruiser Modifications

<input type="checkbox"/> Class normally with spinnaker, not equipped with one	<input type="checkbox"/> Solo sailing 2-person sloop under full sail
<input type="checkbox"/> Genoa, size undetermined (CB, MH Classes)	<input type="checkbox"/> Solo sailing 2-person sloop under mainsail only, no jib
<input type="checkbox"/> Class normally without jib, carrying one	<input type="checkbox"/> Singlehander classes, total crew weight greater than 225#
<input type="checkbox"/> Class normally without spinnaker, carrying one	<input type="checkbox"/> Total crew weight greater than 400# on 2-man , 575# on 3-man class
<input type="checkbox"/> Class normally without trapeze, carrying one or for second trapeze	<input type="checkbox"/> Lightweight engine up to 500# w/solid 2-blade prop not in aperture
<input type="checkbox"/> Addition of non-class sprit and asymmetrical spinnaker **	<input type="checkbox"/> Outboard in water on both tacks, or non-retractable,
<input type="checkbox"/> Use of asymmetrical spinnaker (except where designed as standard)**	<input type="checkbox"/> Same as above but with 3-blade prop
<input type="checkbox"/> Under-crewed vessel	<input type="checkbox"/> Heavy engine 500# and up w/solid 2-blade prop not in aperture
	<input type="checkbox"/> Same as above but with 3-blade prop

** See Table VI http://offshore.ussailing.org/Portsmouth_Yardstick/Current_Tables/Modification_Factors_-_Table_VI.htm

Other modifications

Explain here -