



Flying Scot Midwinters 2019

Welcome to Sarasota Sailing Squadron

Our many volunteers and club staff are looking forward to hosting this great regatta for our Flying Scot friends. Sarasota Bay is a beautiful protected bay, ideal for hosting this event. You will find our squadron a relaxing and welcoming place to hang out and enjoy visiting with friends. We look forward to your visit and sharing our corner of paradise with you. The following information will be helpful to you as you plan your trip and know what to expect when you arrive at the squadron. Do not hesitate to contact us if you have questions or concerns.

Best wishes,

John Pether

Regatta Chairman

Parking

Boats

Boats registered for hoist launching will be assigned space near the hoist. Boats ramp launching will be in numbered spaces to help speed launch and haul out each day. Your space number **MUST** match your bow # **AND** trailer number! There will be a signup board at the squadron for launching order.

Cars

In order to park as many boats as possible inside the gate, there will be no inside car parking allowed during the regatta. If you absolutely have to drive in to unload, please do so quickly and return your car outside the fence. Please do not block any boats in their spaces. At the squadron if we have to choose between towing your car and allow a boat to go sailing, the boat always wins.

Camping

Tents

We welcome camping during the regatta. There are a couple locations to choose from. Please check in with registration. Also, be sure not to block access to the BBQ pavilion as we'll be serving meals from there during the week.

Bath access

There are bathrooms in both the main clubhouse and the Stonehouse (adjacent to boat work yard). The main clubhouse is locked at night, so you will need to use the Stonehouse at that time. Showers are also located in the Stonehouse.

Motorhomes

As space and hookups are at a premium, we allocated the space we had on a first come basis. If you are one of those few to have been given room, check in the business office for directions to your location.



Launching

Hoist

We have one hoist out on the point. If you are hoist launching, you will have boat parking spot near the hoist as boats will need to be pushed to and from the hoist from your space. Once your boat is in the water, move it well clear of the hoist, so others behind you will have room.

Ramp

To assist timely launch and haul out, we will have a couple of tractors hauling trailers from your assigned locations to the ramps. This way you can focus on your boat and not on moving your trailer about. Please use the provided tag for your trailer so that the drivers know where to return your trailer. If you cannot wait for a tractor and must launch with your vehicle, please do so in a way that does not block or delay the tractors from launching others.

Boat Wash

There are hoses near the hoist, gate, BBQ pavilion & boat yard. If you want to wash off, please ask the tractor to drop your boat there so they can assist another. Please don't block the hoist while washing

Wet Sailing

Boats may be wet sailed. Should you choose to leave your boat in, please do it at the end of the long dock near the ramp. Space is limited near the hoist.





Meals

Dinners

A free Welcome Party on Saturday and two tickets to a dinner Monday night are included with registration.

Breakfasts/Lunches

Given the start times each day, breakfast is on your own. St Armands Circle has several good spots. Publix (about 10 minutes away) is just up Longboat Key for lunch provisioning, or Whole Foods is in downtown Sarasota, 1451 1st Street (about 15 minutes from the club).

Bar

Sailors debrief

Our sponsors have graciously provided post race sessions each day for the event. There will be a keg available each day, while it lasts. The bar will be open during and after the debrief, if you desire something other than a draft.

Club bar

Our club bar is manned by volunteers. As such it offers very reasonably priced beer, wine, soft drinks, and snacks. We accept cash or credit cards, but no yacht club charges. Please observe Florida liquor laws about bringing outside materials into the bar. No hard liquor is allowed in the clubhouse at any time. Pavilion YES, inside NO.

Ice

Bagged ice is available for purchase via the Bar

Sailing Area

Pass

Next to the club runs New Pass. You will sail along New Pass on your way to the club. Be aware that there is a decent amount of traffic and current there depending on the time.

Sand Bar

There is a long sand bar that runs along the north side of New Pass. You may sail around either end, although the eastern end is recommended. Sailing into the bay, follow the channel markers until the mid channel markers where you can turn north towards the racing area. You can also sail west in the pass towards the bridge and turn north after passing Marine Max and Old Salty Dog. There you might see the small poorly marked channel to the sailing area.

Course area

The course area is ~1 mile North of the club in an area of the bay free of obstructions.



Tide Chart.

Day	High	Low	High	Low	High	Moon	Sunrise	Sunset
Sat 23	3:03 AM EDT / 1.4 ft	9:08 AM EDT / 0.5 ft	2:49 PM EDT / 1.8 ft	10:09 PM EDT / -0.1 ft			7:31 AM EDT	7:42 PM EDT
Sun 24	3:58 AM EDT / 1.2 ft	9:21 AM EDT / 0.7 ft	3:20 PM EDT / 1.9 ft	11:05 PM EDT / -0.1 ft			7:29 AM EDT	7:43 PM EDT
Mon 25	5:00 AM EDT / 1.0 ft	9:07 AM EDT / 0.8 ft	3:55 PM EDT / 1.9 ft				7:28 AM EDT	7:43 PM EDT
Tue 26		12:07 AM EDT / -0.1 ft	6:39 AM EDT / 0.9 ft	7:33 AM EDT / 0.9 ft	4:37 PM EDT / 1.9 ft		7:27 AM EDT	7:44 PM EDT
Wed 27		1:16 AM EDT / -0.1 ft	5:27 PM EDT / 1.8 ft				7:26 AM EDT	7:45 PM EDT

Schedule: Up to three races may be run each day, and eight races are scheduled.

Friday, March 22	Check-in, Registration and Boat Measurement (by appointment)	1700 - 1900 1700 - 1900
Saturday, March 23	Check-in, Registration & Boat Measurement Competitors' Meeting Welcome Party	1000 - 1700 1800 1830
Sunday, March 24	Races – First Warning Signal of the Day	1100
Monday, March 25	Races – First Warning Signal of the Day Dinner	1100 1830
Tuesday, March 26	Races – First Warning Signal of the Day	1100
Wednesday, March 27	Races -- First Warning Signal of the Day No warning signal after this time Awards	1100 1400 As soon as possible after the final race

SAILORS' DEBRIEF AND KEG AFTER EVERY DAY OF RACING!

Times and Events Subject to Change.

See Official Notice Board located in the Pavilion for Changes.