



10<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL COWFORD CUP  
The Florida Yacht Club  
Jacksonville, FL  
May 1-3 2020

## **Notice of Regatta**

### **1. Rules**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) 2020-2022 and the Prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association. The equipment regulations and rules of each one design class will apply.
- 1.2 The organizing authority is The Florida Yacht Club.

### **2. Disciplines**

- 2.1 Optimist Championship Fleet, Optimist Green Fleet, Open Bic, 420 non-spinnaker, Laser Radial, and Laser 4.7

### **3. Eligibility and Entry**

- 3.1 Competitors in the Optimist classes must have been born on, or after, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2005
- 3.2 Competitors in the 420 and Laser Radial classes must have been born on, or after, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2002.
- 3.3 A minimum of 5 entries to make a class.
- 3.4 Online registration is available at: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/20317>

### **4. Schedule of Events and Races**

- 4.1 **Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>**  
1800-2100 Early Arrivers Welcome Party & Dinner (BYOB)  
TBD
- 4.2 **Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
0800-1000 Registration/Check-in, FYC SAILING CENTER  
0830 Breakfast, Sailing Center  
1000 Skipper's Meeting, Sailing Center  
1100 Warning Signal for first race (back to back races to follow)  
Weather permitting the FYC Pool and Poolside dining will be open for regatta participants and their families.
- 4.3 **Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
0800 Breakfast, FYC Sailing Center  
0930 Warning Signal for first race (back to back races to follow)  
1400 No race will be started after 1400  
Awards to immediately follow racing at the Sailing Center

## 5. Fees

- 5.1 Entry Fee: Singlehanded \$85 (\$95 after April 24th, 2020)  
Double handed \$150 (\$170 after April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020)
- 5.2 Entry fee **includes a regatta T-shirt** for skipper and crew, Friday evening welcome party (offsite), lunch on the water Saturday, lunch Sunday at the awards ceremony, and breakfast both days.
- 5.3 Fees may be paid online or by check at registration.

## 6. Sailing Instructions

- 6.1 The Sailing Instructions will be furnished onsite at check-in.
- 6.2 Preliminary Sailing Instructions may be posted on the event website <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/17812> .

## 7. Racing Area

- 7.1 The Racing area shall be on the St. Johns River, east of The Florida Yacht Club.

## 8. Scoring

- 8.1 The Low Point Scoring System of rule Appendix A will apply.
- 8.2 One race shall constitute a regatta.
- 8.3 If six or more races are completed a boat's worst score will be excluded from her total.

## 9. Prizes

- 9.1 Trophies will be awarded to the top 3 finishers in their respective classes.  
Participation awards will be given to Optimist Green Fleet participants.

## 10. Disclaimer of Liability

- 10.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. Neither the organizing authority nor the host organization, nor the sponsors accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## 11. Lodging/Logistics

- 11.1 FYC has arranged for discounted rooms at the Holiday Inn Orange Park, a mere 10 minutes from the club (620 Wells Road, Orange Park, FL, 32073), at a rate of \$119 per night. Let the hotel know you are with The Florida Yacht Club. Hotel Phone # 904-562-7400.
- 11.2 FCYC Members may reciprocate. Guest Cards will be available to guests of the regatta for use on dining and bar services during the weekend. You may obtain an event card for the weekend at registration check in or you may email [sailing@thefyc.org](mailto:sailing@thefyc.org) to arrange for one in advance

## 12. History:

- 12.1 The great city of Jacksonville was not always named after Andrew Jackson. In its early years it was named after the fact that the area near present day downtown was a very popular crossing point of the St. Johns River for ranchers and their cattle herds, due to the narrow width between sides. The name of this regatta celebrates the grand history of Jacksonville and its relationship to the St. Johns River, as was described in the city's original name of COWFORD.

## 13. Additional Information Contact:

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