



2021 Commodore's Cup

Suncoast Boat of the Year and

Davis Island Yacht Club Boat of the Year Event

Davis Island Yacht Club, Tampa, Florida

January 23rd -24th, 2021

NOTICE OF RACE

Dedicated to the honor of all DIYC past Commodores, this regatta kicks off the new year with intense racing for two days. The best come out to set the tone for the second half of the season. Expect great competition.

The notation "[DP]" in a rule in the notice of race (NoR) or sailing instructions (SIs) means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, including Appendix V2 (post-race penalty).
- 1.2 US Sailing prescriptions to RRS 63.1 and 63.2 will not apply.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on the DIYC website, and at check-in.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats with a valid WFPHRF certificate, or a temporary rating assigned by the DIYC Club Measurer.
- 3.2 Expected Divisions are Spinnaker (A/B/C), Racer-Cruiser, Cruising, and Multihull.
- 3.3 Under West Florida PHRF rules, this is a Category 4 event for the Distance Course and Category 5 for Spinnaker Divisions.
- 3.4 Cruising spinnakers are permitted for the Cruising Division. All Cruising boats intending to use a cruising spinnaker must declare so by email to fleetcaptain@diyc.org and the Principal Race Officer at least two days prior to the event.
- 3.5 Boats shall enter on-line at <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/21671>. Entries close at 0830 on January 23. Late entries may be accepted at the sole discretion of the Organizing Authority.

4 FEES

All boats: \$50.00 plus tax.

5 SCHEDULE

<u>Saturday</u>		<u>Sunday</u>	
0830-1000	Breakfast available for purchase	1030	First warning signal, Distance Course
0830-0915	Check-in	1100	First warning signal, Drop-mark Course
0930	Competitors meeting	1400	No warning signals made after this time
1130	First signal, Drop-mark Course		
1300	First signal, Distance Course		<i>Awards will be distributed after the event</i>

6 VENUE AND COURSES

- 6.1 Racer-Cruiser, Multi-Hull and Cruising will race distance races in Tampa Bay using fixed marks - one race per day, up to 25 miles.
- 6.2 Spinnaker Divisions will race on Drop-mark courses in Hillsborough Bay, as many races as possible depending on time and weather conditions.

7 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 7.1 All Divisions will use the Scoring Penalty of RRS 44.3.
- 7.2 The 30% Penalty Taken After a Race of RRS V2 will apply.

8 SCORING

All handicap racing will be scored TOD using West Florida PHRF ratings:

Spinnaker Divisions	Buoy Rating
All Distance Course Divisions	RLC Rating

9 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

PHRF boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with written permission of the RC.

10 PRIZES

- 10.1 Prizes will be awarded in each Division for first place, if 1-3 boats; top two, if 4-5 boats; top three, if 6 or more boats.
- 10.2 The William Boger Perpetual Trophy for the top Spinnaker boat on the Drop-mark Course, the Bill Houlihan Perpetual Trophy for the top Cruising boat, and the INAUGURAL Silver Gavel Trophy for the top Racer-Cruiser boat will be awarded.

11 SAFETY

[DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. - Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or injury, illness, or disease to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

DOCKAGE

For dockage at DIYC before or after the event, please contact DIYC Dockmaster Chris Toro at dockmaster@diyc.org or 727-222-7561 for slip reservations.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Regatta Chair:	Commodore Sue Aitken	commodore@diyc.org
Principal Race Officer:	Margo Currey	mmcurrey@gmail.com