



Savannah Yacht Club

2021 Wassaw Cup Regatta

May 15th & 16th, 2021
Savannah, Georgia

NOTICE OF RACE

COVID-19 Risk Statement

The Savannah Yacht Club is holding this event with several modifications to mitigate the risk of competitors becoming infected with the COVID-19 virus. The safety of our members, guests and staff are the driving force for the modifications to this annual event. We will follow the CDC, State of Georgia and local recommendations during this event such as social distancing, frequent hand washing and the use of a face mask especially when on land. Competitors shall not come to SYC grounds or compete in the event if they have a fever, cough or any other symptoms of COVID-19. Skippers shall ensure that their crew complies with this requirement to be symptom free.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The following USA prescriptions do not apply: 63.2.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available online at the regatta website and through Regatta Network by May 8th, 2021.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 Each boat should be equipped with a VHF radio. The race committee will make communications by VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SI.
- 3.2 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones and computer applications.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all self-righting yachts with a PHRF rating whose length overall is 19' or greater.
- 4.2 Other yachts may participate at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form online at https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registration_form.php?regatta_id=22321.
- 4.4 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees by Thursday, May 13th, 2021.
- 4.5 Late Registration may be available in the Dock House, Sat May 15th from 8:00 AM – 9:55 AM at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 4.6 Classes: A: Spinnaker, B: Non-spinnaker & C: J-24

5 FEES

- 5.1 Entry fee is \$100.00. Registration includes two days of racing, beer and heavy hors-d'oeuvres for Speaker Series on Thursday, coffee & pastries Saturday and Sunday, 2-dinner tickets and complimentary beer on Saturday, and awards ceremony with beer and heavy hors-d'oeuvres on Sunday.
- 5.2 Guest Club Cards and/or tickets will be available at registration, Saturday's reception, and Sunday's award ceremony to purchase drinks at the club.
- 5.3 Please purchase additional dinner tickets thru Regatta Network. Additional dinner tickets will also be made available at registration and prior to the reception.

6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Thursday, May 13th, 2021
1800-2100 – Speaker Series with Donald Alexander an around the world solo racer
- 6.2 Saturday, May 15th, 2021
0800 – 0955 – On Site Registration available at SYC Dock House (coffee & donuts)
0955 – Registration closes, 1000 – Skipper's meeting
1200 – Scheduled Warning signal for first class
1730 – After-race Reception and Dinner
- 6.3 Sunday, May 16th, 2021
1030 – Warning signal first class; other races to follow (No races to start after 1430)
Awards ceremony will be held in the SYC Dock House following the conclusion of all races.

7 VENUE

- 7.1 Races will be sailed in the Wilmington River, Wassaw Sound, and Atlantic Ocean.

8 COURSES

- 8.1 The courses to be sailed by PHRF one-design classes may be (a) short-to-long distance races around government marks or a combination of government marks and dropped marks, or (b) windward/leeward or windward/leeward/windward races around dropped marks.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1 RRS Appendix V shall apply.

10 SCORING & RATINGS:

- 10.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.2 The Low Point System of Appendix A of The Racing Rules of Sailing will be used except that (a) when fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores or (b) when five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 10.3 Ratings will be assigned by either US Sailing's most recent PHRF reporting book, or; if convened and determined, the Coastal Clubs Ratings Committee based on local & National averages as adopted for local club racing.

11 RISK STATEMENT

- 11.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.
- 11.2 As a condition of their participation in this regatta, competitors release all claims they may have against Savannah Yacht Club and its officers, directors, members, committees, employees and race officials for damage to property, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.
- 11.3 Competitors shall be responsible for damage or injury caused by their breach of The Racing Rules of Sailing or applicable governmental rules for the avoidance of collision.

12 PRIZES

- 12.1 Prizes will be awarded at an awards presentation following the completion of racing and resolution of any protests on Sunday, May 16th, 2021.

13 DOCKAGE

- 13.1 Free dockage is available Thurs, Fri, Sat and Sun for PHRF racing sailboats. Dockage must be reserved with SYC's Dockmaster @ 912-897-1314, or on VHF Channel 16/68, or in person by Thursday, May 13th. Dockage is available on a 1st come, 1st serve basis. The Club is closed on Mondays & Tuesdays. For additional information please contact ...

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

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