



17th Annual Castaways Cup Regatta

Presented by: Castaways Sailing Club Inc.

October 16 & 17, 2021

Notice of Race

The Castaways Sailing, Inc. invites you to participate in the *17th Annual Castaways Cup Regatta*: a two-day point-to-point regatta from Palm Beach Inlet to St. Lucie Inlet and return, dedicated to fun and friendly racing and fellowship.

Rules:

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by U.S. Sailing prescriptions of the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing. [http:// www.ussailing.org/race-officials/rules/rulebook/](http://www.ussailing.org/race-officials/rules/rulebook/)

Eligibility:

The regatta is open to all sailing yachts “ready for sea” in all aspects. It is up to the Skipper to insure suitability of the Yacht for racing. Safety gear and proper preparation cannot be overstated in offshore racing.

Classes

2/4/21 There will be a PHRF class, a JAM (jib and main) class, a Multi-hull class, and a Cruising Class. The boats without a US-PHRF rating will be assigned a handicap based on the manufacturers model number. PHRF and JAM class will sail under the PHRF handicap system. Multi-hulls will be handicapped using a formula of boat attributes and comparative race results from previous races. A valid PHRF rating from US-PHRF-SEF must be submitted for all mono-hulls. If you do not have a current certificate PHRF-SEF can turn around your application quickly. (See notes on PHRF ratings) Now is a good time to apply and avoid any last minute issues.



Scoring:

The rules of racing Appendix A4.1 “Low Point System” will be utilized in the Castaways Cup which is sponsored by the Castaways Sailing Club, with the exception to the scoring of the boat that finishes first in a race. The boat that finishes first will be awarded ½ point. Second place 2 points; third place, 3 points and so on. Ties will be handled In Accordance With the Rules of Racing Appendix A. There will be no “throw out” races. Each race will count for the final results

Sail Numbers:

Entrants without sail numbers will not be allowed to protest any finish line time.

Skippers Meeting:

A skipper’s meeting is planned for Friday, October 15, 2021 at 6:30 pm. The meeting will be held using ZOOM. After registration you will be provided with the instructions for how to join the ZOOM session. Sailing Instructions will be posted on www.regattanetwork.com under the Castaways Cup Regatta event. The information will be posted no later than 9:00 p.m. Thursday, Oct 14 and an email sent to all skippers registered before that time. The purpose of the meeting is to provide any last minute instructions and answer any questions.

Last minute Race cancellation due to weather or unforeseen circumstances will be sent by e-mail to the address on file, or by the phone number on the application, by 6pm Friday evening.

All communication the day of the race will be on **Channel 72**.

PHRF & Multi-hull Ratings

Participation in The Castaways Cup requires a current PHRF or assigned multihull rating. If you do not have a current rating certification, ratings will be assigned by race committee using the U.S. Sailing National handicap averages



Saturday, October 16th:

The start on Saturday will be a Pursuit Start beginning approximately 1/4 mile north of the Lake

Worth/Palm Beach Inlet. The first start will be at 10:00 a.m. using the Committee Boat G.P.S. time. In a Pursuit Race, all boats are assigned their individual starting times based on their handicap with the intent that if all boats sail to their handicap they should arrive at the finish at the same time, thereby giving everyone a chance for “first in the pool” honors. All auxiliary engines must be shut off no later than 5 minutes before your starting time and remain off until you finish. Any boat running its engine within this time period will be protested and a 720 degree penalty shall be imposed on the offending boat to be completed shortly after starting.

Depending upon the wind and wave conditions, there will be one of two types of starting lines; a “Beach” to Pin line, or a Committee Boat and Pin line. If a “Beach” to Pin line is utilized, one end of the start line will be a large orange flag on shore and the other a floating red ball off shore. Most likely, the start will be a Committee Boat and Pin start with the start line defined as a line between the Committee boat and a floating red ball.

In the case there is a lack of wind, the race committee may delay the start until the breeze picks up. The Race Committee will announce new start times for each boat over Channel 72. After a reasonable time if the wind does not pick up, the race committee may elect to move the starting line North and attempt a start. In this case, the race will be a normal fleet start by class and **not a Pursuit Start**. The starting sequence and flags will be the same as we will use for the Sunday start. Announcements will be made via Channel 72. Please note that the use of channel 72 is a convenience and you should come close aft of the Committee Boat for official instructions and checking in.

Course: Saturday’s race will be from a starting line approximately 1/4 mile north of Palm Beach/Lake Worth Inlet to a finish line 1/2 mile East of “R2”, St. Lucie entrance buoy (approximately 27 09.942N 80 07.834W) and will be between the Race Committee Boat and a floating red ball or government mark. The course length is 24 nm.

Finish: There is a time limit for the race. If no boats finish before 1800 hours the race will be abandoned. Any boat finishing in its class makes it a race for that particular class. The Race Committee will remain on station until 1800 hours. Boats finishing after that time should note their finish time and submit the time to the Race Committee after arriving on shore. It is recommended to note your position relative to any other boats you are finishing near.



Sunday, October 17th:

Sunday Start: The starting line will be just south of the St. Lucie Inlet channel and about 1/2 mile off shore. The start will be a traditional class start in accordance with RRS 26. Class flags and class starting order will be announced at the Skipper's Meeting on October 11th. The first signal marking the beginning of the start sequence will be at five (5) minutes prior to the start and occur at 1100 hours by the Committee Boats GPS time. All other starts will be rolling starts after the initial class start.

All auxiliary engines must be shut off five minutes prior to your class start or else you will be protested and risk a 720 degree penalty turn as soon after the start of your class as practical. The starting time and location may change due to weather conditions. Announcements will be on channel 72 the morning of the race.

Boats not in their class starting sequence shall remain 200 yards ,or greater, clear of the starting line.

Awards:

Prizes will be awarded to the top finishers in each class for each day depending on the number of entrants: 1st for 3 entrants; 1st and 2nd for 5 entrants; 1st, 2nd and 3rd for 7 entrants; 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th for 10 or more entrants. Classes may be split by handicap if we have over 14 entrants in a class. The coveted Castaways Cup Award will be presented to the best overall combined finishes. Any ties will be broken by combining the corrected times of all races. The yacht with the best combined time will be declared the winner.

Saturday and Sunday's racing awards will be presented at the CASTAWAYS "5 O'clock Somewhere" Event on Saturday, October 24th beginning at 6:00 pm. The location will be announced at the skipper's meeting before the race.

Our trophies are, distinct and tasteful, and have received many compliments, so come and give it a go!

Entry fees:

Entry fee includes skipper's materials, an event shirt, and a dinner ticket for the awards event.

Racing Vessel Entry Fee:	\$120.00
After October 2, 2021	\$150.00

Additional awards event dinners for crew and friends are \$40 each.



Race Registration Options

1. Registration by Mail

Please make your check payable to: Castaways Sailing Inc. and mail to:

Castaways Sailing Inc.
Attn.: Bob Gebbia
131 Bowsprit Drive
North Palm Beach, FL 33408

Please include the; Event Fees and Reservation Form, the Release of Liability and Entrance form; including shirt size, a copy of the current PHRF rating and your Check.

2. Registration On Line

You can make your reservations on line at www.regattanetwork.com. Look for 2021 Castaways Cup.

Applications cannot be accepted after Thursday October 14, 2021

Hotel Reservations:

Attendees may make hotel reservations directly with Marriott at 772-225-3700. A block of reduced rate rooms have been reserved at a rate of \$125.00/ night for this regatta. You may make your reservation by advising the reservations person that you are sailing in the Castaways Regatta. Our group code is **crgcrga**. Making your reservations this way will avoid the resort fees! To assure a room at this rate you must make your reservation by September 11 to assure the group rate and availability.

Dockage Reservations

Dock rates are about \$3.50 per foot + tax and utilities. YOU are responsible for making your own dock reservations. Make reservations directly with the Dock Master at 772-225-6989 or go on line at www.snag-a-slip.com. Please remember each boat is responsible for gratuities for the dockhands.

If you have any questions about the race please call Bob Gebbia at 561-351-8459 or email gebsplace@aol.com.

Have a GREAT Regatta!!!



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Release of Liability and Entry Form

Yacht Name: _____ Sail Number: _____

Yacht Type: _____ Make: _____ Model _____ Year Built _____

Overall Length: _____ Draft: _____ Boats PHRF Rating: _____

Racing Class: PHRF _____ JAM _____ Multi-Hull _____

Cruising _____

Skippers Name: _____ Shirt Size _____

Owners Name if different: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

*Telephone (day) _____ (night): _____ Cell: _____

*Email: _____ *(This is very important)

I hereby certify that any changes made by US-PHRF-SEF affecting the above named yacht's rating certificate will be forwarded to the Castaways Race Committee Chairman, Bob Gebbia at gebsplace@aol.com as soon as the yacht owner is notified of the changes

I hereby agree to all sailing instructions for this race, which I have read and understood.

I hereby warrant that my yacht will be certified, equipped and handled in accordance with those instructions; and that she will have all required equipment aboard. I understand that I am solely responsible for the safety of my yacht and her crew and that it is my sole responsibility whether to start or to continue the race.

The skipper/owner shall be responsible for the conduct of his or her crew and/ or guests. In the event of breach of conduct, sportsmanship, destruction of property, or failure to comply with the request of any race officer, committee member, or agent of the Castaways Sailing Club, Inc. the skipper/owner will be held responsible and his/her yacht shall be subject to protest and disqualification.



As a condition of participating, my crew and I acknowledge the following: That sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury associated with it. We have read 2013-2016 “The Racing Rules of Sailing Part 1, 4” Decision to Race, and hereby acknowledge and agree that we are participating in this event entirely at our own risk.

We further acknowledge and agree that neither the organizing authority, nor the race committee, nor their members, will be responsible for (a) any damage to the entered yacht or my other property, or (b) any injury to myself or my crew, including death, sustained as a result of the participation of myself, my crew, and the yacht in this event. I hereby waive any rights I may have to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) with respect to personal injury or property damage suffered by myself or my crew as a result of our participation in this event, including any claims arising as a result of the negligence of the race organizers, and hereby release the race organizers from any liability for such injury or damage to the fullest extent permitted by law. I have taken all necessary steps to ensure that myself and my crew, and the entered yacht are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law or that a prudent seaman would consider advisable.

The undersigned, individually and for the entire yacht crew, specifically release and forever discharge the Castaways Sailing Club, Inc., its members, officers and directors and all persons connected directly or indirectly with the operation of the race from any liability for liable, slander, loss, damage, negligence, harm, injury or death suffered by any of us which may occur during or as a result of participation in the race.

I grant Castaways Sailing, Inc. or its agent the unconditional and perpetual right to publish and broadcast the names and images of the skipper, crew and yacht prior to, during and after any of the races in these series.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Skipper

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Owner (if different from the skipper)

Revised: July 20, 2017



EVENT FEES AND CREW FORM

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Fee Schedule

Boat Name _____ \$120.00
AFTER Oct 2 \$150.00

Boat Registration includes; Skipper's Meeting Bag & materials, one (1) event shirt and one (1) dinner ticket to the awards event included. Shirts are available in Women's or Men's style.

Check one size: S ____, M ____, L ____, XL ____, XXL _____. Style M/F

Skipper's Name _____

Additional Event Shirts

<u>Shirt</u>	<u>Style (M/F)</u>	<u>Size (S,M,L,XL,XXL)</u>	<u>Cost</u>
1	_____	_____	\$ 30
2	_____	_____	\$ 30
3	_____	_____	\$ 30
4	_____	_____	\$ 30
5	_____	_____	\$ 30
6	_____	_____	\$ 30
7	_____	_____	\$ 30
8	_____	_____	\$ 30

TOTAL for enclosed check \$ _____



AWARDS EVENT DINNER

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Boat Name _____

Skipper's Name _____

(A single dinner ticket is included for each entry)

Number or Additional Dinners _____ **@ \$40 each**

TOTAL for enclosed check \$ _____