

2024 GulfStreamer and Brian Every Memorial Sprint

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May 23-26, 2024 Halifax River Yacht Club Daytona Beach, FL Notice of Race

1 RULES

1.1 The rules governing the 2024 GulfStreamer will be: The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS), the 2024 GulfStreamer Sailing Instructions (SI), the 2024 GulfStreamer Notice of Race (NOR), the 2024-2025 World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) (Recommended), the First Coast Sailing Association (FCSA) PHRF Ratings Policies and Rules (see www.sailjax.com) and any special instructions issued by the HRYC Race Committee. From sunset to sunrise, the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea will be in effect, see GulfStreamer 2024 Sailing Instructions for details.

1.2 Any changes to the Notice of Race and/or Sailing Instructions will be posted at HRYC on the official notice board and will also be available at HRYC.com and on the Regatta Network site at: https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/27466

2 ADVERTISING

2.1 Advertising shall be restricted in accordance with ISAF Regulations.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The GulfStreamer is open to all single or multi-hulled sailing vessels, with a minimum of 30 feet LOD, having inboard or outboard auxiliary power, manned by an eligible captain and crew, and meeting all safety requirements of Section 15 of the Sailing Instructions. The Race Committee may consider the qualification of a yacht by virtue of its offshore history and/or survey.
- **3.2** The GulfStreamer Sprint Race is open to all yachts with a LOD of 16 ft or more.
- **3.3** Eligible yachts may enter by completing the entrance form at the Regatta Network website (see 1.2). Registrations are not complete until payment is received. Payment may be sent, no later than May 17, 2024 to: Halifax River Yacht Club

Attn: GulfStreamer Race Committee

331 S. Beach Street

Daytona Beach, FL 32114-5089

4 FEES

4.1 Required fees are as follows:

GulfStreamer \$275.00 received on or before May 21, 2024

(includes Sprint) Boats requiring a FCSA rating should register by 5/16.

GulfStreamer Sprint \$50.00 – entry deadline May 21, 2024 for Sprint-only entries with FCSA rating.

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 Registration, check in and opening party:

Registration and check in: Thursday, 5/23/24 from 1200 to 1600.

FINALIZED CREW LIST DUE AT REGISTRATION

GulfStreamer Rum Party, Thursday, 5/23/24 at 1700

GulfStreamer Dinner, Thursday, 5/23/24 at 1900

- **5.2** Skippers Meeting and Weather Briefing, Friday 5/24/24 at 0900. Breakfast served.
- **5.3** 2024 GulfStreamer Race Warning signal, Friday 5/24/24 at 1355 EDT.
- **5.4** Bloody Mary Brunch Charleston YC, Flag Room, Sunday 5/26/24 at 1000
- **5.5** Awards Banquet, Charleston YC, Sunday 5/26/24 at 1900

6 MEASUREMENTS

Each entrant shall receive an FCSA PHRF Valid Rating Certificate. (Fee included with entry). Boats with CORA valid certificates are asked to furnish a copy with their entry.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be e-mailed to the entrant with their FCSA Valid Rating, posted on the official notice board located at the Halifax River Yacht Club in Daytona Beach, and will also be available at Regatta Network.

8 THE COURSE

8.1 The 2024 GulfStreamer will consist of a common start for two concurrent races. The first leg will be a Sprint Race. It will start at the start line near Ponce Inlet and finish at the Daytona Beach Main St. Pier, a distance of 10.6 nautical miles. The RC will record finish times from the pier. A yacht finishes when her bow crosses an imaginary line due east from the RC station and within 300 yards of the pier. The second leg will be an ocean race. It will start at the same start line, cross the Sprint Race finish line within 300 yards of the Daytona Beach Main St. Pier and then finish at buoy G15 of the Charleston Harbor entrance channel, approximate location N32.42.80, W79.47.70, a distance of 224 nautical miles. See the 2024 GulfStreamer Sailing Instructions for the finishing procedure.

9 SCORING

- **9.1** All yachts shall be scored using their FCSA (or CORA for Charleston entries) Valid Rating and corrected *time on time*.
- 9.2 The Race Committee reserves the right to reclassify any yacht at its discretion

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1 The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3 will apply. The penalty shall be one (1) percent of a yacht's elapsed time added to her corrected time. This changes Rule RRS 44.3 (c). A yacht taking a scoring penalty shall report it to the Race Committee within the protest time limit.

11 SAFETY REGULATIONS

It is RECOMMENDED that all yachts racing the GulfStreamer comply with the 2024-2025 OSR Category 2 requirements. Exceptions will be:

- 1. A dingy, inflatable or rigid, carried on deck or in davits ready for immediate deployment may be substituted for a life raft.
- 2. Life rafts are not required to have a canopy or an insulated floor.
- 3. It is RECOMMENDED that all classes racing only the Local Sprint Race shall comply with all 2024-2025 OSR Category 4 requirements.
- **11.1** All competing yachts shall carry hard copies of the appropriate NOAA charts covering the racecourse.
- **11.2** All yachts shall carry all the necessary safety equipment required by law, regulation, or class rules. This includes A) a 25-watt minimum VHF radio with a manufacturers recommended antenna (masthead recommended) capable of channels 9, 12, 16, 22A, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 78; B) a GPS device capable of displaying real time latitude and longitude location data.
- **11.3 Self-steering -** Yachts in all classes may be sailed with assistance of self-steering gear, electric or wind (modifies RRS 52).

12 SUPPORT YACHTS

All support yachts shall stay outside areas where yachts are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all yachts have started the race; the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

13 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither send nor receive any radio, mobile phone or WIFI network transmissions or use any other device, technology or other aid which is not available to all boats.

14 AWARDS

14.1 Trophies will be given as follows:

GulfStreamer 1st overall (corrected time);

GulfStreamer 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in all classes with 5 or more yachts competing;

Sprint 1st overall (corrected time);

Sprint 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in all classes with 5 or more yachts competing;

GulfStreamer 1st, with female crew;

GulfStreamer 1st, with youth crew:

GulfStreamer Perseverance award:

GulfStreamer Corinthian award;

GulfStreamer Club Trophy (minimum requirement 3 yachts from club);

14.2 The awards banquet will be held at Charleston Yacht Club on Sunday, May 29, 2024, at 1900. Dress is casual. Reservations with CHYC are necessary. The awards banquet will be preceded by a cocktail hour.

15 INSURANCE

Each participating yacht shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$250,000.00.

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

The Race Committee will be in charge of all scheduled races. The Race Committee Chairman or his designate will have final decision over management issues of the race, including, but not limited to whether a yacht will be allowed to compete, penalties (except protest – which will be over-seen by the Protest Committee), scoring, eligibility of yachts to race and time limits.

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. **See RRS 3**, "Decision to Race". The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

Despite the schedule to race and despite the Race Committee's decision to race, it is **ALWAYS** the skipper's decision whether he, his vessel and/or his crew should participate in any race. The responsibility of the decision to race and any and all consequences lies **SOLELY** with the skipper, captain or owner/operator of the vessel. **YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFETY**, **HEALTH AND WELFARE** OF YOUR VESSEL AND ANYONE ABOARD! YOU ARE FURTHER RESPONSIBLE FOR ACTIONS TAKEN BY YOUR CREW AND DAMAGE TO, OR CAUSED BY, YOUR VESSEL. THIS SHOULD ALWAYS GUIDE YOUR DECISION TO RACE AND YOUR ACTIONS WHILE RACING. The Race Committee accepts **NO** responsibility for your decision to race and any consequences that accompany it.

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact: Halifax River Yacht Club Attn: GulfStreamer Race Committee 331 S. Beach Street Daytona Beach, FL 32114