

May 17th & 18th, 2025 Savannah, Georgia

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 The sailing instructions will be available online at the regatta website and through Regatta Network by May 16th, 2025.

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/event/29737.
- 4.4 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees by Saturday, May 17th, 2025.
- 4.5 Late Registration may be available in the Dock House, Sat May 17th 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, & D: Rhodes 19

5 FEES

- 5.1 Entry fee is \$125.00. Registration includes two days of racing, coffee & pastries Saturday and Sunday, 2-dinner tickets and complimentary beer on Saturday, and awards ceremony with beer and heavy hors-de-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 Additional dinner tickets (\$20 per dinner) for Saturday must be purchased online https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/29737 by 2300 EDT on March 16th, 2025.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 Saturday, May 17th, 2025

0800 – 0955 – On Site Registration available at SYC Dock House (coffee & donuts)

0955 – Registration closes, 1000 – Skipper's meeting (In Person or Zoom Meeting, see NOR Ammendment)

1200 - Scheduled Warning signal for first class

1730 - After-race Reception and Dinner

6.2 Sunday, May 18th, 2025

1200 – 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 18th, 2025.

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 15th. 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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