Notice of Race (rev 3)

First Citizens Cup Regatta (And Deck Party)



Sept 29, 2012 Blackbeard Sailing Club New Bern, North Carolina

Blackbeard Sailing Club cordially invites all mono-hull sailboats 21 feet or over with a valid NC-PHRF Rating Certificate to attend the First Citizens Cup Regatta. This race will be a **middle distance race**, up the river, starting near government marker #8 at Minnesott Beach and finishing near Blackbeard Sailing Club in Upper Broad Creek. Boats are expected to arrive at Blackbeard Sailing Club around dinner time. After the racing we'll have a catered meal, potluck desserts by BSC members and Disk Jockey party on the deck at the club.

- 1. Rules: This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 2. Classes and Divisions: This is a one-race PHRF Middle-Distance Regatta for mono-hull sailboats. Class breaks will be determined by the organizing authority and will be posted online at Regatta Network after 5:00 PM Friday night Sept 28th. (See link at bottom). Three boats will constitute a class. Boats will race in their assigned PHRF Class. Classes may include; PHRF to around 120, PHRF from around 120 to 200, and PHRF over 200. Classes shall be determined by each boat's NC-PHRF rating.
- 3. Berthing: A limited amount of free slips are available at Blackbeard Sailing Club on a first-come, first-served basis. For details contact Blackbeard Sailing Club Dockmaster Bill Drechsler at <u>billhotchoc@hotmail.com</u>. Please include your Length, Beam and Draft in the first email. A shuttle service for boats anchored in Upper Broad Creek may be available.
- 4. Registration: The registration fee is \$40.00. All registration will be online. Just sign up online and meet us at the starting line. US Sailing members may deduct \$5.00 and must provide their USSA member number. Late Registration is after 8:00 PM Sunday September 23rd and will be accepted for an additional \$10 charge. Late Registration will close at 5:00pm on Friday September 28th. Please register early.
- 5. Dinner tickets. Catered dinner by Moores BBQ: BBQ, chicken, shrimp, slaw, potato salad, hush puppies, tea, and more. Dinner tickets are \$13. Contact Please contact Gay Whitney to reserve your dinner tickets gaywhitney@embargmail.com
- 6. Measurement/Rating: Each boat shall produce a valid NC-PHRF rating certificate. Boats who declare at registration their intention to race without flying a spinnaker shall have 15 seconds added to their NC-PHRF rating. If you are new to PHRF racing and do not have a valid NC-PHRF certificate, please attend this race anyway. The organizers will make sure you are assigned a PHRF number.
- 7. Sailing Instructions: The sailing instructions will be available online (see link at bottom) on or before September 23, 2012. Please print them and bring them to the regatta.
- 8. Prizes: Prizes shall be awarded for the Middle Distance Race 1st through 3rd for all classes.
- 9. Disclaimer of Liability: Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, 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.
- **10. Insurance:** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000, or the equivalent.

11.	Schedule: Saturday, September 29:	*NO SKIPPERS MEETING* print Sailing Instructions before departing dock.
	12:00 noon	Check in with Race Committee on the water near day marker #8 off Minnesott Beach. Race Committee will monitor VHF channel #67 and may make announcements to the fleet.
	12:25 PM	Approximate time of the Warning Signal.
	12:30 PM	Approximate time for the Start.
	6:30 PM	Catered dinner by Moores BBQ: BBQ, chicken, shrimp, slaw and more.
	7:00 PM	Awards Ceremony and party on the deck.

Race Information: Contact: Pete Thorn at peter@peterthornbuilders.com or 919-619-6544

Online Registration and Race Information: <u>www.regattanetwork.com/event/5064</u>

