



**2014 Commodore's Cup**  
***A WFPHRF Boat of the Year Event***  
***A Davis Island YC Boat of the Year Event***

Davis Island Yacht Club

Tampa, Florida

January 18-19, 2014

## **NOTICE OF RACE**

### **1. RULES**

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016*.

### **2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all boats with a valid WFPHRF certificate and any One-Design class, over 20-feet in length, with five or more entries.
- 2.2 Classes may be divided based on the number of entries.
- 2.3 Boats in classes with less than 4 entries will be placed in the appropriate WFPHRF Class/Division.
- 2.4 Under West Florida PHRF rules, this is a Category 4 event for the distance course and Category 5 for Spinnaker Class.
- 2.5 Cruising spinnakers are permitted for the Cruising Class. All Cruising Class boats intending to use a cruising spinnaker must declare so no later than 1900, January 17, by informing the registration desk staff between 1700-1900 on January 17.
- 2.6 Boats may enter on-line at [www.diytc.org](http://www.diytc.org) or by mail using the attached entry form. Boats may also enter, in person, at DIYC between 1700 and 1900 on January 17.
- 2.7 Entry must be made online or postmarked by January 12 to avoid a late fee.
- 2.8 No entry will be accepted after 1900, January 17.

### **3. FEES**

All boats: \$95

Late Fee: Entries received and paid after January 12 must add \$15.

Entries by non-members of US SAILING must add \$10.

Entry fee includes dockage, camping, keg and munchies after racing, and dinner Saturday (2 tickets).

Additional dinner tickets are \$14 in advance or \$17 Saturday.

### **4. SCHEDULE**

Friday	1700-1900	Late entry; optional check-in
Saturday	0800-1000	DIYC breakfast available for purchase
	0930	Skippers meeting – optional. Distance-race course posted.
	1100	Warning signal for Racer-Cruiser, then Non-Spinnaker and Cruising
	1100	First warning signal for Spinnaker, followed by One-Design classes
	<i>60-90 minutes after docking</i>	Dinner
Sunday	0800-1000	DIYC breakfast available for purchase
	0930	Distance-race course posted.
	1100	Warning signal for Racer-Cruiser, then Non-Spinnaker and Cruising
	1100	First warning signal for Spinnaker, followed by One-Design classes
		No races will start after 1500 on Sunday Awards to follow, including Egmont Key Race awards

### **5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be available on the DIYC website by January 12, and at the skippers meeting. Distance-race courses will be determined and posted on-site by 0930 each day.

## **6. THE COURSES**

- 6.1 Racer-Cruiser, Non-Spinnaker and Cruising will race distance races in Tampa Bay using fixed marks, one race per day.
- 6.2 Spinnaker and One-Design classes will race on drop-mark courses in Hillsborough Bay, as many races as possible.

## **7. PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 7.1 All PHRF classes will use the Scoring Penalty of rule 44.3 for breaches of rules in Part 2 and rule 31.
- 7.2 One-Design classes, except Melges-24s, will use the Two-Turns Penalty of rule 44.1.
- 7.3 For Melges-24s, the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **8. SCORING**

- 8.1 All handicap racing will be scored TOD using West Florida PHRF ratings:

Spinnaker Classes	Buoy Rating
Non Spinnaker Class	RLC Rating
Racer Cruiser Class	RLC Rating
Cruising Class	RLC Rating
- 8.2 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 8.3 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

## **9. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

PHRF boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with written permission of the race committee.

## **10. PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded based on entries received by January 12. Prizes will be awarded in each division for first place, if three boats; top two, if five boats; top three, if seven or more boats.

## **11. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

## **12. FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information, please contact Leon Williamson  
Regatta Chair: Leon Williamson



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## ENTRY FORM

Boat name \_\_\_\_\_ Sail # \_\_\_\_\_

Mfg & size \_\_\_\_\_ US Sailing Membership # \_\_\_\_\_

Class: Spinnaker \_\_\_\_ Non-Spinnaker \_\_\_\_ Racer-Cruiser \_\_\_\_ Cruising \_\_\_\_

WPHRF Rating Buoy \_\_\_\_\_ RLC \_\_\_\_\_ *WPHRF certificate must be attached (if not already on file at DIYC).*

One-Design: J-24 \_\_\_\_\_ Melges 24 \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Skipper \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Entry fee: \$ 95.00 \_\_\_\_\_ (includes 2 dinners)

Add'l dinners \$ 14.00 ea \_\_\_\_\_ (\$17.00 after registration)

Add \$ 10 - if US Sailing Non-Member \_\_\_\_\_

Add \$ 15 - if received after January 12<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

Total – make check payable to:  
Davis Island Yacht Club \$ \_\_\_\_\_

DIYC members only: I authorize club charge for the amount above to # \_\_\_\_\_ . \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**Parking Regulations –** Due to the limited parking availability at DIYC you are requested to be especially mindful of our normal request that all non-members park east of the marine railway.

**WAIVER AND RELEASE** - In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I hereby agree that the safety of my boat and her crew, including the decision whether or not to wear life jackets, and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race, is my responsibility and not that of any person sponsoring or undertaking such race. I hereby forever and irrevocably waive, release and discharge any and all claims, liability, loss, or damages, including but not limited to claims for property damage, personal injury or death, which I may have or in the future acquire against Davis Island Yacht Club, its officers, governors, members, employees, volunteers or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with my participation in any race or other activity sponsored or undertaken by any of them, even though such liability may arise out of their negligence or carelessness. I understand that serious accidents occasionally occur during sailboat racing, and that participants in sailboat racing occasionally sustain mortal or serious personal injuries and/or property damage as a consequence, and I knowingly assume all of the risks of sailboat racing. I agree that this waiver is binding on my heirs, representatives, successors and assigns.

I agree to be bound by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and by all other *rules* that govern this event.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print name of skipper

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Send to: Davis Island Yacht Club, 1315 Severn Ave, Tampa, FL 33606