



RAT ISLAND YACHT CLUB

2021 FALL REGATTA

NOTICE OF RACE

Race your sailboat from the Palatka riverfront in a point to point and return race with the RIYC on October 9, and around the buoys on October 10, 2021.

1. Rules: The Rat Island Yacht Club (RIYC) is the Organizing Authority for the 2021 Fall Regatta. The regatta shall be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-24 (RRS) and the prescriptions of the US Sailing Association..

2. Eligibility, Entry and Ratings:

2.1 The race is open to all who wish to participate. Ratings for the distance will be assigned based on base ratings from the PHRF book, or converted from Dixie Portsmouth, and adjusted for more or less sail area or other modifications from base boat as applicable. Boats may sail spinnaker or non-spinnaker but must declare configuration before the start. Buoy races will not be handicapped, and scores will be determined by finish position.

3. Fees: Entry fee per sailboat is \$10.00. Checks will be made payable to RIYC.

4. Schedule:

Saturday, October 9, 2021.

1000 Skippers Meeting by Bartram Bass at Palatka riverfront.

1100 First Warning Signal for distance race.

1800 Party venue TBA at Skippers Meeting.

Sunday October 10, 2021.

1000 Skippers Meeting by Bartram Bass at Palatka riverfront.

1100 First Warning Signal for first buoy race.

1105 Start for first buoy race.

1800 Awards party venue TBA at Skippers Meeting.

5. Sailing Instructions: The Sailing Instructions are below.

6. Venue: The race will be held in the St. Johns River, E of the Palatka town dock.

7. Scoring: The distance race will be scored according to time on distance based on each boat's handicap and the course length. Buoy races will be determined by finish position only, with no handicaps applied. The Low Point Scoring system shall apply.

8. Prizes: Awards will be awarded for first, second, and third in class, if five or more boats enter. If less than five boats enter, a prize will be awarded for the first place finisher only.

9. Further Information: For further information, contact Chris Woolsey at yjwools@hotmail.com

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Course: The courses will be announced at the Skippers Meetings.

2. Class Flag: Class flags are not required, but for start sequence purposes, the Class flag will be a RIYC Burgee.

3. The Start: Race will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal. The starting line will be between an orange flag at the committee station on the end of the dock, and the yellow start buoy (pin).

5 minutes before start Class Flag Raised "RIYC Burgee" Flag	Horn Sound
4 minutes before start Preparatory Signal "P" Flag raised	Horn Sound
1 minute before start P" Flag Removed	Horn Sound
0 time The Start Class Flag Removed	Horn Sound

4. The Finish: The finishing line will be between the orange flag at the committee station and a yellow floating buoy.

5. Time Limits: Time limits will be subject to the closing time of the party venue.

6. Protests: Protests will be heard on November 32 in the conference room on the third floor of the Boathouse Marina. Competitors are advised to seek absolution via Rule 44 should the need arise.

7. Radio Communication: Race committee will communicate on VHF channel 68. (back up channel 78A).

8. 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 liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with prior to, during, or after the regatta.

9. Changes to the Sailing Instructions or Notice of Race: Any changes to the Sailing Instructions or the Notice of Race will be announced verbally by the Race Committee prior to the start.