



SMYRNA YACHT CLUB MICHELOB REGATTA Saturday October 15th, 2011

Notice of Race

The 2011 "down wind river race" Michelob Regatta, sponsored by the Smyrna Yacht Club(SYC), will accommodate offshore racing classes in a fun race between the Mosquito Lagoon and the SYC.

All boats will be handicapped under PHRF, prior to the race, using the US Sailing PHRF book. The race will begin at SYC, or Marker 15 in the lagoon, running north to south, or south to north, depending on the wind direction. Advanced notice will be given at the skippers meeting.

Warning!! Be prepared to encounter pirates if we have to return from the lagoon after the race.

All boats will be stagger started in accordance with the handicap grouping. Slower boats will start first, followed by subsequent faster classes. Each boat will be required to fly a starting group color pendent from their backstay.

Each pre-registered boat will receive one commemorative mug and three complimentary tickets entitling them to a beer, selected by the club. First, second, and third will receive a special mug, while the first place boat name will be engraved on the club trophy.

Sailing Instructions

1. The race will be governed by modified US Sailing rules for safety on the river.
 - A. All shallow water, water outside of the channel, and channel markers are considered a continuing obstruction and right of way shall be determined according to Rules 19 and 20 of 'The Racing Rules of Sailing'.
 - B. Boats within the designated starting area before predetermined start will be assessed a 720 degree turn after their determined start.
2. The mandatory safety equipment will be in accordance with US Sailing Association
3. The first start will begin at 11 a.m. either from the lagoon, or SYC pier.

A warning signal (red class) will be raised for the first start at 10:55, followed by the preparatory (blue-white square) at 10:56.
The preparatory flag will be removed at 10:59, followed by the class flag at 11.00.

The class flag will be raised one minute before a designated start, and removed at each subsequent designated start.

Each boat will start at their eligible group starting time. The RC will keep track of starting eligibility and hail those over early.

All boats waiting to start, but not yet eligible, will keep clear of starting area as marked with a starting zone 50 yards behind the line. Boats in this area prior to their designated start will be penalized with a 720 degree turn after their designated start.

4. The RC will reserve the right to shorten course.
5. Boats will start at a line running east of the club to a starting marker, or east of the RC boat in the lagoon to a starting marker. Directions will be determined by wind conditions. Boats that have not started, and boats that have finished, will stay clear of boats racing. Failure to do so may result in a DSQ
6. There will be a three hour time limit on finish.
7. Protest appeal to SYC Committee. Forms will be available at registration. Protests will be delivered to the committee within 60 minutes of race completion. No further appeals.
8. Your starting time sequence will be delivered to the skipper at the Skipper's Meeting.

Communications

All communications will take place on VHF radio channel 72.

Scoring

Scoring will be determined by the boats cross the finish line. All boats will be handicapped respective to type of sails, intended use of spinnaker, double head sail, prop configuration and deployed bimini.

In case of bad weather, the race will be run at a subsequent time, to be determined. Possible alternates are Sunday 16th October or Saturday 22nd October.

Safety Regulations

All boats entered in the race must check in with RC, and Check out when retired. All boats will carry the US Sailing recommended safety equipment. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance.

All boats will obey waterway laws within communities of the course, south of the club.

Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participating 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, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, or prior to, during, or after the regatta. The decision to participate is entirely the boat skippers and their guests.

Event Schedule (Long course)

8:30 a.m.	Skipper's Meeting
10:55	Class flag up- First class group
10:56	Preparatory flag up
10:59	Preparatory flag down
11:00	Class flag down- Start of first class

Cost Of Event- \$25 per boat. This entitles you to participation, a mug and three beer tickets. Boat owners may register on line under www.smyrnayachtclub.com, or by picking up an application from the SYC reception desk and returning it to David Smith, chairman of SYC Michelob Regatta **before October 12th, 2011. After that date, \$30.**

Michelob Regatta Application for Entry Form
October 15th, 2011

Please fill out information below, and mail to David Smith, Smyrna Yacht Club, P.O. Box 1560 New Smyrna Beach Fl. 32170L. Deadline for application is October 12th 2011.

Entry Fee: \$25 After October 12th \$30. Make checks payable to Smyrna Yacht Club.

Name of yacht _____ Sail # _____ PURF Rating _____ submit copy
Make/Model/Designer _____ Type Rig _____
LOA _____ LWL _____ ft DISP. _____ # I _____ ft J _____ ft. E _____ ft. P _____ ft.
Rated sail area _____ LP of largest Jib _____ ft. Spinnaker Y ___ N ___
Double Head Sail Y ___ N ___ Sail Foil: Dacron ___ Mylar/Kevlar ___ If Other _____
Bimini _____ Hull Form: Full Keel _____ Fin _____ Swing _____ Dagger _____ Center Bd. ___
Wing _____ Bulb _____ Catamaran _____ Water Ballast _____ Tri-maran _____ **If your vessel is non-standard, or modified in any way...comment _____**

Skipper Information

Name _____ Address _____
Tel. _____ Cell _____ E-mail _____

Waiver

In consideration of being permitted to participate in the Michelob Regatta, and being fully knowledgeable of the risks of sailing as a competitive sport, I agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless the Smyrna Yacht Club, its members, officers and Race Committee from any and all losses, damages, claims, suits, actions, expenses, or other liability, including, without limitation, attorneys' fees and expenses which may directly or indirectly arise from participation and/or attendance as a spectator or otherwise by me or any guests or invitees of mine in aforementioned Regatta and ay activities related thereto, including without limitations, any such liability arising, in whole or in part, by reason of alleged or actual ordinary negligence of parties released /indemnified above. I recognize that the parties released/indemnified above are materially relying on this agreement by me and that I would not be invited to participate in/attend the Regatta unless I agree to the RELEASE AND INDEMNITY.

Do you agree with the above waiver? Yes ___ No ___

Signed _____ Date _____

Please mail to:
David Smith, Chairman, Michelob Regatta
SMYRNA YACHT CLUB
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