



2020 Twilight Series  
Notice of Race  
Organizing Authority: St Petersburg Yacht Club (SPYC)

**Rules:** The Twilight Series will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Sailing Instructions.

**Eligibility:**

Open to any self-righting sailboat with an enclosed cabin and self-draining cockpit. Since such divergent boats may be competing they should have, or be eligible for, a current PHRF rating. Boats that have no rating will have one assigned by the Race Committee(RC).

PHRF certificates, and any queries, should be sent to;

Twilight Event Chair, St Petersburg Yacht Club

11 Central Avenue, St Petersburg, FL 33701 (or email Twilight-Sailing@spyc.org)

The series is also open to one-designs. Those that can supply five or more competitors may be scored as a separate class. Competitors in the SPYC J70s are encouraged to participate. They will have their own start.

The remaining sailors are encouraged to come out, check in with the race committee signal boat, sail the course and have a good time.

**Fees:**

No entry fee and no entry form are required. Competitors that wish to be scored during the series will need to register in the yachtscore program at [www.yachtscore.org](http://www.yachtscore.org) and remit \$15 for the season.

**SPECIAL NOTE TO SPYC SONAR and J70 competitors:** For Sail Number enter "SONAR" or "J70" or for non-spin "SONARNS" or "J70NS". Yacht Name should be unique, such as your full name. Spinnaker SONARS have an assigned PHRF of 177, non-spin 203. J70s will be one-design only.

**Schedule:** Friday nights – March 20, March 27 and April 4 through August 28. If conditions allow, the first race will begin at 18:30 with a warning signal at 18:25.

1<sup>st</sup> start: J70s, purple flag

2<sup>nd</sup> start: all spinnaker class boats, Twilight flag

3<sup>rd</sup> start: non-spinnaker and cruisers, yellow flag

**Classes:** Spinnaker A (PHRF<=170) Spinnaker B (PHRF>170), Non-Spinnaker, Cruising and one-design.

**Venue:** Tampa Bay, east of downtown

**Courses:** Will be displayed on a board on Race Committee boat. Government marks G1, G3, "big J" and "little J" may be used

**Penalty System.** RRS 44.2 is modified to **one** tack and **one** gybe satisfying the rule

**Sailing Instructions:** available in February, [www.spyc.org](http://www.spyc.org)

**Radio Communication.** RC will be on Channel 63(US) at 1700. Weather conditions, course selection, count-down and infractions will be broadcast.

**Scoring:** A boat must compete in 50% of the total number of races in the season to qualify for an award. A "series" score is the total of the scores in the best "number" of races, where "number" is the number of races *needed* to qualify. Corrected times will be calculated using the Time on Time method.

**Awards:** There will be a fun event at the end of the series, tentatively August 28, after the race.

Trophies will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each class:

spinnaker A, spinnaker B, non-spinnaker, cruising and J70, if the class qualifies.

The Cutty Sark Perpetual Trophy will be updated with a plaque listing the 1<sup>st</sup> place boat in each class.

The Ed Sherman Trophy will recognize a Sonar winner.

The Nancy Ammon will be awarded to a racing Captain *worthy of note*. Race Committee would appreciate recommendations for this recognition.

A J70 winner will also be recognized.