

**53RD ANNUAL  
WIRTH M. MUNROE MEMORIAL  
INVITATIONAL YACHT RACE**



**FORT LAUDERDALE TO PALM BEACH**

**FRIDAY  
DECEMBER 4, 2009**

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**RACE INSTRUCTIONS**

# THE SAILFISH CLUB OF FLORIDA & THE CRUISING CLUB OF AMERICA

HOST THE

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#### 1. NOTICE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

These races will be governed by the International Sailing Federation (ISAF), the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of US Sailing, the 2000 ORC Special Regulations of Category 4 Races, the rules of PHRF, and IRC, the Notice and Sailing Instructions and amendments thereto.

#### 2. ELIGIBILITY, ENTRIES AND CLASSES

To be eligible a boat shall: be owned or chartered by a member of a recognized yacht club or sailing association; have a valid PHRF of S.E. Florida and IRC rating certificate (*should you choose to race in the IRC class*); meet the requirements of ORC Special Regulations for Category 4 and have a designed LOA of at least 24.5 feet. A one-design group of five (5) or more boats will be given their own class and awards.

Separate classes under PHRF and IRC will be run this year provided sufficient valid entries are received for each class.

The entry fee is **\$250.00**. Checks should be made payable to: The Sailfish Club of Florida.

Enter the race at [www.YachtScoring.com](http://www.YachtScoring.com) or complete attached entry form and mail to: The Sailfish Club of Florida, 1338 North Lake Way, Palm Beach, FL 33480, Attention Samantha Dover. The entry deadline is noon, Wednesday, December 2, 2009. The entry shall include the entry fee and the PHRF of S.E. Florida rating certificate and IRC certificate (should you choose to race in the IRC class).

Class divisions will be announced at the skipper's meeting scheduled for Thursday, December 3, 2009 at the Lauderdale Yacht Club.

#### 3. SKIPPER, CREW AND CREW LISTS

The minimum crew shall be four (4) persons including the skipper. The maximum limit will be determined by the rating rule under which the boat sails. A complete list of names and addresses of all persons on board for the race shall be delivered to the race committee no later than the skipper's meeting.

#### 4. SKIPPER'S MEETING AND AMENDMENTS TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

A skipper's meeting will be held at 1800 hours on Thursday, December 3, 2009 at the Lauderdale Yacht Club (LYC). Each boat should be represented. Amendments to the sailing instructions issued prior to this meeting will be distributed at the meeting and posted on the notice board of the LYC.

#### 5. STARTS, COURSE AND FINISHES

##### START:

**Date:** Friday, December 4th, 2009

**Location:** Approximately 1 NM northeast of Port Everglades Inlet, Ft. Lauderdale

**Logging In:** Prior to the first warning signal each boat shall pass astern of the committee boat on starboard tack for visual acknowledgement of their presence. A boat not in its starting sequence shall stay clear of the starting area and not interfere with boats preparing to start.

**Line:** Between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and an anchored inflatable buoy. The Race Committee will display the burgee of the Cruising Club of America and will be monitoring **VHF Channel 72**.

**Time:** First warning signal at **0955 hours**. First start at **1000 hours**. A time check will be broadcast on **VHF Channel 72** at **0950 hours**.

***Races shall be started in accordance with RRS 26 at five-minute intervals, with Class A as first start.***

##### RECALLS:

**Individual Recall:** Per RRS 29.2, the race committee may call back sail numbers of early starters on **VHF Channel 72**.

**General Recall:** Per RRS 29.3, the race committee shall display code flag "First Substitute" with two sound signals. The warning signal for the class recalled will be made one minute after this signal is lowered. When a general recall has been signaled, the start(s) for the succeeding class(es) will be postponed accordingly.

##### COURSE:

The course will be from the starting line off Ft. Lauderdale, to the finish off the Lake Worth Inlet at the northern end of Palm Beach. Handicap distance is 34 Nautical miles.

## **FINISH:**

The finish line will be at the Lake Worth Inlet between the northeastern red bell buoy "2" FR 2.5 Sec and the southwestern green buoy "3" FG 4 Sec and must be crossed in a northerly direction. The race committee boat will display the burgee of The Sailfish Club of Florida. The committee boat will not be a part of the line.

## **6. FINISHING PROCEDURE**

At approximately 10 minutes before finishing, each boat will call the race committee on **VHF Channel 72**. They will announce their vessel's name and sail number. Please illuminate your sail number if finishing in the dark.

Each boat is responsible for taking their own finish time and reporting this time to the on shore race committee.

**GPS (WAAS)** is the requested method to record your finish time. Finish times recorded by the race committee will be considered official.

Boats well behind the fleet shall monitor **VHF Channel 72** in order to report, if requested, their estimated time to finish. The committee boat may leave the finish area without notice. If so, all boats are reminded to record their finish time and upon approaching the Sailfish Club docks, call the dock master on **VHF Channel 72** and identify your boat.

## **7. RETIREMENT**

A boat which retires from the race shall notify the race committee at (561) 844.0206 (ask for Samantha Dover) at the first reasonable opportunity by any practical means. Instead of by telephone, notification on **VHF Channel 72** with the committee boat will suffice.

## **8. SCORING**

The boat with the lowest corrected time shall receive points for first place, etc.

## **9. ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES**

A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing may take a penalty at the time of the incident by making 720° turn in compliance with R.R.S. 44.2 or take a scoring penalty in compliance with R.R.S. 44.3.

## **10. PROTESTS**

A boat intending to protest is requested to notify the race committee promptly after its finish. Written protests shall be filed with the race committee at the Sailfish Club Dock within 1 hour after the finish or retirement of the protesting boat.

Protests shall be heard within thirty (30) minutes of the time of filing. Notices of protest will be posted on the official notice board soon after they are received. It is the responsibility of each boat involved in a protest to report to the protest committee at the time and place designated for hearings.

## **11. SPECIAL AWARDS**

Special awards to be presented include:

### **First Yacht To Finish**

Perpetual trophy in memory of Charles Schulman of The Sailfish Club of Florida

### **Navigator of First Yacht To Finish**

Perpetual trophy in memory of Edward W. Crawford of The Sailfish Club of Florida

### **First Overall**

Corrected time winner of PHRF Division

Perpetual trophy presented by the Cruising Club of America

### **First Sailfish Club Yacht To Finish**

Presented by The Sailfish Club in memory of Richard D. Kreuzler

### **First Sailfish Club Yacht On Corrected Time**

Presented by The Sailfish Club in memory of Adrian Van Voast

### **First Cruising Club of America Yacht On Corrected Time**

Perpetual trophy presented by the Cruising Club of America.

## **12. SKIPPER'S MEETING, SOCIAL ACTIVITIES AND TROPHY PRESENTATION**

### **SKIPPER'S MEETING: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2009 1800 HOURS**

The Lauderdale Yacht Club is graciously providing facilities for a skipper's meeting at **1800** hours together with cocktails (cash bar) from **1730** to **1930** hours. All race participants and guests are cordially invited to join this traditional pre-race get-together and meeting. Sailing attire requested. Dining available by reservation by calling 954.524.5500. Dockage available by reservation with Dock Master Caitlyn Sullivan at: 954.527.2209.

### **PRE-RACE BREAKFAST: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2009, 0700 HOURS**

A continental breakfast is available by reservation at the Lauderdale Yacht Club by calling 954.524.5500.

### **DINNER, DANCING AND TROPHY PRESENTATION: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2009**

Traditional complimentary rum drinks served to finishing race participants. Renowned Sailfish Club Seafood Buffet will be available from **1800-2100** hours to participants and guests at \$65.00 including tax and gratuity. Steel drum/island music for dancing from **1900-2300** hours or later. The bar will be open until **2300** hours or later. Drinks by ticket - - \$9.00, \$6.00 and \$3.00. **Informal dress code.** Awards will be presented after official race results have been calculated.

### 13. OTHER INFORMATION

Information desk and boat check-in will be maintained by the race committee near the dockside entrance to The Sailfish Club Friday afternoon and evening until all yachts have arrived and finished the race.

Anchoring out is necessary when dock space is unavailable. Launch boats will be available to transport all crew members to shore. Showers and facilities are available at the Sailfish Club to the left of the dock master's office.

**Note:** Dockage arrangements at the *Lauderdale Yacht Club* are the responsibility of the entrants and is not included in the entry fee for the race.

#### THE SAILFISH CLUB OF FLORIDA

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This information can also be found at:  
[www.SailfishClub.com](http://www.SailfishClub.com)

#### Land Directions to The Sailfish Club of Florida

**From Florida Turnpike:** Exit West Palm Beach. Turn left at the exit onto Okeechobee Boulevard (Route 704). Travel east on Okeechobee Boulevard for 4.0 miles to the I-95 junction. Continue east on Okeechobee Boulevard and follow directions from I-95 below.

**From I-95:** Exit 52A, Okeechobee Boulevard East in West Palm Beach. Proceed east on Okeechobee Boulevard for 1.7 miles to Flagler Drive which parallels the edge of the Intracoastal Waterway. At this junction, proceed straight across the bridge, over the waterway into Palm Beach. Upon crossing, you will be traveling east on Royal Palm Way in Palm Beach to the second traffic signal. At the second light, turn left (north) onto South County Road (A1A). Approximately .9 miles north you will have passed the Breakers Hotel on the right and come to the Palm Beach Post Office on the right. Note your mileage. Do not follow A1A, but continue north on North County Road which flows into North Ocean Boulevard which twice winds to the right to border the ocean. Near the end of the second ocean run, turn left at 3.5 miles from the Post Office (or the 11<sup>th</sup> left after you come to the second ocean run) onto Seagate Road and travel west to North Lake Way. Seagate Road will run directly into the entrance of the Sailfish Club.

#### Land Directions to the Lauderdale Yacht Club:

**1724 SE 12th Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316**

**Ph: 954.524.5500**

Take I95 to I595 East. Exit US1 North. Follow US1 North to 17<sup>th</sup> Street Causeway. Take a right on 17<sup>th</sup> Street Causeway. At second light, take a left on Cordova Road. Follow through the residential area and take a right onto SE 12<sup>th</sup> Street. This will bring you into the Lauderdale Yacht Club.



#### SAILFISH CLUB RACE COMMITTEE

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