



## **2017 PINEAPPLE CUP**

Miami to Montego Bay

### **NOTICE OF RACE**

Ocean sailing boats that meet the eligibility requirements contained in this Notice are invited to enter the Pineapple Cup 2017, a race from Miami to Montego Bay, Jamaica. A skipper's meeting is scheduled to be held at 1730 hours at the Biscayne Bay Yacht Club on Thursday, February 2, 2017; and the first signal is scheduled to be at 1400 hours on Friday, February 3, 2017.

The Montego Bay Yacht Club welcomes all competitors to race to Montego Bay, Jamaica.

The event website is [www.mobayrace.com](http://www.mobayrace.com)

## **1 MANAGEMENT**

- 1.1 The Pineapple Cup is organized by the Montego Bay Yacht Club and the Jamaica Sailing Association in cooperation with the Storm Trysail Club and Manuka Sports Event Management.
- 1.2 The Montego Bay Yacht Club will appoint a Race Director and a Race Committee. The Race Director shall have the authority to interpret the rules and conditions of the race and related activities, and to reject the entry of any boat at any time prior to the start of the race or related activities

## 2 RULES

- 2.1 Racing will be governed by:
- 2.2 The current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). If there is one-design racing and there is a conflict between the Class Rules and the RRS, Class Rules shall apply.
- 2.3 The World Sailing Special Offshore Regulations 2016-2017 (OSR).
- 2.4 The current IRC Regulations Parts A, B & C. IRC boats equipped and rated with water ballast and/or canting keel may use same. This modifies RRS 51.
  - 2.4.1 In accordance with IRC Rule 11.2, without an increase in rating, a boat may carry one or more spinnaker than shown on her certificate, if of area not greater than rated SPA.
  - 2.4.2 The number of crew allowed shall be the number stated on the certificate plus: 1 if her certificate allows up to 9; 2 if up to 13; 3 if 14 or over.
- 2.5 The PHRF of Southeast Florida Rules and Regulations as may be amended by the Race Committee.
  - 2.5.1 Crew limits for PHRF boats shall be as listed on their current valid certificate, plus one.

## 3 EQUIPMENT, INSPECTION and SAFETY

- 3.1 All competing boats shall carry the appropriate hard copy, nautical charts covering the race course
- 3.2 All boats must conform to the World Sailing Special Offshore Regulations 2016-2017 (OSR) **Category 2** with the following changes or additions:
  - 3.2.1 **Engine and Fuel (OSR 3.28):** OSR 3.28 is amended to permit, as an alternative to the inboard engine required by 3.28.1, an outboard engine, which may be carried on the transom or securely stowed below decks in such a way that it is available for immediate deployment.  
The requirements of 3.28.3 apply, except that a sealed and approved portable container may be carried above the working deck or in a vented locker such that there is no possibility of leakage into the bilges or interior of the yacht.
  - 3.2.2 Sufficient fuel to provide range under power of at least 75 miles.
  - 3.2.3 Operative VHF/FM transceiver with Channels 9, 16, 68, 71 and 72. (DSC and GMDSS equipped VHF radios are encouraged.)
  - 3.2.4 AIS Transponder recommended, but not required.
  - 3.2.5 Life raft need not have a canopy or insulated floor

3.3 The Race Committee has the right to inspect any boat without prior warning before the start and after the finish of the race. It may reject any entry or deny an award on its findings.

3.3.1 All boats are strongly encouraged to follow the Storm Trysail Club Safety Guidelines for Rendering Assistance. These guidelines are available on the Storm Trysail Club website: [www.stormtrysail.org](http://www.stormtrysail.org)

#### 4 ELIGIBILITY

4.1 The 2017 Pineapple Cup – Montego Bay Race invites boats whose owner/charterer is a member of a recognized yacht club or his or her national governing authority.

4.2 This event is open to boats of no less than 30' Length Overall.

4.3 **IRC** rated boats with a LOA of 30 feet minimum, having submitted a completed entry form, and a valid 2017 endorsed IRC Certificate are invited. Boats submitting a non-endorsed IRC Certificate may be accepted at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

4.4 **PHRF** boats with a LOA of 30 feet minimum, and rating 150 sec/mi or less, having submitted a completed entry form, and a valid 2016 PHRF Certificate obtained from PHRF of Southeast Florida are invited. For information regarding PHRF of Southeast Florida ratings or to apply for a Certificate from PHRF of Southeast Florida, contact PHRF of Southeast Florida at [www.phrfsef.com](http://www.phrfsef.com).

4.5 A **Multihull** class will be offered for ocean racing / cruising type boats at least 30 feet LOA minimum with enclosed cabins and permanent accommodations

4.5.1 Multihull boats must have a current valid South Florida MASF/PHRF Multihull Rating Certificate.

4.6 Boats may enter as **Double-handed**. Power-driven winches and furlers, and mechanical and electro-mechanical steering devices will be permitted in the Double-Handed Division. This modifies RRS 52.

## **5 ENTRY and ENTRY FEES**

- 5.1 The entry deadline for the 2017 Pineapple Cup – Montego Bay Race shall be Monday, January 9th, 2017. Entries may be completed By following the link online at [www.mobayrace.com](http://www.mobayrace.com), or at [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com)
- 5.2 To be eligible to race, A completed entry, a signed waiver forms, a full and accurate crew list including names, addresses and emergency contact information along with an equipment declaration form and the prescribed entry fee for each boat must be received by the Race Committee prior to the final entry deadline of January 9, 2017
- 5.3 Pineapple Cup entry fee is \$950.00
  - 5.3.1 A Late Entry Fee of \$300.00 shall be assessed to those entering after 1700 EST on January 9, 2017

## **6 SCHEDULE**

- 6.1 The first signal will be at 1400 hours on Friday, February 3, 2017
- 6.2 A Skipper's Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 2, 2017 at the Key Biscayne Yacht Club at 1730 hours.

## **7 THE COURSE**

- 7.1 The course to be sailed shall be from a Start line in the vicinity of Government Cut, Miami, through the Bahamas Islands to the finish line off Montego Bay, Jamaica, leaving Great Isaac (including Northeast Rock and East Brother), Great Stirrup, Eleuthera Island, Long Island, and Cuba to Starboard. Specific locations for the start and finish line will be included in the Sailing instructions.

## **8 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 8.1 In the case of a protest involving Part 2 of the Rules or the COLREGS, the boat found at fault, instead of being disqualified may, at the option of the Protest Committee, be assessed an alternative penalty determined by the Protest Committee in its sole discretion. This changes RRS 64.1.

## **9 SCORING**

- 9.1 The IRC division will be scored time-on-time using the IRC Time Correction Factor.
- 9.2 For **PHRF** division, the boat's PHRF rating, times the course length will be its time allowance.

## **10 LIMITATIONS ON WEATHER AND OCEANOGRAPHIC INFORMATION**

- 10.1 Rule 41(c) is replaced by: A boat shall not receive help from any outside source except help in the form of information which is freely available to all boats, which shall include navigational, weather, tide or current information from any source which is available to all boats whether or not by payment of a fee or subscription, but shall not include information gathered or the subject of interpretation by, or any advice from, any source not on board the boat and which is specific to the boat and her situation.

## **11 PRIZES**

- 11.1 **ROBERT McNEIL MOBAY COURSE CHALLENGE TROPHY** - For the 1<sup>st</sup> monohull boat to break the Montego Bay Race 811 nm course record of 2days, 10hrs, 24min, and 42sec set in 2005 by "Titan 12".

**SILVER ROSE BOWL PERPETUAL TROPHY** - For 1<sup>st</sup> monohull boat to finish.

**SILVER PINEAPPLE CUP PERPETUAL TROPHY** - For 1<sup>st</sup> overall corrected time IRC rated boat.

**SILVER SEAHORSE PERPETUAL** – For 1<sup>st</sup> overall corrected time PHRF rated boat.

**ARAWAK PERPETUAL TROPHY** – For 1<sup>st</sup> overall corrected time Multihull MASF rated boat.

**E.J. GARMHAUSEN PERPETUAL TROPHY** - For 1<sup>st</sup> overall corrected time IRC & PHRF navigators. (Shared)

**CLASS TROPHIES** - For 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each class.

- 11.2 **THE JAMAICA TOURIST BOARD LOG AWARD:** Will be awarded for the most interesting log, to be determined at the discretion of the Montego Bay Yacht Club Race Committee

- 11.3 All trophies will be the property of Montego Bay Yacht Club and will remain at the Montego Bay Yacht Club.

## **12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 12.1 Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk and are reminded to pay special attention to RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers including Montego Bay Yacht club, The Storm Trysail Club, Manuka Sports Event Management, the Race Committee, employees, contractors, sponsors, volunteers, or any other affiliated organization or

official will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the 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 before and during this event in both on the water and shore side activities to the fullest extent permitted by law.

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