



*39 Annual SPYC Invitational Pusser's Rum Cup / Ted Irwin  
Memorial Notice of Race*

*March 27, 2021*

Sponsored by SPYC and Pusser's Rum Cup  
St. Petersburg Yacht Club  
Notice of Race

**SPYC COVID-19 Policies**

All CDC, State of Florida, County and City of St Pete guidelines/restrictions will be strictly followed along with the SPYC/SPSC COVID-19 rules and regulations.

**DUE TO COVID-19, THIS EVENT MAY BE CANCELLED AT ANY TIME.** If cancellation becomes necessary, entry fee will be refunded.

All persons on SPYC/SPSC property shall wear a mask/face covering at all times while on site. This includes the parking lot, breezeways, classrooms, restrooms, and docks.

Temperature checks may be performed on all persons entering all SPYC facility.

It is critical to be mindful of how you feel, and particularly when ANY of the potential COVID- 19 symptoms are present, to please stay home.

**1. Organizing Authority**

The St. Petersburg Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority.

1.2 This regatta is an Official Suncoast Boat of the Year Event and the St. Petersburg Yacht Club Ocean Racing Challenge.

1.3. As allowed by RRS 88.2, the US Sailing prescriptions to RRS 60, 63.2, & 63.4 do not apply to these classes.

1.4. If there is a conflict between this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence.

**2 Rules**

2.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the current WFPHRF *Class Rules*.

2.2 This is a West Florida PHRF Category 4 event.

**3 Advertising**

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

Advertising shall be restricted to ISAF Advertising Code 20.2.2, 20.2.3.

#### 4 Eligibility, Entry and Classes

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all mono-hull or multi-hull boats that hold a valid and current 2020 WFPHRF Certificate with a rating between -100 and 320 and that is self-righting, and has an enclosed cabin and self-bailing cockpit.
- 4.2 The classes will be Multihull, Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker, Cruising, Racer/Cruisers, One-Design (must comply with their class rules, be self-righting, and have an enclosed cabin and self-bailing cockpit)
- 4.3 All boats shall display the same number on all sails. The Cruising Class shall have a number on at least one sail; in the event two boats have the same number, the race committee may assign a suffix. Failure to display the suffix may result in disqualification. If a problem arises on the course with this suffix, the skipper must identify his vessel when he/she crosses the finish line. Class designations and insignias do not constitute conforming sail numbers.
- 4.4 There must be a minimum of 4 boats per class either one design or PHRF. Any class with less than four may be placed in the appropriate WFPHRF division.
- 4.5 Cruising spinnakers are permitted for the Cruising Class.
- 4.6 The Cruising Class shall declare their intent to use a Cruising spinnaker by 1700 Thursday, March 25, 2021.
- 4.7 Eligible boats may enter in advance by completing the Entry Form by the entry deadline in 5.1. To enter electronically, go to [www.spyc.org](http://www.spyc.org) click on "Regattas". Scroll down to Pusser's Rum Cup-click on the link. You will arrive at the Yacht Scoring Page, Click on Online Entry Form/Application. You must enter your WFPHRF Certificate ID number on the right-hand side of the application.
- 4.8 The yacht must be owned by a member in good standing of a recognized yacht club, sailing club, or organization.
- 4.9 No boats entry will be final without a completed and signed online [YS] waiver from each participating crew member. If there is a crew member substitution, that crew member must complete and sign an on line [YS] waiver. The skipper shall inform the OA &/or PRO of same prior to the first warning that day.
- 4.10 No boat will be scored without completing all entry requirements.

#### 5 Entry Fees-All fees include tax.

##### 5.1 Pusser's Rum Cup Entry

\$65.00 Early Entry Deadline is March 12, 2021

(\$60.00 For USSA Members-must attach copy of current card)

\$85.00 For Entry Fees paid from March 12, 2021 thru March 25, 2021 (**No reduction for USSA**)

Entry fees may be paid by check, cash, credit card, SPYC number.

##### Final entry deadline:

**1700 on Thursday, March 25, 2021 No Entries will be accepted after this date and time**

#### 6 Schedules

Friday	March 26	1700 to 1900 Registration -will be electronically online. If in-person is needed you will be notified. 1900 - Skipper's Meeting If needed, take place electronically
Saturday	March 27	1100-First Warning Signal 1800-Per NOR, beverage tickets are included in entry fee.
Sunday	March 28	<u>Possible</u> Make-up Date if no race Saturday (will be decided on Saturday) 1100-First Warning Signal

6.1 One race is scheduled.

#### 7 Measurements

Each boat shall produce a valid 2021 West Florida PHRF Certificate.

#### 8 Sailing Instructions

The final sailing instructions will be available on Friday, March 27, 2020 at the SPYC Registration desk at 1700. They may be posted on the website earlier as preliminary.

#### 9 Venues

Landside activities will be at the St. Petersburg Yacht, 11 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg, Florida. The racing area will be in central Tampa Bay.

#### 10 The Course

10.1 The courses will be as described in the Sailing Instructions.

10.2 The courses raced shall be configured for the WFPHRF Random Leg Rating. (RLC)

## 11 Penalty Systems

11.1 The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3 (a), (b), (c) will apply.

## 12 Scoring

The Low-Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply. No Race will be excluded.

## 13 Berthing

Boats are to berth in the area assigned by the SPYC Dockmaster, when arriving for the race and returning after the race is completed. If extended stays are needed either before or after the regatta they must be approved by the SPYC Dockmaster. Phone #727-822-3227 email [Dockmaster@spyc.org](mailto:Dockmaster@spyc.org)

## 14 Communications

14.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

14.2 The Official Bulletin will be Yacht Scoring. All competitors shall have a way to access Y.S. to receive all communications posted.

14.3 The Race Committee may use RRS 90.2[C] to make changes to NOR and /or SI's on the water.

## 15 Prizes

Prizes will be given as follows: Classes will be divided into divisions according to the number of entries. First, Second and Third place trophies will be given for each division.

## 16 Disclaimer of Liability and Personal Conduct

16.1 Competitors participate in this regatta at their own risk. See RRS Rule 3, Decision to Race. The St. Petersburg Yacht Club, organizing authority, sponsors, race committee, officers and board of directors of SPYC, and all those involved in these organizations will not accept any Liability/Responsibility for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after this regatta.

16.2 The Skipper/Owner of each boat participating in the Regatta shall be responsible for the behavior of each member of the crew of his/her boat both on the water and while ashore. The failure of any of those persons to comply with all federal, state, and local government regulations as well as the St Petersburg Yacht Club policies or with any reasonable request of the Organizing Authority, Race Officers, or their representatives may result in the disqualification of the boat and its exclusion from the regatta. This modifies RRS 76.

## 17 Further Information

17.1 For Accommodations please visit the SPYC website at [www.spyc.org](http://www.spyc.org) - Click drop down menu "Regattas", then Local Accommodations.

17.2 Guest Cards for SPYC are available by clicking on "Regattas, then "Guest Card. Fill out your information and your card will be available at the front desk upon your arrival. SPYC requests that you do this at least 48 hours before the Registration on site.

Contacts for this event are George or Beth Pennington George's Cell # is 727-580-5431 or Beth's cell # 727-992-3344, email for both [epennin09@earthlink.net](mailto:epennin09@earthlink.net)

All Saturday Night Activities will go on as planned whether race is completed Saturday or not and if Covid Restrictions allow. A 48-hour cancellation policy is in effect.



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