



# 61<sup>st</sup> Wirth M. Munroe Miami to Palm Beach Yacht Race Friday December 1, 2017

## NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority for this event is  
Sailfish Club of Florida - Storm Trysail Club – Biscayne Bay Yacht Club  
With Race Management by Sailfish Club of Florida and SORC

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The following rules govern the event except as they may be changed in the notice of race, sailing instructions, and amendments:
  - a) World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Race Category 4 will apply,
  - b) IRC rules Part A, B, and C. Boats rated with Moveable and Variable Ballast, OSR APPENDIX A, may be entered. This changes rule 51.
  - c) PHRF Regulations as administered by PHRF of Southeast Florida.
  - d) The minimum number of crew is 3. There is no limitation on the maximum number of crew or crew weight. This changes IRC Rules and PHRF Regulations.

### 2. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 2.1 To be eligible, boats may be monohull or multihull of no less than 26 feet hull length (LH).
- 2.2 The entry application shall be accompanied by the entry fee. The entry fees are based on hull length which may be rounded downward to nearest lower whole number. (e.g.: 39.71' = 39'): Entry Fees are: LH X \$7.50 per foot.
- 2.3 Racing will be offered in IRC, PHRF, ORC, and ECRCA divisions should there be a sufficient number of participants in each. At the discretion of the race committee, divisions may be subdivided into classes.
- 2.4 Eligible yachts may enter by completing the entry form, paying the entry fee, and submitting a valid IRC, PHRF, ORC, or ECRCA rating certificate at [Yachtscoring.com](http://Yachtscoring.com)

2.5 Completed entries must be received by 1200, November 30, 2017.

### **3. SCHEDULE**

- 3.1 A skipper's meeting and social will be held at 1830 on Thursday, November 30, 2017, at Biscayne Bay Yacht Club, 2540 South Bayshore Drive, Miami FL 33133.
- 3.2 There will be staggered starts. It is anticipated that warning signals are scheduled for 0800, 0830 and 0900 on Friday, December 1st, 2017. Class assignments and starting times will be available online and will be announced at the Skippers Meeting.
- 3.3 Awards Dinner, Friday, December 1, 2017. Traditional complimentary rum drinks and beer keg will be served to finishing race participants. The Sailfish Club of Florida's Renowned Seafood Buffet will be available from 1800-2100 to participants and guests with music and dancing from 1700-2300. Reservations must be made in advance with the Sailfish Club of Florida. Long pants and collared shirts are suggested for gentlemen.

### **4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing instructions will be available after November 30, 2017 at: Yacht Scoring, [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com) and the Sailfish Club of Florida, [www.sailfishclub.com](http://www.sailfishclub.com).

### **5. COURSE**

- 5.1 The course will be from the starting line to the finish line at Lake Worth Inlet.
- 5.2 The starting line will be located approximately 0.5 nm north of Government Cut, Miami at anchorage buoy "B".
  - a) In the event of light air, the race committee may, at its own discretion, move the starting line North to a new location. Neither the decision to move the starting area nor the location of the new starting area shall be grounds for granting redress.
- 5.3 The finish line will be at the Lake Worth Inlet between red buoy "2" FR 2.5 sec. and green buoy "3" FG 4 sec.
- 5.4 The time limit for the race is 1800 Friday, December 1. Boats failing to finish within the time limit will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

### **6 PROTESTS**

- 6.1 Protests will be heard at the Sailfish Club of Florida as soon as practicable after the boats involved have finished.

### **7. SCORING**

- 7.1 Scoring for all competitors will be Time on Time

### **8 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

- 8.1 VHF channel 69 will be used for race committee communication to competitors. A boat shall not receive help from any outside source except 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

## **9 PRIZES**

Class prizes and special awards will be presented at the Sailfish Club of Florida's Awards Dinner.

Fastest Elapsed Time - Presented by the Sailfish Club of Florida in memory of Charles Schulman.

Navigator of boat with Fastest Elapsed Time - Presented by the Sailfish Club of Florida in memory of Edward W. Crawford

First Overall – Corrected time winner of the PHRF division presented by the Cruising Club of America.

Sailfish Club Yacht with Fastest Elapsed Time - Presented by the Sailfish Club of Florida in memory of Richard D. Kreuzler.

Sailfish Club Yacht with best Corrected Time - Presented by the Sailfish Club of Florida in memory of Adrian Van Voast.

Cruising Club of America Yacht with the Fastest Corrected Time – Presented by the Cruising Club of America.

## **10 CONDUCT AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 10.1 The skipper/owner shall be responsible for the conduct of his or her crew and/ or guests. In the event of breach of conduct, sportsmanship, destruction of property, or failure to comply with the request of any race officer, committee member, or agent of the Sailfish Club of Florida or the Storm Trysail Club, the skipper/owner will be held responsible and his/her yacht shall be subject to protest and disqualification.
- 10.2 As a condition of participating, my crew and I acknowledge the following: That sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury associated with it. We have read RRS 4, Decision to Race, and hereby acknowledge and agree that we are participating in this event entirely at our own risk.
- 10.3 We further acknowledge and agree that neither the organizing authority nor the race committee, nor their members, will be responsible for (a) any damage to the entered yacht or my other property, or (b) any injury to myself or my crew, including death, sustained as a result of the participation of myself, my crew, and the yacht in this event. I hereby waive any rights I may have to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) with respect to personal injury or property damage suffered by myself or my crew as a result of our participation in

this event, including any claims arising as a result of the negligence of the race organizers, and hereby release the race organizers from any liability for such injury or damage to the fullest extent permitted by law. I have taken all necessary steps to ensure that myself, my crew, and the entered yacht are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law or that a prudent seaman would consider advisable.

## 11 BERTHING

Dockage in Miami can be reserved as follows:

Biscayne Bay Yacht Club

Boats drawing 6' or less

Space is LIMITED and boats will be accepted on a first-come first-serve FIRST-REGISTRATION PAID basis.

Ph. 305-858-6303

Miami Beach Marina

Ph. 305-673-6000

<http://www.miamibeachmarina.com/>

Miamarina at Bayside

Ph. 305-960-5180

<http://www.miamiandbeaches.com/boating-and-water/miamarina-at-bayside/101546>

Dinner Key Marina

Ph. 305-329-4755

<http://www.miamigov.com/marinas/pages/marinas/dinkeymarina.asp>

Dockage at the Sailfish Club is by reservation only on a first-come, first-serve basis. For reservations contact Sarah Gay: [SarahGay@SailfishClub.com](mailto:SarahGay@SailfishClub.com).

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

## FURTHER INFORMATION

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