



THE MOONLIGHT RACE
5 August 2017
The Rudder Club of Jacksonville
8533 Malaga Avenue
Jacksonville Florida 32244
Notice of Race

1 RULES

1.1 The race will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the prescriptions of US SAILING, the rules of participating classes, and the scoring rules of the North American Portsmouth (NAPY) system.

1.2 Rule 41 is changed such that a boat accepting assistance under Fundamental Rule 1.1 is exempt from the provisions of RRS 41 - Outside Help. Capsized sailboats are encouraged to accept assistance as necessary.

2 ADVERTISING:

Advertising shall not be displayed.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The regatta is open to boats of all classes.

3.2 Eligible boats may register on-line at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/15182> or electronically during late registration on 5 August

3.3 All boats will race in the North American Portsmouth class. Boats without a Portsmouth rating will be assigned a temporary rating by the Club Handicapper.

4 FEES: The entry fee is \$25.00. A \$5.00 discount applies to members of US SAILING. Rudder Club member entry-fee provisions apply.

5 SCHEDULE: One race is scheduled.

Registration: On-line 1 July 2017– 5 August 2017 at

<http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/15182>

Late Registration: On-line 1730 – 1830 Saturday 5 August 2017 at the Rudder Club.

Sailors Meeting: 1845

Warning signal 1955

Predicted Sunset: 2017

End of Civil Twilight: 2043

Predicted Moonrise: 1852

Moon illumination at moonrise will be at 93%.

Predicted Moonset 6 August: 0543

6.1 The sailing instructions will be available after 15 July 2017 and will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board on the North Wall of the Rudder Club and

<http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/15182>

6.2 Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board prior to 1900, 5 August

6.3 Oral changes to the Sailing Instructions may be made on the water and communicated to each boat prior to its warning signal.

7 VENUE: The racing area will be in the St. Johns River between the Buckman Bridge to the south and the Fuller Warren Bridge to the north as depicted on

NOAA Chart 11492.

8 THE COURSE: The Course will be published in the Sailing Instructions or as changes thereto and signaled on the water by VHF or white board.

9 TIME LIMIT: The time limit shall be 3 hours. Boats failing to finish within 45 minutes corrected time after the first boat finishes will be scored "Did not Finish."

10 SAFETY

10.1 All boats shall be equipped with functional navigation lights and sound producing devices which comply with the Inland Navigation Rules. Lights shall be displayed at all times between the hours of sunset (2018) and sunrise (0649). Failure to comply with this requirement is protestable. Spreader and foredeck lights are allowed.

10.2 All boats are reminded that under fundamental rule 4 "The responsibility for a boats decision to participate in a race or continue racing is hers alone."

10.3 Persons in charge with limited night navigation experience are cautioned to try and obtain an experienced crew.

10.4 It is strongly recommended that all on-deck and open cockpit crew wear a lifejacket equipped with a light and whistle. Boats should have a MOB marking function GPS handily situated on board.

10.5 Boats shall not impede the passage of a vessel which can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or commercial fishing vessels while fishing or vessels with restricted ability to maneuver. Boats impeding other vessels may be subject to protest and possible disqualification.

11 PRIZES: Results will be announced at the Rudder Club the next morning. First, second, and third place prizes will be awarded.

12 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the Race Officer Adam Norwood at anorwood@comcast.net or the Rudder Club Race Office at raceoffice@rudderclub.com.