



THE BISCAYNE BAY YACHT CLUB

Invites you to participate in the
45th ANNUAL

LIME CUP OCEAN RACES WEEKEND

AVOCADO CUP RACE – SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH, 2011

KEY BISCAYNE TO FT. LAUDERDALE - 26 NAUTICAL MILES

MANGO CUP RACE – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH, 2011

FT. LAUDERDALE TO MIAMI - 18 NAUTICAL MILES

PART A - GENERAL INFORMATION

The Annual **Lime Cup Ocean Races Weekend**, sponsored by **Biscayne Bay Yacht Club** continues the format from the last few years. The race weekend will consist of two separate races. Skippers wishing to compete can enter their boat for either, or both races.

Classes will be established for cruising monohull and multihull sailboats at least 22 feet LOA, and with a valid rating from PHRF of SE Florida or MASF/PHRF of Southeast Florida, and for boats handicapped with ratings assigned by a BBYC Rating Committee.

The Avocado Cup, will be held on Saturday, September 24th, racing from a start near Bug Light at the southern end of Key Biscayne, 26 nm to a finish just south of Ft. Lauderdale's Port Everglades.

The Mango Cup, will be held on Sunday, September 25th, racing from a start just south of Port Everglades, 18 nm down the beach to a finish near Government Cut in Miami.

Special offer for visitors dockage at BBYC: For visiting boats from Gulfstream Sailing Club, Hillsboro Inlet Sailing Club, Palm Beach Sailing Club, and areas outside of Miami who enter both races, or just the Mango Cup Race, the Biscayne Bay Yacht Club is offering a limited number of slips or raft-up at their dock facilities for the two weeks following Sunday's race thru the Columbus Day Regatta on October 8th & 9th, 2011.

Requests for dockage at BBYC must be made prior to the event by contacting Lime Cup Race Chairman, Ken Batzer at 954-275-0839, or kenbatzer@biscaynebayyachtclub.com.

Dockage is limited, and will be available on a first come – first served basis.

Dockage fees will be based on boat length & draft.

Activities in Ft. Lauderdale: The Race Committee Signal boat will be berthed at Pier 66 Marina following racing on Saturday. A traditional gathering around the pool & pool bar at Pier 66 is planned after racing.

Competitors should make their own arrangements for dockage and lodging in Ft. Lauderdale.

Activities in Miami at BBYC: Biscayne Bay Yacht Club will host the traditional Lime Cup Daiquiri party beginning at 5:30 pm on Sunday, September 25th. A Florida Lobster Dinner will be available for all skippers, crew & friends. Trophy presentations are scheduled for 6:30 pm with dinner served from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. A cash bar will also be available.

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PART B – NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the *Rules* as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The Regatta will be under the management of the Biscayne Bay Yacht Club (BBYC), which shall have full authority to manage all matters relating to the Regatta.
- 1.3 All boats shall conform to U. S. Coast Guard Safety Recommendations.
- 1.4 BBYC endorses the U. S. Sailing recommendations, “that sailors wear personal flotation devices while on the water”. A boat may not be protested for failure to comply with this recommendation.

2. CLASSES

- 2.1 The Regatta is open to auxiliary powered monohull, or cruising type multihull sailboats at least 22 feet LOA which have a current valid PHRF of South East Florida rating, a MASF/PHRF of Southeast Florida rating, or have applied for a BBYC assigned rating, and which have completed, signed and delivered the Official Entry Form, and paid the appropriate entry fees by the entry deadline.
- 2.2 Boats needing an assigned rating may obtain a rating from the BBYC Lime Cup Race Committee by contacting the BBYC Lime Cup Race Chairman, Ken Batzer prior to the entry deadline of September 18th. (kenbatzer@biscaynebayyachtclub.com or call 954-275-0839)

3. ENTRIES

- 3.1 Entries close at 1400 hours on Sunday, September 18, 2011, and must be received by the Race Committee by that time and date. Entry forms may be downloaded from the BBYC website (www.biscaynebayyachtclub.com), the BBYRA website (www.bbyra.net), and will also be available from the yacht club office. The Race Committee reserves the right to accept or reject an entry at any time prior to the first warning signal of each race day.

4. SKIPPERS MEETINGS

- 4.1 There will be a skipper’s meeting for boats sailing in both Saturday’s **Avocado Cup**, and Sunday’s **Mango Cup** at the Biscayne Bay Yacht Club, on Thursday, September 22, 2011 at 1830 hours.
- 4.2 Class assignments, handicap sheets, and the starting sequence for each days race will be distributed at the skipper’s meeting.
- 4.3 Skippers of boats sailing only in Sunday’s **Mango Cup** must contact Race Chairman Ken Batzer on or before Saturday, September 24th to turn in their crew lists and receive their sailing instructions, class assignment, and start time.
- 4.4 A crew list will be required to be completed by the skipper at the skipper’s meeting. The minimum crew shall be 4 people. Crew substitutions may be made by notifying the Race Committee before the first class warning signal each race day.

5. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- 5.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board at the BBYC clubhouse, or on the Race Committee Signal Boat at Pier 66. Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 1800 hours on the day before the affected race.

6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1 Signals ashore will be made at the flagpole on the east lawn of BBYC or on the Race Committee Signal Boat berthed at Pier 66 in Ft. Lauderdale on Saturday evening.

7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 7.1 The Regatta will consist of two separate races scheduled as follows:
Avocado Cup - Saturday, September 24 – First Warning signal will be at 1000 hours
Mango Cup - Sunday, September 25 – First Warning signal will be at 1100 hours
The starting signal for each class may be the warning signal for the next class.

8. COMMUNICATIONS

- 8.1 The Race Committee will use VHF channel 72 to communicate with the fleet.

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9. COURSES

- 9.1 **Avocado Cup - Saturday:** The course will be from the starting line, to the yellow "N" buoy ("FL Y 2.5s") at the northeast corner of Biscayne National Park, leaving it to port, and then proceeding offshore to the finish line. Competitors may not enter within a radius of 1 nautical mile of the Miami Sea buoy (RW "W" Mo (A) Whis.), or cross the Government Cut channel.
- 9.2 **Mango Cup - Sunday:** The course will be directly from the starting line to the finish line.

10. START

- 10.1 **Avocado Cup - Saturday:** The starting line will be approximately 2.5 nautical miles southeast of Cape Florida, and will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and an inflatable mark.
- 10.2 **Mango Cup - Sunday:** The starting line will be located approximately 1.75 nautical miles south of the Port Everglades entrance and .5 nautical miles offshore, and will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and an inflatable mark.
- 10.3 An inflatable buoy deployed from the transom of the Race Committee signal boat shall be considered as part of the signal boat.
- 10.4 Any boat(s) that has not started within 10 minutes after the start of the last class each day will be scored DNC.

11. FINISH

- 11.1 **Avocado Cup - Saturday:** The finish line will be approximately 1.75 nautical miles south of Port Everglades entrance and approximately .5 nautical miles offshore, and will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and an inflatable mark.
- 11.2 **Mango Cup - Sunday:** The finish line will be approximately 1.5 nautical miles north east of Miami's Government Cut, and will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and the south anchorage Nun Buoy "B".
- 11.3 **Mango Cup – Sunday ALTERNATE FINISH.**
If there is no Race Committee boat on station at the finish, boats should finish in a southerly direction within 100 feet of, and to the west of anchorage Nun Buoy "B".
Accurate GPS finish time should be taken when Nun "B" bears 090' magnetic.
Boats should report finish time to the Race Committee on VHF 72 or by cellular phone to 954-275-0839 immediately upon finishing.

12. OBSTRUCTION

- 12.1 Boats are reminded that a diver's flag represents an **OBSTRUCTION**. Boats are required to keep clear by 150 yards all divers down flag signals.

13. TIME LIMIT

- 13.1 **Avocado Cup - Saturday:** If no boat has finished by 1600 hours, the race shall be abandoned. If a boat has not finished by 1700 hours, it will be scored DNF.
- 13.2 **Mango Cup - Sunday:** If no boat has finished by 1500 hours, the race shall be abandoned. If a boat has not finished by 1600 hours, it will be scored DNF.

14. PROTESTS

- 14.1 Protests shall be filed no later than one hour after the Race Committee signal boat arrives at the dock each day.
- 14.2 All protests will be heard at BBYC at approximately 1700 hours Sunday, September 25, 2011.

15. SCORING AND PRIZES

- 15.1 **Avocado Cup - Saturday:** Time allowances will be based upon 26.0 nautical miles.
- 15.2 **Mango Cup - Sunday:** Time allowances will be based upon 18.0 nautical miles.
- 15.3 There will be 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place awards in each class for both races.
- 15.4 The **Lime Cup Perpetual Trophy**, will be awarded to the **PHRF Class** boat with the lowest corrected time for the combined 2 days of racing.
- 15.5 The awards presentation will be at BBYC at approximately 1830 hours on September 25th.

16. CONTACTS

- 16.1 Race Committee Chairman Ken Batzer may be reached by calling 954-275-0839, or e-mail to kenbatzer@biscaynebayyachtclub.com. Biscayne Bay Yacht Club's phone number is 305-858-6303.

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Registration & Entry Form

Please enter my boat in the: Avocado Cup - September 24, 2011
 Mango Cup – September 25, 2011

Yacht Name _____ Sail Number _____

Yacht Make _____ Year Built _____

Length Overall _____ Draft _____ Max Genoa size % _____

Class Entered: PHRF PHRF Rating _____

MULTIHULL MASF/PHRF Rating _____

BBYC Assigned Rating Rating to be assigned _____

Early Entry Fee - for all classes (for one or both races): \$60.00 \$ _____
For entries received by 1800 hours on Sept 10, 2011

Late Entry Fee - for all classes (for one or both races): \$75.00 \$ _____
For entries received after Sept. 10th but before the final entry deadline of Sept 18, 2011

Entries may be accepted by the R/C after the Sept. 18 deadline. An additional \$25.00 late fee will be charged.

Biscayne Bay Yacht Club accepts Credit Cards for Entry Fees, Food and Beverages **from guests only.**

Skipper's Name _____ Yacht Club _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ e-mail _____

AGREEMENT: I hereby agree to all of the conditions for the Lime Cup Ocean Races, and shall inform each member of my crew of these conditions. My crew and I recognize 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. I 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 boat 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 boat in this event.

I hereby waive any rights I may have to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, race 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 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 boat 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.

Owner / Skipper signature _____ Date _____

SEND FORM AND ENTRY FEE TO: Lime Cup Ocean Race
C/O Biscayne Bay Yacht Club
2540 S. Bayshore Drive
Coconut Grove, Fla. 33133

*Please Make checks Payable
to: Biscayne Bay Yacht Club*