



# THE BISCAYNE BAY YACHT CLUB

Invites you to participate in the  
49<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL

## LIME CUP OCEAN RACES WEEKEND

### AVOCADO CUP RACE – SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2015

KEY BISCAYNE TO FT. LAUDERDALE - 23 NAUTICAL MILES

### MANGO CUP RACE – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2015

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 past 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 no greater than 210 seconds per mile, or a MASF/PHRF of Southeast Florida rating. An assigned rating class will be offered for boats handicapped with ratings assigned by a BBYC Rating Committee. The assignment of boats to the ARC class is strictly up to the Race Committee. Boats normally racing under PHRF will not be eligible to compete in the ARC Class.

**The Avocado Cup**, will be held on Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, racing from a start near the eastern end of Biscayne Cannel at the southern end of Key Biscayne, 23 nm to a finish just south of Ft. Lauderdale's Port Everglades.

**The Mango Cup**, will be held on Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 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 yacht clubs outside of the Miami area 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 week following Sunday's race thru the Columbus Day Regatta on October 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Requests for dockage at BBYC must be made prior to the event by contacting BBYC dock chairman Tom Byrne at (305) 785-5056 or [byrne.t@ewm.com](mailto:byrne.t@ewm.com). Dockage is limited, and will be available on a first come . first saved basis. Dockage fees will be based on boat length.

**Activities in Ft. Lauderdale:** The Race Committee Signal boat will be berthed at the **Pier 66 Marina** following racing on Saturday. A traditional gathering around the pool & pool bar adjacent to the marina is planned after racing. Competitors should make their own arrangements for dockage and lodging in Ft. Lauderdale. For dockage reservations, call the Pier 66 Marina dockmaster at 954-728-3578. For room reservations, the hotel website is <http://pier66.hyatt.com> or call 954-525-6666.

**Activities in Miami at BBYC:** Biscayne Bay Yacht Club will host the traditional Lime Cup Free Daiquiri party beginning at 5:30 pm on Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. A Florida Lobster Dinner will be available for all skippers, crew & friends to purchase. Trophy presentations are scheduled for 6:30 pm with dinner served from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. Early dinner reservations are requested (e-mail to [bbyc@biscaynebayyachtclub.com](mailto:bbyc@biscaynebayyachtclub.com) or call 305-858-6303). A cash bar will be available, and guests may charge with credit cards.

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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 Regulations.
- 1.4 BBYC endorses the U. S. Sailing recommendation, ~~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 not greater than 210 seconds per mile, a MASF/PHRF of Southeast Florida rating, or have applied for a BBYC assigned rating, and which have completed, the official online entry form on [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com), 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 20<sup>th</sup>. ([kenbatzer@biscaynebayyachtclub.com](mailto:kenbatzer@biscaynebayyachtclub.com) or call 954-275-0839)

### 3. ENTRIES

- 3.1 Entries close at 1400 hours on Sunday, September 20, 2015, and must be completed online at <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1470> by that time and date. For boats entering by September 6<sup>th</sup> 2015, the early entry fee is \$75.00. Boats entering after Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> and before the entry deadline of September 20<sup>th</sup>, the entry fee is \$100.00. 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. A late entry fee of \$25.00 will be assessed for any entries accepted by the Race Committee after Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> 2015.

### 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 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015 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, and posted online.
- 4.3 Skippers of boats sailing only in Sunday's **Mango Cup** can find their sailing instructions and class assignment, and start time on the [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com) website.
- 4.4 A crew list will be required to be completed by the skipper online at [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com) or 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, and on the Lime Cup Race website at [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com). Any 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 Marina 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 26 . First Warning signal will be at 1000 hours  
**Mango Cup - Sunday**, September 27 . First Warning signal will be at 1000 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.

## 9. COURSES

- 9.1 **Avocado Cup - Saturday:** The course will be from the starting line .5 mile east of channel marker #2 at the eastern end of Biscayne Channel, to the Miami Sea Buoy (RW %W+Mo (A) W 8s 7M RN) leaving it to port, and proceeding to the finish line. Competitors shall not cross the Government Cut channel or interfere with any commercial traffic entering, or exiting the 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 .5 nm east of Biscayne Channel Marker #2 (R BN FL R 2.5sec 5M) 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 nm 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 passing to the east of anchorage Nun Buoy "B".  
Accurate GPS finish time should be taken when Nun "B" bears 270° 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 1700 hours, the race shall be abandoned. If a boat has not finished by 1800 hours, it will be scored %Time Limit Expired+.
- 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 %Time Limit Expired+(TLE).

## 14. PROTESTS

- 14.1 Protests shall be filed no later than 1 hour after the Signal Boat arrives at the dock each day.
- 14.2 All protests will be heard at BBYC at approximately 1700 hours Sunday, September 27, 2015.

## 15. SCORING AND PRIZES

- 15.1 **Avocado Cup - Saturday:** Time allowances will be based upon 23.0 nautical miles.
- 15.2 **Mango Cup - Sunday:** Time allowances will be based upon 18.0 nautical miles.
- 15.3 There will be 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place awards in each class for both races.
- 15.4 The **Commodore Harold E. Kendall 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 27<sup>th</sup>.

## 16. CONTACTS

- 16.1 Lime Cup R/C Chairman Ken Batzer may be reached by calling 954-275-0839, or e-mail to [kenbatzer@biscaynebayyachtclub.com](mailto:kenbatzer@biscaynebayyachtclub.com). Biscayne Bay Yacht Club's phone number is 305-858-6303.