



# 2019 INTERNATIONAL ETHELLES BISCAYNE BAY REGATTA SERIES

BISCAYNE BAY YACHT CLUB  
Coconut Grove, Florida

## NOTICE OF REGATTA SERIES

### 1.0 AUTHORITY / VENUE:

- 1.1 Etchells Fleet 20 is the organizing authority, the Biscayne Bay Yacht Club (BBYC) is the host club, and the BBYC regatta committee is designated as the race committee.
- 1.2 Four individual regattas are scheduled, to be sailed on Biscayne Bay beginning December 8, 2018, and ending on March 3, 2019.

### 2.0 RULES:

- 2.1 The 2019 Etchells Biscayne Bay Regatta Series (Series) will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 2.2 Applicable US Sailing prescriptions are limited to: RRS 61.4, 67, 76.1, and Appendix R.
- 2.3 Advertising is restricted to International Etchells Category A, World Sailing Regulation 20.
- 2.4 The Etchells Class rules are changed as follows: All competing boats shall carry a portable VHF radio for safety and race committee communications.

### 3.0 ELIGIBILITY:

- 3.1 The 2019 Series is open to all eligible International Etchells Class boats.
- 3.2 The Piana Cup, Sidney Doren Memorial, and Florida State Championship are classified as Open Events under Appendix A of the International Etchells class rules. All skippers are required to be current paid members of the International Etchells Class Association.
- 3.3 The Miami Mid-Winter Regatta is designated a Class B event by the North American Etchells Association. All competing skippers and crew must be current paid members of the Etchells Class Association for this regatta.

### 4.0 REGISTRATION / ENTRY FEES / BOAT STORAGE:

- 4.1 Boats will register through Yacht Scoring. (<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=5971>).
- 4.2 Boats can register for an individual regatta, or the complete Series with a discount of \$100.00 off the regular entry fee of \$980.00 if entered and paid before November 1, 2018. To receive the \$100.00 series early entry discount, go to the Piana Cup Regatta page on Yacht Scoring and check the boxes for entering all four regattas, and check the box for the \$100.00 series discount. Payment can be made on line using Pay Pal or credit card.
- 4.3 The entry fees for individual regattas are as follows: Piana Cup, Sid Doren Memorial, & Florida State Championships, \$195.00 each. Biscayne Bay Mid-Winters Regatta, \$395.00. For entering any one of the individual regattas, entries and full payment must be received by 18:00 on the Monday preceding the regatta. Late entries may be accepted with a \$50.00 late fee.
- 4.4 Competitors requesting storage at BBYC must submit a fully completed BBYC guest registration form and regatta entry fee. Etchells storage at the club is limited to approximately 25 boats and their trailers and will be assigned on a first to apply, first accepted basis. There are nearby launching/storage facilities. Contact them directly for information: Shake A Leg ([www.shakealegmiami.org/regatta-.htm](http://www.shakealegmiami.org/regatta-.htm)), or US Sailing Center ([www.usscmiami.org](http://www.usscmiami.org)).

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### **5.0 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: 2019 ETHELLS BISCAYNE BAY SERIES**

<b>December 8 &amp; 9, 2018</b> Sat. & Sun. 1100 daily	<b>Louis Piana Cup Regatta</b> Up to 5 races scheduled over 2 days on Biscayne Bay*	Skippers meeting 0900 on December 8 <sup>th</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> Start
Enter the Piana Cup and/or full 2019 series online at: <a href="https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=5971">https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=5971</a>		
<b>January 5 &amp; 6, 2019</b> Sat. & Sun. 1100 daily	<b>Sidney Doren Memorial Regatta</b> Up to 5 races scheduled over 2 days on Biscayne Bay*	Skippers meeting 0900 on January 5 <sup>th</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> Start
Enter the Sid Doren Memorial Regatta online at: <a href="https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=5972">https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=5972</a>		
<b>February 9 &amp; 10, 2019</b> Sat. & Sun. 1100 daily	<b>Florida State Championship</b> Up to 5 races scheduled over 2 days on Biscayne Bay*	Skippers meeting 0900 on February 9 <sup>th</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> Start
Enter the Florida State Championships online at: <a href="https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=5973">https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=5973</a>		
<b>March 1, 2, &amp; 3, 2019</b> Fri., Sat., Sun.	<b>Mid-Winters Regatta</b> Up to 8 races scheduled over 3 days on Biscayne Bay*	Skippers meeting at 0900 on March 1 <sup>st</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> Start 1100 daily
Enter the Mid-Winters Regatta online at: <a href="https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=5974">https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=5974</a>		

\*No more than three races may be held a day. No warning signal after 13:00 March 3.

### **6.0 REGISTRATION / CHECK-IN:**

- 6.1 For the Piana Cup, Sidney Doren Memorial, and Florida State Championship Regattas, boats are required to check-in at the BBYC registration desk on the first floor of the clubhouse prior to each regatta before racing. There will be no boat, rig, or sail measurements, and no weigh-in.
- 6.2 The BBYC registration desk will be open from 09:00 to 11:00 and from 16:00 to 17:00 Friday before the regattas listed above.

### **7.0 MID-WINTERS CREW WEIGH-IN:**

- 7.1 For the Mid-Winter Regatta, registration and crew weigh-in will be at the Biscayne Bay Yacht Club front lobby on Thursday, February 28, from 08:00 to 11:00 and from 16:00 to 18:00. Late arrival crew weigh-in will be available from 08:00 to 09:00 on Friday, March 1.
- 7.2 For the Mid-Winter Regatta, boats shall complete crew weigh-in and file a compliance form in advance of racing.

### **8.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 8.1 The sailing instructions will be posted on Yacht Scoring prior to the first race of the series. Amendments will be posted on the official notice board. Sailing instructions for the Series will also be available at check-in for all regattas.
- 8.2 The applicable US Sailing prescriptions will be posted on the official notice board, and a printed copy supplied on request.

### **9.0 COURSES:**

- 9.1 The race course configurations will be Windward - Leeward with offset marks and gates.

### **10.0 SCORING:**

- 10.1 For each individual regatta in the series, RRS A2, The Low Point System, will apply. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed in a regatta, RRS A2.1 is changed to, % boats score will be the total of her race scores.+
- 10.2 To qualify for the overall 2019 Etchells Biscayne Bay Series prizes, boats must include their score in the Mid-Winter Regatta and any two of the other three individual regattas (Piana Cup, Sidney Doren Memorial, or Florida State Championship). Overall scores from each individual regatta of the series will be used employing The Low Point System (1st Place = 1 point, 2nd Place = 2 points, 3rd Place = 3 points, etc.). The boat with the lowest score will be declared the overall winner of the 2018 Biscayne Bay Regatta Series.

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### **11.0 PRIZES:**

- 11.1 For each individual regatta in the series, the top five skippers and crew will receive prizes.
- 11.2 For the Etchells Biscayne Bay Series, the top three skippers and crew will receive prizes.
- 11.3 For the Mid-Winters Regatta, a Corinthian Class will be scored separately for those boats who request this classification at check-in. The skipper must certify at the time of registration that the skipper and all crew are Category 1 sailors as defined by World Sailing Regulation 22.
- 11.4 Prizes will be provided for the Corinthian Class, top three places for skippers and crew. Participation in the Corinthian Class does not disqualify a boat from also receiving a Mid-Winter Regatta prize.

### **12.0 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:**

- 12.1 In addition to RRS 4, DECISION TO RACE, the safety of a boat and her entire management shall be the responsibility of the owner(s), and an owner's representative. Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in these events. By participating in these events, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

### **13.0 MANDATORY INSURANCE:**

- 13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of not less than \$300,000. Each skipper is liable for any and all damages and personal liability. Proof of insurance shall be provided upon request.

### **14.0 SUPPORT PERSONS / SUPPORT BOATS:**

- 14.1 *Support Persons* shall register themselves and their boats with the race committee prior to the skipper's meeting for each regatta. A boat may be provided with an identifying flag to be displayed while on the water. *Support Persons* are required to monitor the race committee on channel VHF 72 during the regattas.
- 14.2 Dock space at BBYC is limited during regattas and berthing is reserved solely for BBYC members, competing Etchells, and race committee boats. *Support Persons* and guests during regattas may not launch their boats or store trailers on the club grounds, and docking is not permitted except on the west seawall.

### **15.0 WEBSITE / INFORMATION:**

- 15.1 The Fleet 20 website ([www.etchellsfleet20.org](http://www.etchellsfleet20.org)) will provide additional information.
- 15.2 For inquiries about the 2019 Etchells Biscayne Bay Series:

- **Regatta Chairman;** Jeff Nehms - [nehmo@bellsouth.net](mailto:nehmo@bellsouth.net)
- **BBYC Boat Storage;** Ezra Culver - [ezmarine@gmail.com](mailto:ezmarine@gmail.com)
- **Regatta Committee Chairman;** Bruce Harper . [wbruceharpjr@hotmail.com](mailto:wbruceharpjr@hotmail.com)
- **BBYC;** 305-858-6303