



**OFFICIAL  
NOTICE OF RACE**  
**May 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

1. **VENUE:** A pursuit type charity sailing regatta in the Atlantic Ocean off Fort Lauderdale Beach to benefit HospiceCare of Southeast Florida.
2. **AUTHORITY:** HospiceCare of Southeast Florida, Inc.
3. **RULES:** The regatta will be governed by the “Rules” as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (*Rules*), the rules of PHRF of Southeast Florida, and the rules of any One Design classes competing, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.  
The following prescriptions of US Sailing will apply: Rules 61.4, 68, 76.1 and Appendix F only.

4. **CLASSES:** Entrants are eligible to register for **ONE** of the following Classes;

- PHRF** - (PHRF of Southeast Florida certificate required).
- ARC \*** - (Assigned Rating Class - see \*Note below).
- ONE DESIGN** - (Ocean racing One Design fleets with 5 boat minimum).
- MULTIHULL** - (MASF Rating Certificate required or One Design class).
- CRUISING CANVAS \*** - (For yachts not ordinarily raced. Only working sails allowed, i.e. Main, jib, mizzen. No spinnakers or specialty sails allowed)

\*Note - Race Committee will assign yachts a rating based on information supplied with entry).

5. **RATINGS:** The Race Committee will adjust a PHRF or ARC rating to the closest number to “0” or “5” in order to maintain starting times on the minute.  
(*Example; A PHRF Rating of 162 will be adjusted to 160, A PHRF Rating of 183 will be adjusted to 185*).

6. **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:**

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
<b>Friday May 14</b>	6 - 6:45 pm	Skipper’s Packet distribution	Lauderdale Yacht Club Pool Pavilion
	6:45 pm	Skipper’s Meeting	
	7:00 pm	LYC Cook out.	\$25 per person (Limited Tickets Available)
<b>Saturday May 15</b>	11:00 am	First Start Signal More starts to follow	Atlantic Ocean off Ft. Lauderdale Beach
	6:30 -11pm	Lobster Clambake Food & Drink	Esplanade Park at Riverwalk
	8:00 pm	Awards Presentation	Esplanade Pavilion at Riverwalk
	8:30 pm	Silent Auction	
	8:45 pm	Music and Dancing	

7. **ENTRY:** A completed Official Entry Form, copy of the yacht's current PHRF Rating Certificate, and the appropriate entry fee must be submitted to the Hospice Regatta Race Committee before 6:00 pm on Tuesday, May 11, 2010. The Race Committee reserves the right to accept or reject an entry of any yacht at any time prior to the start of the race.
8. **SKIPPERS MEETING:** 6:45 pm on Friday May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010, at the Lauderdale Yacht Club Pool Pavilion. The Sailing Instructions, course to be sailed, and starting time assignments will be distributed at the Skippers Meeting.

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9. **RACE COURSE:** A 12-mile multi-leg course around marks designated by the Hospice Race Committee. The course and marks for each class will be described in the Sailing Instructions.
10. **START TIME:** First start on Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 am. Staggered start by handicap rating from highest to lowest time allowance. The Race Committee will place One-Design and other special fleets in the starting order by an assigned rating. Individual starting times will be posted and distributed at the Skipper's Meeting.
11. **SCORING:** The "Low Point Scoring System as described in Appendix "A" of the *Rules* will apply. Scoring will be by Class or by Section within a Class. A Class may be divided into Sections according to rating handicaps and other factors at the discretion of the Race Committee. Each entry is eligible for scoring in only one class or section within a class. (This changes Appendix "A".)
12. **ROBERT "SKIP" HERSHBERGER SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD** – The Robert "Skip" Herschberger Sportsmanship Trophy was established by the staff of HospiceCare of Southeast Florida, Inc. in memory of Skip Herschberger, RN. The trophy is awarded to the person, persons, boat, or organization who best exemplifies the spirit of Skip - a true believer in the work of hospice, and his kind, generous and gentle spirit.
13. **WES HOLMES MEMORIAL "SPIRIT OF HOSPICE" AWARD** – This trophy is sponsored by the GulfStream Sailing Club, and awarded in memory of the late Wes Holmes. It will be awarded to an individual, group of individuals, or an organization who raises the most money for HospiceCare of Southeast Florida, Inc. Sailing in the regatta is NOT a requirement to be eligible for this trophy.
14. **PHRF (MINUS) (PLEDGE HANDICAP RATED FINISH)\*\***  
**\*\*Will not affect the result of individual class winners. (Handicapping will be adjusted after the finish of the race as to not interfere with the results of the race) (PHRF [Minus]) is not a class, it's an award.**  
Enter the regatta in any class you wish to participate. Any skipper or crew who wishes to participate in raising funds for HospiceCare of Southeast Florida, Inc. will automatically be a contestant for this trophy.  
  
***This is how it works:*** Boats will become eligible for this special award by participating in raising additional funds for HospiceCare of Southeast Florida. Participating boats will enjoy a special handicap adjustment to their assigned rating in accord with the amount of additional pledges they receive. For every \$100 in pledge money there will be a 1.5 second per mile additional handicap allowance added to the boats existing rating (handicapping is adjusted after the finish of the race to determine the winner of this award). (The adjusted handicap is good ONLY for this award, It applies to no other contest held during this regatta.) Second and Third place finishers will also be awarded trophies.  
  
This is a very special opportunity to support this most worthy cause and generate a healthy spirit of competition. It is a great way to involve your non-sailing friends and family in the success and excitement of the Regatta. While it is not a pre-requisite for participation in "Hospice Regatta 2010" we are hopeful that all entrants will support this effort.
15. **YACHT CLUB PERFORMANCE CHALLENGE;** The Yacht Club Challenge Cup, sponsored by the Lauderdale Yacht Club, is awarded to a Yacht or Sailing Club who fields a team of at least three yachts competing in the Regatta and whose best three combined scores upon finishing position total the lowest score. (If there is a tie by finishing position we will then go to the elapsed times of the Club.)
16. **YACHT CLUB PARTICIPATION CHALLENGE:** Any recognized Yacht or Sailing Club will be eligible to receive this award. The club who has the most entries participating in the regatta receives this award. Yachts must indicate their yacht club affiliation on their entry form to be eligible for this award. This award is sponsored by the Hillsboro Inlet Sailing Club.
17. **PRIZES:** Individual trophies will be awarded to 1st, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in each class with a minimum of five yachts competing. Additional trophies will be awarded based on criteria selected by the donor.

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- 18. CLAMBAKE:** The Clambake and Awards Presentation will begin at 6:30 PM on Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, at the Esplanade Park at Riverwalk in Ft. Lauderdale. Only Skippers and crew members listed on the Official Entry Form and paid with the Entry fee or at the Skipper's Meeting are eligible for the special \$40.00 advance sale price. Number of tickets available for crew are based on the length of the boat registered:

<u>Boat Length</u>	<u>Number of Tickets</u>	<u>Total</u>
30 feet and under:	3 crew tickets at \$40.00 each	= \$120.00
31 - 40 feet:	4 crew tickets at \$40.00 each	= \$160.00
41 - 50 feet:	6 crew tickets at \$40.00 each	= \$240.00
51 feet and over:	8 crew tickets at \$40.00 each	= \$320.00

For others, and for tickets purchased later, the Clambake ticket donation is \$60.00.

**CLAMBAKE LOBSTER IS BACK – BY POPULAR DEMAND!**

**Race to Win! Race for Fun! Race for Hospice – Everyone!!!**

**We want to see You at The Hospice Regatta - **Enter Now****

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