



Flying Scot® Sailing Association

NOTICE OF RACE

2012 FLYING SCOT® MIDWINTER CHAMPIONSHIP

March 18-23, 2012

Hosted by

Southern Yacht Club and Fleet 96

New Orleans, Louisiana

**Organizing Authority: Flying Scot Sailing Association ("FSSA")
in conjunction with Southern Yacht Club ("SYC")**

- Rules:** This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by the current edition of the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), and FSSA Constitution and By-Laws. Advertising is permitted only according to Article B-VII paragraph 6 "Requirements applying to all Events".
- Eligibility:** The regatta is open to Active, Life, Junior, Club, and Family Members. The FSSA Constitution defines each category. Entrants shall select either the Championship or Challenger Division, except that any past North American or Midwinter Championship Division or Challenger Division winner shall sail in the Championship Division.
- Registration** may be by mail using the attached form, or the form available on the FSSA website, or at the regatta site beginning March 18 at 1200. Competitors shall choose between *Championship* and *Challenger Divisions*. Registration, including Division selection, must be completed by Monday at 1700. Sailing Instructions and Notice of Race will be available to registrants at registration.
- Fees:** The entry fee is \$230 per boat. This fee includes: the Monday "Welcome Cocktail Party", keg beer at the end of each race day, tickets for two to the Seafood Boil, the cookout at the "Awards Ceremony" on Friday, all racing and race management costs, trophies, and a coupon toward the purchase of regatta shirts. Current US SAILING members (current as of 3/1/12) may deduct \$20 from the entry fee by including a copy of the US Sailing membership card along with the entry. **Entries received and paid after March 1, 2012 must add a \$20 late fee to the entry fee.** Thus the early entry fee for a US SAILING member is \$210.00.

Regatta shirts and additional dinner tickets may be ordered on the entry form, and will also be available for purchase at registration. Shirts ordered on site will be shipped to the purchaser after the event.

- Schedule:** Up to three races may be run each day, to a maximum of eight races.

Sunday, March 18	Mid-Winter Warm-up Regatta – Harbor Start	1000
	Registration	1200 – 1800
	FSSA Executive Committee meeting at SYC	1400
Monday, March 19	(Note: SYC is closed for normal food service on Monday)	
	Registration	0900 – 1700
	FSSA Board of Governors Meeting at SYC	0900
	Boat Measurement/Inspection	1000 – 1600
	Racing Clinic	1500
	Registration Closes	1700
	Welcome Cocktail Party & Competitors Meeting	1800
Tuesday, March 20	Races – First Warning Signal of the Day	1100
Wednesday, March 21	Races – First Warning Signal of the Day	1100
	Seafood Boil	1900

Thursday, March 22	Surprise breakfast event	0900
	Races – First Warning Signal of the Day	1100
Friday, March 22	Races -- First Warning Signal of the Day	1100
	No warning signal after this time	1400
	Awards and Cookout	ASAP following the last race

RACE DEBRIEFING AND KEG AFTER EVERY DAY OF RACING!

5. **Measurement:** Boats and sails must conform to the Official Plan. Each boat must carry equipment required by FSSA Specifications, including Article S-V.2 (Racing Restrictions), and US Coast Guard requirements. At the minimum, the centerboards of the top five finishers from the Mid Winter's and NAC's from the past five years, and all club-owned boats, will be measured. Sails and rigging may be selectively measured and all boats may be checked for required safety equipment. Other measurements may be made at the discretion of the Measurement Committee.
Bow bags and transom ports are required for all boats *without exception*.
6. **VHF Policy:** FSSA rules permit carrying a VHF radio aboard at all times. Competitors may monitor the Race Committee working channel. However, VHF radios shall **not** be used while *racing*, except in an emergency.
7. **Courses to be Sailed:** The courses to be sailed will be described in the Sailing Instructions. As a minimum, a Windward-Leeward course will be included.
8. **Venue:** Launching and hauling will be from the SYC dry storage area. Except when launching/hauling, boats/trailers shall be kept in their assigned places after arrival. Vehicle parking is permitted in the SYC parking lot and the adjacent Municipal Yacht Harbor lot. Racing will be on Lake Pontchartrain; the race course is approximately 1-2 NM NNE of the clubhouse. Additional information can be found in Paragraph 13 below.
9. **Towing:** Boats may be towed to and from the race area only if towing is made available to all participants. Otherwise, a boat accepting a tow without consent of the Race Committee shall be disqualified without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1. Exceptions to this rule may be made by the Race Committee in extenuating circumstances, i.e. breakdown, illness, or other factors that may be appropriate. Protests under this rule may be made only by the Protest Committee or the Race Committee. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
9. **Scoring:** The low-point scoring system of RRS Appendix A2 will be used, except that there will be no throw-outs. Eight (8) races are scheduled, of which 3 must be completed to constitute a championship. (Changes RRS Para. A2)
10. **Trophies:** Trophies will be awarded, at the minimum, to the skippers and crew of the first seven boats in the Championship division and the first five boats in the Challenger division. Additional trophies provided by FSSA include:
 - Championship Division 1st: Mary Meno Perpetual Trophy
 - Challenger Division 1st: Brenda Pollack Perpetual Trophy
 - Sportsmanship (voted on by the sailors): Allan M. Douglas Trophy
11. **Disclaimer of Liability:** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Neither the organizing authority nor the host organization will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
12. **Contact information:**
 - Larry Taggart (Regatta Chair); taggline@usa.net (general regatta information)
 - Eric Aber (Fleet Captain); eric@intermarineusa.com
 - Southern Yacht Club
 - 105 North Roadway
 - New Orleans LA 70124-1633
 - www.southernyachtclub.org (for weather and other information)
 - E-mail: info@southernyachtclub.org
 - Phone: 504.288.4200
 - Fax: 504.283.0621
 - VHF: Channel 68, call-sign: "Bunkhouse"
13. **Additional information:** See **Attachment 1** for lodging information and **Attachment 2** for directions to the clubhouse. SYC is a full service yacht club located directly on Lake Pontchartrain. The "Lake" is approximately 24 miles wide, 50 miles long, and with an average depth of 15-20 feet. In the clubhouse a la carte breakfast is available Saturday and Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., the restaurant is open daily except on Mondays from 11:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. The bar is open daily except on Mondays (Tuesday – Thursday, and Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., and from 11:00 a.m. to Midnight on Friday and Saturday).
Purchases at SYC – Southern Yacht Club does not accept cash for purchases of food and beverages. You must obtain a guest card from the Receptionist located on the 1st floor. For those who are members of Clubs with reciprocal privileges, you may make charges back to your Club. Please be prepared to show your membership card to the Receptionist to obtain a guest card. For all others your guest card charges will be billed to your Visa or MasterCard.

SYC -- The Second Oldest Yacht Club: The records of the Southern Yacht Club trace its history back to the club's founding in the Gulf Coast resort town of Pass Christian, Mississippi in the year 1849. Only the venerable New York Yacht Club can document an earlier founding date. As such, SYC is proud to bear the mantle of second oldest yacht club in the United States.

Hurricane Katrina made landfall just east of New Orleans on August 29, 2005 causing widespread destruction throughout the region. Heavily damaged by wind and flood waters, the clubhouse was ultimately destroyed by a massive fire which burned, unchecked, in the hours following the storm. Sadly, many historic trophies and other priceless artifacts were lost in the fire.

Under the leadership of Commodores Ewell "Corky" Potts and Hjalmar Breit and General Manager Tim Fitzpatrick, the club's organization was kept remarkably intact through the ordeal of Katrina's aftermath. By the end of 2005, an interim facility had been erected to meet the needs of the overwhelmingly supportive membership. SYC's brand new fourth clubhouse was dedicated in the fall of 2009.

A Sailing Tradition: Over the years, SYC sailors have won four Olympic medals and numerous national and international championships. Through more than one hundred and fifty years of prosperity, depressions, wars, yellow fever epidemics, floods and hurricanes, the Southern Yacht Club has always maintained a tradition of keen competition, sportsmanship, and eponymous hospitality.

New Orleans -- history & heritage, restaurants & cuisine, music, museums, theaters, plantations, zoos, aquarium, insectarium, antiques, cool art, vintage clothing, one of a kind jewelry, nightlife, casinos, streetcars, swamp tours, architecture, French Quarter -- from the elegant hotels and restaurants to the fantastic music clubs, shopping and more...all are found here.





LODGING CONVENIENT TO SOUTHERN YACHT CLUB

The clubhouse does not have housing facilities, or the capacity for RV hookups or camping on-site.

New Orleans, affectionately called "The Big Easy", is a premier tourism destination with broad appeal, regardless of budget. The list below is generally limited to lodging nearest the club and, by and large, on the path from the airport. However, New Orleans is a compact city and The French Quarter and other attractions are only minutes away by car.

Most of the accommodations listed below are 4-6 miles (10 to 20 minutes depending on traffic conditions and roadwork) from SYC and are located in the vicinity of Interstate 10 and Veterans Memorial Boulevard where these roadways cross Causeway Boulevard. This is not an all-inclusive list. There are "back ways" from most of these to SYC that "locals" can explain. None of the numerous "downtown" or "French Quarter" accommodations are listed. These are generally *more* expensive than those listed below, and are 20-25 minutes from SYC.

There is unfortunately no camping permitted on SYC grounds or available nearby.

The below are within a 10 to 20 minute drive of SYC – there are others further out along the Veterans Boulevard corridor:

HOTELS/MOTELS	ADDRESS	CITY	PHONE	Rates @ 1/1/12	Dist. to SYC
Hampton Inn-Metairie	2730 N. Causeway Blvd.	Metairie, LA	504-831-7676	From \$129	5.0 mi.
Marriot Metairie at Lakeway	3838 North Causeway Blvd.	Metairie, LA	866-882-4377	From \$152	4.0 mi.
Residence Inn New Orleans/Metairie	3 Galleria Blvd.	Metairie, LA	504-832-0888	From \$127	6.2 mi.
Courtyard New Orleans/Metairie	2 Galleria Blvd.	Metairie, LA	504-838-3800	From \$149	6.3 mi.
Ramada Limited Metairie	2713 North Causeway Blvd.	Metairie, LA	504-835-4141	From \$91	4.8 mi.
Days (Inn) Hotel Metairie	3400 S. I-10 Service Road	Metairie, LA	504-833-8201	From \$65	6.3 mi.
La Quinta Inn New Orleans Causeway	3100 S.I-10 Service Road	Metairie, LA	504-835-8511	From \$79	6.1 mi.
Best Western Landmark Hotel	2601 Severn Ave.	Metairie, LA	504-888-9500	From \$119	5.5 mi.
Holiday Inn	2261 North Causeway Blvd.	Metairie, LA	504- 373-5946	From \$134	6.3 mi.
Sheraton Metairie	4 Galleria Blvd.	Metairie, LA	504-837-6707	From \$136	6.4 mi.
Sleep Inn & Suites	4601 North I-10 Service Road	Metairie, LA	504-887-5337	From \$79	7.4 mi.
Extended Stay America	3300 S.I-10 Service Road	Metairie, LA	800 804-3724	From \$80	6.2 mi.

B&B'S	ADDRESS	CITY	PHONE	Rates @ 1/1/12	Dist. to SYC
Oakview B&B	1172 City Park Avenue	N. O., LA	504-298-3690	Unknown	5.2 mi.
1896 O'Malley House B&B	120 South Pierce St.	N. O., LA	504-488-5896	Unknown	5.2 mi.
Block-Keller House	3620 Canal Street	N. O., LA	877-588-3033	Unknown	5.3 mi.
Glaudot House B&B	4505 Canal St.	N. O., LA	504-486-0165	Unknown	4.7 mi.
Rose Manor B&B *	7214 Pontchartrain Blvd.	N. O., LA	504-282-8200	Unknown	1.1 mi.

**Within walking distance of SYC:*

RV park closest to SYC – about 20 minutes from SYC

Pontchartrain Landing RV Park *	6001 France Road	N. O., LA	504-286-8157	Unknown	7.2 mi.
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- They also have a cottage and a few camper trailers for rent – go to www.pontchartrainlanding.com

RV park near French Quarter – also about 15-20 minutes from SYC

French Quarter RV Resort	500 N Claiborne Ave.	N. O., LA	504-586-3000	Unknown	8.0 mi.
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NOTE:

- **GROUP RATES MAY BE AVAILABLE FOR ONE OR TWO OF THE ABOVE.**
- **SINCE THERE IS NO CAMPING, WE ARE TRYING TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS WITH A NEARBY CHURCH TO USE THE FACILITY THEY HAVE FOR VISITING YOUTH GROUPS. THIS WOULD ESSENTIALLY BE AN OPEN COMMON ROOM (BRING YOUR OWN COT) WITH ADJACENT RESTROOMS AND SHOWERS.**

PLEASE CHECK BACK WITH THE FSSA WEBSITE AFTER JANUARY 27 FOR MORE INFO ON THE ABOVE.

NOR ATTACHMENT 2

DIRECTIONS TO SOUTHERN YACHT CLUB

SYC is located on shores of Lake Pontchartrain in the West End area of New Orleans, approximately 2 miles north of Interstate-10 (I-10) at 105 North Roadway Drive (504-288-4200).

From the West/Airport:

Follow I-10 EAST towards New Orleans. Bear left at Exit 230 onto I-610 EAST (toward Slidell). Stay in the right-hand lane after the I-10/I-610 split and immediately bear right at Exit 1A (WEST END/ CANAL BLVD. EXIT). Take the WEST END ramp immediately to your right. Continue north on WEST END BLVD. for about 1.5 miles until you cross ROBERT E. LEE BLVD. (there will be a large strip shopping center on the far right-hand corner). After about 100 yards take the first left onto LAKE MARINA DRIVE. Follow LAKE MARINA DRIVE over the levee (where it becomes WEST ROADWAY) and after about 200 yards turn right at WEST END PARK onto SOUTH ROADWAY. Follow SOUTH ROADWAY along the park and bear left at the end of the park onto NORTH ROADWAY. Keep to the right and follow along the canal. SYC is directly ahead.

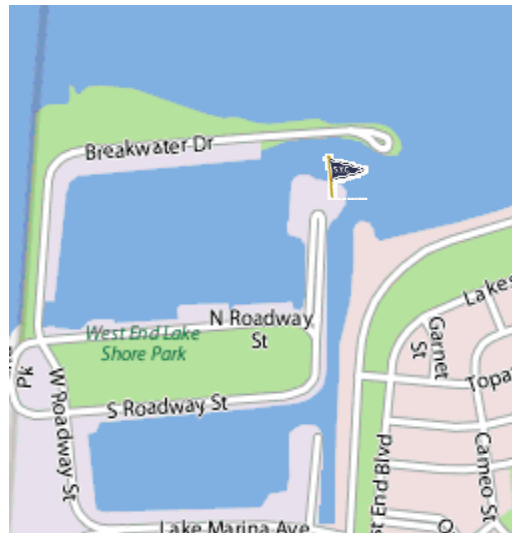
From Downtown:

Get onto I-10 WEST. From I-10 WEST, take Exit 231B to WEST END BLVD. Continue north on WEST END BLVD. for about 1.5 miles until you cross ROBERT E. LEE BLVD. (there will be a large strip shopping center on the far right-hand corner). After about 100 yards take the first left onto LAKE MARINA DRIVE. Follow LAKE MARINA DRIVE over the levee (where it becomes WEST ROADWAY) and after about 200 yards turn right at WEST END PARK onto SOUTH ROADWAY. Follow SOUTH ROADWAY along the park and bear left at the end of the park onto NORTH ROADWAY. Keep to the right and follow along the canal. SYC is directly ahead.

From the East:

Follow I-10 Westbound into the metro area. Approximately 1.5 miles past the high-rise bridge take Exit 238B onto I-610 WEST toward New Orleans International Airport/Baton Rouge. Continue for about 3.4 miles and take Exit 1A to CANAL BLVD. and turn right. Continue north on CANAL BLVD. for about 1.7 miles to ROBERT E LEE BLVD. (third stoplight after exiting from I-610) and turn left. Keep in the right-hand lane. After 0.4 miles (there will be a large strip shopping center on the right) take a right at the next stoplight onto LAKESHORE DRIVE. Take the first left (about 100 yards after turning onto LAKESHORE DRIVE) onto LAKE MARINA DRIVE. Follow LAKE MARINA DRIVE over the levee (where it becomes WEST ROADWAY) and after about 200 yards turn right at WEST END PARK onto SOUTH ROADWAY. Follow SOUTH ROADWAY along the park and bear left at the end of the park onto NORTH ROADWAY. Keep to the right and follow along the canal. SYC is directly ahead.

NOTE: There is currently levee and flood-wall repair/construction along Lake Marina Ave. to West End Park, and at the intersection of Lake Marina and West End Blvd. All roads are passable, but may be limited to one-way traffic in each direction. If you have any questions please call SYC at 504-288-4200.



...**OR**, just set your GPS to “go to” **N30°01.612’ W90°06.855’!!!**

