



INTERNATIONAL ETHELLES

2009 JAGUAR CUP

WINTER REGATTA SERIES

BISCAYNE BAY YACHT CLUB, COCONUT GROVE, FL

NOTICE OF REGATTA SERIES

1.0 VENUE / AUTHORITY:

- 1.1 The Biscayne Bay Yacht Club, in conjunction with Etchells Fleet 20 Biscayne Bay, invites all members and associates of the International Etchells class to the 9th Annual **JAGUAR CUP – WINTER REGATTA SERIES**, sponsored by **Alpine Jaguar of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.** Etchells Fleet 20 is the Organizing Authority and the Biscayne Bay Yacht Club is the host. Four individual regattas will be sailed on the waters of Biscayne Bay, Florida from December, 2008, through March, 2009.
- 1.2 The series will be managed by the Regatta Committee of the Biscayne Bay Yacht Club and Etchells Fleet 20.
- 1.3 Visiting competitors who wish storage, and launching facilities at the Biscayne Bay Yacht Club must submit a fully completed BBYC Guest Registration form along with their entry. Visiting Etchells storage at BBYC is limited to approximately 25 Etchells, and will be assigned on a first to apply, first accepted basis. Additional storage facilities in the close vicinity to BBYC are the US Sailing Center (www.usscmiami.org), and the Shake-A-leg facility (www.shakealegmiami.org) in Coconut Grove. Those facilities should be contacted directly for their details.

2.0 RULES:

- 2.1 The Regattas will be governed by the “rules” as defined in the Current Racing Rules of Sailing (*RRS*)
- 2.2 The following Prescriptions of US Sailing will apply: Rules 61.4, 68, 76.1, 76.3 and appendix F only.
- 2.3 The **Piana Cup**, **Sid Doren Memorial**, and **Florida State Championship** regattas in this series are classified as “Open Events” under Appendix “A” of the International Etchells Class rules, except that all Skippers are required to be current members of the International Etchells Class Association.
- 2.4 The **JAGUAR Mid-Winter Regatta**, final event in the series, is sanctioned by the International Etchells Class Association as a Class “C” event under Appendix “A” of the International Etchells Class Rules. All Skippers are required to be “Active” members of the International Etchells Class Association.
- 2.5 Advertising is restricted to category “A” pursuant to the ISAF Advertising Code and Etchells Class Rules. The Organizing Authority may require all participating boats to display the event sponsor’s advertising in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.3. (d) (i).
- 2.6 The International Etchells Class Rules are changed as follows: All competing boats shall carry a hand held VHF radio for safety purposes, and Race Committee communication.

3.0 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:

- 3.1 The Regatta Series is open to all boats of the International Etchells Class.
- 3.2 Boats may register for the entire series in advance by completing the Series Entry Form and sending it, along with the prescribed entry fee to: Ken Batzer Fleet 20 Treasurer, 2765 N.E. 22 Avenue, Lighthouse Point, FL. 33064.

4.0 FEES:

- 4.1 The Early Entry Fee for the entire Florida Winter Series is \$580.00 (a savings of \$80.00 over the entry fees for the four individual regattas). Early entry fees must accompany an official entry form, and be received by 1800 hours November 15, 2008. Make checks payable to Ken Batzer (Treasurer Fleet 20).
- 4.2 Fees for entering the series after the early entry deadline, and fees for entering individual regattas are detailed on the Official Series Entry Form.

5.0 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: 2009 JAGUAR CUP WINTER REGATTA SERIES

December 13 & 14, 2008 Sat. & Sun.	Piana Cup Regatta Up to 5 races scheduled over 2 days on Biscayne Bay	Skippers Meeting 0900 on December 13 th 1 st Start 1100 daily
January 10 & 11, 2009 Sat. & Sun.	Sid Doren Memorial Regatta Up to 5 races scheduled over 2 days on Biscayne Bay	Skippers Meeting 0900 on January 10 th 1 st Start 1100 daily
February 7 & 8, 2009 Sat. & Sun.	Florida State Championship Up to 5 races scheduled over 2 days on Biscayne Bay	Skippers Meeting 0900 on February 7 th 1 st Start 1100 daily
Feb. 27 - March 1, 2009 Fri. – Sun.	JAGUAR Mid-Winter Regatta Up to 8 races scheduled over 3 days on Biscayne Bay	Skippers Meeting at 1800 on February 26 th 1 st Start 1100 daily

6.0 MEASUREMENT:

- 6.1 For the Piana Cup, Sid Doren Memorial, and Florida State Championship regattas, no boat, rig or sail measurement, or crew weights will be officially taken.
- 6.2 For the **JAGUAR** Mid-Winter Regatta, a mandatory crew weigh-in and sail measurement will be available at the Biscayne Bay Yacht Club from 0900 to 1800 hours on Thursday, February 26th, and from 0800 to 0930 hours on Friday, February 27th.
- 6.3 For the **JAGUAR** Mid-Winter Regatta, boats shall complete measurement and weigh-in before competing.

7.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

- 7.1 The Sailing instructions for all races in the **JAGUAR CUP SERIES** will be distributed at all Skipper's meetings for the series, as well as being posted on the Etchells Fleet #20 website (www.etchellsfleet20.org).

8.0 COURSES:

- 8.1 The race courses will be Windward–Leeward with offset marks, and gates.

9.0 SCORING:

- 9.1 For each individual regatta in the Series, the Low Point Scoring System as described in Appendix "A" of the RRS will apply, except that if more than 3 races are completed in a regatta, a boat may exclude her worst score.
- 9.2 To qualify for the **JAGUAR CUP SERIES**, boats must count their place in the **JAGUAR** Mid-Winter Regatta, and any two of the other three individual regattas (Piana Cup, Sid Doren Memorial, Florida State Championship). Place scores from each individual regatta of the series will be used with a Low Point Scoring System (1st Place = 1 point, 2nd Place = 2 points, 3rd Place = 3 points, etc.). The boat with the lowest score will be declared the winner of the 2009 **JAGUAR CUP**.

10.0 PRIZES:

- 10.1 For each individual regatta in the series, the top five boats will receive prizes.
- 10.2 For the **JAGUAR CUP SERIES**, the top five boats qualifying for the series will receive prizes.

11.0 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

- 11.1 The safety of a boat and her entire management shall be the sole inescapable responsibility of the owner/owners' 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 this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

12.0 INSURANCE:

- 12.1 Each boat is required to hold adequate insurance including third-party liability insurance, and it is the owner or owners' representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to participating in this event. Proof of insurance must be supplied with each entry.

13.0 SUPPORT BOATS:

- 13.1 Support boats shall register with the Race Committee prior to the Skippers Meeting for each Regatta. Support boats will be given an identifying flag and assigned a number. The identifying flag shall be flown at all times during the regatta(s), and all support boats are required to monitor VHF 72 during the regattas.

14.0 WEBSITE / INFORMATION:

- 14.1 The Fleet 20 website (www.etchellsfleet20.org) will have information, Notice of Race, Entry Forms for the Jaguar Cup series, local housing information for Miami, visiting boat & trailer storage details, Biscayne Bay Yacht Club information, and more.
- 14.2 Information about the **2009 JAGUAR CUP SERIES** may also be obtained from;

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e-mail; kenbatzer@aol.com

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