



### **2009 Third Annual Coral Reef Cup**

December 10, 2008

Fellow Etchells & Viper 640 Sailors,

Fall is upon us, and you are probably already looking forward to racing your boat in the strong breezes and warm waters of Biscayne Bay.

A few years ago, in response to the cancellation of the one-design events during Acura Miami Race Week, Coral Reef Yacht Club held the first "Coral Reef Cup." The locals know that spring has some of the best weather for racing in Miami, and the weather and racing left no one disappointed last year. Approximately thirty boats were on the starting line all three days for each of the first two Coral Reef Cups. Last year, first place went to Jud Smith. A perpetual trophy now hangs prominently in the Yardarm Bar at Coral Reef. If you could not attend last year, talk to some of those that did – everyone had a great time! This year, for the first time, Coral Reef is pleased to extend an invitation to the exciting Viper 640 class. We look forward to having one of the fastest growing One Design fleets in the U.S. become an integral part the Regatta.

Attached is the Notice of Regatta and entry form for the Third Annual Coral Reef Cup. In 2009, the regatta will be held from Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>. The entry fee includes a dinner party which will be held on Saturday night, and there will be an awards ceremony with appetizers at Coral Reef after the last day of racing. Just recently, we were able to secure a rate with the Marriott that is the same as the rate provided for the Jaguar. (Details attached.)

We look forward to hearing from you and seeing you on Biscayne Bay again this spring!

Fair winds and following seas,

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March 20-22, 2009

Regatta Entry Form



SKIPPER: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE (Mobile): \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_  
STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_  
CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_ BOAT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SAIL No.: \_\_\_\_\_

**AGREEMENT:** I hereby agree to all of the Conditions for the Coral Reef Cup Regatta, and shall inform each member of my crew of these Conditions.

1. My crew and I recognize that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury associated with it. We have read RRS 4, Decision to Race and hereby acknowledge and agree that we are participating in this event entirely at our own risk.
2. I acknowledge and agree that neither the organizing authority nor the race committee, not their members, will be responsible for (a) any damage to the entered boat or my other property, or (b) any injury to me or to my crew, including death, sustained as a result of the participation of me, my crew and the boat in this event.
3. I hereby waive any rights I may have to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) with respect to personal injury or property damage suffered by myself or my crew as a result of our participation in this event and hereby release the race organizers from any liability for such injury or damage to the fullest extent permitted by law.
4. I have taken all necessary steps to ensure that I, my crew and the entered boat are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law or that a prudent seaman would consider advisable.
5. I understand this document has important legal consequences and have consulted such legal and other advisors as I deem appropriate before signing.

OWNER/CHARTERER \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

REGATTA ENTRY AND SOCIAL EVENTS	ENTRY FEE	ENCLOSED \$
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| <input type="checkbox"/> REGULAR ENTRY FEE (Entry must be received by January 31, 2009.)  | \$175 | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LATE ENTRY FEE (If entry received on or after February 1, 2009.) | \$200 | \$ _____ |

Make checks payable to "Coral Reef Yacht Club."

Mail this entry form and fee to: Coral Reef Cup c/o PJ Keenan  
50 Ocean Lane Drive, Apt. 303  
Key Biscayne, Florida 33149



# CORAL REEF CUP



## **International Etchells Class & Viper 640 Class**

**2009 Third Annual**

**Coral Reef Cup**

**March 20 – 22, 2009**

**Coconut Grove, Florida**

## **NOTICE OF REGATTA**

**The organizing authority of the 2009 Third Annual Coral Reef Cup is the Coral Reef Yacht Club.**

### **1. RULES.**

1.1 This regatta will be governed by the “rules” as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (“RRS”).

1.2 The following prescriptions of US Sailing will apply and will be stated in full in the sailing instructions: US Sailing prescriptions to RRS 40.1, 68, 76.1, and Appendix F; and US Sailing prescriptive rules RRS 61.4, 75.3, and 76.3.

1.3 All boats shall carry a VHF radio for safety and to communicate with the Race Committee.

## **2. ADVERTISING AND BOW NUMBERS.**

Advertising for the Etchells Class will be restricted to Category A (Advertising). Boats that participate in the Jaguar Series should use the same bow numbers for this regatta; all other boats should request bow numbers at the registration for this regatta. The Viper Class will be a Category C (Advertising) Class under ISAF regulation 20.

## **3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY.**

3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the International Etchells Class and the Viper 640 class.

3.2 All competitors shall comply with the IECA Rules, or the Viper 640 Class rules and the International Sailing Federation ("ISAF") Regulation 19.

3.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fee, to Coral Reef Yacht Club, c/o PJ Keenan, 50 Ocean Lane Drive, Apt. 303, Key Biscayne, Florida 33149.

## **4. FEES.**

The entry fee is \$175 per boat if paid in full prior to January 31, 2009, and \$200 thereafter. The entry fee shall include the fee for the social events.

## **5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS.**

### **Thursday, March 19, 2009.**

- 1700 – 1830: Registration at CRYC.

### **Friday, March 20, 2009.**

- 0800 – 0900: Registration at CRYC.
- 0900: Skipper's Meeting.
- [1100]: Warning signal for first race.

### **Saturday, March 20, 2009.**

- 1100: Warning signal for first race.
- 1700: Social gathering and dinner at CRYC. Casual attire.

### **Sunday, March 20, 2009.**

- 1100: Warning signal for first race. No race shall begin after 1400. Awards ceremony to follow at CRYC.

## **6. MEASUREMENTS.**

No boats, rigs, or sails shall be measured, and crews shall not be weighed; however, all boats and competitors are expected to comply with either the IECA Rules or the Viper 640 rules as applicable.

## **7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.**

Sailing instructions shall be made available at the skippers' meeting and posted at CRYC.

## **8. VENUE.**

All races shall be conducted on the waters of the northern section of Biscayne Bay, Florida.

## **9. COURSES.**

The courses will be windward – leeward courses. Depending on the number of entrants, leeward gates and offset marks may be utilized. The sailing instructions will provide more details.

## **10. SCORING AND AWARDS.**

10.1 The completion of at least five races shall constitute a series. The Race Committee shall score a series using the Low Point Scoring System described in RRS Appendix A, and exclude each boat's worst score. In the event a series is not completed, the Race Committee shall still assign a total score for the regatta to each boat using the Low Point Scoring System, but no score shall be excluded.

10.2 Awards shall be provided to the skipper and crew of the boat for at least the with the top three scores for the regatta.

## **11. COACH AND SUPPORT BOATS.**

11.1 Support boats must register with the Organizing Authority at the skippers' meeting, and display any identifying flags that may be issued by the Organizing Authority.

11.2 Team leaders, coaches, other support personnel and support boats shall not communicate with any boats during a race in any manner, except in an emergency, and shall stay outside of the starting and racing areas from the time of the warning signal until all boats have finished the race, or until the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall, or abandonment of the race. Specific coach and support boat instructions may be provided sailing instructions. All coach and support boats shall have a VHF radio onboard and actively monitor channel 72.

## **12. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS.**

All boats shall be afloat no later than the time of the warning signal of the first race Friday, March 20, 2009, and shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.

## **13. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

While racing, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions nor receive radio communications not available to all boats, except in an emergency. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY.**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. All skippers and crew should familiarize themselves with RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## **15. INSURANCE.**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a reasonable amount of coverage.

## **16. FURTHER INFORMATION.**

For further information, please contact PJ Keenan at (305) 205-6271; [pjkeenan@aol.com](mailto:pjkeenan@aol.com) or Henry Chau at (305) 302-0157; [control64@msn.com](mailto:control64@msn.com).