



## 2026 ETHELLS 19<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CORAL REEF CUP

**Coral Reef Yacht Club**  
2484 S. BAYSHORE DRIVE  
MIAMI, FLORIDA 3313  
**MARCH 20 – 22, 2026**

# NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority is Etchells Fleet 20 and Coral Reef Yacht Club is the host club.

### **1. RULES:**

1.1 This event will be governed by the current rules as defined in *THE RACING RULES OF SAILING* (RRS).

1.2 The International Etchells Class Association (IECA) Rules will apply except as modified by the Sailing Instructions (SI).

1.3 This event will be conducted in accordance with the Etchells Class Code of Conduct which is available on the IECA website ([https://etchells.org/assets/documents/Code\\_of\\_Conduct\\_Approved\\_2023.07.25.pdf](https://etchells.org/assets/documents/Code_of_Conduct_Approved_2023.07.25.pdf)).

Competitors will be required to sign the Code of Conduct at or prior to registration for the event. Failure by a competitor to sign the Code of Conduct will result in the competitor being ineligible to participate in the event.

1.4 Notation DP in a rule in the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification. The notation NP in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking this rule.

1.5 Except for breaking a rule of Part 2, RRS 2 or RRS 28 or 31, the Protest Committee (PC) may impose a discretionary penalty (DP) less than disqualification in accordance to RRS 64.

1.6 The following US Sailing Prescriptions shall apply: RRS 88.2, the prescription to the preamble of Part 5, prescriptions to RRS 65.1, RRS 76.1, Appendix R, Appendix VI. These will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

1.7. For the purpose of Class Rule C.10.2.(b), not more than 1 mainsail, 2 headsails, and 2 spinnakers shall be used during the event. Repairs to sails pursuant to all applicable rules are permissible upon approval of the Race Committee.

1.9. If through no fault of her own, a boat's hull/spar/sail is rendered incapable to continuing the series, the skipper may petition the OA and Race Committee (RC) in writing to substitute a replacement hull, spar or sail that has been officially certified for the remainder of the series.

2.1 If there is a conflict between a rule on the Notice of Racing and a rule on the Sailing Instruction, the rule in the Sailing Instruction will take precedence. This changes RRS 63.5(c)(2).

2.2 The RC will use Vakaros RaceSense System. This changes RRS 41. (c). A working Atlas 2 configured for RaceSense at check-in shall be mounted above any other instruments on the aft side of the mast at all times while racing. Each boat shall either provide a working Atlas2 at check-in for configuration with RaceSense, or an Atlas 2 will be provided by the Organizing Authority (QA) for a nominal fee.

a. Class rule C.5.1(b) is amended to add: Electronic devices with the following functionality: **Full Vakaros Atlas 2 functionality will be used for this event.** See Addendum RS.

b. Failure of an Atlas 2 device or the RaceSense system shall not be grounds for requesting redress by a boat. This changes RRS 61.1(a)

2.3 Bow Numbers used in the Biscayne Series will be used. If a boat needs bow numbers, the OA will provide them with application instructions during check-in. A boat may not protest another boat for breaking this rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

## **2. ADVERTISING:**

2.1 The Organizing Authority may require all participating boats to display the event's sponsor in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.4 and Class Rule C.4

## **3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY:**

3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the IECA with a valid measurement certificate. All competitors will comply with the rules of IECA.

3.2 All competitors and crew must be active members of the IECA.

3.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration at [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com) and paying the required fees. A Corinthian Division will be available on the registration form.

## **4. FEES:**

4.1 The entry fee is \$550 for a 3-person boat and \$650 for a 4-person boat. Entries after March 14, 2025, will be considered late and a late fee of \$50 will apply. Teams with all people under 30 years of age, will get a 50% discount on entry fee.

4.2 The Support/Coach fee is \$100/boat and includes one social pass.

4.3 Payments may be made on [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com) website

## 5. SCHEDULE:

<b>Thursday March 19, 2026</b>	<b>1300 – 1830</b>	<b>Registration/Check In</b>
<b>Friday March 20, 2026</b>	<b>0730 – 0845</b>	<b>Late Registration/Check in</b>
	<b>0900</b>	<b>Competitors Meeting</b>
	<b>1100</b>	<b>Warning Signal First Race</b>
		<b>Additional Races to follow</b>
<b>Saturday March 21, 2026</b>	<b>1100</b>	<b>Warning Signal</b>
		<b>Additional Races to follow</b>
	<b>1830</b>	<b>Complimentary dinner competitor/crew:</b>
		<b>Guests may attend by paying \$50 fee.</b>
<b>Sunday March 22, 2026</b>	<b>1100</b>	<b>Warning Signal</b>
		<b>Additional Races to follow</b>
		<b>No Warning Signal after 1430</b>
	<b>16:00</b>	<b>Awards Ceremony</b>

5.1 Eight races are scheduled, and one race constitutes a regatta.

5.3 Three races are scheduled for Friday and Saturday and two races are scheduled for Sunday. To stay on schedule, it is permissible to run one additional race on any of those days.

## 6. REGISTRATION:

6.1 Registration requires the following:

- a) On-line entry completed form and payment of entry and any applicable coach fee.
- b) Waiver/Liability form signed by all members of the crew
- c) Etchells Code of Conduct must be signed by all members of the crew

e) Proof of Insurance of \$300,000 minimum to be provided at or before registration

f) Safety Equipment Declaration (Form available at registration and online).

6.2 The competitor will be responsible for downloading the NOR, Sailing Instructions and any other documents needed for this event.

6.3 The Support/Coach boats shall register in compliance with NOR 4.2

## **7. MEASUREMENT:**

7.1 Boats, rigs and sails will not be measured but shall comply with IECA rules.

7.2 Boats may be inspected at any time.

## **8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

The sailing instructions and applicable prescriptions and amendments will be posted on the Official Notice Board at Yacht Scoring prior to registration.

## **9. VENUE AND COURSES:**

9.1 Races will be sailed on Biscayne Bay. The courses will be windward/leeward drop mark courses which will be described in the Sailing Instructions. See Addendum 1 and Addendum 2.

9.2 Regatta Headquarters will be at Coral Reef Yacht Club.

## **10. SCORING**

10.1 The Low Point System will apply. After 6 races have been completed, a boat's worst score will be excluded.

10.2 Appendix 2 will not apply.

## **11. PRIZES**

11.1 Coral Reef Cup Perpetual Trophy (remains in custody of CRYC).

11.2 Prizes will be awarded first through fifth place overall to skipper and crew.

11.3 Prizes will be awarded to first through third in the Corinthian Division to skipper and crew.

## **12. Support Person/Boats:**

12.1 Support persons/boats shall be registered with the OA and shall fly a flag always identifying them as a support vessel during the event.

12.2 Support persons/boats shall carry a working VHF while on the water and monitor the race committee and agree to assist the race committee if requested to do so.

12.3 Competitors shall have no communication with the support vessel within 5 minutes before the first warning of each day until racing is concluded. Support vessels shall not approach or communicate with competitors or transfer provisions/equipment between races unless the race committee has granted permission.

12.4 Support persons/vessels shall stay at least 100 yards away from the starting area and outside the racecourse starting 5 minutes before the first warning signal each day until racing has concluded.

12.5 Support persons/boats may launch from CRYC. Docking will be permitted under the dockmaster's direction.

### **13. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS:**

13.1 Boats shall be afloat no later than the warning signal for the first race on March 20, 2026. This changes RRS 45.

13.1 Once boats are launched, they shall not haul out during the event except with written permission of the race committee. Boats shall be afloat no later than the warning signal for the first race on March 20, 2026.

### **14. BOAT STORAGE:**

14.1 Boats may arrive at CRYC beginning March 18, 2026. Boats already stored at BBYC, Shake A Leg or USSC should remain at those locations. Competitors requesting storage at CRYC must submit a fully completed guest registration form and assignment will be on a first to register and paid entry fees, first accepted basis.

14.2 Competitors requesting boat storage at CRYC must submit a completed guest registration form. Contact the Dockmaster or Waterfront Director for this information. 305-858-1733 and ask for either one of those individuals.

### **15. RISK STATEMENT**

15.1 Every owner/crew and Support person shall sign a Waiver of Liability on Yachtscoring.

**15.2 RRS 3** states that "***THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR A BOAT'S DECISION TO PARTICIPATE IN A RACE OR TO CONTINUE TO RACE IS HERS ALONE.*** By participating in this event, the owner/crew are participating entirely at his/her own risk. None of the OA, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, Fleet 20 or any other organization affiliated with this event accept any liability for damage, personal injury or death sustained during this event or prior, during or after.

### **16. MEDIA RIGHTS/DATA PROTECTION:**

16.1 By participating in this event, the competitor/crew have granted to the OA and event sponsors the right to make use of and show any photography, audio and video recordings of them made during this event on/off the water from the time of their arrival until their departure.

### **17. COMMUNICATION**

17.1 All competing boats shall carry a working VHF for safety purposes and race committee communication purposes. The VHF channel will be published in the sailing instructions. The use of mobile phones and other electronic devices capable of connecting to the internet are prohibited.

17.2 Coaches and other support persons shall not communicate with any competitor during a race in any manner unless they are assisted with an emergency. Coaches/support people will carry a VHF during racing.

**18. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

18.1 Official Notice Board: website Yachtscoring .com

18.2 Fleet 20 website: [www.ethcellsfleet20.org](http://www.ethcellsfleet20.org)

18.3 IECA Class Rules: <https://etchells.org/class/technical/rules-and-plans>

18.4 Inquires: CRYC Regatta Chairman: Chris Lanza 305-582-2937- [cfl@lanzalaw.com](mailto:cfl@lanzalaw.com)

a) Logistics/Registration Questions: Stu deLisser 305-858-1733 or [waterfront@coralreefyachtclub.org](mailto:waterfront@coralreefyachtclub.org)

b) Boat Docking/Storage: Christian Gomez: 305-858-1733 or [dockmaster@coralreefyachtclub.org](mailto:dockmaster@coralreefyachtclub.org)

c) Race Officer: Sharon Bourke: 305-342-2528 or [healthcare@invited.to](mailto:healthcare@invited.to)

d) Protest Chairman: Rick Mallinson: 405-826-3990 or [mallinson@OU.edu](mailto:mallinson@OU.edu)

e) CRYC: 305-858-1733

**18. 5. VAKAROS/RACESENSE SYSTEM: See Addendum RS**

(a) Other than Vakaros RaceSense device; no other external sensors are permitted.

**19. SOCIAL**

19.1 Coral Reef Yacht Club is a cashless club; non-members may open a guest account by presenting a credit card at the front desk.

19.2 A complimentary meal will be served to competitors/crew at approximately 1830 hours on March 21, 2026. Guests can reserve a spot for \$50/person.

19.2 Complimentary rum/beer will be provided after racing.