

**22nd ANNUAL
BILL WILKERSON MEMORIAL TROPHY RACE**

**Sunday, April 14th, 2019
Notice of Race**

- 1. Rules:** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 2. Eligibility and Entry:** Anyone who keeps a sailboat in Fairfield Harbour at a private dock or one of the marinas including NW Creek, Birdland, Shoreline, and Blackbeard Sailing Club **and/or** owns property in Fairfield Harbour is invited to participate in the race. Entry instructions (**4/11 deadline**) can be found below. Boats requiring a rating will be assigned a rating by the Race Committee.
- 3. Fee:** The entry fee shall be \$25.
- 4. Classes:** The fleet may be separated into two or more classes if there are at least three boats in each class. Anticipated classes are Ensign, San Juan 21, cruising, non-spinnaker and multi-hull. The use of spinnakers will not be allowed. The class assignments will be determined by the PRO and dependent on the entries received.

Cruising Class Definition:

1. No boat specifically designed for racing is allowed
2. Only Dacron sails allowed
3. Powered winches allowed
4. Two of four additional requirements must apply: a. Windlass or pulpit mounted anchor b. Dodger or bimini in place c. Youngest sail 5 years old or older d. Bottom paint 3 years old or older

5. Schedule:

Skippers' Meeting	10:00 April 14th at Red Sail Park, Fairfield Harbour
Scheduled Start for First Boat	1300 Pursuit starts
Post-race Party	1700 at Red Sail Park.

Please bring a dish to share at the party. Beer, wine, soft drinks and table service will be provided.

- 6. Sailing Instructions:** Sailing Instructions will be available at the Skippers' meeting.
- 7. Venue:** The race will be held on the Neuse River, starting near Northwest Creek marker 1N.
- 8. Course, Start and Finish: This will be a pursuit start distance race.** The course to be sailed will be announced at the Skippers' meeting. Boats do not need to check in with the RC before the start. The starting and finishing lines will be between an orange flag on the Signal Boat and the nearby inflatable mark. The first boat to start will have a start in accordance with rule 26. Other boats will start at a delayed time from the first start. Those time delays will be given to each skipper at the Skippers' meeting. Boats will be reminded on **channel 78** of their delayed start time. In the event that a boat is on the course side at her start time, she shall return completely to the prestart side of the line before starting.
- 9. Scoring:** The order of finish will be the order of placement. Handicaps will be calculated based on the length of course selected and will be taken at the start.
- 10. Awards:** Boats that finish first in their class will win a coffee mug inscribed with a picture of their boat taken during the race. The first FHYC boat to cross the finish line will win the traveling Wilkerson Cup.

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Intent to enter must be received by email to mark.hittner@yahoo.com by midnight April 11th. Include the entry information required on the entry form. Bring the signed form and entry fee of \$25 to the Skippers' Meeting.

If the race is cancelled there will be no fee and no party.

Name_____

Email address_____

Yacht Name_____ Make and Length_____

Sail #_____ PHRF Rating_____

Non-spin___ Cruising___ Ensign___ SJ21___ Multi-hull___

Waiver: As a condition of participation in this FHYC regatta, I assume all risk of accident or loss to my vessel, myself and my crew while participating in all regatta activities of FHYC and release FHYC and those acting on its behalf from any liability arising from my participation in this FHYC regatta. I recognize that sailing activities can be hazardous and my participation in this FHYC sponsored event is voluntary on my part and I am therefore assuming all risk of loss or injury when I choose to participate.

Signature_____ Date_____