



The Nautilus



The Official News Letter of New Orleans Yacht Club

CHALLENGE CUP



The crew and support from NOYC pose for their challenge cup win photo op.

Don't call it a comeback, we've been here for years, rocking our peers and putting suckers in fear.... or maybe just Mama Said Knock You Out...on Sunday. Not sure what we should theme the 2019 Gulf Yachting Association Challenge Cup Victory for New Orleans Yacht club but how about I throw in some Brittany.....Oops We did it again (see what I did there)! Team NOYC Won the 49th Annual GYA OFFSHORE CHALLENGE CUP for the second year in a row. Once again, the GYA and Gulfport Yacht Club hosted a spectacular regatta. Their Regatta Management TEAM did a fantastic job facilitating this regatta with top of the line Scorers, Race Committee, Judges &

Support Staff. They presented and ran a great three-day event both on and off the water.

NOYC could not have achieved this big win without our gracious boat owners that were very generous in providing competitive and well-maintained boats. Our biggest thank you goes to these awesome owners Herb Sumrall, Rusty Weaver, Charlie Jagneaux, Riley Stogner and Glen Tonguis. They all sailed with the NOYC team and were a big part of the victory. In addition, a few key team members that consistently went above and beyond were Team Captian Austin Abel, Anne-Marie Black, Kevin Bladsacker, Kirby Luke, Alan Borne, Macho

Macho Slavich, Dave Erwin, Hans Wientjes, Robert Wientjes, R.J Trejo, Jason Byl, Shane Macey, Lauren Loeffelholz, Benz Faget, Mary Hewes, and Riley Stogner. These folks were behind the scenes leading logistics, stepping masts, organizing, delivering boats and doing much more. I am sure I missed a few as I always do, so please feel free to berate my oversight and I will be sure to buy you a drink.

In true New Orleans Yacht Club fashion, we put our best foot forward this year with the incredible fresh new leadership of Commodore Diana Daigle and Challenge Cup Team Captain Austin Abel. NOYC Commodore Daigle, Flag Officers and the Board of Directors afforded the team a sensible budget and made sure that all resources possible were made available to achieve this victory. First time Team Captain Austin Abel led a collaborative committee that evaluated skippers, analyzed/approved boat selection and organized one of the most talented crew pools NOYC has put together in quite some time. NOYC's Jason Byl was designated as our head ORRez- PHRF actuarial rating analyst. He compiled and evaluated data that lead to an under the radar sleeper selection in Class A and oversaw and suggested a late and slight modification in Class C. His input and actuarial rating acumen with both of these decisions help yield NOYC's big win in 2019! Thank you Jason! (wish I had an eighties lyric to throw in here but I don't). Team Captain Austin Abel was appreciative of the total team effort. He was extremely thankful that egos were put aside and that the NOYC Team did not give up after falling behind.

As we all know, Challenge Cup is not about winning your class, it's about making sure your team wins and counting your team's lowest three scores of each race. Our skippers executed this strategy with near perfection and made the occasional sacrifice covering competition when it meant limiting their own overall class results.

In "A" Class, Riley Stogner & Ryan Bancroft's crew were tasked with racing against two former Olympians. They brought J35 Footloose Too for Class A this year. They were a little slow out of the gate but finished strong by winning the last race and finishing second overall in class. This was our sleeper boat that we had set reasonable expectations for in a very tough class. Riley & Ryan with their team literally blew the doors off our expectations and were definitely NOYC's boat of the regatta. They achieved this by getting better every day of the event and being consistent.

In "B" Class, Chris Wientjes & Glen Tonguis skippered Melges 24 Kryptonite to a third place overall finish. This class is very tough as it is an all sport boat class composed of Melges 24s

and Viper 640s. This is the toughest class to pick boats for as the ORRez ratings may not take into effect the leveraged dinghy type hiking that the some of these designs allow. Team Kryptonite was fast out of the gate and won the heavier weighted distance race on Day 1 which put NOYC in the hunt. NOYC has a new Viper arriving soon so it may have a tough decision to make next year.

In "C" Class, Benz Faget of North Sails and Charlie Jagneaux consistently dominated their class with mainly first and second place scores. Ghost was the only NOYC boat to win their class at this year's Challenge Cup. We checked in with skipper Faget and he said, "This was a really fun year to sail, I enjoyed the camaraderie that this event affords and I appreciated the fellowship of our crew and the entire NOYC team. The competition was really good this year and we were happy to be a part of it...Charlie brings a lot to the table with his boat and crew, he's an awesome loyal long time friend and I am thankful we got to race together this year."

In "D" Class, Dr. Anthony Hudson, Herb Sumrall, Rusty Weaver & their team took Wavelength 24 Another Dubious Decision to an overall 2nd place finish. Their third day scores of 1-2-3 kept the team total low and our competition pushed back. This class too, certainly afforded its challenges with so many different hull shapes and sail plans that excel in the diverse conditions. A shout out in this class, definitely goes to Boo Heauser who sailed a J22 and won the first 3 races and the overall class.

The GYA Offshore Challenge Cup is the Gulf Coast's premier performance handicap racing event every year. If you like handicap racing you really can't miss this event as it brings out the best boats, skippers and crew. New Orleans Yacht Club's performance this year was again, magnificent.



Commodore's Corner

It's been a great start to my first year as commodore and we have some exciting things happening this year. We have a new club Viper coming. Hopefully it will get delivered and to Donnie Brennan before the start of Lipton's. Let's keep our fingers crossed.

We have also won Challenge cup for the second consecutive year with a female commodore and female organizer. I am not saying it is a trend but the men can take a lesson. Bastille day was also a great success with the race and the Wine and Cheese tasting. There was a great turnout for the event and we look forward to growing this again next year. Coming up is the Sintes Regatta, I look forward to seeing everyone there competing and raising money for a great charity.

Finally I would like to thank everyone that has stepped up this year and continue to help keep this club running smoothly. I cannot thank yall enough for your efforts, keep up the great work. Let's finish the year strong with Lipton's and LPRC and show everyone on the lake how to race hard and party harder.

See yall at the club!



Overall Bastille Day Regatta Winners Robbie Ruppel, Brent Barnette & Dale Steinkamp from Zephyr .

BASTILLE DAY REGATTA

New Orleans Yacht Club has hosted a Bastille Day Regatta for over fifty years. Circa 1989, new member and General Manager of the Le Meridian Hotel Louis Danielle found out that NOYC actually hosted a Bastille Day Regatta. When he found this out, he was ecstatic. Louis was from France and had managed several Le Meridian Hotels around the world and had recently taken the leadership position at their New Orleans location. Louis took it upon himself to commission Elysees Jewelers who was based in the Le Meridian hotel for 30 years to hand craft a sterling silver braided trophy cup for this event. Louis also invited the French Consulate to join our Bastille Day Regatta celebration and help dedicate this work of art as a perpetual trophy. Mr. Elysees retired shortly after Katrina and moved to New Jersey with his children.

This year's regatta was a huge success thanks to Regatta Chairwoman Ashley Spnagenberg and her team of volunteers. Glen Tonguis & OJ Williams Race Committee team were able to get two short races off in a light steady breeze before the bad weather hit. Overall Bastille Day Regatta Winner taking class and fleet was Dale Steinkamp, Robbie Ruppel & Brent Barnette sailing J30 Zephyr. In A Class, Ryan Bancroft sailing B32 Defiance placed first. Joel Berry sailing J92 Rambunctious placed 2nd and Riley Stogner on J35 Footloose Too placed 3rd.

In B Class, Zephyr won with two bullets, Charlie Jagneaux sailing Ghost placed 2nd and Rusty Weaver on Wavelength 24 A.D.D placed 3rd. In Non Spinaker, Gilbert MacLaughlin single handedly crushed his competition with finishes of 2-1. Placing 2nd was Amy Trepagnier sailing Olson 29 Kokopelli and third was Marc Kullman on his Catalina Time Out.

All and all it was a great morning on the water. The after sailing activities included a well attended trophy presentation where very expensive French Champagne was awarded. Shortly after was a wonderful wine and cheese tasting. NOYC thanks everyone who helped put on this great event.

Sail for Sustenance

Sails For Sustenance Moving Into NOYC

By Jay Smith

Michael Laas and Michael Carcaise originally founded Sails For Sustenance in 2004 in Miami, Florida, to help the needy fishermen in Haiti. Their idea was spot on since the Haitian fishermen were most often using old hand made dugout canoes. They would paddle out with equally antiquated paddles that would also serve as makeshift masts using bedsheets and garbage bags as sails.

Motors and fuel are difficult for these men to obtain and they were not able to get out a few miles past the incredibly overfished coastal waters. This is why the donated sails that Sails For Sustenance has been distributing are so valuable to them. They can easily get out a few miles without expending excessive energy and catch decent size fish.

Both Laas and Carcaise traveled to Haiti and developed relationships and partnerships with organizations like Food For The Poor and Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines. They also ran their officially documented 501c3 ethically and conscientiously. But as time went the arrival of children and the advancement of careers began demanding more and more of their time.

About five years ago they began seeing the results from the NOYC Mardi Gras Regatta that had adopted their charity at The MGR sponsor's suggestion, Guy Williams of Gulf Coast Bank. And the results just kept growing garnering more and more attention from not only Laas and Carcaise

but many of the beneficiaries in Haiti as well.

Additionally, we began to develop new projects. Most notable is an economically obtainable fishing boat design competition being conducted by the UNO School of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering. This idea has been developed and executed by NOYC member Greg Rubin and the objective is to design a kit that includes all materials, tools and instructions to build a fishing boat affordable to the fishermen.

We also are trying to organize Haitians to sew together a variety of tote bags, duffle bags, knapsacks, etc. from excess sail material that can be sold in the US. We have our good friend and advisor Dave Bolyard to thank for this great opportunity.

Because of these reasons and others Laas and Carcaise honored me personally by asking me take over Sails For Sustenance as Managing Director, a national position. However, I would be remiss to not acknowledge the essential help and advice from Guy Williams, Rickey Smith, Kid Falcone, Kevin McCaffrey and the many volunteers who have helped with donating sails and helping to get the shipments together. Also our Haitian counterpart Vladimir Laborde who deserves an NOYC honorary membership. Just saying board of directors.

From now on Sails For Sustenance will be based in New Orleans at NOYC along with Miami and in Haiti both Port Salut and Cap Hatien.

Outstanding job NOYC!!!



DAVE PERRY'S RACING QUIZ

Boat S (on starboard tack) bears away to avoid hitting Boat P (on port tack) and intends to protest. S immediately shouts out P's name and displays her protest flag, notifies P ashore that a protest will be filed and delivers the protest within the time limit. At the hearing, in response to questioning from the protest committee, S states that she did not hail the actual word "Protest" because she was confident that P was fully aware that she intended to protest. You are on the protest committee; how would you decide this?

JUNIORS HAPPENINGS

The NOYC Juniors were very active this past spring and are looking forward to getting things going again this fall. Last semester, NOYC Juniors from Ben Franklin and Ursuline competed in the Rock the New Year Regatta at Bay Waveland, The Super Bowl Regatta at Bay Waveland, The Northshore Cup at Pontchartrain Yacht Club, The NOYC High School Regatta, and the High School District Championships hosted by the New Community Sailing Center. The Ursuline team also took a trip to the community sailing center in Galveston, TX to practice in their fleet of FJs. Additionally, the NOYC junior sailors competed in five Friday night high school series racing. Once the high school season was over, the sailors enjoyed other classes of boats, such as a Hobie Getaway and the S2. Loyola sailors, who are also junior members of NOYC, have been very active as well. Their season was capped off with a trip to the Rocky Mountains to race against the University of Colorado at Boulder.



A start at the NOYC High School Regatta

Looking towards the future, we are in the process of putting a 501c3 nonprofit together so that we can fundraise to replace our aging fleet of 420s. We hope that all of the NOYC members will continue to support the juniors and help us with getting new boats!



Sailing around on a Hobie Getaway

After racing in the Pam Sintes Regatta, the high school season will kick off at NOYC for the 2nd annual Girl's Regatta on September 7th. The NOYC Girl's regatta is the only all-girls regatta in the district, which last year attracted teams from as far away as Houston.



Racing at the Northshore Cup

Entertainment Committee

August 2019 Calendar

- Saturday August 17th—Karaoke Night 7:00 PM
- Saturday August 24th—Pam Sintes Regatta—race and after party all day event

September 2019 Calendar

- Monday September 2nd—Labor Day Grill your own—2:00PM
- Thursday September 12th—Chef Dinner 7:00 PM

October 2019 Calendar

- Thursday October 3rd—Chef Dinner 7:00 PM
- Sunday October 20—Kids Halloween Party 2:00-4:00 PM
- Friday October 25th—Halloween Party 7:00 PM

November 2019 Calendar

- Sunday November 3rd—Chili cook off/Tequila tasting 3:00 PM
- Thursday November 7th—Chef Dinner 7:00 PM
- Wednesday November 29th—Turkey Bingo &:00 PM
- Friday November 22nd—Meet the Candidates

December 2019 Calendar

- Saturday December 7th—Commodore's Ball
- Sunday December 15th—Kids Christmas Party 2:00-4:00PM
- Wednesday December 18th—Reindeer Bingo 7:00 PM
- Tuesday December 31st—New Year's Eve Party 9:00-1:00 AM



I would like to thank everyone who volunteered their time to help paint the East Room August 2, 3, and 4th.

I was amazed at the turnout of volunteers and the wonderful job they all did.

Please look at a job well done!

If there's one thing we can say about NOYC...we have a great group of members.

Thanks again to all!!!

Joan Randon



Racing Rules of Sailing—QUIZ ANSWER from Dave Perry's Quiz Book

Under rule 63.5, *Hearings: Validity of the Protest or Request for Redress*, the hearing is closed because S's protest is not valid. Rule 61.1 (a) ; *Protest Requirements: Informing the Protestee*, requires S to hail "Protest." S does not do this. Rule 63.5 requires that at the beginning of the hearing the protest committee decide whether all the requirements for the protest have been met. If not, the hearing must be closed.

COMMITTEES

Please reach out to our current committee chairs or board members if you would like to get involved.

Finance: **John Wolf**

House: **Ricky Smith/Joan Randon**

Club Boats: **OJ Williams**

By-laws: **Allen Borne**

Junior Program: - **Kevin Gunn**

Regatta: **Glenn Tonguis**

Dry Storage: **Rob Grisoli**

LPRC: **Diana Daigle, Bill Bradford,
Louise Bienvenu, Shane Macy**

Viper: **Austin Ables**

Entertainment: **Gina Binder**

Mardi Gras Race Week: **Riley Stogner**

Cruising: **Mark Binder, Randy Ortega**

GYA Capdevielle: **Austin Abel**

Membership: **Jan Bancroft**

Legal: **Allen Borne**

GYA Offshore Council: **Louis Lambou**

Nautilus: **Charlie Killian**

Safety: **Jack Wynowski**

GYA Challenge Cup: **Austin Able/Ann
Marie Black**

Protest: **John Wolf**

Capdevielle: **Jeff Willis**

GYA One-Design Council: **Glen Tonguis**

Publicity/NOYC.org: **Dave Erwin**

Nominating: **Andrew Kurlyrik**

Jr Lipton's: **Sara Bancroft**



24th Annual Pam Sintes Memorial Regatta

Saturday, August 24, 2019



8:00 - 10:00 Breakfast by Cafe du Monde

Party after the Regatta at NOYC

Music by Faith Becnel and the Music Krewe

Food, Raffles, and Silent Auction

Cash Bar

Registration Fee \$30.00 before August 9th

\$35.00 after August 8th

Award for the boat that raises the most money!



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Benefits of Membership at NOYC

- Fun and friendly environment
- Private room rental
- Reciprocal privileges with other GYA clubs
- Use of several club owned boats such as Optis, Flying Scots, Sunfish, Easterly 30, S2, Viper
- Dry storage (for a monthly fee based on boat length)
- Use of two ton hoists
- Transient slips
- Wednesday night racing
- Participating in Race Committee
- Sailing lessons (fees apply)
- New Orleans' most affordable private club
- Access to club entertainment events such as Louie's Oyster Party, Friday Happy Hour, Commodore's Ball, Poker Nights, BINGO, Kid's Christmas and Easter Parties, Movie Nights, Live Music and Burgers after Wednesday Night Racing, New Year's Eve, Island Party, Superbowl Party, and Chef Dinner Series

NOYC Room Rentals for Special Events

New Orleans Yacht Club's East-room is available for all your party needs, large or small!

Book your next Birthday Party, Wedding Party, or Business Function with NOYC.

Contact John Wolf at manager@noyc.org or 283-2581 for availability and info.

NOYC is a Full Member of the United States Sailing Association and the Gulf Yachting Association.

