

NEWSLETTER

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The month of May was for me a very busy month of racing. At the beginning of the month we raced our Lagoon 410 in Antigua Sailing Week, then the weekend after that we did the Anguilla Regatta followed by the Captain Oliver's regatta. All of them for us were a lot of fun and with some great racing in one form or another. But all of them had the same problem, not

enough cruising multihulls racing, I really don't understand why not. There are so many good cruising multihulls out there with good sailors on board, so why are thy not racing? Something we need to work on for next year.

Once again I think the Caribbean had a good regatta season and now I look forward to our off season get togethers.

Mark your calendars!

Caribbean Dinghy Championship (CDC)

The weekend of

10-12 August 2012

Antigua Yacht Club

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Mark your calendars!

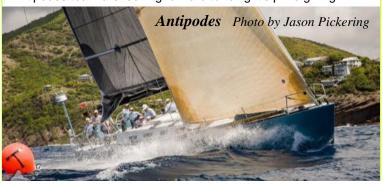
Regatta Organizers Conference (ROC) and AGM 20 and 21 October 2012

Great Bay Beach Hotel—St. Maarten

Confirm attendance with Cary on director@bigboatseries.com



In CSA 1A, there was a nail-biting finale to Antigua Sailing Week. Geoff Hill's Santa Cruz 72, Antipodes won the last race of the day to take the division. Geoff Hill spoke dockside in Falmouth Harbour: "This is the first time we have raced the yacht and to be honest we could have done with another week to get her ready for racing, we have been tuning her up as we raced and the team have done a great job. I have been to Antigua Sailing Week before but not for about seven years and I have to say we have received a very friendly welcome from the race organisers and all of the Antipodes team are looking forward to tonight's prize giving."





Regatta date changes By Peter Holmberg—VP North

The Northern Caribbean Spring Regatta schedule has become increasingly crowded over the past few years. Several new events were started, and small existing ones had grown big. The result was a crowding and conflicting of dates in the March/April period.

This was hurting the overall growth of the Caribbean racing circuit, so I took on the mission of contacting the regatta directors and proposing some adjustment of dates to create a calendar of events which better fit the available dates, asking all to keep the big picture in mind.

The responses from the regattas were excellent. Several events were willing to change their dates for 2013, while others are willing to review the following years at the Regatta Organizers Conference in October. Some events have already made hard plans for 2013 which could not be changed, but were willing to review for years 2014 and beyond. The ultimate goal is to make slight adjustments allowing all the events to fit within the same period, but without overlaps.

Out of respect and appreciation to the events which made these late changes to their dates, we issued press releases and some fliers to alert the media and sailing public of these changes.

Hopefully the regattas not listed in this press effort understand why only the selected events were mentioned. The international press has helped with the announcement and the feedback so far has all been positive.

Peter Holmberg

Regatta Dates changed for 2013 (highlighted in green)

Mount Gay Rum Round Barbados Race January 21 www.mountgayrumroundbarbadosrace.com/

The Super Yacht Challenge Antigua January 25-27 http://thesuperyachtchallenge.com/

Puerto Rico Heineken Intl Regatta February 16-18 http://www.prheinekenregatta.com/

RORC Caribbean 600 February 18 http://caribbean600.rorc.org/

St. Maarten Heineken Regatta March 1-3 http://www.heinekenregatta.com/

Caribbean Super Yacht Regatta Virgin Gorda TBD http://www.supervachtregattaandrendezvous.com/

International Rolex Regatta, St. Thomas March 22-24 http://www.rolexcupregatta.com/index2.php

BVI Spring Regatta and Sailing Festival March 25-31 http://www.bvispringregatta.org/bvi/

St. Barths Bucket Regatta March 28—31 http://www.bucketregattas.com/stbarths/index.html

Les Voiles de St. Barth April 8-13 http://www.lesvoilesdesaintbarth.com/site/us/

http://www.antiquaclassics.com/

Antigua Classic Yacht Regatta April 18-23

Antigua Sailing Week April 28-May 3 http://www.sailingweek.com/v3/index.php

Review of the ANTIGUA SAILING WEEK

Continued.....

Peter Harrison's Farr 115 Sojana could only manage a third today, which put them on equal points with Antipodes. Sojana could only count three first places to Antipode's four and lost on countback, it was that close. Jan Rupert's Tripp 75, Blackbird finished the regatta with a second place in the last race to secure third.

In CSA 1B, Stefan Lehnert's Tripp 56, Passion 4C won the last race by a handsome margin to secure not the division title. Lenhert's team has been racing in the Caribbean all season. Antigua Sailing Week did not start well for Lehnert when his son went overboard in the first race but the German Admiral's Cup winner has had a great week, as Lehnert explains: "When Richard Matthews and Zig Zag picked up Phillip, I was so relieved, I thanked him by giving them a crate of champagne and it has been champagne sailing since then," smiled Lehnert. "I must also congratulate the organisers of this regatta. It has a great atmosphere and I especially enjoyed the daily prize giving, which gives you a chance to meet other sailors during the week, I am sure Passion 4C will be back in Antigua."



The winner of CSA 2 was already decided before today's race. Ulrich Rohde's Swan 53, Dragon Fly Plus had an unassailable lead but that didn't stop Ross Applebey's Oyster 48, Scarlet Oyster from going for it today with Yachting World Editor, David Glenn on board. The vintage Oyster corrected out to win by just 25 seconds from Christian Reynolds, Swan 51, Northern Child, posting their best result of the regatta. In today's race Andy Middleton's First 47.7 came third. Chris Brand's Swan 53, Merel Four could only manage a sixth today but the team from the Royal Thames Yacht Club maintained their position as third overall.

In CSA 3, Richard's Wesslund's J/120, El Ocaso made it a perfect seven with their win today. Boat Captain, Mike Caldwell spoke dockside after racing: "It may look like we ran away with the victory but many of the races were won by a few seconds. Every single member of the El Ocaso team has made a significant contribution, we all had our moments when the bow, the trim, the driver all needed to step up and be counted and that is what they did and I am very proud of them. We have been partying together all week and I am sure we will enjoy the English Harbour rum tonight!"

Second place in the class went to Nick Burn's First 40, Lancelot II. His Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club team have been battling all week with Maurio Martinez's Brazilian team racing First 40, Smile and Wave.

In CSA 4, Calvin Reed's First 40.7, Elandra won the last race of the series by a significant margin to win Class for the second year in a row. Sir Hugh Bailey's Beneteau 456, Hugo B was second today. The team



from Falmouth, Antigua have shown incredible consistency. Throughout the week, Hugo B has only been off the podium on one occasion and that was a fourth. However, Elandra has been unstoppable and the team are class winners in consecutive regattas. Jonty Layfield's J/39, Sleeper was third overall.

Dramatic Yachting World Round Antigua Race - 28 May 2012

The 2012 Yachting World Round Antigua Race, held on Saturday, April 28, was very dramatic from the very beginning, with strong winds creating waves of more than three metres, and at least two retirements due to gear failure.

Allyn Salomon's Beneteau Oceanis 473 sailing yacht Hermosita suffered a damaged rudder and South African Jan Rupert entry, Tripp 75 Blackbird yacht was another casualty. The Mini Maxi suffered a ripped mainsail as the mighty yacht pounded through the surf. This was much to the frustration of the crew including David Glenn, Editor of Yachting World who had joined Blackbird for the day.

In CSA 3 two Antiguan yachts came to the fore. Stephen Carson's Dehler 34 Hightide was the eventual winner, but the smallest yacht in the entire fleet, Tanner Jones' J/30 Blue Peter raced with great aplomb in difficult conditions to claim second. Rick Gormley's First 38, Elethea was third.

In CSA 2 First 40, Smile and Wave, skippered by Mario Martinez won by less than two minutes on corrected time from Nick Burns' First 40, Lancelot II. Matthew Shafer's First 40.7 Cheeki Rafiki was third.

The Yachting World Round Antigua Race was quite an experience for the crew of Smile and Wave, as Jaime Torres explains: "Mario Martinez is skipper for the week and our only real preparation for this race was to sail to the start line, but the team did exceptionally well. However, I didn't take into account Sunken Rock off Indian Creek and as a result we hit. Nobody was hurt and we continued racing, but the error let Lancelot get away and we could only match them for speed downwind around the windward side. However, we played the shifts well on the beat to finish and managed to make a big gain. I have to say I am really looking forward to Sailing Week, I am sure we are going to have a great battle with Lancelot."

In CSA 1, Peter Harrison's Farr 115 charter yacht Sojana got a great start and powered away upwind as a torrent of spray engulfed the magnificent ketch's bow. Working the maneuvers on Sojana is a skillful and hugely energetic team effort, which is fraught with danger and later in the race that peril was to manifest itself in no uncertain terms. Sojana superyacht had a cracking race, touching close to 20 knots of boat speed down the windward side of Antigua. Crew work had to be slick, even on a long race, corners come up alarmingly fast and with pressure loads measured in tens of tons, even a small error can be a real problem. One hyper gust sent Sojana's enormous spinnaker belowing to leeward, the main sail boom perilously close to digging a sizeable whirlpool into the hissing blue water, the big ketch was pushing hard.

With just nine miles to go, the Farr 115 luxury yacht Sojana needed to average 10 knots to break the record when foredeck crew Maurice Belgrave fell off the bow to leeward. With Pol Ho-Jensen at the helm, Sojana pulled off a text book recovery. Without using the engine, Mau rice was in the water for less than five minutes before the bow crew plucked him to safety, pulling Maurice out of the water and up a full three metres of freeboard. Apart from a small gash, he was unharmed in the incident, which is a credit to the entire crew of Sojana. "Maurice usually dives the boat so it was no big surprise!" Joked Sojana's skipper Marc Fitzgerald after the race. "To be fair, I don't think we would have broken our record even if Maurice hadn't gone for a swim. That time set in 2009 was a very good one and today, the square beat to finish meant a lot of tacking to stay out of the tide and think that is where we fell behind but we are delighted that Maurice is fine and it is great to start the week by winning the Yachting World Trophy."

Despite Sojana's excellent efforts, on corrected time the German Tripp 56 yacht Passion 4C steered by Admiral's Cup winner, Stefan Lehnert corrected out to win CSA 1 by just over two minutes with Sojana second. Hector Velarde's Peruvian NM92, Locura was third. Peter Aschenbrenner's 63ft trimaran yacht Paradox blistered around the 55 mile course in 4hrs 15mins 39 seconds.

Review of the ANTIGUA SAILING WEEK Continued.....

In CSA 5, Geoffrey Pidduck's Six Metre, Biwi Magic came out on top in the last race of the series to win the class: "The decisive moment today was the start. Blue Peter was lee-bowing High Tide and I was taking the lee-bow off Blue Peter, but because we can point much higher than both of them, Biwi Magic got right over the top of them and we made the top mark first. High Tide should have caught up downwind but they chose to go inshore and got caught up in traffic, whilst we stayed in clear air pointing directly at the mark and that as that really. It has been a fantastic week of racing but I have to say I was kicking myself yesterday when I rounded a mark the wrong way and had to go back, we could have thrown away the win there and then. It is great to win and I am sure I will be enjoying an English Harbour rum very shortly at the Antigua Yacht Club."

Steve Carson, owner of runner up High Tide was in good spirits despite losing out on the last race. "I helped build that boat (Biwi Magic) before it crossed the Atlantic and I suppose it has come back to bight me!" quipped Carson.



In CSA 6, Resting Goose were already secure of the class win before today's race. Owner David Chatterton talked about his experience at Antigua Sailing Week: " It has just been fantastic, well organized, friendly, a real joy to be here and we are delighted with our win. We are just a bunch of boys from the East Coast of England, here to have some fun and all of the yachts in our class have been a delight to sail against and party with. It has been a very special week, a big thank you to everybody involved in Antigua Sailing Week."

On Friday's race, Vince White's O'Day 35, Seal saved the best to last, winning their first race of the series but a country mile. Beneteau Oceanis 473, Ormeau was second with Philip Eynon's prestine Swan 36, Arc Angel third.

In the Bareboat Class, three yachts from KH+P had a tremendous battle, as they have done all week. Alexander Pfeiffer's L'Oiseau des lles won today's race putting pressure on class leader, Horst Schultze's Sea You Later. However Sea You Later corrected out to take second place in the last race by a solitary second from Andreas Kadelbach's Cayenne. After a six race series, Sea You Later won the class by the narrowest of margins.

In Bareboat 2, KH+P Sapphire Dancer took a convincing victory. In second place was Stewart Reed's Dilligaff. No doubt Stewart and his team from the UK will be celebrating the skipper's 50th birthday in fine style tonight. The Swiss Team Carondimonio racing Balaou were third.

The final awards for the legendary Antigua Sailing Week took place on the water side of the Copper and Lumber Store in the historic setting of Nelson's Dockyard. Once the silverware was distributed the dancing began. The whole place was jumping to live music from Rico and the 4 Play Band and music from Choice FM & Grown n' Sexy featuring Dave VJ.

Full results, video, race reports and images can be found at: www.sailingweek.com

Trinidad-to-Grenada Yacht Race for the Girl Pat Trophy

On the morning of March 30th, 12 yachts started off Trinidad waters to make the 90-mile crossing to Grenada. The race for the Girl Pat Trophy is known locally as the oldest ocean race in the Southern Caribbean.

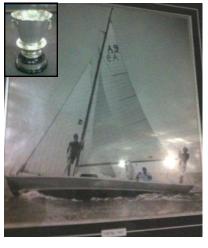
Peter "Champie" Evans sailing his Swan 48, *Julia*, did the crossing in a new record time of seven hours, 57 minutes and 40 seconds. This new record broke the previous record by half an hour.











Julia was followed by Norman Da Costa's Soverel 42 C-Mos some 45 minutes later with David Leighton's 42 foot catamaran Valkvrieabout 13 minutes behind C-Mos. Other boats crossing the finish line were Prodigal Son, Legacy and Xante. Several other boat retired and did not finish. On corrected time the first-. second- and third-place winners were Julia. Robert Marfleet's Beneteau 432 Prodigal Son and C-Mos. On the following day, a second race was held off Grand Anse Bay in what can only be termed Trinidad vs Grenada.

Nine boats participated in an excellent and steady 16-knot wind. Taking the first on corrected time was the J24 *Diehard* skippered by Robbie Yearwood from Grenada, second was the Albin 36 *Apero* skippered by Jason Fletcher of Grenada Marine, and third the well-known Soverel 43 *Legacy* skippered by Reggie Williams from Trinidad.

The pure silver Girl Pat
Trophy was first presented in
1959, although the Trinidadto-Grenada race actually
started in 1957. *Girl Pat* was
the name of a 22-foot sloop
owned by Bob and Betty
Levorsen in Trinidad. Betty
was a very active sailor and
sailed regularly with Rawle
Barrow as her skipper.
The first organized race

from Trinidad to Grenada was won by Girl Pat.

The Grenada Yacht Club was host to this revived race and at the prize presentation the Minister of Tourism, Hon. Peter David, said he was very pleased of the revived event and assured all participants that Grenada will welcome the Trinidadian yachtsmen anytime.

Island Water World kindly donated prizes to the Grenada Yacht Club for the event.

The 2013 race event will be held the weekend before Easter.

By James Benoit

Review of the

8TH ANNUAL CAPTAIN OLIVER'S REGATTA

19-20 May 2012—Thecrew of Budget Marine Gill, skippered by Chris Marshall became the "Most Worthy Boat" of the regatta and took home the main prize of the regatta, sponsored by Island Water World, a haul out and anti-fouling with Sea Hawk paint, as well as ensuring their name goes down in perpetuity on The Captain Oliver's Memorial Trophy. The weather prophecies for the weekend held true and provided challenging conditions for the sailors, with high winds and choppy waters, which caused cancellation of the Beach Cat Class.

The regatta fleet consisted of 22 boats in five different categories, with a course counterclockwise around the island on Saturday, and Sunday's courses laid between Tintamarre and Pelican Rock for the cruising classes and for the racing classes an extended course rounding Rocher Rock.

The winner of the Racing Monohull Class was Budget Marine Gill (Chris Marshall), second place went to L'Esperance (Bobby Velasquez) and the third prize went to Maelia (Raphael Magras).

Team Coors Light experienced technical problems in Saturday's race and had to leave the race to resolve the problem, but were ready again to join the race on Sunday.

Quality Time (Petro Junker) won the Racing Multihull Class. In second place was Tryst (Patrick Turner) and in third place Dauphin Telecom (Erick Clement).

The Cruising Monohull class was won by Antares (Colin Percy) followed in second place by Moon Dance (Garth Stein) and third place Caribella (Gordon Robb)

In the Cruising Multihull Class the winner was Green Flash (Luc Scheulen), second place went to Two Pigeons (Marc Sillem), and third place was taken by Katzenellenbogen (Robbie Ferron)

The 1-Design Class was won by Team Lagoon Marina (Appie Stautenbeek), in second place was Island Turtle, while third place went to V Wel O Ven (Jose Villier).

The spirit of participation award went to John Wolff and Brigitte de Laitre of Turquise, while the crew onboard Little Poe from the SBO Maritime Program received Gill sponsored prizes for showing great enthusiasm for sailing and impressive attitude for the event.

Colin Percy of Antares commented after a successful ended regatta: "This year, once again Captain Oliver's Regatta was the tops.

High winds, great sailing and great sponsors made this an overall lovely



opportunity to come back and sponsor a wonderful St. Martin event." Also Bobby Velasquez commented: "It great to come back here every year for racing and the ambience, though I would like to see the classes reviewed. It has been fantastic as always and we will be back next year in full support." Stuart Knaggs, race director, stated that he would like

to see the 1-design Class grow for next year's regatta and encouraged sailors who do not own their own boat to participate in this class for next year. "The optimist race on Saturday afternoon has been a successful addition to the regatta and we hope to repeat that again next year together with Sint Maarten Yacht Club, and look forward to a continued partnership with Coors Light in the 9th Annual Captain Oliver's Regatta 2013", he adds. For more info see: www.coyc-sxm.com



Review of the

Anguilla Regatta 11—13 May 2012









If there is one thing that the Anguilla Regatta is famous for, its perfect sailing conditions and this year's regatta was no exception. With clear skies and winds ranging in 15-20kts for all three days of the Regatta, the racing was spectacular for all 17 boats entered in the spinnaker, nonspinnaker and multi-hull classes. This year's return of the A class Anguilla Race Boats on Sunday completed a perfect weekend of sailing.

This year, a new award was created in memory of former Anguilla Sailing Association Board Member, Fred Randall, who passed away earlier this year. The Fred Randall Award was for the best all around performance by a single boat in the regatta. Team Coors Light graciously accepted this top honour in addition to his win in the Spinnaker Class.

Donald Curtis, President of the ASA, was very excited by the incredible sportsmanship of all the competitors. "While Coors Light may have won the top prizes, the real winners were the students of the Anguilla Sailing School. This year, seventeen students were invited to crew for all three days of racing on six boats who were shorthanded. The students not only got to see first hand how it felt to sail on yachts that have competed all over the Caribbean but the funds raised by the regatta will be used to make sure that the sailing school survives and grows as it continues in its mission to teach sailing to the next generation of Anguillans.

Curtis also announced that next year's Regatta will be held February 22-24th, 2013.

Final results can be found at www.anguillaregatta.com

T&T's Lewis qualifies for London Olympics



Andrew Lewis will represent Trinidad and Tobago at the 2012 London Olympics. The 22-year-old athlete recently competed at the Audi Laser World Championships, in Boltenhagen, Germany, and it was confirmed yesterday that he secured one of the 12 Olympic berths available at the event.

With this feat, Lewis has created history by becoming the first T&T sailor in the Laser class to qualify

for the Olympics. "Words can't express the joy I feel right now," said Lewis. "It's been a long road, and at times very difficult. I was heartbroken in 2008, having missed qualifying for Beijing. I made up my mind to bounce back and work twice as hard. I've dreamed of representing Trinidad and Tobago at the Olympics since I was 14, and I am blessed to have attained it through the help of my team, sponsors, family, friends and well wishers. This is an honour to make my country proud".

SCOTIABANK INTERNATIONAL OPTIMIST REGATTA

Register Now!



St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands. Don't miss the boat! Register now to join the fleet of 80 junior sailors from throughout the Caribbean, U.S. and Europe who are already signed-up to race in the 2012 Scotiabank International Optimist Regatta (SIOR), June 22 to 24, and race prep Sea Star Clinic and Sea Star Team Race, June 18 to 21.

Entrants include 2011 SIOR champion Wiley Rogers and the U.S. World's Team who will compete in the Optimist World Championships in the Dominican Republic in July.

"The schedule of international regattas this summer created an opportunity for sailors to come to the SIOR as well as train in the Virgin Islands," says regatta director, Margo Lynch. "We have teams arriving early to train and teams that are staying late to take advantage of the great sailing conditions in the USVI."

The Sea Star Clinic run by top international coaches from Optisailors.com will focus on starts, tactics, and strategy. Clinic cost is \$300 for non-U.S. Virgin Islands' registrants and \$275 for U.S. Virgin Islands' residents, and includes breakfast and lunch for the three days. Clinic registration closes on May 15th.

Shore side activities include an opening Parade of Nations, a Welcome Party, raffle, 20th Anniversary Party, ice cream social and Caribbean-themed night that includes fire dancers. The fun culminates with a beachside brunch and Awards Ceremony on June 24th.

Trophies will be awarded to the top five sailors in each fleet and top three overall. Additional trophies include the Peter Ives' Perpetual Trophy, the Chuck Fuller Sportsmanship Award and the top female sailor. The Sea Star Perpetual Trophy will be inscribed with the names of the sailors on the winning team racing team.

This year's event will follow an eco-friendly theme. Sailors will be urged to recycle all plastic water bottles, use the reusable water bottle in the goodie bag throughout the regatta, keep all lunch bags and wrapping out of the water and pick up any trash on shore and accept drinks without straws.

For more information, call 340-775-6320; fax: 340-775-3600, or Email: scotiabankregatta@gmail.com. Or, for the Notice of Regatta, Registration Forms, information on hotel discounts and other information, visit the St. Thomas Yacht Club web site at www.styc.net

Please also visit the Scotiabank International Optimist Regatta on Facebook!



Sailors from around the Caribbean and world compete in the 2011 Scotiabank International Optimist Regatta. *Photo by Dean Barnes*

Philipine van Aanholt qualifies for Olympic Games





During the Audi Laser Radial Worlds 2012 in Boltenhagen at the Baltic Sea in Germany, Philipine van Aanholt (19 yrs) qualified for the London Olympics 2012. In a battle between 24 countries, she finished 2nd country to take one of only 9 available spots for London. Besides Van Aanholt, sailors from Guatemala, Estonia, Greece, Peru, Poland, Russia, Uruguay and U.S. Virgin Islands secured a place in the Laser Radial class.

The first three days the field of 133 participants from 53 countries was divided into two groups. The last three days were sailed in Gold and a Silver fleet. Philipine van Aanholt qualified for the Gold fleet by sailing solid in the qualifying rounds with scores between 14 and 33. Only 5 other countries that still needed to qualify for London managed to do the same. Herewith Van Aanholt was automatically within the best 9 countries and was already sure of a place for London.

Participation in the Games is for Philipine van Aanholt a nice reward for a long period of hard training. Besides the Girls World Championship title in the Splash Class and the Ladies Sunfish World Championship title, Van Aanholt finished in the Laser Radial 4th at the Central American and Caribbean Games and the 5th at the PANAM Games.

Findlay awarded Maclaren Sponsership

ST. MAARTEN—Rhone Findlay. Maclaren Services is excited to announce the formation of Maclaren Crew with the sponsorship of an international group of inspirational sailors at various points in their sailing campaigns .Maclaren has already initiated several projects to align the Maclaren brand with global dinghy sailing including the sponsorship of Team Maclaren, the U.S. Womens Olympic Match Racing team led by Anna Tunnicliffe. Maclaren Crew kicked off in April 2012 with US Laser sailor Rob Crane followed by the recent signing of fellow Laser sailors David Wright of Canada and Nick Thompson of England. In addition, Maclaren Crew announces the sponsoring of 16 year old **Rhone Findlay** of Sint Maarten, and 14 year old Maria Mabjaia of Mozambique. Each sailor brings a unique blend of skills and challenges while pursuing their goals including Olympic glory.

Rhone Findlay is a well-known young sailor who has represented Sint Maarten in over 40 International and National regattas in 17 countries on three continents over the last 5 years and has just recently turned 16. When asked what his proudest achievement until recently, he answered "Winning the 2010 Sint Maarten Outstanding Youth Award (SMOYA), and now this sponsorship".



Heineken Light Caribbean LASER CHAMPIONSHIP

9-10 June 2012

St. Maarten Yacht Club The organisers are gearing up for the 23rd Heineken Light Caribbean Laser Championships 2012 the largest and longest running Laser regatta in the Caribbean.

Last year we hosted mostly Standard Lasers with very few youth on radials and 4.7's . This year we hope to better that and we hope you and you younger laser sailors can join us this year as we are making a special effort to attract the Radial and 4.7 junior laser sailors and have introduced categories to accommodate them. So if you have a junior laser Sailor on your islands please bring this event to their attention and encourage them to come and join the younger generation vying to become the newest Junior Caribbean Laser Champions.

Remember that there have been four Olympic Champions, Cor van Aanholt - Karl James- Paul Dielemans -and Raul Aguayo who competed in this regatta over the years and went on to the highest levels of laser sailing.

This year both Karl James and Raul Aguayo have entered and will make for brilliant competitive racing!

Somewhere out there is a champion in the wings... We look forward to you all coming forward to discover your powers on the waters of Orient Bay.



23rd Heineken Light

CARIBBEAN LASER CHAMPIONSHIP 2012



9—10 June 2012





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ESSENTIAL GUIDE FOR YACHTING ENTHUSIASTS

Eight Bells—Roger Downing



From Commodore Chris Haycraft: It is with great sadness that I report to you that Roger Downing



passed away earlier this week. Roger was a Trustee of the Yacht Club, being one of the founding members, past Commodore and Capt of Angling, his love was fishing and competed locally as well as down island.

NOR St. Lucia Optimist & Laser Championships

St Lucia Optimist & Laser Invitational Championship

Saturday 16th & Sunday 17th June 2012



More info: Lily 384.2517 Max 719.8406

UPCOMING REGATTAS

9—10 Jun	HEINEKEN LIGHT LASER CHAMPIONSHIP
	(St. Maarten) www.smyc.com
15—17 Jun	St. Lucia YC Optimist & Laser Championship http://stluciayachtclub.com/
16—17 Jun	MARLOW ONE DESIGN REGATTA

St. Maarten <u>www.smyc.com</u>

16—17 Jun J24 CARIBBEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

Barbados <u>www.sailbarbados.com</u>

22—24 Jun The OFFSHORE REGATTA St. Maarten www.smyc.com

15—26 July

22—24 Jun SCOTIABANK INTERNATIONAL OPTIMIST

REGATTA USVI <u>www.styc.net</u>

OPTIMIST WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS
Dom. Republic www.clubnautico.com.do

29 Jul—6 Aug CARRIACOU REGATTA FESTIVAL

Carriacou www.carriacouregatta.com

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