

THIRD HOBIE 16 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

November 16–22, 1980

St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands



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WELCOME TO THE THIRD HOBIE 16 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

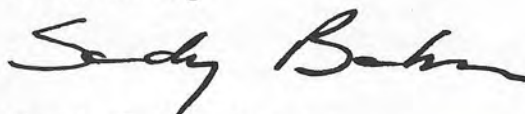
Welcome to beautiful Christiansted, St. Croix, site of the Third Hobie 16 World Championships. While in the Virgin Islands, enjoy the championships, but also allow yourself the opportunity to relax, take things slower and experience the Virgin Islands, its culture, leisure people, and unhurried lifestyle.

Skippers will find that sailing in waters of the Virgin Islands is both exhilarating and exciting. The race course is set in crystal clear water with depths from three to 3,000 feet, between Buck Island (a national park with underwater diving trails), the North side of St. Croix, Greeny Cay, and the Christiansted Harbor entrance.

Spectators will be treated to a special spectator boat which will cruise the course, offering a first-hand look at mark roundings and the finish for each race. In addition, a hill overlooking the race course—with the finish line directly in the foreground—has been designated as "Spectator Hill," complete with announcements of mark roundings, food and drink concessions, plus free bus service commuting between the Hill and the wharf.

I hope that you'll enjoy the Virgin Islands. If you have any questions during your stay, please feel free to contact me or any of the organizational staff. We'll be glad to help.

Good Sailing!



Sandy Banks, Director
World Hobie Class Association





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MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

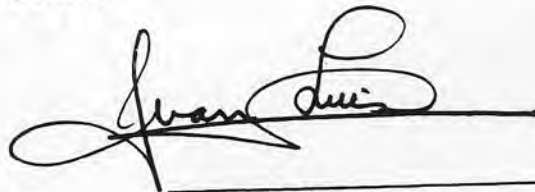
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It is with great pleasure that I welcome all the visitors and participants in the Hobie Cat 16 Third World Championships. We are proud and happy that you have chosen our beautiful island of St. Croix for the venue of these exciting sailing races, and I wish the best of luck to all competitors who have come from many countries throughout the globe representing the continents of Europe, Asia, Africa, North and South America, Australia and nearly every body of water on the map.

In selecting St. Croix, you have focused attention on one of our greatest God-given assets, the exceptional sun, sand and seas that make water sports such a pleasure to all residents and visitors. Not least in importance, you will have many opportunities to enjoy the truly greatest asset of the United States Virgin Islands -- our people and their outstanding hospitality.

As you participate in the Crucian picnics and barbecues, hear our calypso music and see the local culture in dance and games, savor our delicious local foods and drinks, visit our historic surroundings and go sightseeing in St. Croix and, we hope, her sister islands of St. Thomas and St. John, I urge you to store these good things in your memories and know that this is the way we are. We are always pleased to welcome friends from around the world and look forward to seeing you here again.

May the sun shine on you and the wind fill your sails to make this, the Third World Champions, the best Hobie Cat 16 event ever.



Juan Luis
Governor

WRANGLER AND SCHLITZ

WELCOME YOU TO ST. CROIX

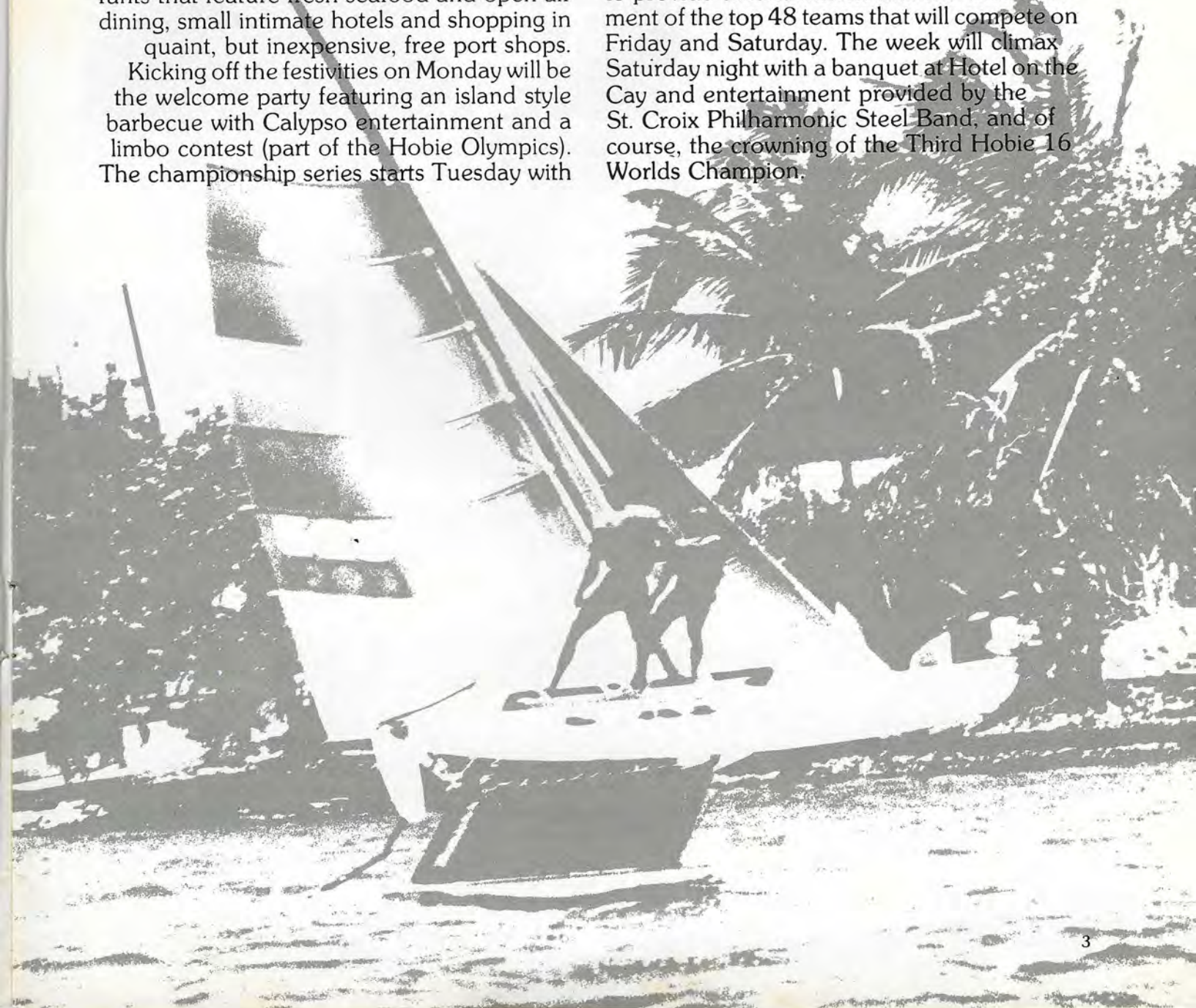
Yesterday, precious gems and Spanish gold lured privateers and buccaneers to the U.S. Virgin Islands. This year, the Island of St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands and the city of Christiansted will be home to Hobie Cat skippers, crews, families and friends, November

16-22 for the Third Hobie 16 World Championships. St. Croix is blessed with gentle tradewinds and warm water, restaurants that feature fresh seafood and open air dining, small intimate hotels and shopping in quaint, but inexpensive, free port shops.

Kicking off the festivities on Monday will be the welcome party featuring an island style barbecue with Calypso entertainment and a limbo contest (part of the Hobie Olympics). The championship series starts Tuesday with

the racing being viewed from a 150-passenger spectator boat which cruises the entire race course daily. The finishes can be viewed from atop spectator hill where food and beverages will be available.

Adding to the excitement of the racing will be a Cruzan picnic hosted by the local islanders with Quadrille dancers and a scratch band to provide entertainment with the announcement of the top 48 teams that will compete on Friday and Saturday. The week will climax Saturday night with a banquet at Hotel on the Cay and entertainment provided by the St. Croix Philharmonic Steel Band, and of course, the crowning of the Third Hobie 16 Worlds Champion.



INTERNATIONAL CHAMP



Hobie Catters from all



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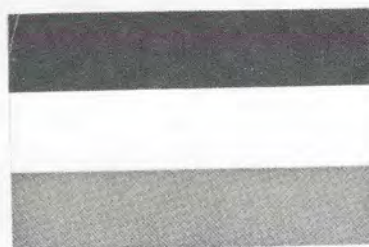
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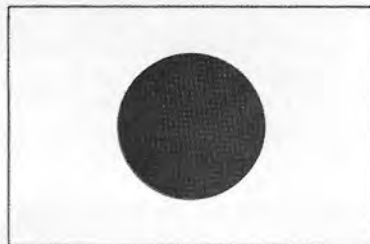
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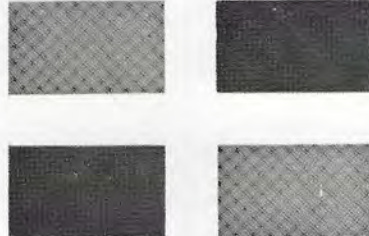
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1976 HOBIE 16 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

HONOLULU, HAWAII, USA

One of the hottest skippers in Hobie Catting, Dean Froome of Kailua, Hawaii, has won many a Hobie championship. Among his victories are first-place titles from the First Hobie 16 Worlds in his native Hawaii in 1976, the 1977 Hobie 14 Worlds in the Canary Islands and the 1978 U.S. Hobie 18 Nationals in Charleston, South Carolina.

Born and raised in Hawaii, Froome has always been a water-oriented person. "It would be hard not to be," he says, "when you live on an island!"

Froome and his crew, John Driscoll, are easily recognizable by fellow Hobie Cattors around the world as the hit stars of the Hobie 18 film,



WORLDS CHAMP
Dean Froome — U.S.A.

Sharing the Wind. Shot on location at Lanikai on Oahu's east shore, Froome and J.D. are seen surfing 15 foot waves with some radical airborne action. Their performance has become the most unforgettable sequence of the film—shown in slow motion for maximum effect.

A veteran Hobie Catter since its earliest days, Froome now owns the Hobie dealership in Hawaii called Froome's Sailing Company. Taking personal interest in his customers, he places a lot of emphasis on service and along with the help of his wife, Sindri, and the local fleet commodore, keeps an active and most successful regatta program going in the islands.

SKIPPER/CREW	COUNTRY	RACE SERIES						FINALS		TOTAL
1. Dean Froome John Driscoll	USA (Hawaii)	2	3/4	3/4	3/4	3	27	3	2	12 1/4
2. Richard Loufek Jeff Canepa	USA (California)	8	2	3	2	2	3	3/4	3/4	13 1/2
3. Harold Hutchings Howard Lynn	USA (Hawaii)	4	6	4	4	3/4	3/4	31	3	22 1/2
4. Jerry King Pat Love	USA (California)	5	11 3/4	15	3	3/4	3/4	5	5	31 1/4
5. Rick Naish Jeff Faulkner	USA (Hawaii)	2	3	2	6 1/4	5	13	4	24	35 1/4
6. Keith Baxter Mike Malek	USA (Hawaii)	6	11	4	5	6	5	10	4	40
7. Danny Gale Doug Posley	USA (Hawaii)	16	2	3/4	2	4	10	7	15	40 3/4
8. Herb Andresen Al Lemquist	USA (Hawaii)	10	5	3	7	2	22	12	17	56
9. Geoff Horsley Bob Forbes	Australia	3	7	10	5	21	7	6	25	59
10. Bill Sykes Lynn Kreibig	Australia	8	4	6	15	9	20	9	9	60
11. Denny Nielson Jeff Hamilton	USA (California)	11	18	2	10	7	23	8	6	62
12. Russ Eddington Jim Black	USA (California)	14	11	6	16	4	14	7	10	66
13. Bret Dryland Kim Thomas	Australia	4	10	19	3	8	7	16	32	67
14. Ron Ramos Eugene Balzac	Puerto Rico	12	14	29	6	22	2	2	11	69
15. Steve Leo Miles Wood	USA (California)	7	8	7	8	11	8	22	36	71
16. Gerald Sachet Heneri Lucas	Tahiti	9	14	9	17	3	21	14	14	80
17. Cappy Sheeley Dee Dee Beauchamp	USA (Hawaii)	3/4	9	5	7	10	31	18	29	80 3/4
18. Wayne Schafer Mike Holmes	USA (California)	3	8	9	17	14	3	36	27	81
19. Andy Lopez Larry Stanley	USA (Hawaii)	18	6	8	13	17	8	13	41	83
20. Jack Sammons Phil Berman	USA (California)	17	3	15	18	19	6	15	20	93

1978 HOBIE 16 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS, USA

South Africa's Mick Whitehead captured the world championship title in 1978 at the Second Hobie 16 Worlds held at South Padre Island, Texas in the U.S.

When he was merely 10-years-old, he began sailing a two-man dinghy called a Sprog. Over the years he graduated to a Sharpie, a Flying Dutchman and eventually began crewing on a 30 square meter, pure racing keelboat. He and his teammates won the Lipton Cup, a major race in South Africa, three years consecutively. He also sailed in the First Cape Town-to- Rio de Janeiro Race on a 39 foot boat, winning his division. By 1974, he switched to the world of Hobie Cats—the



WORLDS CHAMP

Mick Whitehead — So Africa

"best decision I've made in years," he says.

That same year, he won his first Hobie 14 Nationals in South Africa, qualifying for the Worlds in Puerto Rico. He earned a 48th-place there and a 35th two years later at the Hobie 14 Worlds in Lanzarote. By 1978, he began racing a Hobie 16 and placed fourth in South Africa's Nationals, won the section trials for the Worlds and then pulled the big one by garnering the 1978 Hobie 16 Worlds title at South Padre—that's 48th to first in just four years!

While previous Worlds have been won by the under 25 set, Whitehead's victory is a credit to the *learned* Hobie Cat sailors.

SKIPPER/CREW	COUNTRY	RACE SERIES						FINALS		TOTAL
1. Mick Whitehead Colin Whitehead	South Africa	2	¾	14	11	3	8	6/BD	3	33¾
2. Russ Eddington Billy Smith	USA(Texas)	4	2	¾	12	8	4	7/BD	17	37¾
3. Dean Froome John Driscoll	USA(Hawaii)	16	3	8	19	2	5	6	¾	40¾
4. Bill Sykes I. Burns	Australia	18	9	5	¾	8	11	2	8	43¾
5. Rick Eddington Dee Dee Beauchamp	USA(Texas)	7	10	11	¾	7	3	8	9	44¾
6. Frank Milner Keith Logan	Australia	19	14	4	2	10	8/BD	¾	8/BD	46¾
7. Gerhard Loos Visser Ruud	Holland	23	11	3	5	¾	7	17	7	50¾
8. Chris Christensen Mike Christensen	USA(Florida)	10	7	10	4	23	6	15	5	57
9. Gerhard Koper P. Jeffrey	South Africa	19	12	10	3	2	¾	20/DSQA	10/BD	57¾
10. Bob Seaman Jana Seaman	USA(California)	¾	4	6	7	20	17	26	12/BD	66¾
11. Larry Cooke Dee Dee Gilligan	USA(California)	3	8	7	4	20	5	20	26/DNF	67
12. Warren Collier Michael Collier	South Africa	28	16	5	14	4	11	12/BD	6	68
13. Klaus Peters Christian Banks	Brazil	¾	17	9	28	5	15	10	12/BD	68¾
14. Hobie Alter, Sr. Paula Alter	USA(California)	14	7	4	13	21	8	25	2	69
15. Robert Heilbron Hans Dieben	Netherlands	15	12	6	11	18	3	11/BD	13	71
16. Steve Leo Miles Wood	USA(California)	30	5	35	14	14	2	4	4	73
17. Mark Pryke Pat Davis	Australia	9	21	2	16	12	10	5	24	75
18. Phil Knight Bill Jackson	Australia	20	9	12	24	10	10	7	10	78
19. Phil Berman Ray Marchand	USA(California)	2	6	10	10	17	14	36/DNF	11	79
20. Carlton Tucker Mike Johnson	Florida	10	¾	2	13	34	18	23	16	82¾

THINGS TO SEE AND DO IN ST. CROIX

St. Croix loves a party and welcomes all Hobie Catters to the Third Hobie 16 World Championships. There is much to see and do in the Virgin Islands. Here's hoping that while here you will be able to experience as much of the islands as possible . . .

Buck Island is a small dot on even local maps, but it's St. Croix's most popular attraction, having one of the best beaches in the Virgin Islands as well as a famous underwater nature trail. Both the island itself and the underwater trail are protected and maintained by the U.S. National Park Service. The underwater trail is sheltered from the open sea by a great mass of elkhorn coral, and thousands of coral formations and a mind-boggling variety of exotic tropical fish take advantage of this shelter, combining to create a spectacular underwater world for divers and snorkelers.

As for the island of St. Croix itself . . . it displaces 84 square miles of bright blue Caribbean sea. It's 1,152 miles southeast of Miami and 1,700 miles southeast of New York. The activities at the 1980 Worlds will center around Protestant Cay, a tiny island set in the middle of Christiansted Harbor. Local Hobie sailors race from here every weekend and are immediately recognizable wining and dining under the colorful striped awning of the beach restaurant. Hotel facilities are only a short meandering stroll through palms and past a waterfall from the beach.

Over a short stretch of harbor from the Cay, sailors look back on the town of Christiansted. Stately and solid pastel colored buildings keep close company in the city and gradually thin out as the town extends over the green hillsides in the distance. Most agree that Christiansted is the loveliest city in the entire Caribbean. Formerly a capital of the Danish West Indies and now a U.S. territory, the island architecture retains a distinctly European feel. Old cobbled sidewalks are shaded from the sun by projecting upper floors of the buildings, forming the "galleries" which make up most of the sidewalks of Christiansted. Glancing toward the Caribbean from either town or from the Cay, you're likely to see the spray from one of the regularly scheduled sea-plane flights which are one of the most popular means of transport to our closest neighboring islands - St. Thomas and St. John, 40 miles north, and Puerto Rico, 60 miles northwest.

A large part of Christiansted town has been preserved as a national historic site by the United States, therefore Fort Christiansvaern and the Steeple Building Museum are immaculately maintained by the National Park Service. Other lovely old historic buildings are in daily use. What keeps the community bustling these days, however, are the scores of intriguing shops and restaurants which line the streets. St. Croix is a free port, which means that each visitor

may leave for home with up to \$600 in duty-free goods purchased there. Imported crystal, china, perfume, cameras, liquors and designer clothes immediately come to mind as real bargains, but the list goes on with shops specializing in imports from all over Europe and South America. Every hotel in Christiansted will be housing visitors for the Worlds - no one will be more than a two or three-minute walk from the ferry which transports sailors to the Cay. That is, if you don't stop to shop!

Restaurants range from casual to elegant, but a jacket or tie is not required anywhere. There are 22 restaurants either right on Christiansted Harbor or a block or so away. Fleet #182 surprises one or another of the restaurant proprietors at least weekly by appearing en masse to dine, but smiles and patience have always ended in a terrific meal. Local Hobie Catters' special favorites include Frank's, the Comanche, the Binnacle, the Golden China Inn, the Top Hat, Bailey's Beach ... and the list could go on and on.

St. Croix is a cosmopolitan community, with over half of its population of 43,000 having been born elsewhere. Fleet #182's enthusiastic membership reflects this. Each and every local sailor is looking forward to showing off their adopted home - St. Croix - to the rest of the world!

Duty Free Shopping

Downtown Christiansted offers several duty free shops and (below) open-air restaurants.



Virgin Islands

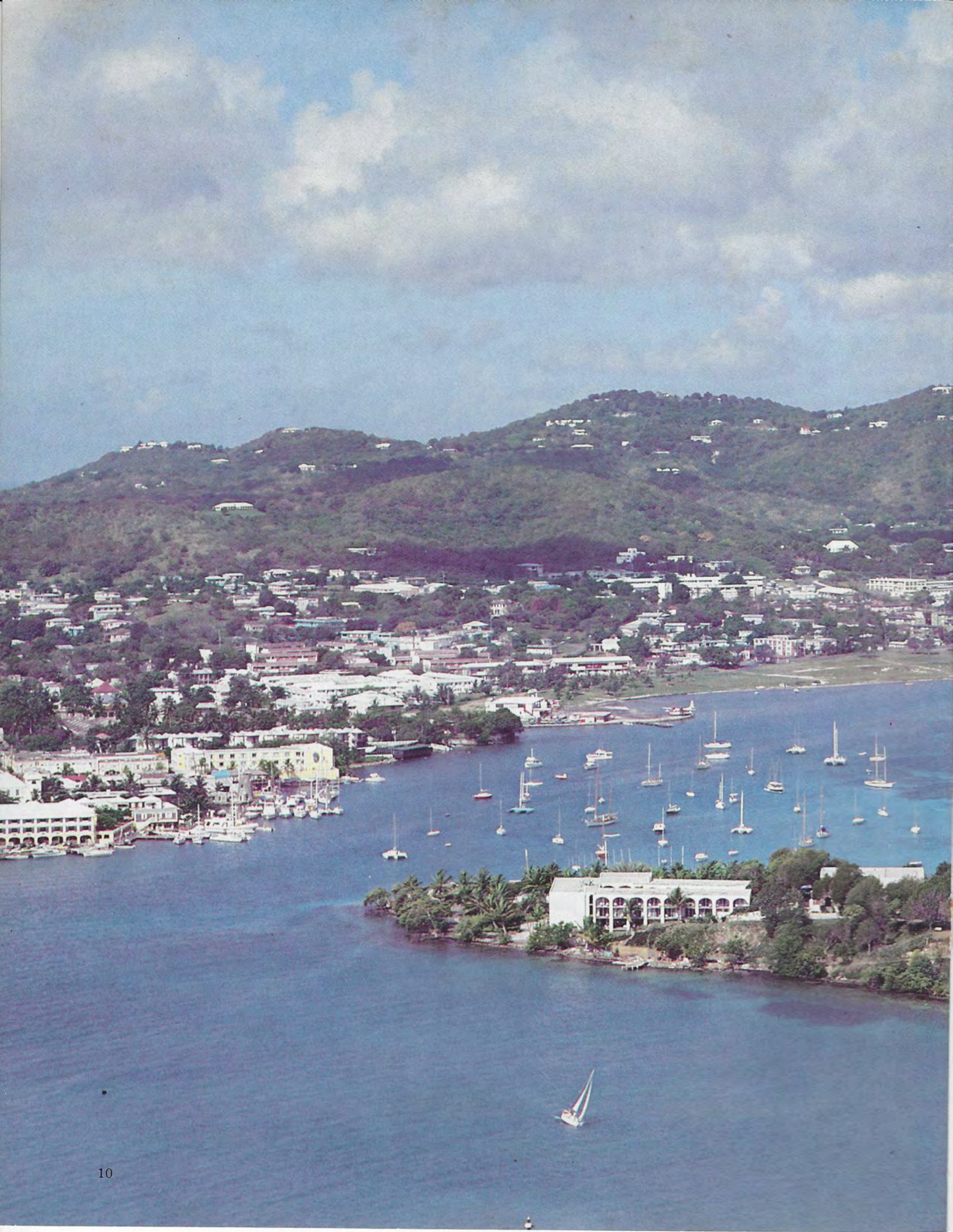
Photos by Sandy Banks



Nearby Hotels

Those attending the Worlds will enjoy such accommodations by the beach as the King Christian and Charte House (seen in the background above).







SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, November 15

12:00 - 5:00 p.m. Registration
Hotel on the Cay

Sunday, November 16

7:00-9:00 a.m. Registration
(qualifying skippers only)
8:30 a.m. Skippers meeting
10:00 a.m. Start of qualifying series
12:00-5:00 p.m. Registration

Monday, November 17

8:30 a.m. Skippers meeting
10:00 a.m. Continuation of
qualifying series
12:00-5:00 p.m. Registration
7:00 p.m. Island-style barbecue/
Welcome party

Tuesday, November 18

8:30 a.m. Skippers meeting
10:00 a.m. Start of championship
series

Wednesday, November 19

8:30 a.m. Skippers meeting
10:00 a.m. Continuation of
championship series

Thursday, November 20

8:30 a.m. Skippers meeting
10:00 a.m. Continuation of
championship series
7:00 p.m. Crucian picnic/
Announcement of top 48
teams

Friday, November 21

8:30 a.m. Skippers meeting
10:00 a.m. Start of finals series

Saturday, November 22

8:30 a.m. Skippers meeting
10:00 a.m. Final races
7:30 p.m. Awards banquet

*The above is subject to change. Please be sure
to check the bulletin board daily in the skippers
meeting area.*

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St. Croix (809) 778-3320



HOBIE OLYMPICS



THIRD HOBIE 16 WORLDS ST. CROIX, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS NOVEMBER 16-22, 1980

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17	
7:00 p.m.	Island Limbo Contest
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18	
5:30 p.m.	Water Walking Relay
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19	
8:00 a.m.	Town Marathon
5:30 p.m.	Beach Tug-of-War
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20	
5:30 p.m.	Beach Tug-of-War
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21	
5:30 p.m.	Six-Pack Relay Chug
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22	
4:00 p.m.	Beach Tug-of-War Finals
5:00 p.m.	Egg "Splat"

ISLAND LIMBO CONTEST

THE GAME—A continuous line of supple, nimble Hobie Cattlers will writhe and slither their way under a bar that gets progressively lower and the limbo beat goes faster and faster. An island Calypso band will supply the feverous music to force contestants to go lower than believed possible. Winner will be the one who can "Do it lowest!"

TIME & PLACE—Island limbo will take place at the Welcome Party barbecue at 7:00 p.m., on Mon., Nov. 17 at the Hotel on the Cay.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED—A pair of hot feet, strong back, good thigh muscles and no inhibitions. The HCA will supply Calypso band, adjustable limbo bar and highly qualified judges.

REGISTRATION—Registration desk during regularly scheduled registration for Hobie 16 Worlds.

TROPHIES—Hobie Olympics medals will be presented to the first, second and third place winners in the following categories: Men, Women, Boys Under 16 and Girls Under 16. Plus, a special award to the "Lowest Limbo" contestant of all categories.

WATERWALKING RELAY

THE GAME—Four-person relay teams, with a minimum of one woman per team, will go through a series of water walking races in the standard swimming pool. One set of foam water walking shoes (Apx. 1 1/2 ft. X 3 ft.) will be provided per team. Each "walker" must cross the pool wearing water walking shoes, tag the next team member and remove the shoes for the next member. Teammates can help walkers to start and land from the edge of the pool only. No running starts. In the event of a fall, the walker must return to the start of the relay leg if requiring help to get back upright. The game is won by the team that first completes all four relay legs. No forward swimming is allowed and teams must stay in their assigned lanes. The game favors the light and nimble.

TIME & PLACE—This "holier than thou" event will commence at 5:30 p.m., Tues., Nov. 18, poolside at the Hotel on the Cay.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED—Water walkers must supply swimwear that suitably accents their "miraculous" feats. All competitors must be able to swim. The HCA will supply water walking shoes for teams and lane markers.

REGISTRATION—Registration desk during regularly scheduled registration for Hobie 16 Worlds.

TROPHIES—Hobie Olympics medals will be presented to the first, second and third place teams immediately following the event.

TOWN MARATHON

THE GAME—Individual competitors will run approximately two miles (3.218 kilometers) through the town of Christiansted, St. Croix on a set course.

TIME & PLACE—The gun goes off at 8:00 a.m. sharp, Wed., Nov. 19. Runners will meet at the starting line on the lawn in front of Fort Christianvaren in the town square at 7:45 a.m. Course instructions will be given to all contestants prior to the start.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED—Runners may wear shoes of their choice or go barefoot. The HCA will supply official start/finish line and marked course.

REGISTRATION—Registration desk at regularly scheduled registration for Hobie 16 Worlds.

TROPHIES—Hobie Olympics medals will be presented to the first, second and third place winners in the following categories: Open, Jogger and Hot Shot Kids Under 16. The first 50 entrants will receive an official "Town Marathon" T-shirt.

The Hobie Olympics features six action-packed fun events in which everyone attending the 1980 Hobie 16 Worlds can participate. Guys, girls, old, young, fat, skinny and all types are encouraged to take part. The events will be held in conjunction with the Hobie 16 Worlds and will add to the atmosphere and fun of the week.

TEAM EVENTS—All teams must be a "natural" grouping (i.e. geographical with all team members from the same country, state, region, Hobie fleet etc. Teams can also be all one family—father, son, husband and wife, etc. Distinctive team costumes or identifying hats, T-shirts are encouraged. Awards for the best costume will be given at the Awards Banquet.

PARTICIPANTS—All participants must be affiliated with the Hobie Class Association and/or part of the Hobie Cat 16 Worlds event (i.e. no ringers).

SCHEDULING—All Hobie Olympic events will be scheduled before or after racing events. See the schedule for approximate starting times, which are subject to change in the event of a delay in the races. Under no circumstances, will Hobie Olympic events interfere with the championship races.

REGISTRATION—Eligible participants can enter only once in each event but can enter as many events as desired. The Hobie Class Association reserves the right to limit the number of entries in any given event where there is an equipment or time limitation involved. Entries will be strictly on a first-come, first-served basis.

PRACTICE—Practice will be permitted on a first-come, first-served basis. At no time will practice be allowed that conflicts with any scheduled event.

BEACH TUG-OF-WAR

THE GAME—Eight-person teams, with a minimum of three women on each team, go through a series of "pulls" in a sudden death elimination series. One loss eliminates a team. The object of the game is to pull the opposing team 12 ft. (3.66 meters) from the center line starting point of a 150 ft. (45.75 meters) rope. Team pairings will be by draw.

TIME & PLACE—First pull will take place at 5:30 p.m., Wed., Nov. 19. Second day of preliminaries will take place at 5:30 p.m., Thurs., Nov. 20 with the top four teams entering the finals at 4:00 p.m., Sat., Nov. 22. Event will take place on the beach immediately in front of the Hotel on the Cay.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED—All team members are allowed to wear sailing gloves (or equivalent) for the pulls. No team member is permitted to wear shoes of any kind. Wraps are also not allowed. The HCA will supply 150 ft. (45.75 meters) of rope, center line, rope markers and beach preparation equipment.

REGISTRATION—Registration desk during regularly scheduled registration for Hobie 16 Worlds.

TROPHIES—Hobie Olympics medals will be presented to each team member of the first, second and third place teams immediately following the finals on Saturday.

SIX-PACK RELAY CHUG

THE GAME—Six-person teams, with a minimum of two women on each team, go through a series of "chug-a-lugs" against other teams. The object of the game is to chug the beverages of your choice faster than competing teams. Competitors will run, walk or crawl 50 yards (45.7 meters) from the starting line to chug tables, drink one 12-ounce (0.35 liters apx) cup of the beverage of the competitor's choice until completely empty and return to the starting line to tag the next team member. The race continues until all team members have chugged their drinks. The winning team in each heat advances to the finals. Intentional spilling of beverages automatically disqualifies the whole team.

TIME & PLACE—First chug will take place at 5:30 p.m., Fri., Nov. 21 at the Hotel on the Cay and will continue until the first, second and third place winning teams are determined.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED—Each competitor must bring a six-pack of their choice unless drinking Schlitz Beer which will be supplied (one drink for each race). No mechanical or special chugging apparatus allowed. The HCA will supply chug tables, 12-ounce chug cups and Schlitz Beer.

REGISTRATION—Registration desk during regularly scheduled registration for Hobie 16 Worlds.

TROPHIES—Hobie Olympics medals will be presented to each team member of the first, second and third place teams immediately following the event.

EGG "SPLAT" CRUZAN STYLE

THE GAME—Two-person teams stand facing each other across a start line with one very fresh egg provided to each team. At the sound of the starting gun, the team members toss the egg back and forth, taking one step back after each toss. The winners are the teams that have the longest distance between team members before the egg breaks.

TIME & PLACE—This contest of daring skill starts Saturday afternoon, Nov. 22, following the last race of the Hobie 16 Worlds on the beach in front of the Hotel on the Cay.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED—Starched shirt and tie, and new clothes. HCA will supply grade AA large, fresh eggs (no double yokes!), scores and skilled judges.

REGISTRATION—Registration desk at regularly scheduled registration for Hobie 16 Worlds.

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BOAT DAMAGE DEPOSIT

A \$100.00 refundable boat damage deposit will be required upon registering at the event. This deposit will be refunded at the event if no damage is done to your boat by you. The money will become your deductible in the event of damage or loss of equipment.

ENTRY FEES

Pre-qualified teams will pay \$50.00 and teams attempting to qualify will pay \$75.00. All pre-qualified skippers must be registered by Monday.

BOATS

All boats used for the championships will be furnished by the Hobie Class Association. The boats are to be used as supplied.

1. Equipment:

- carpeted sidebars
- safety righting line
- super vang
- bridle fly
- Hobie Hot Stick
- jib traveler system
- batten cap adjusters
- windows in main & jib
- protest flag
- J & H trapeze handles

2. Allowable Adjustments:

- batten tension
- trapeze length
- shroud and forestay adjustment
- taper rudders
- non-permanent tell-tails and mast head fly

THE RACES

In the championship series, there will be 96 skippers using 48 identical boats. The series will be sailed in a round-robin fashion so that all skippers will compete in at least half of the races and against every other skipper at least once, up to the final two days of racing. Skippers will exchange boats so that no skipper sails the same boat twice, except in the finals on Friday and Saturday. Boat and race assignments will be given out at registration.

Qualifying Races:

- (a) Depending upon the number of entrants for the event, all skippers may race together.
- (b) No pre-qualified skipper or crew can sail in the qualifying races.
- (c) Qualifying races will be held on Sunday and Monday only.
- (d) Each boat will have an identifying sail number. It will be the responsibility of each skipper to make certain that this number is visible and comes to the attention of the race committee prior to the start and at the finish; failure to do so may result in a score of DNS.
- (e) Qualifying skippers will be announced Monday night.

Championship Races:

- (a) If possible, a total of 10 races will be conducted Tuesday through Thursday, giving each skipper a total of five races. If each skipper has more than three races at the end of the third day, a throw-out will be allowed. Scores will be tabulated and posted Thursday night with the top 48 skippers competing against each other in the final two days. The balance of the skippers will race one race on Friday for a consolation trophy.
- (b) Each boat will have a pre-assigned identifying sail number on the boat. It will be the responsibility of each skipper to make certain that this number is visible and comes to the attention of the race committee prior to the start and at the finish; failure to do so

may result in a score of DNS.

- (c) The top 48 skippers will be assigned a boat for Friday's competition and a different boat for Saturday's competition. The scores of all races competed in will be tabulated, (with a throw-out if more than three races are held), and announced Saturday night.

NOTE: All championship races except throw-outs are included for the points total.

RACING RULES

All races will be governed by the current IYRU, USYRU and Hobie Class Association rules, unless otherwise prescribed within these instructions.

1. After starting and completing the first leg of the course, a boat cannot sail through the start/finish line while on any other leg except to finish. After a boat completes the first leg, the start/finish line will rank as an obstruction terminated at each end by the start and finish line marker.
2. It will be at the discretion of the race committee as to the termination of any race.
3. A boat must clear the finish line and finishing area as soon as possible after finishing.
4. The one minute rule (USRYU 51.C) shall apply on general recalls.
5. In the event of a reverse course, sail marks in their reverse order, leaving them to the opposite side of your boat.

RACE COURSE

Standard Hobie Class Association courses will be run. The course number will be displayed during the preparatory blue flag.

NOTICES

Official notices will be posted on the bulletin board at the skippers meeting area and it is the responsibility of each skipper to check the board daily for information. Posted instructions may be superseded by instructions given by the race committee chairman prior to giving the warning signal. Written instructions will be given if possible. Be sure to check the bulletin board for the location of the race committee headquarters, parts room, skippers meetings, etc.

Skippers *must* check the bulletin board for protest notification, protest hearing room and hours and the list of those required to attend.

START/FINISH LINE

1. The leeward end of the start/finish line will be an orange ball.
2. The windward end of the start/finish line will be the mast of the committee boat (if a sailboat is not used, an orange ball will be tied to the side of the committee boat facing the line, or both).
3. A barging buoy may be displayed

behind the committee boat and should be treated as such.

STARTING SIGNALS

Warning Signal—white shape hoisted 10 minutes before the start
Preparatory Signal—blue shape hoisted 5 minutes before the start
Starting Signal—red shape hoisted

All shapes will be dropped one minute prior to the hoisting of the next shape.

INDIVIDUAL RECALL

A white shape with a blue cross, accompanied by one blast. The committee will try to notify each boat recalled by hailing, but it is the responsibility of each boat to make a proper start.

GENERAL RECALL

Two guns and/or many blasts immediately after the start signal, accompanied by hoisting the first repeater flag (yellow triangle on blue background). The red flag remains up and the clock continues running. The fleet recalled starts at the next five minute sequence and all subsequent fleet starts are shifted accordingly.

SHORTEN COURSE

Code flag "S" (a white square with a small blue square in the center) at the

last turning mark of the shortened course. Skippers should then sail to the finish. The committee may establish the finish at or near the mark.

MARK MISSING

Code flag "M" (white diagonal on blue field) and one blast. Round or pass the object displaying this signal instead of the mark which it replaces.

POSTPONEMENT

Answering pennant (AP—red and white vertical bars) and blasts. All races not started are postponed. If displayed on shore, stand by. Do not leave the beach area. New starting time will be posted and announced. If on the water, stand by. One minute after the answering pennant has been lowered, the next signal displayed will be for the starting sequence which was postponed (ie: postponement occurs during warning, next signal would be the warning signal; postponement occurs during the preparatory signal, the next signal would be the preparatory; or if the postponement occurs before the sequence is started, the next signal would be the warning).

ABANDON RACE

Abandon race and head for safety (code flag N) — blue and white checkered flag

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accompanied by many blasts. Abandon race and re-sail – code flag N over X (blue cross on white background). Instructions on the next start will be given verbally.

CANCEL RACE

Hoisting all starting shapes (red/white/blue) and many blasts.

TIME LIMIT

After 25 boats or half of the fleet have rounded the last mark, the race committee may choose to finish the balance of the boats at that mark. The method of finishing and the finish position awarded is totally at the discretion of the race committee.

PROTESTS:

1. Protests must be filed on the written form provided. Protest flags will measure a minimum of 10" X 10".
2. Any yacht protesting another must follow the H.C.A. 360° rule and USRYU rule 68 with the following provisions or exceptions:
 - a) At the first reasonable opportunity, display protest flag and hail the yacht protested.
 - b) Protesting skipper has the option of requiring one 360° for minor fouls.

- c) Notify the race committee of intent to protest.
- d) Notify the shore committee of the sail number of the protested yacht and the sail number of any witnesses within a half-hour after the last race of the day.
- e) File a written protest within one hour after the last race of the day.

3. Skippers being protested have only the following options:
 - a) Clear themselves in accordance with the rules.
 - b) Retire prior to the protest hearing (must notify the race committee).
 - c) Go to the protest hearing (notify witnesses and the race committee who the witnesses are).

BREAKDOWNS

Breakdown points may be awarded for failure of certain parts on the boats used for the event. Points may be awarded at the discretion of the breakdown committee for equipment failures which were unavoidable and no fault of the skipper. When filing for breakdown points you must:

1. Have the boat inspected by the beach captain immediately upon returning to the beach.
2. Complete the "Breakdown Request" form with all the requested information — race number, leg of the race, sail number of the boats in front and back of you and estimated finish position.
3. If possible, a skipper must hail the nearest skipper promptly after the breakdown occurs. A skipper must finish the race if at all possible, provided further serious damage will not occur.

Incomplete form may not be accepted. Ask for the form at race committee headquarters. When the committee is in doubt about the request they will:

1. Not accept the request or
2. Award the worst of the positions being considered.

Please note that this form will be posted and is subject to protest.

LIFE JACKETS

1. Life jackets must be worn in 10 knots and over.
2. Life jackets must be worn if code flag "Y" (yellow and red diagonal



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- strips) is displayed.
- It is the responsibility of skippers and crews to wear life jackets when conditions warrant — whether or not the above has occurred.

SCORING

- Reverse scoring will be used. The score is equal to the finish position, except first place which will receive $\frac{3}{4}$ of a point.
 - DNF — "Did Not Finish" equals the number of finishers plus one.
 - DNS — "Did Not Start" equals the number of starters.
 - DSQ — Number of starters plus one (can be thrown out).
 - DSQC — Number of starters plus one (cannot be thrown out). Penalty for unsportsmanlike conduct, fouls causing material prejudice or serious damage — the number of finishers plus three).

Note: In the event of not finishing, notify the race committee at the earliest opportunity or you will be scored a DNS.

- Ties will be broken in the following sequence:
 - Comparison of throw-out races.
 - Comparison of each race.
 - Comparison of the last race, next-to-last race, etc.

- If a tie cannot be broken due to many corresponding DNS, DNF or DSQ scores, each skipper will be awarded the same position. The next position would then be one more than the total skippers already listed.

- Boats over early which do not re-start will be given a DNS.
- Boats that sail an improper course will be scored a DNF, if the skipper notified the race committee prior to the protest hearings or before the start of the next race. If the violation comes to protest, the skipper may be given a DSQ.
- A boat sailing through the start/finish line will be given a DNF. The race committee will attempt to notify the skipper when the infraction occurs.

REGISTRATION

Each skipper must file a written registration form prior to racing.

- Incomplete forms will not be accepted.
- An entry becomes official after being posted on the master scorecard.
- Incorrect information could mean rejection of the entry at any time during or after the regatta.

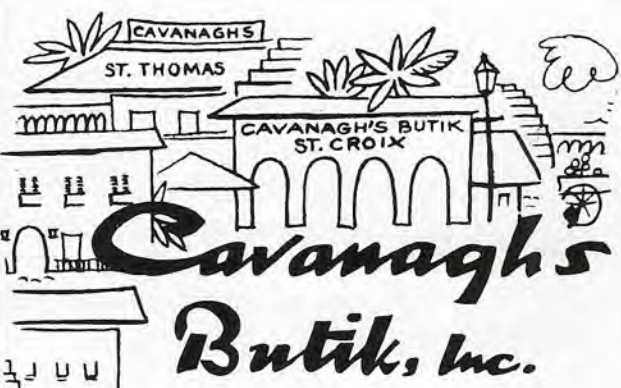
SPECIAL NOTES

- No questions will be answered by the race committee.
- The race committee and the protest committee have the right to disqualify any skipper for unsportsmanlike conduct.
- Skippers involved in an avoidable collision are subject to liability of the boat.
- The race committee has the right to protest.
- Insofar as awarding the points and prizes, the decision of the protest committee will be final.

HOBIE CLASS ASSOCIATION 360° RULE

The protesting skipper has the option of requiring only one 360° turn of the fouling skipper if a minor foul costs the offended skipper no loss of position.

- No DSQ graduated penalty system will be used. DSQ equals the number of starters plus one and may be considered as a throwout.
- DSQC equals the number of starters plus one and may not be considered as a throwout. DSQC is the penalty for unsportsmanlike conduct, fouls causing material prejudice or serious damage.



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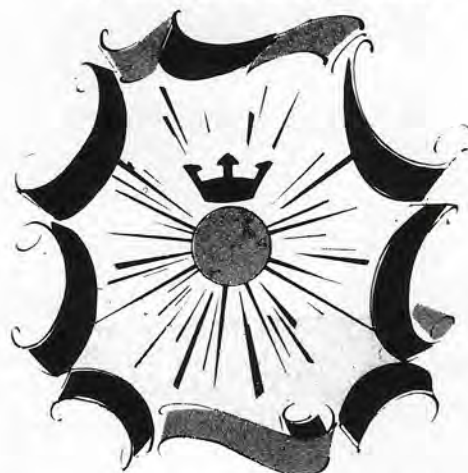
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