

## A Word from our Commodore

**Richard Hamilton**

**Commodore, MoBay Yacht Club**

Greetings to all of our loyal members.

The MBYC is proud to have hosted a very successful Pineapple Cup event and anyone who was involved in the race, the event preparation and the event itself will attest to the excitement experienced by all who participated.

In this issue, in addition to our regular features, we present a recap of the week's race and race results. The text is extracted from Kirsten Ferguson of Media Pro International's press release which appears in Sail-World's internet sailing publication. Enjoy!

## Pineapple Cup Appleton Estate Montego Bay Race 2013 Shocking clean sweep



'Winner: Shockwave - 31st Biennial Pineapple Cup - Montego Bay Race' Kirsten Ferguson

Following a relatively mellow light-air start, George Sakellaris's (Framingham, Mass.) 72' Reichel Pugh Shockwave eventually enjoyed double-digit reaching conditions to become first-to-finish, first in IRC division and first overall at the 31st biennial Pineapple Cup - Montego Bay Race Presented by Appleton Estate Jamaica Rum.

The annual ocean race of 811 nautical miles started on Friday, February 8 at Florida's Port Everglades, sending the 'MoBay' fleet of ten boats--sailing in IRC and PHRF

divisions--on a challenging all-points-of-sail course to Montego Bay, Jamaica. Shockwave crossed the finish line on Sunday, February 10 with an elapsed time of two days, 11 hours, 23 minutes and two seconds, just short of the current race record that was set in 2005 by Titan 12. Due to the favorable conditions, all of the boats had crossed the finish line by Tuesday evening, February 12, two days earlier than expected.

It was one long match race for IceFire and another TP 52, Bryon Ehrhart's (Chicago, Ill.) Lucky, but IceFire prevailed, beating Lucky by a little over two hours and taking second place on corrected time in IRC Division. (Lucky wound up in fourth place behind Stephen Murray's Carkeek 40 Decision.) In PHRF division, Glenn Gault's (League City, Texas) J/120 Rebecca won on corrected time. Tom Slade's (Ponte Vedra, Fla.) Santa Cruz 52 Renegade took second, while Michael Hennessy's (New York, N.Y.) Class 40 Dragon finished third.

Immediately after the start, racers cross the Gulf Stream for the Northwest Providence Channel. The middle of the race offers a fetch down the eastern side of the Bahamas Island Chain toward the tip of Cuba. The final stretch is a sailor's dream: a 240-mile downwind sleigh ride from Cuba's eastern tip, known as the Windward Passage, to the finish at Montego Bay. After this year's finish, sailors were treated to a week of fun with cocktail parties every night, steel bands, limbo dancing and other memorable displays and competitions, ending with a dinner, dance and prize giving ceremony on Friday, February 15.



(from left) Pineapple Cup Winner Shockwave's owner George Sakellaris with Race Organizer Evelyn Harrington and Vice-Commodore Frank May - 31st Biennial Pineapple Cup - Montego Bay Race - [Suki MacDonald](http://www.SukiMacPhoto.com)

Read the entire text of Kirsten Ferguson's article in Sail-World by clicking on this link: <http://www.sail-world.com/USA/Pineapple-Cup---Montego-Bay-Race-2013---Shocking-clean-sweep/106736>

## 2013 PINEAPPLE CUP RACE AWARDS

### COOK ON THE LAST BOAT TO FINISH

PINEAPPLE CUTTING BOARD AND BASKET OF SPICES

Winner: Chris Doolittle, with a little help from his mates.

Yacht: 'REBECCA'

### MOST INTERESTING LOG BOOK AND BEST "ON BOARD VIDEO" AWARD

THE JAMAICA TOURIST BOARD TROPHY

Yacht: 'DONNYBROOK'

### MOST PROLIFIC POSTING TO A SOCIAL MEDIA NETWORK

Michael Hennessy, owner of 'DRAGON'

### BEST ILLUSTRATIONS IN A LOG BOOK

The "Crayola" Prize

Steve Burke, of 'RENEGADE'

### THE "MURPHY" PRIZE

'LUCKY'

### FIRST BOAT TO FINISH

### SILVER ROSE BOWL PERPETUAL TROPHY

For 1<sup>st</sup> monohull boat to finish.

### THE ROSE BOWL

Presented by: Race Coordinator, Evelyn Harrington

Winner: 'SHOCKWAVE'

Skipper: George Sakellaris

### BEST PERFORMANCE BY A STORM TRYSAIL CLUB BOAT

Presented by: Race Coordinator, Evelyn Harrington

Winner: 'ICEFIRE'

Skipper: Ralph Steitz

### DIVISION 1 PHRF, THIRD PLACE

Presented by: Race Co Chairman, Frank May

Winner: 'DRAGON'

Skipper: Michael Hennessy

### DIVISION 1 PHRF, SECOND PLACE

Presented by: Race Co-Chairman, Frank May

Winner: 'RENEGADE'

Skipper: Tom Slade

### DIVISION 1 PHRF, FIRST PLACE

**ARAWAK PERPETUAL TROPHY** – For 1<sup>st</sup> overall corrected time PHRF rated boat.

### THE ROYAL JAMAICA YACHT CLUB TROPHY

Presented by: Race Co-Chairman, Frank May

Winner: 'REBECCA'

Skipper: Glenn Gault

### DIVISION IRC, THIRD PLACE

Presented by: Commodore, Richard Hamilton

Winner: 'DECISION'

Skipper: Stephen Murray

### DIVISION IRC, SECOND PLACE

Presented by: Commodore, Richard Hamilton

Winner: 'ICE FIRE'

Skipper: Ralf Steitz

### DIVISION IRC, FIRST PLACE

Presented by: Race Co-Chairman, Frank May

Winner: 'SHOCKWAVE'

Skipper: George Sakellaris

### NAVIGATOR'S TROPHY, FIRST OVERALL

**E.J. GARMHAUSEN PERPETUAL TROPHY** - For 1<sup>st</sup> overall corrected time IRC & PHRF navigators

Presented by: JYA Representative, Robin DeLisser

CO -Winner: Navigator Paul Stroup from 'REBECCA' for

PHRF having sailed the least amount of miles

CO -Winner: Navigator Andrea

Visintini from 'SHOCKWAVE' for IRC

### OVERALL WINNER OF THE 2013 PINEAPPLE CUP RACE

### SILVER PINEAPPLE CUP PERPETUAL TROPHY –

For Best overall performance by a monohull boat

### THE GOVERNOR GENERAL'S TROPHY

Presented by: Race Co-Chairman, Frank May, on behalf of Tanisa Samuels of Appleton Estate Jamaica Rum

Winner: 'SHOCKWAVE'

Skipper: George Sakellaris

### THANK YOU'S

- The Yachtsmen and crew, wives and employers for participating; no sailors, no race.
- Jamaica Defense Force and John May for the Finish Line
- Lauderdale Yacht Club
- Jamaica Yachting Association
- The SORC, Ken Batzer and his team
- Evelyn Harrington, Race Coordinator

- Frank May, Co Chairman of the race
- MBYC members who made space on the dock for the participants
- MBYC Staff
- MBYC Front Office Staff - Caroline, Judy, Heather,
- Dock & Harbour Masters, Mike & David, along with Junior & Anthony
- Our Concessionaire and the Seahorse Restaurant staff
- Our Title Sponsor - Appleton Estate Jamaica Rum, J Wray & Nephew, for the great parties and all of their assistance in making this race a success.
- Sponsors
  - Knight Security
  - Café Blue
  - Slam Condoms
- Suki MacDonald Kapahi for her beautiful photos chronicling the race and race event
- CPJ- Mark Hart for providing accommodation for JDF
- Jamaica Tourist Board for endorsing our event
- MBYC Team of volunteers
- Lyn Langford and her team for organizing all the parties
- Jo Meany for her help in recruiting and organizing the volunteers
- Julie Knowles and her team for organizing and operating the Nerve Center
- Jim Wilson for his role in preparing House & Grounds and coordinating the container
- Carole Small for helping with media coverage
- Jill Williams and Caroline Silsbury for judging the boat logs

## Pineapple Cup Photos

Check out just a few of the great photos from Suki MacDonald.

For a complete photo tour of all the club events during Race Week, go to Donnybrook's Face book page and click on Donnybrook USA 66 - Suki MacDonald Kapahi's album. You can check out Donnybrook's video, race photos and write up on this site too.

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/DONNYBROOK-USA-66/229471439207>





### Youth Sailing News

Lyn Langford

Even though 'Snow' was in town, the Youth Sailors were 'HOT' on the water! We were so fortunate to have Tracy Snow volunteer her time while she was here on holiday with her parents. Tracy, as many of you know, brought her all-female crew down from Canada to race in Jam-In! As a certified Instructor, Tracy conducted a one day Learn-To-Sail program for 8 young sailors. Ty Ventura and Dominic Coburn are regulars in our Youth Sailing program and Onno Oerbekke and his sister Toya have participated in a couple of our camps and clinics. We had some fresh faces which were so great to see! Dominic brought his friend, Jaheim Chuck to join Garth Porter, Roshan Bharwani and Shivanj Ramchandani as new sailors. The kids learned about wind direction and basic sail tactics and then went out sailing! As I watched the morning classroom work, you could see the hesitation in a couple of the kid's eyes but that soon disappeared when they hit the water! As the day finished and they were de-rigging their boats, you could hear a couple of them say, "Do we have to come in so soon! Can we go back out later?" After certificates were handed out, all the kids agreed, that it was a great day and they can't wait to come back!!!



Zoe Knowles was a big help to Tracy and, from all indications, had a great time helping out! Tracy loved the help and I think the two are planning some training classes so Zoe can begin on her path to getting her Instructor's certification. Way to go Zoe!

On Sunday, Tracy ran an advanced sailing clinic where we had some of our old gang back together and man, was

that great to see!!! Lily and Freddie Farquharson, Zoe Knowles and Evan Langford enjoyed getting back out on the water! They were joined by the sailing enthusiasts, and up and coming 'wicked' sailors, Dominic Coburn and Ty Ventura! Tracy ran through points of sail and the ever critical knot tying, and after some racing tactics talk, the kids hit the water! It was terrific to see the 4 Optis and the PICO out on the water! Shouts of time checks indicated that these kids were serious about doing some racing! They got in 2 races before the US war ship that was in port decided it was time to go! **"LOOK OUT KIDS!"** Fortunately, the timing worked out and just as our last boat was being de-rigged, the ship headed out down the channel. What a thrill! And I know our kids gave the sailors a good show with their sailing manoeuvres! The race results came in and for race 1: 1st place - Evan, 2nd place - Lily, 3rd place - Freddie, 4th place - Zoe and 5th place was Dominic and Ty in the PICO. Race #2 saw: 1st place - Evan, 2nd place - Zoe, 3rd place Lily, 4th place - Dominic and Ty (PICO) and Freddie DNS as he was just enjoying messing about in his boat! It was such a treat to watch all the kids enjoying being out on the water.



We truly appreciated having Tracy here with us and we look forward to having her come back again! We are actually trying to convince her to move here permanently ~ all help in this effort is appreciated! Until then, we continue to seek volunteers to help coach the kids so if anyone is free on a Saturday, please let me know and I will schedule a session!

### Welcome to Judith-Anne Dear

The Mobay Yacht Club warmly welcomes Judith-Anne Dear to the position of Club Manager. Many of our members will already know Judith from her long

association with the club. Judith brings with her a wealth of management and business experience and we're excited to have her on board. Judith replaces our beloved Carline Porter who has moved on to other opportunities. Please join us in wishing Carline all the best in her future endeavors.

## Montego Bay Yacht Club Notice of Annual General Meeting

The MBYC AGM will be held at the Club on **Sunday, March 17th, 2013 at 3 pm**. New committee members are needed and interested parties are invited to contact the club. Please make every effort to be with us at this very important meeting. Your interest and involvement in the Club's governance and operations is essential in ensuring its future success.

### Sailing Calendar

#### March

- Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> – New Event – MBYC J22 Extra! Extra! AGM Special
- Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> – RJYC 2 Week Round Jamaica Cruise starts
- Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup> – MBYC J22 & PHRF Easter Regatta (Good Friday)
- Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup> – MBYC J22 & PHRF Easter Regatta
- Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup> – MBYC J22 & PHRF Easter Regatta

#### April

- Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> – RJYC MBYC J22 Clash 1-6 Races
- Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> – RJYC MBYC J22 Clash 1-6 Races

## A Word from our Manager

Judith Dear

### The Pineapple Cup – Montego Bay Race

The club management would like to thank the members and staff who contributed to this very successful and much enjoyed event.

### Dengue Fever

The Montego Bay Yacht Club is one of the sites designated by the Ministry of Health to control Dengue Fever for the Montego Bay area. Weekly traps are set

and are analyzed by the health department. Their main areas of concern are boats on the dry dock, the wastewater gutters and parking areas that collect water, which could breed mosquitoes.

Boats and jet skis should be secured on trailers, which allow them to be slanted to allow for efficient water runoff. We would also ask members to consider covering their boats to prevent them from collecting water.

We are appealing to members who have their boats on dry dock to be vigilant in helping us to obtain a zero rating. Please be reminded that we are contributing to sustaining the health of our community.

### Jamaica Fire Brigade

The club has been asked by the Fire Department to formulate an emergency evacuation plan for the dock and the club areas in the event a fire. On completion, this information will be disseminated to club members for their kind perusal.

### Petrol

Please be reminded that petrol is available every day except Mondays and Friday. Would you be so kind and contact the dock master, David Lewis @ 586 9197 who will make the necessary arrangements.

### Farewell

The club members and staff would like say a special "thank you" to Carline Porter who has contributed to the growth and happiness of our club for the past two years. Carline, we wish you well.

### Sailing Quote

*"May your bar wench serve you the nectar of gods,  
May you make your way home before dawn.  
When you wake may you find your head and skies clear,  
And all of the Scallywags gone.  
May your crew be swift with each tack and jibe,  
May your sails be filled with breeze.  
May you pillage, plunder, pilfer and loot,  
May you sail your boat with ease.  
Tonight, we drink,  
Tomorrow, we sail."*

Katin Catney