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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

This is the first winter in five years that I have not ventured south to compete in a winter series sponsored by a major one design Class. I admit that I have missed the competition. I have been an avid observer from afar checking the wind and weather reports and daily standings for each regatta. I have also been sending texts and e-mails to friends congratulating them on their good performances and offering words of support if they had a bad day. I will acknowledge that I have not missed the logistics. Maybe the hassle of the weekly blizzards we experienced in Boston last year and the constant re-booking of flights took its toll on my logistical patience. My experience is personal to me as the various winter regattas and series in Florida have continued to attract a deep and competitive fleet with approximately 50 boats at Key West Race Week, Davis Island I, II III and our first stand-alone Midwinter Championship hosted by St. Petersburg Yacht Club. There continues to be a good mix of new talent, solid Corinthian participation and plenty of Class stalwarts participating.

There are a series of mirror events on the West Coast. The growth of our Class continues in the west but at a somewhat slower pace compared to what we experienced on the East Coast. The North American Championship hosted by San Diego YC this past September was a big success, and the St. Francis YC and members of Fleet 19 are working hard to host a great World Championship this coming September. So I pose a question to all of you: how can the Class help generate more growth in the west?

J/Boats reports that sometime this spring, J/70 hull number 1,000 will be delivered. This is amazing growth in four years. Think back to March 2012 when the first boats, hull 1 & 2, were launched in Bristol, RI for testing. Today we have over 350 boats in the United States, growing fleets throughout Europe and South America and our Class is finally making its way to Australia and Asia. This is pretty cool when you stop to think about it.

Along the way, we have worked hard to listen to all of you about how to make the J/70 a better boat for all of us to sail, maintain a strict one-design Class and protect the value of your investment. At <http://www.j70ica.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/09/J702016CR260116-19953.pdf>, you can find the newly approved Class Rules which were voted on by each National Authority, approved by

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the International Class Association and ratified by World Sailing (formerly ISAF). We recognize that not everyone will agree with every rule change. I hope that in the end we can all be supportive and realize that we have quickly become a large and very diverse National and International Class.

I am pleased to announce that the International Women's Keelboat Championship is being relaunched in a new format using J/70s. The first installment of the reimagined event will be hosted this coming August by American Yacht Club, Rye, NY. Details are available at <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/iwkc/>.

The major regatta schedule is filling in nicely. So if you are in search of competing at the National or World level with a chance to get to know more fellow J/70 sailors, there are plenty of opportunities already on the calendar through 2018. Here are some highlights: 2016 North American Championship at Lakewood Yacht Club in Seabrook, TX; 2016 Women's International Keel Boat Championship at American Yacht Club in Rye, NY; 2016 World Championship at St. Francis Yacht Club in San Francisco, CA; 2017 World Championship at Yacht Club Costa Smeralda in Italy; 2017 North American Championship at American Yacht Club in Rye, NY; 2018 World Championship at Eastern Yacht Club at Marblehead, MA. The specific dates and details for each event are available at <http://www.j70class.com/index.php/event-calendar2/>.

I hope to see many of you at Lakewood Yacht Club for North Americans in May. If I don't see you then, have a great spring.

Fair sailing,

Henry G. Brauer, USJ70CA President



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It may have been just their second major J/70 regatta, but Glenn Darden and Reese Hillard on *Hoss* controlled the competition at the J/70 Midwinter Championship to earn the title. Darden, a J/80 World Champion, was at the helm with co-owner Hillard, Jonathan McKee and Karl Anderson. "I have a fabulous team," praised Darden, who has been sailing with Hillard for over 20 years. "We added Jonathan who is a Gold medalist, and I'd never sailed with him before the last couple regattas. He's helped us get up to speed." *Hoss* was able to throw-out a 13 from the final race, keeping a line of 3,6,2,2,1,2,2 for 18 points. The second place team, Will Welles' *Sea Bags Sailing Team*, was 17 points back. Allan Terhune's *Dazzler* completed the top three with 41 points. The top Corinthian team was William Ballard's *Snaproll*.

Darden credited PRO Todd Fedyazyn and the Race Committee, saying "They did a wonderful job. It was tricky, very puffy and shifty, even in the bigger breeze. We got a variety of conditions." Forty-six teams competed in the eight races from Saint Petersburg Yacht Club in Florida February 26-28.

Four races in gorgeous conditions were completed on the opening day, which saw just one point separating the top pair: Terhune's *Dazzler* tallied a 1,3,7,1 for 12 points, just a notch ahead of Darden/Hillard who scored 3,6,2,2. Under clear skies, teams from across the United States, Brazil and Finland took to the waters of Tampa Bay in winds of 10-12 knots with gusts to 15. The day's race winners were Terhune (twice), Geoff Becker and Welles.

They say "Everything is bigger in Texas," which applied to the advantage of Fort Worth sailors Darden and Hillard after posting a 1,2 on the middle day of the event for an eight-point lead



going into Sunday. After dropping a six from race two, Darden and Hillard kept a very lean line of 3,2,2,1,2 for 10 points. Welles moved into second place with 18 points, just one in front of Terhune. *Hoss* went to the front of the pack in Saturday's initial race when winds were about 10-12 knots. The Corinthian *B Squared* with Bryan Cameron and Brian Elliott earned the next victory. The breeze dropped to about 5 knots at the end of this contest, and didn't pick up enough to start another.



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Sunday saw the lightest winds of the three-day event at about 6 knots, with race winners John Brim and Geoff Becker.





THE TOP FIVE:

Glenn Darden/Reese Hillard, *Hoss*, 3,6,2,2,1,2,2,[13] = 18

Will Welles, *Sea Bags Sailing Team*, [13],2,1,3,2,10,13,4 = 35

Allan Terhune, Jr., *Dazzler*, 1,3,7,1,[23],3,7,7,15 = 41

Geoff Becker, *USA 25*, 2,1,9, [29],4,14,24,1 = 55

John Brim, *Rimette*, 17,12,3,8,7,[25],1,10 = 58

Photos are available on the J/70 Class Facebook page, and complete results may be found at <http://www.yachtscore.com/emenu.cfm?eid=1535>.

J/70 WORLDS

Sept. 24-Oct. 1, 2016

San Francisco, CA



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GETTING TO KNOW GLENN DARDEN



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"I am an old guy so I have raced a lot of boats. I have had some success in dinghies up to big boats. That variety is truly what I love about the sport: learning how to make different boats go fast. I have had the opportunity to sail with very good sailors (and characters) along the way. The biggest thing I focus on is sailing with good people who are fun to both race and hang out with. That is not as easy as it sounds. Chemistry is critical in building a winning team."

Momentum: Tell us about your crew and your time thus far on the J/70.

Glenn Darden: Our core J/70 team is comprised of Reese Hillard (co-owner) bowman, Jonathan McKee tactician, Carter Perrin trimmer, and myself as helmsman. Karl Anderson raced with us at the Midwinters in Carter's place and did a great job. He also raced the 70 with Peter Duncan in this year's windy Key West Race Week, placing second. Karl is one helluva sailor. Carter will be back aboard for the NAs, and he is a very gifted fellow with lots of skills. Reese calls the breeze, manhandles the sets and douses, and is our tactician on dry land. Reese, Carter, and I, along with Max Skelley won the J/80 Worlds together. Jonathan, well, he is about the most talented sailor this country has produced. We are very fortunate to have Jonathan as our "on the water" tactician.

Momentum: You have raced a variety of boats, including the J/80 where you are a World Champion. What do you most enjoy about the J/70? To what would you attribute its rapid rise in popularity?

Glenn Darden: The J/70 is a very fun boat to sail, and the Johnstone team has a big hit here. It really seems to have a broad appeal to sailors. Success builds on success, and everyone likes the challenge of racing in larger fleets. The boat has several modes, upwind and down, to maximize speed, and we are still learning those modes. The 80 and 70 are probably dead even in 8-12 knots, but obviously the 70 is more responsive and unloads quicker.

Momentum: The conditions in St. Petersburg ranged from NW 12-16 with higher gusts on day one, N 8-12 on day two and N 4-8 on day three, yet you had boat speed through it all. What advice can you give other racers?

Glenn Darden: We knew from the shifty practice day and reading the three-day forecast that the regatta conditions would be challenging. Overall it was shifty, but we had good breeze for most of the races. The SPYC committee did a great job of managing the courses. We concentrated on keeping the boat moving and constantly adjusted the sails. The biggest mistake I have made (and I see others make) is allowing the boat to heel too much upwind. The 70, like most boats, seems to be better flatter. This regatta was not a speed race though. The shifts and breeze lanes were very tricky, and Jonathan put us in great positions.

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Momentum: *Do you think the amount of professional sailors in the J/70 Class is too much, too little or just right? Why?*

Glenn Darden: I think having pro sailors elevates the game and makes the fleet better. One option might be to limit to one pro per boat, but this Class is becoming one of the top international Classes in a very short amount of time, so something is going right. I believe the Class structured it correctly with the Open and Corinthian divisions all racing together.

Momentum: *The North American Championship takes place this May in the Houston, Texas area. Will you be there? What can folks expect as far as the racing conditions? The social/local aspects?*

Glenn Darden: The NAs in Houston will be a really good event. Lakewood YC is a great host, and the racing should be ideal at that time of year with a good sea breeze kicking up in the afternoons. It is a shallow bay so it can get choppy which can make for good wave riding downwind. The race management will be top notch. It will be hot, but the beer will be cold.



2016 Torqeedo J/70 North American Championship in Texas Update



By Al Goethe

Lakewood Yacht Club, located on Galveston Bay in Seabrook, TX (close to Houston), will host the 2016 J/70 North American Championship with Torqeedo as title sponsor.

Preparations are in full swing for the regatta, with four race days on May 19-22.

Make plans to come down and experience our southern hospitality!

Also plan to attend the annual Shoe Regatta on the weekend before the NAC. With a J/70 one-design start and sailed in the same regatta venue, this should be a great warm-up event. We have secured the PRO and many of the other race officials for the NAC to also manage the J/70 line for the Shoe Regatta—an opportunity for you to get to know the race officials, and of course vice versa! Registration for the Shoe Regatta will open soon at www.lakewoodyachtclub.com or Regatta Network. Skipper and crew of the winning J/70 will receive a pair of Musto racing shoes!

May promises to be a great time in Texas with warm weather and good wind.

We will have a fun social program after each day of racing to help y'all unwind.

You'll have live music Thursday through Saturday, signature rum drinks courtesy of Don Q, great Texas food and of course kegs provided by a number of our eager sponsors.

If you haven't made reservations at one of our local hotels, go to the regatta website www.j70nac.com and click on 'Accommodations.' We have reserved a number of rooms within walking distance to the club facilities.

Look for our Pre-Event Guide and Questionnaire coming sometime around mid-April. This is your opportunity to let us know of your travel plans and needs and will help us be prepared when you and your boat arrive. In the meantime, let us know what we can do to make you feel at home at j70nac2016@lakewoodyachtclub.com.



US Sailing to Re-Launch International Women's Keelboat Championship

The International Women's Keelboat Championship (IWKC) returns!

The revitalized US Sailing Championship, with a new and exciting approach, is aimed at maximizing opportunities for women sailors to participate in high caliber regattas against top international sailors. The American Yacht Club in Rye, NY will host the new IWKC in J/70 class sailboats on August 14-20, 2016. With the goal of attracting more international teams, the championship will rotate each year to venues within, and outside the U.S. More than ever, this championship will offer women keelboat and offshore sailors high quality racing on the international stage. Twenty-four teams will be selected through an application process. Half the teams selected will represent North American countries and half will represent countries from around the world. To ensure a fast and competitive racing format, additional changes have been made to speed up the action. The format consists of fleet racing with a "team racing" twist, featuring two flights of six boats each with teams rotating after every two races. Each team will race an equal number of races against the others. Races will be approximately 15 minutes in duration. Host clubs will ensure



quick rotations and on-the-water judging, in addition to an improved viewing experience for spectators. The International Women's Keelboat Championship was inaugurated in 1985 through the efforts of US Sailing's Women's Championship Committee. The event became one of the premier women's sailing event in the U.S. and worldwide. The Ida Lewis Yacht Club in Newport, RI became host for the event and hosted the championship until 2001, before it moved around the country to different venues. The trophy is named for Bengt Julin, an international judge and strong supporter of women's sailing. Julin presented the very first trophy to Betsy Alison and retired the original to her after she had won it three times consecutively. Alison had an unbroken winning streak competing against teams from a dozen or more nations from 1991 through 1997. In 2007, Sally

Barkow matched Alison by winning the championship for the third time. An impressive list of former champions includes Cory Sertl, Anna Tunnicliffe, Jody Starck, and J.J. Fetter. Sertl won the most recent International Women's Keelboat Championship in 2011 at the Rochester Yacht Club (NY). Learn more about the International Women's Keelboat Championship at <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/iwkc/>.

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2015 Results:

- 1st - North American Championship
- 1st - New England Championship
- 1st - ONE Regatta
- 1st - Cleveland Race Week
- 3rd - Charleston Race Week
- 1st - AYC Spring Series
- 4th - Key West Race Week



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If You're Going to San Francisco

What to know about the 2016 J/70 World Championship at St. Francis Yacht Club

By Susan Ruhne, J/70 Worlds Regatta Chair, and Justin Kromelow, Fleet 19 Captain/Owner

The St. Francis Yacht Club (StFYC) is honored to be your host for the 2016 J/70 World Championship (www.stfyc.com/j70worlds2016) from September 24-October 1. Our regatta committee and the San Francisco J/70 fleet are busily planning event logistics, measurement, on-the-water racing and shore-side events to ensure a great time will be had by all. In addition to a world-class sailing venue, we are less than one hour from the Napa Valley and Sonoma wine country. To the South, we have Carmel, featuring some of the world's greatest golf courses including Pebble Beach.

StFYC is a full-service yacht club with a bar open daily, three dining rooms, locker rooms and more. Upholding our proud traditions, you can always look forward to a cold beer or glass of Chardonnay, followed by multiple fun post-racing parties. From the Opening Ceremony & Parade of Flags, to evening socials each night, to the Trophy Ceremony on Saturday night, you and your team will enjoy plenty of camaraderie with the other J/70 sailors at StFYC.

Thinking of bringing friends and family? We are working on a few surprises to make it a great week for all. San Francisco is a leading tourist destination for good reason. There will be no shortage of shopping and sightseeing activities to keep everyone fully engaged. From the great John Muir Redwoods to the Sea Lions at Pier 39,



we are ever conscientious of our environmental footprint. We will be providing reusable water bottles for all. We ask that you plan on using these beverage containers instead of single-use water bottles. We will furnish ice and bottle-filling stations at the docks.

We are hoping that you will take this opportunity to join us one week prior to the J/70 Worlds at the Rolex Big Boat Series. All J/70s are invited to participate. With 100+ boats and racing on a variety of courses around the Bay, RBBS is a great way to get first-hand experience on the San Francisco Bay. You will have the benefit of sailing the courses that the Worlds will be raced on and learning about our local conditions. We are hoping that the J/70 fleet will be the largest RBBS Fleet! The NOR is posted and registration is open at www.rolexbigboatseries.com. The deadline for entries is August 1.



San Francisco offers a wide variety of housing options. We are the hometown of both Uber and AirBnB! Please check www.stfyc.com/j70worlds2016 for links to local options. There are motels within walking distance as well as higher-end hotels located just a short Uber ride away. When it comes to eating out in this city, you can't go wrong!

The yacht club does not have the space to store your boat before the regatta, so we encourage you to make plans to keep it at a local boatyard. The Regatta Committee is gathering information and contact details for this. Watch the website in the upcoming weeks for these links.

See you in San Francisco!



2016 J/70 NorCal Summer Series

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August 12-14	Summer Keel	SFYC
Sept 15-18	Rolex Big Boat Series	StFYC
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J/70 TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORT

By Ned Jones, IJ70CA Technical Chair

Continuing the discussion from the Fall 2015 issue of *Momentum*, we will now look more closely at the implementation of the 2016 Class Rule changes and the limitations for staying in compliance.

Arguably, the most significant Rule change is under C.7 and C.8 MODIFICATIONS, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR for Hull and Hull Appendages respectively. The pertinent new language under (E) HULL and (C) HULL APPENDAGES reads "minor molding imperfections such as print-through may be sanded and repaired, provided the as-molded shape is not altered."

We are often asked for the definition of this language, and what work can be done to the hull, keel and rudder. In short, work can be done to repair, or return the surface to the as-molded shape. The as-molded shape (often described as design shape) is the shape of the factory supplied surface, free of shrinkage, print through, keel damage, hull dings, etc. The work done may not change the surface shape beyond the as-molded shape.

The J/70 Class does not furnish hull and appendage shape information. The Class Rule that controls this process (and many others) is CR B.3 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION. This is often referred to as the "Random comparison" Rule. The Rule reads:

B.3.1 In the case of a dispute at an event alleging non-compliance with **Class Rules** and building specification and construction manual where specific measurements are not stated, the Event **Equipment Inspector** shall adopt the following procedure:

- a) A sample measurement of the disputed item shall be obtained by taking the identical measurement from a randomly selected group of boats or items of equipment (control group).
- b) The measurement of the disputed boat or items of its equipment, taken using the same technique as above, shall be compared to the sample.
- c) If any of the measurements obtained from the disputed boat or item of equipment lie outside the corresponding range of measurements found in the control group, the matter together with the details of the measurement methods and any other relevant information shall be referred to the Race Committee.

If work on the hull or appendages is to be done in accordance with Class Rules C.7 and C.8, that finished work must pass the "random comparison test" described in Class Rule B.3.1.

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Fleet 4 Southern California, Dave Vieregg

The California J/70 season has started and is ready for a great year ahead. Our first Midwinters was held in San Diego in February. Ten boats lined up in 70-degree weather and four out of five races had perfect wind conditions. The fleet is stacked with any of six or seven boats able to win the regatta. In the end, Jeff Janov's *Minor Threat* team of five (sons included) and Victor Diaz came out on top. Brad Rodi/John Fuller, Chris Snow, Pat Toole and Craig Tallman were all vying for the top spot. Results are at www.SDYC.org. Next up is the Sailing World NOOD to be held in the Southbay of San Diego out of Coronado Yacht Club in March. This great venue with steady, strong breezes combined with flat water is fabulous for the J/70 fleet. We are expecting



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to get close to 20 boats this year for this three-day event. Our first annual West Coast Class Midwinter Championship will be held at the California Yacht Club out of Marina Del Rey the beginning of April.

More information is here:

<http://tinyurl.com/hb9manh>

Register here:

<http://tinyurl.com/z7327y7>.

Staples in the southern California regatta scene and becoming tradition for the J/70 fleet, include the following: SDYC's Yachting Cup, Cal Race week in Marina Del Rey, Long Beach Race Week in June and the Fiesta Cup in Santa Barbara (where this year's West Coast Championship will be held). All of these events are leading up to the Worlds in San Francisco at the end of September. A fantastic year to be a West Coast J/70 sailor! Keep up with Fleet 4 at <https://www.facebook.com/J70fleet4/>.



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Fleet 7 Niagara, Tim Finkle

Fleet 7 Niagara is proud to host the 2016 Great Lakes Championship at the Youngstown Yacht Club on Friday, July 22 through Sunday, July 24. This event is held in conjunction with the CanAm Challenge and will have all kinds of fun onshore activities to go along with great racing. We have a superb Race Committee who got in eight fair races in two days last year, and hopefully more this year with three days to work with. We provide free storage before and after the event, free launch/haul, trailer storage, docking, beer and pizza on the dry sail pad for Sunday de-rig and great awards for the competitors. Contact timfinkle@rcryachts.com for questions. See you there!

Fleet 9 Marblehead, Daan Goedkoop

Thanks to a highly enthusiastic group of owners and crew, Fleet 9 enjoyed a very active 2015. With the visionary support of Class Association President Henry Brauer and the hands-on approach from 2015 Fleet Captain Ted Johnson, our local fleet has grown 19 boats and club racing has been competitive. In 2015, we initiated a new fleet championship with the goal of optimizing participation on Saturdays and at the 2015 J/70 New England Championship and the 2015 ONE Regatta held in August. One of the goals for 2016 will be to continue this momentum in the fall when wind strength tends to be as strong as our spring season. A handful of Fleet 9 teams have been traveling to big away regattas. Dave Franzel on *Spring*, Jud and Darby Smith with crew *AFRICA*, and Frank McNamara on *Chinook* participated in the 2015-2016 Quantum J/70 Winter Series at Davis Island. At Quantum Key West Race Week 2016, *AFRICA* finished eighth overall, while Ted Johnson and Dave Franzel sailed with crew *VitaminJ*. Duncan Swain and his father also joined forces on 245 (aka *Clown Car*). Most of these teams are racing in the Midwinters, Miami and Charleston. Fleet 9 and Marblehead's Eastern

Yacht Club are extremely excited to host the September 2018 J/70 World Championship where we hope to attract a sizable 80+ world class fleet from the East Coast, other parts of North America and Europe and provide competitors with the best regatta experience. We have started laying down the groundwork for this event, and we hope to grow our local size fleet and talent in anticipation. Please follow us on our blog at www.j70fleet9.net.

Fleet 19 San Francisco Bay, Justin Kromelow

Fleet 19 is getting ready for an exciting sailing season that will be capped with the 2016 J/70 World Championship at the St. Francis Yacht Club. This season, we are focused on two objectives. The first objective is to increase fleet participation in local events and get more boats on the line, and the second objective is to facilitate out-of-town friends with the greatest sailing the San Francisco Bay has to offer. The first half of the season will focus on knowledge sharing and skill building among the fleet. This will be accomplished through training clinics and a unique blend of coaching and regattas to build real-time skills and experience. Clinics and coaching will be focused on all levels of sailing, including learning and practicing starts, transition maneuvers and the finer points of rig tune and sail trim focused on finding all your gears. The SFYC Resin Regatta (April 2-3) and StFYC J/Fest (April 16-17) will feature pre-regatta coaching sessions and on-water coaching during the regattas. This will provide an opportunity for all sailors to get their skills to the next level by applying immediate feedback to real racing situations. The second half of the season will provide sailors with a springboard for experience in the San Francisco Bay. Following the July West Coast Championship in Santa Barbara, we would like to invite all J/70s to participate in the 2016 J/70 NorCal Summer Series culminating in the 2016 Worlds. The 2016 J/70 NorCal Summer Series includes regattas that typify the range

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The four regattas in this series include:

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of conditions and sailing that make the San Francisco Bay one of the greatest places to sail in the world!

Fleet 19 is here to facilitate everyone's experience in the Bay. We have set up a classifieds board at <http://j70fleet19.yclas.com>. If you need some help, or have some questions, place a post! Keep an eye on our Facebook page for more information throughout the season: <https://www.facebook.com/J70.Fleet19.SanFrancisco/>. See you in San Francisco!

Fleet 23 Tampa Bay, Steve Liebel

What a great start to winter sailing in Florida!

- Davis Island Quantum Winter Series #1 was held on December 12-13. We enjoyed seven great races with 8-15 knot winds and warm Florida temperatures.
- DIYC Winter Series #2 on January 9-10 had another 50 boats with more fantastic winds and great weather. The fleet enjoyed six more great races with the reliable hospitality from everyone at Davis Island Yacht Club.
- 47 J/70s attended Quantum Key West Race Week and enjoyed a variety of weather including some big breeze on Friday.
- DIYC Winter Series #3 was held February 6-7 with 53 registered boats. Two more days of great racing on Tampa Bay with 25 knots+ of breeze for the final two races on Sunday.
- Helley Hanson St. Pete NOOD February 12-14 had 23 J/70s with nine races over three days with perfect weather.

Yes, you read correctly—five excellent regattas with fantastic Florida sailing. Not one lay day on Tampa Bay due to poor wind conditions!

Florida sailing didn't end there as the Midwinter Championship at St. Pete Yacht Club and Bacardi Miami Sailing Week rounded out the winter. If you and your J/70 were not in Florida this winter, you missed some amazing sailing. These are some of the most economical and highest attended events of the year. Please plan on attending some or all of these Florida events next year. If you have questions about any of next year's events, please contact me.



J/70 2016 - 2017 CALENDAR

2016 San Diego NOOD

March 18, 2016 to March 20, 2016

Where: San Diego & Coronado Yacht Clubs,
San Diego, CA

2016 Easter Regatta 50th Anniversary

March 24, 2016 to March 27, 2016

Where: Columbia Sail Club, Columbia, SC

2016 J/70 Midwinter Championship West

April 02, 2016 to April 03, 2016

Where: California Yacht Club, Marina Del Rey, CA

2016 Charleston Race Week

April 14, 2016 to April 17, 2016

Where: Charleston, SC

2016 J/Fest

April 16, 2016 to April 17, 2016

Where: St. Francis Yacht Club, San Francisco, CA

2016 American Yacht Club Spring Series (Weekend 1)

April 23, 2016 to April 24, 2016

Where: American Yacht Club, Rye, NY

2016 Annapolis NOOD

April 29, 2016 to May 01, 2016

Where: Annapolis Yacht Club, Annapolis, MD

2016 American Yacht Club Spring Series (Weekend 2)

April 30, 2016 to May 01, 2016

Where: American Yacht Club, Rye, NY

2016 Elite Keel

May 14, 2016 to May 15, 2016

Where: San Francisco Yacht Club, Tiburon, CA

2016 Shoe Regatta

May 14, 2016 to May 15, 2016

Where: Lakewood Yacht Club, Seabrook, TX

2016 J/70 North American Championship

May 19, 2016 to May 22, 2016

Where: Lakewood Yacht Club, Seabrook, TX

2016 Cedar Point YC One Design Regatta

June 03, 2016 to June 05, 2016

Where: Cedar Point Yacht Club, Westport, CT

2016 Delta Ditch

June 04, 2016

Where: Richmond Yacht Club, Richmond, CA

2016 Chicago NOOD

June 17, 2016 to June 19, 2016

Where: Chicago Yacht Club, Chicago, IL

2016 Cleveland Race Week

June 17, 2016 to June 19, 2016

Where: Edgewater Yacht Club, Cleveland, OH

2016 Long Beach Race Week

June 24, 2016 to June 26, 2016

Where: Alamitos Bay Yacht Club, Long Beach, CA

2016 West Coast Championship/Fiesta Cup

July 15, 2016 to July 17, 2016

Where: Santa Barbara Yacht Club, Santa Barbara, CA

2016 High Sierra Regatta

July 16, 2016 to July 17, 2016

Where: Fresno Yacht Club, Huntington Lake
Reservoir, Fresno, CA

2016 J/70 Pacific Coast Championship

July 22, 2016 to July 24, 2016

Where: St. Francis Yacht Club, San Francisco, CA

2016 Atlantic City Race Week/Leukemia Cup

July 22, 2016 to July 24, 2016

Where: Ocean City Yacht Club, Atlantic City, NJ

2016 Great Lakes Championship/CanAm Challenge

July 22, 2016 to July 24, 2016

Where: Youngstown Yacht Club, Youngstown, NY

2016 Marblehead NOOD

July 28, 2016 to July 31, 2016

Where: Boston Yacht Club, Marblehead, MA

J/70 2016 - 2017 CALENDAR

2016 Summer Keel

August 12, 2016 to August 14, 2016
Where: San Francisco Yacht Club, Tiburon, CA

2016 New England J/Fest

August 13, 2016 to August 14, 2016
Where: Bristol Yacht Club, Bristol, RI

2016 International Women's Keelboat Championship

August 14, 2016 to August 20, 2016
Where: American Yacht Club, Rye, NY

2016 J/70 UK National Championship

September 02, 2016 to September 04, 2016
Where: Royal Western Yacht Club, Plymouth, UK

2016 Rolex Big Boat Series

September 15, 2016 to September 18, 2016
Where: St. Francis Yacht Club, San Francisco, CA

2016 J/70 World Championship

September 24, 2016 to October 01, 2016
Where: St. Francis Yacht Club, San Francisco, CA

2016 Great Pumpkin Regatta

October 29, 2016 to October 30, 2016
Where: Richmond Yacht Club, Richmond, CA

2017 J/70 World Championship

September 12, 2017, 12:00 am to
September 16, 2017, 1:00 pm
Where: Yacht Club Costa Smeralda,
Porto Cervo, Italy

2017 J/70 North American Championship

October 09, 2017 to October 15, 2017
Where: American Yacht Club, Rye, NY

2018 J/70 World Championship

September 22, 2018 to September 29, 2018
Where: Eastern Yacht Club, Marblehead,
Massachusetts USA





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WHAT'S NEXT?**

SAILS ARE IN STOCK & READY FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY

- J/70 North American Championship: Houston, TX – May 19-22
- J/70 World Championship: San Francisco, CA – Sept. 24-Oct. 1

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