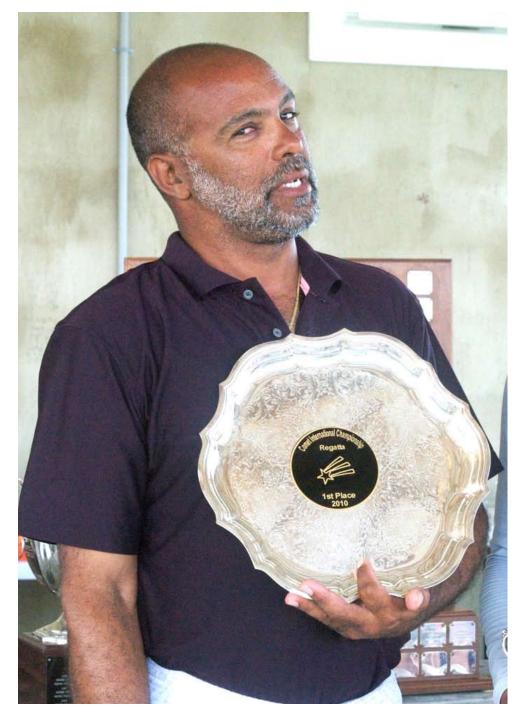


Comet Internationals 2010 at Corsica River August 20-21-22

...and the champion is Rudy Bailey



From The President's Helm

The 2010 Comet Internationals at Corsica River Yacht Club

are over and the 18 boats that sailed enjoyed a great weekend. Those that chose not to come missed a wonderful experience on the Eastern Shore. Where else can you have three days of racing, all food including steamed crabs, and beer for only \$80 per person? Also all the cold bottled water you needed afloat with your lunches. Crews that needed housing got a free place to stay provided by club members. What a bargain!

Friday's Racing started late as we had to wait for the wind to come in. It was very hot. Finally at 1:30 the wind at the start was around 6kt's to 7kt's with less than 3kt's at the finish. We got one fair race in. There were several mark changes, but all went smoothly. That evening everyone was under the new pavilion with their refreshment of choice recovering from the heat. Dinner was beef or chicken shish-cabob with all sorts of salads and cakes for dessert.

Saturday was a repete of Friday with the same weather pattern. So we waited again for the wind which came a little earlier this time. Around 1:00 p.m. it reached 7 to 9 kt. and held on longer. We got three good races in but a fourth race was not to happen as the wind did not hold, so we were sent in. It was now 4:30 and everyone was glad not to have another race. Ashore, as we were enjoying our steamed crab dinner, a nice breeze kept the bugs away, and a beautiful, almost full moon, rose. It was ten o'clock when we closed up and went home. It had been a long day but very satisfying for everyone.

Sunday morning did not look good; lots of dark clouds and the wind out of the east are usually not a good thing. We rigged up and were ready to go in the water when it started to rain. Everyone headed for the pavilion where we decided to have the Class annual meeting. Reed Rodgers is our new secretary/treasurer. We need to thank Dave Seifert for all his years of service. We voted that anyone sailing in any Comet regatta must be a member of the class. Anyone borrowing a boat could try out the Class, can sail in two events, excepting championship regattas, before they would have to join the class.

Technology has truly changed as there we now have smart phones telling us when the rain would end, so we could go sailing. Amazing. The rain stopped so we put the boats in the water and we sailed out to the race course. Some crews had long sleeve shirts and splash guards on; what a difference a day makes. The wind came in from the southeast around 10kt. As we approached the race course the wind was became stronger. There was definitely going to be more excitement today. Two races were sailed with wind from the south 14 to 18kt. and bright sunshine. The starts were fun as we do not get to race very often with 18 boats on the line in those conditions. Rudy showed all of us how to handle a breeze even with a light crew. Two boats did go over but everyone made it back to the dock unharmed and in good spirits. I saw a lot of smiling faces of sailors who were tired but excited about sailing Comets and enjoyed the weekend.

Congratulations to Rudy and his nephew Antonio for sailing a great regatta. He won four of the six races in all conditions. Check the results on either Comet class web site or CRYC's site. Also go to www.chessiephoto.com to see and or buy pictures of the regatta. We have a few T-shirts [x-large] and hats in white and stone color available for only \$15 each.

I want to thank all that helped with the regatta. They did a wonderful job. Many people help to make the event a success. Thanks to all that joined us on a great weekend.

Wick Dudley,
President CCYRA



Winners, Rudy Bailey and crew Antonio Bailey won the Presidents trophy.







Dick Harmond and crew Mark Wissner won the Jay Achenback trophy.

3rd Wick Dudley and crew Gail Owings also won the Eugene Barilla Trophy for the top sponsoring club finisher.

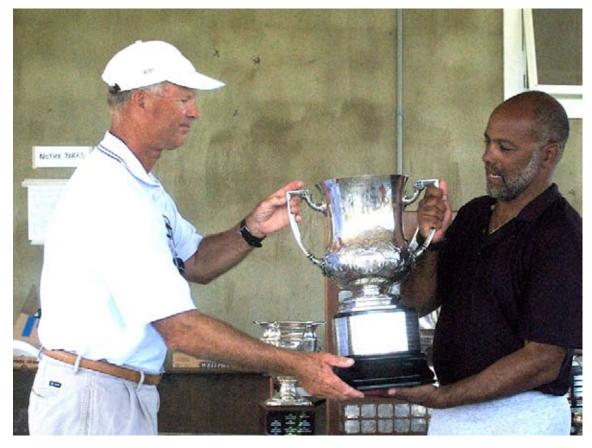




Elliott Oldak and crew Barbra Best

5th Jim Widdis and crew Pete Moeller





Rudy Bailey won the C. Lowndes Johnson trophy for winning the first race and the Wilbur Hamilton-Hains trophy for winning the last race.

Jasper Dudley won the Dr. Allen Brown Memorial trophy for top Jr. under 21 and the Herbert L. Stone trophy for top first timer.



2010 COMET INTERNATIONALS, CORSICA RIVER

Place	Sail	Skipper	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3
1	4099	Talbott Ingram	2	1	3
2	4074	Bob Slook	3	3	2
3	4115	Pete Schell	1	2	6
4	3090	Mike O'Brien	5	5	1
5	4861	Steve Widdis	4	4	4
6	4061	Jim Widdis	8	6	6
7	3468	Brad Meade	6	7	8
8	4014	Jim Brinkman	7	8	7
9	4136	Stuart VanWinkle	9	9	9

SSYC Drew Bowl and Comet Territory III Championship,

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