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1972 NATIONALS

HOBIE CAT 14 NATIONALS

October 13-22, 1972
Surfside, Texas

By now most of you have heard or read the results of the 1972 Hobie Cat Nationals. However, there are many details and stories that remain untold.

The Hobie Cat 14 Nationals started off on Friday, October 13th with the qualifying race for those who had not already qualified at regional championships. Forty-six boats competed in the qualifying races. At this point we were not sure how many qualified skippers would show up; as it turned out everyone qualified as the total turnout was 97 boats. The top skipper in Friday's races was Tom Whitehurst from Pensacola, Florida.

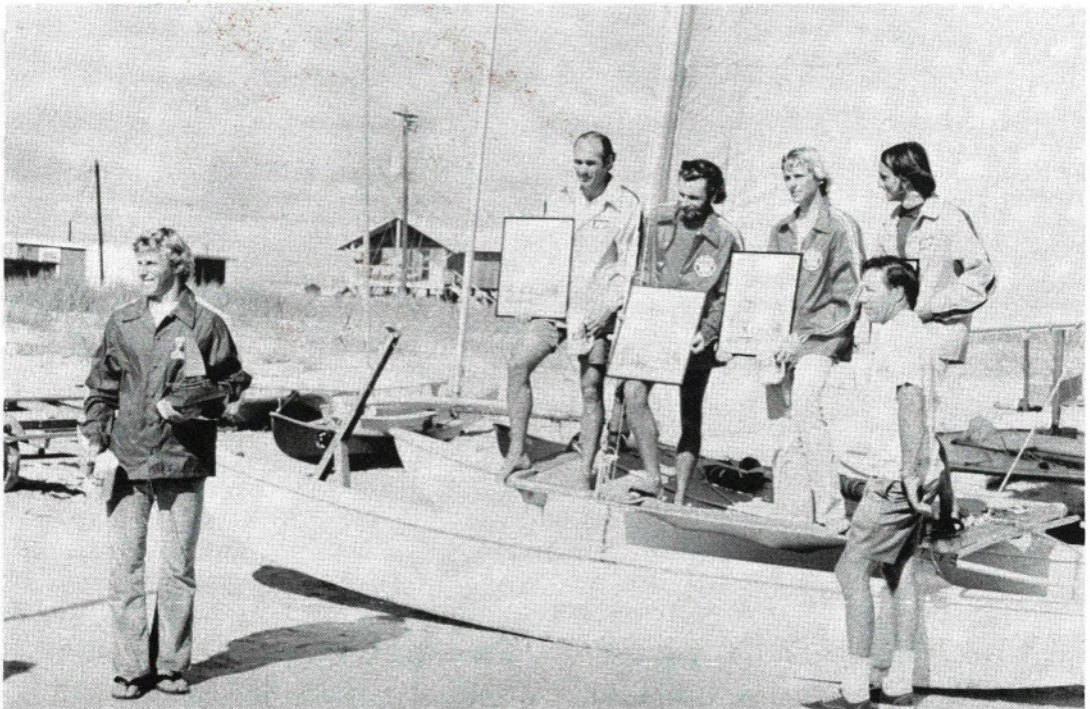
Saturday, the 97 boats sailed in a three race round robin series to establish a 50 boat A fleet. Winds were light to moderate throughout the afternoon, but had been a little late in materializing causing a slight delay in the racing and making it impractical to hold the fourth race as we had planned. Saturday evening skippers enjoyed a shrimp and fish fry courtesy of Coast Catamaran Corp. We also brought in a band for the evening so people could dance to live music and enjoy themselves. The leader at the conclusion of Saturday's races was Wayne Schafer of Capistrano Beach, California.

Sunday dawned with light wind and beautiful warm sunshine. The wind finally materialized around noon allowing us to start the day's competition. Throughout the day the wind built to eight to ten knots limiting our racing to three races. Sunday night there was a no-host Texas style chili feed with movies for everyone. Sunday's leader was Jeff Canepa from Santa Cruz, California.

Monday saw a little more wind which allowed us to schedule all four races and complete the regatta. By midafternoon winds built to fifteen knots causing moderate chop creating difficult sailing conditions for all. We have found that on the Texas coast water is so shallow that the chop builds very close together and can become steep though not overly large making it very difficult to tack or maintain boat speed.

By the end of all eight races, most people knew approximately where they stood, although even first place was not a sure thing among the skippers. As it worked out, Denis Wilcox of Lakeland, Florida was in fifth place, our defending National Champion, Richard Loufek from Camarillo, California was in fourth; Rick Naish from Hawaii was in third; Wayne Schafer from Capistrano Beach, California was in second and Jeff Canepa from northern California took first. Complete results are attached.

The 14 Nationals proved to be an outstanding success with beautiful weather although light winds throughout the event. The warm sun was offset by free beer and pop for all and the evenings activities were supplemented by movies. There was also a jukebox which provided constant music at the Sandbar, our "entertainment pavilion". At the end of our 14 Regatta, the general consensus was that we had picked a super spot and everyone had the time of their life.



1972 Hobie Cat 14 Nationals winners from left to right Jeff Canepa, Wayne Schafer, Rick Naish, Richard Loufek, Denis Wilcox and Hobie Alter. This is what it takes to be in the Hobie 14 top five group. Jeff Canepa's three firsts, one second, two thirds and a seventh for a total of 17 and 1/4 points. Wayne Schafer had three firsts, three thirds and an eighth for a total of 19 and 1/4 points.



Shown here is the start of the first European Hobie Cat Class Association Championship Regatta September 23rd through the 25th held in the beautiful bay of Hyeres, France and hosted by the Hyeres Yacht Club. The Hobie event experienced the same shifting wind conditions found by the Tornados during their Pre-Olympic Trials. This was the final race of a series of six regattas represented by five European countries.

REGATTA SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER 1972, JANUARY, FEBRUARY & MARCH 1973

DATE	EVENT	DIV.	PLACE	SPONSOR
DECEMBER:				
2 & 3	Hobie Cat 14 World Championship Qualifications	1	Waikiki, Hawaii	Hang Ten - Contact Larry MacArthur 808/262-4035 or 839-4511
2 & 3	Kokokahi Sailing Club	1	Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii	KSC - Contact Larry MacArthur 808/262-4035 or 839-4511
3	Fall Series	2	Oxnard, California	Fleet 15 - Contact Wes Golemon 805/982- 7709 or 486-6076
3	Fall Series	13	Isla Verde, Puerto Rico	PRMA - Contact Roberto Bouret 809/ 767-3476
9	Quarterly Race	8	Gulfport, Florida	Gulfport Yacht Club Contact Ken Keene 813/595-4025
10	Fleet 4 Winter Series	2	Mission Bay, Calif.	Fleet 4 - Contact George Fox 714/286- 7259
10	Hobie Cat Fall Race Series #4	8	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	Gulfstream Sailing Club - Contact Tom Wickenhauser 305/523- 0888
16 & 17	Ba Humbug Regatta	2	Long Beach, Calif.	Long Beach Hobie Cat Contact Mark Crutch- field 213/597-0335
30/Jan. 1	Key West New Year's Multihull Regatta	8	Key West, Florida	Unknown - Contact Florida Multihulls 5600 Banana River Blvd. #10, Cocoa Beach, Florida

JANUARY:

	Sunshine Regatta (All Class)	8	Miami, Florida	Miami Yacht Club - Contact Florida Multihulls 305/783- 4368.
13	Fleet 4 Winter Series	2	Mission Bay, Calif.	Fleet 4 - Contact George Fox 714/286- 7259
13 & 14	San Diego Invitational		San Diego, Calif.	Pacific Southwest Marine - Contact Joe Neale 714/224-2417
16-18	Multihull Midwinters	8	Miami, Florida	Miami Yacht Club - Contact Florida Multihulls 305/783- 4368
18-21	HOBIE CAT 14 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS	1	Honolulu, Hawaii	Coast Catamaran, Primo Beer, Pan Am Contact Keith Fuller 714/493-4586

FEBRUARY:

17 & 18	Midwinters West	2	Guaymas, Mexico	Coast Catamaran - Contact Keith Fuller 714/493-4586
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MARCH:

3 & 4	Midwinters East	8	Apollo Beach, FL	Coast Catamaran - Contact Keith Fuller 714/493-4586
9	Deep South Hobie Cat Champion- ships	9	Lake Charles, LA	Lake Charles Yacht Club - Contact Allan R. Heath 318/ 477-1698



Acres and acres of Hobies. Over 120 Hobies, 240 cartons to be opened, assembled and assigned to participants. The logistics of the 1972 Nationals was astounding. Only Coast Catamaran could pull off an accomplishment like this, and all in the name of a good national regatta.

FIRST ANNUAL HOBIE CAT 14 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

January 17-22, 1973

The plans for the First Annual Hobie Cat 14 World Championship are progressing well. We have received enthusiastic response from all participating countries and look forward to a top level of competition from throughout the world. We currently have confirmation on five participants from Australia, five from Europe, three from South America, five from Japan, three from South Africa, five from Hawaii, one from Canada, three from Puerto Rico, five from the United States and one from New Guinea with a possibility of some from Mexico and other areas of the country.

We have finalized plans for a boat exchange program where Coast Catamaran furnishes all the boats used by the participants, complete with sails, boom vang and convenient racing equipment so that all the boats will be identical. After each race skippers will exchange complete boats. The only thing the skippers may do to the boats is adjust the mast rake and retie the battens. In this way we are confident our World Champion will be the best sailor available.

On Wednesday, January 17th, there will be a qualifying regatta for people who wish to travel to Hawaii to sail but who have not yet qualified. From this regatta we will take the top five competitors to sail in the Worlds themselves. There will be no racing activities for the remaining skippers; they will simply be able to watch and participate in the social activities.

We have tentatively developed the following schedule of events for people joining us in Hawaii for the Worlds:

Wednesday:	There will be a qualifying regatta with the big skipper's meeting and get-acquainted cocktail party taking place that evening at the Outrigger Canoe Club.
Thursday:	The first series of races for the World Championships itself. There will be a break between each race and they will exchange boats and make minor adjustments.
Friday:	Two to three races with one of them being a race to Keehi Lagoon where the boats will be left overnight and participants bussed back to the hotel. That evening we are planning a luau true Hawaiian style.
Saturday:	Two or three races. One of the races will be from Keehi Lagoon back to Waikiki.
Sunday:	The remaining races necessary to fill out ten which is the number we are shooting for. Our current plans are to finish up all racing Sunday and present the trophies early Monday morning.

Throughout the races there will be free beer for everyone courtesy of Primo Beer and you can rest assured that there will be many impromptu parties at the Hotel. The Worlds are being sponsored by Coast Catamaran, Pan American World Airways, Primo Beer and the Outrigger Canoe Club.

We are currently putting together a group travel package from Los Angeles to Hawaii. If you are interested in attending the Worlds (or simply vacationing in Hawaii), here is the perfect opportunity to enjoy Hawaii with the greatest people in the world--Hobie Catters. The round trip air fare from Los Angeles and seven-day room at the Kaimana Beach Hotel is \$275.00 (based on single occupancy). If you just want the air travel, it is \$190.00. Either way you are invited to join us at all Hobie Cat social events and may attempt to qualify for the Worlds (boats are available on a first-come basis). The group leaves January 15th and returns January 22nd, however you may stay longer if you desire. You will also receive guest privileges at the famous member-only Outrigger Canoe Club. If you wish to participate, fill out the form on the inside cover of the Hotline (or the one you should have already received in the mail) and return it with your check immediately.

THE 1973 MIDWINTERS EAST/WEST

Plans are progressing for the 1973 Midwinters, both East and West. We plan to continue our tradition of an East Coast Midwinters and a West Coast Midwinters to try to enable as many skippers as possible to escape the chill of winter and enjoy the warm climates of the respective coasts.

The Midwinters West will again be held near Guaymas, Mexico at the famous Catch 22 site. This will be another fun event similar to last year's (which you probably read about in Yacht Racing). The dates for the Midwinters West are February 17th through 18th with February 19th being a national holiday. We are again planning the shrimp and fish fry like last years complete with mariachi band and lots of beer. This race has proved to be one of the most fun events of the year and well-worth attending if at all possible. More details will follow in a later newsletter, but you should start making your plans now to join us in sunny old Mexico for a refreshingly different type of regatta.

The Midwinters East are scheduled for March 3rd and 4th at Apollo Beach, Florida. We do not have complete details as yet but are working on plans to make this a great regatta. Those of you who attended the Midwinters at Apollo two years ago will remember the excellent sailing conditions found at that time of year. Complete details will be sent out in a later newsletter as plans are firmed up. In the meantime you East Coast skippers should make arrangements to get the time off work to attend this regatta.

1972 HOBIE CAT 14 NATIONALS STANDINGS

POSITION	NAME & STATE	SAIL #	A Fleet				TOTAL =								TOTAL POINTS
			A	B	C	TOTAL	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1.	Jeff Canepa Santa Cruz, California	333	3/4	10	2	12 3/4	3	3/4	3/4	3/4	(48)	2	3	7	17 1/4
2.	Wayne Schafer Capistrano Beach, California	315	2	5	3	10	3/4	3	3	(31)	8	3/4	3/4	3	19 1/4
3.	Rick Naish Kailua, Hawaii	125	23	21	17	61	(39)	7	11	4	3/4	13	9	10	54 3/4
4.	Richard Loufek Costa Mesa, California	1315	5	30	4	39	20	(26)	14	2	6	6	2	6	56
5.	Denis Wilcox Lakeland, Florida	3851	7	8	2	17	5	9	2	3	16	11	13	(36)	59
6.	Barry Olton Merritt Island, Florida	267	8	20	4	32	13	2	19	(50)	9	7	6	5	61
7.	Phillip Berman Newport Beach, California	830	3	3/4	10	13 3/4	4	8	(30)	24	12	5	15	3/4	68 3/4
8.	J. R. Watson Bay City, Michigan	5188	14	2	21	37	17	6	5	6	(44)	16	10	11	71
9.	Hobie Alter Capistrano Beach, California	9652	3	9	3/4	12 3/4	2	(41)	10	15	7	12	12	19	77
10.	Jan Gougeon Bay City, Michigan	7347	3/4	4	26	30 3/4	11	22	32	8	(43)	3	7	4	87
11.	David Rodgers Cocoa Beach, Florida	35	2	12	24	38	19	10	(35)	17	10	14	5	13	88
12.	Randy Hatfield Long Beach, California	378	13	4	20	37	16	28	12	7	(30)	4	18	8	93
13.	Joe Neale San Diego, California	334	4	3	16	23	6	4	9	18	(48)	26	8	22	93
14.	Rick Whitehurst Pensacola, Florida	7679	13	10	33	56	(35)	20	18	9	21	8	11	15	102
15.	Leith Anderson Honolulu, Hawaii	414	15	8	3	26	9	18	28	10	5	9	(36)	24	103
16.	J. Allyn Stevens Orlando, Florida	5990	11	12	15	38	18	5	6	22	14	23	16	(30)	104
17.	Thomas H. Gayle Lake Charles, Louisiana	257	6	18	7	31	12	32	15	26	18	(33)	4	2	109
18.	Jack Woehrlie Sugar Loaf Key, Florida	7968	20	27	5	52	(28)	16	4	14	25	27	21	9	116
19.	Jeff Faulkner Honolulu, Hawaii	8820	29	21	8	58	(37)	30	13	12	3	21	29	16	124
20.	Jim McCann Orlando, Florida	2222	6	23	3/4	29 3/4	10	35	17	5	15	17	28	(37)	127
21.	Reg Jaworski Hamilton, Ontario, Canada	7702	14	7	5	26	8	17	20	16	2	(36)	30	35	128
22.	David M. Wentworth Merritt Island, Florida	3816	7	25	9	41	22	11	24	(37)	13	18	48	14	139
23.	Bob Beauchamp Corona del Mar, California	1315X	25	35	7	67	(43)	21	16	35	34	10	19	21	156
24.	Mike Overton Pensacola, Florida	3872	19	6	11	36	14	14	22	(47)	32	28	23	25	158
25.	Doug Graf La Porte, Texas	9651	9	31	13	53	32	19	8	28	30	25	(37)	18	160
26.	Jeff W. Shaddock Houston, TX	8343	21	16	11	48	25	34	27	27	20	20	(31)	17	167
27.	Dick Beauchamp Corona del Mar, California	71	21	5	31	57	36	28	(50)	13	24	19	20	27	167
28.	Harold Hutchings Honolulu, Hawaii	774	26	20	23	69	(46)	31	7	23	17	34	14	41	167
29.	Burke Allen Brightwaters, New York	3594	8	11	17	36	15	40	37	30	4	(47)	24	29	179
30.	Jeff Kent N. Weymouth, Massachusetts	2796	30	3	27	60	38	13	26	21	27	22	(48)	32	179
31.	Roberto Bouret, Jr. Santurce, Puerto Rico	2921	35	14	18	67	(44)	23	33	25	41	24	17	20	183
32.	Brian Keoughan Dallas, Texas	2470	30	22	16	68	(45)	24	23	11	39	29	39	23	188
33.	John G. Rueter Portland, Oregon	855	17	3/4	23	40 3/4	21	42	(48)	32	28	31	22	12	188
34.	Rob Mairs Camp Springs, Maryland	255	5	13	37	55	33	37	21	20	11	(42)	34	28	194
35.	John Duke, III Orlando, Florida	8892	17	29	6	52	29	15	29	38	23	44	(48)	26	204
36.	Chris Christensen Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	801	4	2	19	25	7	36	40	33	19	(50)	27	47	209
37.	Chuck Gibbs Houston, TX	4565	28	17	8	53	31	25	31	(39)	37	30	33	34	221
38.	F. H. Snyder Brookfield, Connecticut	4180	37	7	12	56	34	12	38	19	(46)	35	40	43	221
39.	Jack Young Oshkosh, Wisconsin	6406	10	14	40	64	41	27	25	45	35	38	25	(48)	236
40.	Bill Greulich Erie, Pennsylvania	5550	27	13	13	53	30	39	(49)	34	22	37	43	36	241
41.	Hank Pauloo Hyeres, France	9249	22	22	18	62	40	29	34	(44)	33	39	26	42	243
42.	Bob Johnson Hollywood, California	399	36	11	27	74	(50)	38	46	40	42	15	35	28	244
43.	Joseph Melancon Ft. Worth, Texas	1028	9	17	20	46	24	47	47	(49)	26	40	32	33	249
44.	Davis Tucker Houston, Texas	1124	11	15	25	51	27	(46)	42	29	29	41	45	45	258
45.	Ned Plumer Henderson, Texas	1285	32	26	14	72	(48)	33	43	43	38	45	41	31	274
46.	Glenn D. Reinders Perrysburg, Ohio	5370	18	36	19	73	(49)	43	39	36	47	32	38	39	274
47.	Hunter Riddle Pensacola, Florida	1626	27	6	10	43	23	44	44	42	(45)	43	42	44	282
48.	Ben Miller Monroe, Louisiana	3755	16	18	15	49	26	(49)	41	46	36	48	46	47	290
49.	Allan Dewees Englewood, Colorado	6028	10	27	29	66	42	48	36	48	31	(49)	44	46	295
50.	Lee Pepping Seabrook, Texas	983	25	38	9	72	47	45	45	41	40	46	47	(49)	311

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POSITION	SKIPPER/CREW	SAIL #	A	B	C	TOTAL	1	2	3	4	TOTAL POINTS
1.	Jerry Hackworth, Jr./Andy Parker Phoenix, Arizona	4356	32	25	DNF	85	4	3/4	(5)	3/4	5 1/2
2.	Paul D. Hanson/Bill Nocholes Clear Lake, Iowa	420	25	DNF	DNF	84	3	(14)	3/4	3	6 3/4
3.	Jeff W. Shaddock/Claudette Bennefield Houston, Texas	88	22	19	DNS	87	(6)	2	3	5	10
4.	Ricky Eddington/Robert McCorley Houston, Texas	619	DNF	28	DNS	120	(29)	3	2	7	12
5.	Doug Cummings, III/Sheree Bailey Seabrook, Texas	827	DNF	28	DNF	91	(10)	4	4	6	14
6.	Robert J. Rashka/Suzanne C. Rashka Ocean Springs, Mississippi	3088	31	32	20	83	2	9	(14)	4	15
7.	Ed Laviano/Edmund B. Laviano Bellport, New York	3135	18	23	DNS	87	7	6	(7)	2	15
8.	John H. Duggin/Shirley Martin Sugarland, Texas	1373	DNF	DNF	DNS	138	(35)	5	6	11	22
9.	Robert M. Wood/Mary T. Wood Houston, Texas	2297	DNF	DNF	DNS	138	35	7	9	8	24
10.	John O. Hauser/Barbara Gillespie Huntington Beach, California	4328	24	23	DNS	93	12	(18)	8	9	29
11.	Armando Diaz/Carolyn Carlin Freeport, Texas	3842	DNF	31	25	92	11	11	10	(14)	32
12.	James Raffa/Carol Raffa Lanikai, Hawaii	231	DNF	26	12	93	13	8	11	(13)	32
13.	W. A. Chiles/Bonnie Chiles Dallas, Texas	661	26	DNF	DNS	118	(27)	10	DSQ-A	10	38
14.	Al Johnston/Anne Johnston Ocean Springs, Mississippi	1000	37	33	DNF	94	14	(DNF)	17	12	43
15.	John L. Holmes, Jr./Ted Hellmuth Atlantic Beach, FL 32233	1018	33	DNF	DNS	112	(20)	12	16	15	43
16.	Wayne Humbird/Patty Humbird Freeport, Texas	4591	DNF	DNF	DNS	130	(33)	16	12	16	44
17.	Marilyn Hoskins/Marilyn Stanley Lake Jackson, Texas	5156	DNF	DNF	DNS	138	(35)	17	15	17	49
18.	Bill Oswald/Marty Draper Houston, Texas	618	DNF	DNF	16	85	5	13	DNS	(DNS)	70
19.	Bob Sterling/Cary Stone Wildwood, New Jersey	3998	15	26	DNS	87	8	15	DNS	(DNS)	75
20.	Charles H. Farr, M. D./William Parton Norman, Oklahoma	880	25	30	26	81	3/4	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	104 3/4
21.	Paul Middleton/John Middleton Richmond, Virginia	253	31	13	DNS	90	9	DNS	DNS	DNS	113
22.	Don Cowell/Jeff Olson Marshalltown, Iowa	425	28	27	DNS	101	15	DNS	DNS	DNS	119
23.	Ken Parker/Phyllis Parker Lawrenceville, Georgia	1707	30	30	DNS	106	16	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	120
24.	Cathy Collins/Josy Zingali Kerry Collins Torrance, California	3611	29	DNF	DNS	108	17	DNS	DNS	DNS	121
25.	Edwin D. Ward/Bud Baringer Gainesville, Florida	2650	DNF	29	DNS	111	18	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	122
26.	Ed Parker/Dick Peterson Houston, Texas	3437	34	31	DNS	111	19	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	123
27.	Lew Linde/Patricia Tomlinson Shore Acres, New Jersey	199	20	DNS	DNS	112	21	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	125
28.	J. Richard Booth/Janet Booth Lake Jackson, Texas	4884	35	32	DNS	113	22	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	126
29.	Dudley King/Steve Polansky Arlington, Texas	622	21	DNS	DNS	113	23	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	127
30.	Tommy Webster/Cris Webster Big Bear Lake, California	1929	33	DNF	DNS	114	24	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	128
31.	R. C. Nielsen/Tom Jakubik Lake Jackson, Texas	2302	35	DNF	DNS	114	25	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	129
32.	Doug Foot/Bill Rouse Pensacola, Florida	4803	36	34	DNS	116	26	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	130
33.	Stan Sunderland/Nancy Sunderland Buford, Georgia	3908	27	DNS	DNS	119	28	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	132
34.	Warren L. Walker/Cathy Smith Australia	332	DNF	DNS	DNS	128	30	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	134
35.	Al Robertson/Jan Robertson Newport Beach, California	542	DNF	DNS	DNS	128	30	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	134
36.	Lionel Martin/Keith Gore Houston, Texas	879	DNF	DNS	DNS	128	30	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	134
37.	Jennifer Peelle/Jim Peelle Richmond, Indiana	4758	DNS	DNS	DNS	138	35	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	136
38.	Ted Hendricks/John Evans Corona del Mar, California	20	DNF	DNS	DNS	130	33	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	137
39.	W. A. Bradley/D. C. Seward Houston, Texas	516	DNS	DNS	DNS	138	35	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	139
39.	Steve Richars/Vic Collins Bay City, Texas	1371	DNS	DNS	DNS	138	35	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	139
39.	William W. Nielsen, Jr./Mike Mayne Houston, Texas	3055	DNS	DNS	DNS	138	35	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	139
39.	Butch LaCourse/Robert McCorvey Houston, Texas	3682	DNS	DNS	DNS	138	35	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	139
39.	Robert Renfro/Linda Renfro Denison, Texas	1317	DNS	DNS	DNS	138	35	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	139
39.	H. H. McClure/Paul Larson Lake Jackson, Texas	617	DNS	DNS	DNS	138	35	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	139
39.	Robert R. Nixon, Jr./Ruel Cummings Houston, Texas	962	DNS	DNS	DNS	138	35	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	139
39.	Joe Bushager/Lauralyn Bushager Houston, Texas	995	DNS	DNS	DNS	138	35	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	139
39.	B. G. Colley/Ed Fraini Lake Jackson, Texas	1347	DNS	DNS	DNS	138	35	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	139
39.	Don Balthaser/Gene Whitcher Dallas, Texas	1493	DNS	DNS	DNS	138	35	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	139
39.	Steve Beahon/Mike Polansky Dallas, Texas	2301	DNS	DNS	DNS	138	35	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	139
39.	John Smellely/Chris Smalley Houston, Texas	3187	DNS	DNS	DNS	138	35	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	139
39.	Mike Moller/Greg Pennington Chattanooga, Tennessee	4762	DNS	DNS	DNS	138	35	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	139
39.	Bobby Nipper/Wayne Sanchez Freeport, Texas	4765	DNS	DNS	DNS	138	35	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	139

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1.	Rick Naish/Jeff Faulkner Kailua, Hawaii	97	5	3/4	8	13 3/4	(6)	2	3/4	3	5 3/4
2.	Hobie Alter/Nancy Alter Capistrano Beach, California	36	3/4	3/4	3	4 1/2	3/4	(30)	2	7	9 3/4
3.	Nick Steele/Jerry King Balboa Island, California	2414	3	5	3/4	8 3/4	3	(24)	10	2	15
4.	Russell Eddington/Cliff Harris Houston, Texas	3824	7	4	10	21	10	3	(17)	5	18
5.	Andy Grootendorst/Rick Seymour St. Joseph, Michigan	4713	12	19	9	40	(22)	15	7	3/4	22 3/4
6.	Joe Neale/Edie Neale San Diego, California	101	4	DNF	4	41	(24)	9	6	10	25
7.	Dick Beauchamp/David Beauchamp Corona del Mar, California	1981	9	8	5	22	(14)	4	9	13	26
8.	Wayne Schafer/Regan Sherick Capistrano Beach, California	315	3/4	3	9	12 3/4	5	6	16	(19)	27
9.	Bob Beauchamp/Richard Loufek Corona del Mar, California	1400	2	2	3/4	4 3/4	2	3/4	(31)	25	27 3/4
10.	Jack Sammons/Ren Tilton Lake Park, Florida	1499	7	9	5	21	12	10	8	(17)	30
11.	Bob Whitehurst/Brad Nichol Pensacola, Florida	4883	11	5	DNF	44	(27)	5	15	11	31
12.	Herb Andresen/Keith Baxter Kaneohe, Hawaii	152	11	3	4	18	8	11	13	(23)	32
13.	J. Allyn Stevens/Paul Theiss Orlando, Florida	3803	8	22	12	42	(25)	22	4	9	35
14.	Johnny Maudlin/Gery Kiston Dickinson, Texas	340	6	6	6	18	9	13	(19)	14	36
15.	Harold Hutchings/Howard Schirmer Honolulu, Hawaii	2350	2	7	3	12	4	(21)	14	18	36
16.	Michael D. Zuteck/Leon Smith Kemah, Texas	575	19	11	7	37	20	7	(DSQ-A)	12	39
17.	Lee Christoffersen/Jeddy Lee Bellport, New York	2776	8	12	7	27	18	19	3	(26)	40
18.	Andy Lopez/Connie Lopez Kailua, Hawaii	1787	4	4	14	22	13	23	(30)	4	40
19.	Jerry Metzler/Dave Spencer Corona del Mar, California	2166	6	6	2	14	7	12	(34)	24	43
20.	John Flanigan/Bob Friedenborg John Newman Baltimore, Maryland	1200	20	18	24	62	(37)	16	25	6	47
21.	Chris Christensen/Pauline Baumgardt Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	37	10	2	10	22	15	26	(32)	8	49
22.	John Steverding/Jerry Stegenga Miami, Florida	1092	15	17	17	49	(31)	17	20	16	53
23.	Jim McCann/Mark Theiss Orlando, Florida	2222	5	10	11	26	17	20	18	(20)	55
24.	John Gonnerman/Bill Geisler Houston, Texas	1356	18	17	14	49	30	8	22	(34)	60
25.	John Schuch/Colin Collins Mt. Clemens, Michigan	2257	16	21	18	55	35	14	12	(DNF)	61
26.	Jack Woehrl/Barbie Beckford Sugar Loaf Key, Florida	1933	9	DNF	6	50	32	25	5	(DNS)	62
27.	Peter Van Arsdale/William Johnston Truro, Massachusetts	1101	10	11	2	23	16	18	29	(30)	63
28.	Jose Rodriguez Reyes/Ann Bennett San Juan, Puerto Rico	2080	3	7	11	21	11	31	24	(32)	66
29.	George Francis/Webb Young Metedeconk, New Jersey	4499	32	14	19	65	(41)	33	28	15	76
30.	John Dowd/Wendy Dowd Bellport, New York	1575	21	15	DNF	64	(40)	28	27	22	77
31.	Buck Fleming/Dorothy Fleming Lansdowne, Pennsylvania	4218	19	DNF	DNF	76	(48)	27	26	29	82
32.	Bob Diehl/Connie Madison Bellingham, Washington	1319	17	14	13	44	28	DSQ-A	(34)	21	83
33.	Kim Whitney/C. A. Pantaleoni Naples, Maine	3784	13	24	DNF	65	42	(DNF)	21	31	88
34.	Joseph E. Ganem/Elaine Ganem Irving, Texas	513	29	27	19	75	(46)	32	33	28	93
35.	Jim Grimshaw/Bob Grimshaw Honolulu, Hawaii	3326	17	20	8	45	29	34	(36)	33	96
36.	Richard Switlik/Bob Jordan Seaside Park, New Jersey	3904	22	22	17	61	(36)	35	35	27	97
37.	Tom Wickenhauser/Carol Beck Ft. Lauderdale, Florida	2676	12	10	13	35	19	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	119
38.	Danny Lenahan/Bill Carr Seal Beach, California	1831	14	9	16	39	21	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	121
39.	R. Jaworski/D. Davis Hamilton, Ontario, Canada	4596	14	8	18	40	23	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	123
40.	Ed Mabie/Mark Marsh Capitola, California	1633	16	15	12	43	26	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	126
41.	Harold E. LeBeau Mt. Clemens, Michigan	922	13	18	23	54	33	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	133
42.	John B. Duke/Hampton Duke Orlando, Florida	2245	27	13	15	55	34	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	134
43.	Billy Smith/Bobby Burns New Orleans, Louisiana	3404	23	20	20	63	38	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	138
44.	Larry Cooke/Peggy Osier	45	23	12	DNF	63	39	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	139
45.	Jake Springhorn/Sport Blue Point, New York	1792	24	16	27	67	43	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	143
46.	Robert Heathcote/Robert Tuma St. Joseph, Michigan	2970	34	16	22	72	44	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	144
47.	Pete Begle/Yvonne DeChant St. Clair Shores, Michigan	3909	26	24	22	72	45	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	145
48.	Dennis Seabourn/Sarah Rymal Dallas, Texas	762	28	25	23	76	47	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	147
49.	Ned Plumer/John Smelly Henderson, Texas	222	30	29	21	80	49	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	149
50.	Jared Piety/Darlene Piety Rossmore, California	1238	DNF	21	DSQ-A	80	50	DNS	DNS	(DNS)	150

1972 HOBIE CAT 14 NATIONALS STANDINGS

RANK	NAME & STATE	SAIL #	1972 BOB CAT NATIONAL STANDINGS				TOTAL	1972 BOB CAT NATIONAL STANDINGS								TOTAL POINTS
			A	B	C	TOTAL		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1.	Donald D. Crowe Coral Gables, Florida	4188	39	23	DSQ-A	75	2	9	(27)	8	2	3/4	3/4	3	25 1/2	
2.	Russell Eddington Houston, Texas	5269	23	46	DNF	114	(34)	4	3	25	4	7	3	3/4	46 3/4	
3.	Don Balthaser Dallas, Texas	1036	12	32	DSQ-B	94	16	2	6	3/4	(26)	10	11	5	50 3/4	
4.	Keith Baxter Kaneohe, Hawaii	646	15	34	33	82	5	8	(21)	7	14	4	5	9	52	
5.	Steve Colwell Seabrook, Texas	8050	22	39	38	99	(21)	3	15	2	17	13	2	2	54	
6.	Robert C. Crowe Cherry Hill, New Jersey	1507	38	42	28	108	(27)	3/4	18	21	3	8	4	8	62 3/4	
7.	Tom Whitehurst Pensacola, Florida	8037	16	28	34	78	4	12	(19)	6	13	3	14	15	67	
8.	Ken Keene Seminole, Florida	4935	24	32	35	91	15	13	4	11	10	9	12	(19)	74	
9.	Jim Smith Isla Verde, Puerto Rico	6466	33	34	21	88	10	17	13	(32)	8	6	10	10	74	
10.	David Davis Ypsilanti, Michigan	5396	24	40	34	98	20	5	3/4	9	9	(41)	13	20	76 3/4	
11.	Robert H. Nute Seabrook, Texas	1292	26	19	29	74	3/4	6	10	14	5	24	18	(30)	77 3/4	
12.	George Francis, Sr. Metedeconk, New Jersey	3274	35	25	28	88	12	7	(30)	29	15	5	7	16	91	
13.	Peter Van Arsdale Truro, Massachusetts	9472	38	24	24	86	8	16	2	3	24	21	19	(40)	93	
14.	Larry Cooke Big Bear Lake, California	8471	41	35	12	88	9	10	8	5	21	(32)	21	28	102	
15.	DeWayne Gage Dallas, Texas	2427	31	28	41	110	32	15	11	13	(40)	18	6	14	109	
16.	Bob Dorchester San Antonio, Texas	4463	32	24	22	68	3	11	(35)	16	23	22	23	13	111	
17.	Doug Cummings, III Seabrook, TX	8666	34	43	DNF	122	(39)	26	7	26	7	14	25	6	111	
18.	Pete Begle St. Clair Shores, Michigan	8785	34	37	14	85	7	29	5	12	3/4	31	(38)	27	111 3/4	
19.	Roberto Bourret Puerto Rico	122	12	47	36	95	17	25	22	17	(27)	19	8	4	112	
20.	Jim Young Oshkosh, Wisconsin	6404	31	41	25	97	18	14	20	15	12	11	(31)	26	116	
21.	Larry MacArthur Honolulu, Hawaii	579	36	9	43	88	13	18	(28)	20	16	23	20	11	121	
22.	Al Newhouse Bellaire, Texas	4090	18	44	26	88	11	(30)	16	4	19	27	22	25	124	
23.	Jerry Thompson Clear Lake, Iowa	4608	43	19	DNF	107	26	(33)	12	18	20	17	9	22	124	
24.	Robert Sterling Wildwood, New Jersey	8467	29	40	30	99	22	20	(33)	22	11	16	16	18	125	
25.	Ricky Eddington Houston, Texas	1239	40	33	30	103	24	(31)	14	23	25	12	24	7	129	
26.	Angel Espada San Juan, Puerto Rico	5200	41	29	35	105	25	35	9	27	(35)	2	15	21	134	
27.	Mike Holmes Honolulu, Hawaii	7927	37	39	41	117	(35)	27	24	10	18	20	17	24	140	
28.	Tom Welch Keego Harbor, Michigan	8246	33	37	32	102	23	21	17	24	28	15	(28)	23	151	
29.	Mike Sheehan Houston, Texas	7276	43	15	31	89	14	19	31	19	6	41	47	(47)	177	
30.	Ed Cihak Bossier City, Louisiana	2637	28	45	36	109	31	23	29	30	(36)	29	27	12	181	
31.	Richard Minette Des Moines, Iowa	9648	42	45	32	119	36	22	23	28	30	25	(39)	32	196	
32.	John Sell Milledge, Georgia	1892	42	26	43	111	33	28	26	(36)	32	26	32	33	210	
33.	George Francis, Jr. Metedeconk, New Jersey	2815	40	28	40	108	29	24	(37)	31	34	28	33	36	215	
34.	Chuck Thomas Boulder, Colorado	3343	20	36	42	98	19	36	34	34	(37)	34	34	34	225	
35.	John Newman Honolulu, Hawaii	9291	45	42	22	109	30	(39)	32	38	22	36	30	38	226	
36.	Keith Gore Neptune, New Jersey	1314	46	33	39	118	37	32	40	(40)	38	37	35	17	236	
37.	John Rozelle Tyler, Texas	4114	48	46	37	131	(40)	37	36	33	31	35	36	29	237	
38.	Colin Collins Los Angeles, California	8524	46	43	44	133	41	34	25	37	(41)	33	37	35	242	
39.	Van T. Moon Houston, Texas	154	44	31	44	119	38	(47)	39	35	29	38	26	37	242	
40.	Angela Peelle Richmond, Indiana	8488	45	48	42	135	(44)	40	38	39	33	30	40	31	251	
41.	Charlie Hayward Gulfport, Florida	8917	19	16	DNS	83	6	47	47	47	47	47	47	(47)	288	
42.	Bob Ehrman Dallas, Texas	5286	DNS	DNS	DNS		45	47	47	47	(47)	40	29	39	294	
43.	Robert C. Nipper, III Freeport, Texas	1465	47	47	DNS	134	43	47	47	47	39	39	47	(47)	309	
44.	Allan R. Heath Lake Charles, Louisiana	8339	39	30	39	108	28	47	47	47	47	47	47	(47)	310	
45.	Tom Jakubik Clute, Texas	1114	44	44	45	133	42	38	47	47	47	47	47	(47)	315	
46.	Bill Veale Friendswood, Texas	246	DNS	DNS	DNS		45	47	47	47	42	47	47	(47)	322	
47.	Hal Hrnrcir Angleton, Texas	3873	DNS	DNS	DNS		45	47	47	47	47	47	47	(47)	327	

INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITY

This news release was recently sent from our counterpart in Europe, The European Hobie Cat Class Association. Their European Championship culminated a very active season. We thought the event warranted reporting as many people have friends and relatives in Europe.

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Completing the Hobie Cat's first year of organized class racing in Europe, the Yacht Club of Hyeres [France] hosted the first Hobie Cat European Championships, September 23-25. Drawing from eight nations, thirty-eight Hobie Cat enthusiasts turned out to compete for the year end prize offered by the European Hobie Cat builder: Coast Catamaran France - a free round trip air ticket to the Hobie Cat World Championships in Hawaii, January 18-21.

The Championship title was won by Carlo Backhausen from Germany who captured five first places out of the seven races. Second was Manfred Schubert followed by Thane Roberts, Secretary of the European Hobie Cat Class Association.

Sunshine and light-to-moderate winds prevailed throughout the event held in the Bay of Hyeres, location of the pre-Olympic trials and the Tornado Championships last year. The course resembled that used by the Tornados, favoring the reaching leg, excepting the start/finish line which was located midway along the windward leg to enhance the number of possible courses.

Carlo Backhausen, moving his boat well upwind, took an early lead in the first race which he was able to hold from Manfred Schubert who finished second. In the second race, Bruno Trouble followed by Thane Roberts who made a port-tack start crossing the bows of thirty-six oncoming boats to move out well ahead on the port side of the course. Due to an unfortunate capsizes, Bruno Trouble lost his lead to Thane Roberts finishing tenth, Thane Roberts went on to win the race followed once more by Manfred Schubert in second place.

On Sunday, in the light shifty winds, Carlo Backhausen combining good tactics and good fortune was the only skipper capable of consistently sailing on the favored side of the course. Walking away with two firsts and a second, Carlo solidified his lead considerably over second place, Manfred Schubert and third place, Thane Roberts both of whom suffered from an unfavorable windshift in the fourth race. It was Hank Pauloo in the same race who made an early port-tack, turned the shifting wind to his advantage, and went on to wrestle the only other first place from the hard-driving Carlo.

Monday morning, the wind shifted and flowing at force four out of the East built up a short choppy sea. Freeing off to drive through the small swells, Carlo skated his way through the last two races with ease, capturing two more first places and the European title with a total of only 8.75 points for the seven race series.

The regatta enjoyed the festive atmosphere which has become the custom in the Hobie Cat fleet with an active social program complimenting the racing program. Saturday night's "buffet campagnard" sponsored by Intervole Sails in the wine caverns of an old french chateau, and the Sunday night outdoor goat Bar-B-Que sponsored by Coast Catamaran France were both tremendous successes in bringing the far-travelled participants even closer together.

This year's Championships was the finale to a program of six internationally organized regattas. With associations now operating in five European countries, the "amazing cat" which took America by surprise four years ago, seems to be working its magic successfully in Europe.

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NOTE: We will report other national/international events as information is received.

STOLEN BOAT

Attention Hobie Catters!! Be on the lookout for a Hobie Cat 14 that was stolen from the Calgary, Alberta, Canada area during the week of October 22-29. It was stolen from it's parking stall in Calgary, Alberta, Canada and was stolen on a custom built trailer made of 1" X 2" square tubing with Alberta license number K1203. Anyone having any information on this Hobie Cat may contact either Keith Fuller at Coast Catamaran or Ron B. Lowry, #201-228-13 Avenue S. W., Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

COVER PHOTO

The cover photo and Christmas greeting artwork is by Gibby Sadler, an employee of Coast Catamaran who works in the mold shop. Gibby has been credited for 'painting a town', doing all the signs in the business section of the town of Huntington Beach.

EDITORS NOTE:

We are planning an expanded Hotline that will make it possible to give additional editorial and photograph space to all of the racing divisions and fleets. We would like local Hobie facts, figures and Hobie human interest stories. Photos should include local background or good action shots, glossy black and white minimum 5 X 7. Material cannot be returned and becomes the property of the Hobie Cat Class Association.



After days of gentle variable winds the weather finally changed to a strong onshore blow. Freeport, Texas has a beautiful level beach, in fact it has such a gradual slope that the depth is only 100 feet deep fifty miles off shore. The friction of the wind on the water creates a mean short chop and usually high tides. Sandy Banks and Keith Fuller are shown here trying to take a buoy boat out through the many lines of surf that have built up.

HOBIE CAT 16 NATIONALS

October 23-30, 1972
Surfside, Texas

The Hobie Cat 16 National Championship started on Wednesday, October 18th with a qualifying race for those who had not already qualified. The four race series was sailed in light to moderate wind with fifty-one boats competing. The top skipper of the qualifying races was Herb Andresen.

Thursday, three round robin heats were sailed to separate the hundred boat qualified fleet into a 50-boat A fleet and a 50 boat B fleet. A northwind blew Thursday increasing throughout the day to 20-25 knots and building some pretty good size chop. The planned fourth race had to be cancelled because of the high offshore wind, rough sea conditions and exhausted rescue personnel.

Friday the wind had died some but a fog had rolled in making it impossible to hold the race. The wind was still offshore and the feeling was that if someone capsized, they would drift out to sea in the fog and never be found again. Friday night there was a no-host Texas style chili feed with movies and free beer.

Saturday the fog lifted and the wind swung to a southeasterly direction and increased to 25 knots peaking at 35. Sea conditions built eight to ten feet making it virtually impossible to safely conduct the races. Two attempts were made Saturday to set the marks (which were Hobie Cat 14's). The first attempt was aborted before the boat was even through the surfline. Second attempt we got the boat out but were unable to handle in the large swells so we cut it loose and came back in. On Saturday the shrimp and fish feed was hosted by Coast Catamaran with the dance band joining for entertainment.

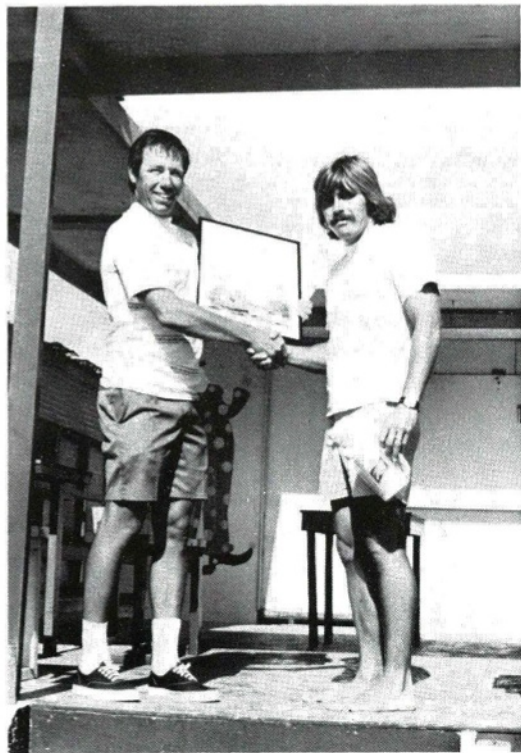
Sunday the wind and sea conditions diminished slightly but still prohibited the safe conduct of the race. Since Sunday was the last scheduled day of the regatta and investigation was made of the weather conditions and a vote taken to see how many skippers would stay over and gamble on the weather improving for Monday. The vote turned out to be three to one in favor of staying so the regatta was postponed another day in the hopes that the predicted weather would finally arrive. Monday's luck was with us in that the wind swung to a northerly section flattening the sea and clearing the air for the last three races. Trophies were presented Monday evening and all went home happy. It should be noted that many competent skippers were forced to leave Sunday night because of business commitments. Going into Sunday's postponement, the top twenty standings were as follows:

POSITION	NAME	POINTS	POSITION	NAME	POINTS
1.	Hobie Alter	4 1/2	11.	Jose Rodriguez Reyes	21
2.	Bob Beauchamp	4 3/4	12.	Jack Sammons	21
3.	Nick Steele	8 3/4	13.	Andy Lopez	22
4.	Harold Hutchings	12	14.	Dick Beauchamp	22
5.	Wayne Schafer	12 3/4	15.	Chris Christensen	22
6.	Rick Naish	13 3/4	16.	Peter Van Arsdale	23
7.	Jerry Wetzler	14	17.	Jim McCann	26
8.	Herb Andresen	18	18.	Lee Christoffersen	27
9.	Johnny Maudlin	18	19.	Tom Wickenhauser	35
10.	Russell Eddington	21	20.	Michael D. Zuteck	37

The Hobie Cat 16 National Champion was Rick Naish and crew Jeff Faulkner. Defending National Champion Hobie Alter finished in second place with Nick Steele in third place. In both regattas the top twenty skippers in the A fleet and the top ten in the B fleet received personalized water-color paintings of the boats as trophies. In the 16 regatta the crew also received a black and white pen sketch for his efforts.

On Friday, Saturday and Sunday movies were held all day with free beer and pop furnished to all the participants. For this regatta special marks were made from Hobie Cat 14's using the hull, frame and mast and hoisting a wind sock to the top of the mast. The marks proved very effective as they were quite easy to see and pretty easy to handle.

Throughout the regatta we had a great deal of assistance from several local people in the area lending invaluable assistance. In the planning stages the Brazosport Chamber of Commerce, the Surfside Beach Committee and the Brazosport Yacht Club were indispensable help. All in all, both regattas were very successful. A great effort was expended to try to insure everyone would have a good time; we feel we were successful despite the poor weather as everyone we talked to thoroughly enjoyed themselves.



1972 Hobie Cat 16 winning team. Rick Naish and Jeff Faulkner of Kailua, Hawaii. Long time 14 sailors Rich and Jeff have been a 16 team since the 16's hit Hawaii and are an unbeatable combination. Of course their training was in the best Hobie wind and water anywhere, Hawaii. Hard offshore tradewinds, smooth water along the beach with 85° air and water makes reaching a wild experience. The leeward mark is usually outside of the windline where big seas and wind combine to make Hobie racing a matter of survival and defensive strategy. Beating to the weather mark is a true test of man and boat against the elements.



THE OUTRIGGER CANOE CLUB, DIAMOND HEAD, HONOLULU, HAWAII

Probably the most exclusive membership beach club in the world, certainly the oldest and most popular. Hobie Cat World Championship participants and visitors will be given guest privileges during this event. This beach scene will be the setting for Hawaiian luaus, parties and forms a background for Hobie socializing.

NATIONALS JACKET & HAT SPECIAL

Both for \$8.00

Here's your chance to get a souvenir of the 1972 Hobie Cat Nationals. The jacket is an attractive nylon windbreaker that has been flocked (the fuzzy stuff) in the design shown. The hats are white sailors hats with embroidery on the brim reading "1972 Hobie Cat Nationals, Surfside, Texas". You can purchase both for only \$8.00 plus \$1.00 shipping and handling per order (California residents add 5% sales tax). Retail value normally \$11.95 so you are saving 33%. Jackets come in Large, Medium and Small only. Please use order form and prepay order.

I wish to purchase _____ jacket/hat sets @ \$8.00 each \$ _____

Shipping & Handling \$1.00---Enclose check for total . . . \$ _____

SIZE	Large	Medium	Small
COLOR	Green []	Green []	Green []
	Brown []	Brown []	Brown []
		Blue []	Gold []
		Gold []	
		White []	

HATS: X-LARGE []
LARGE []
MEDIUM []
SMALL []

NOTE: If we are out of the color you chose, we will fill the order with another color unless the size is sold out.

Have a Hobie Christmas

DEAR HOBIE OWNER AND FAMILY:

This Christmas season marks the end of our fourth racing season and 1972 has truly been a Hobie fun year. A year in which the Hobie Cat 14 and 16 has come of age as a one design racing machine and has been accepted as a full fledged part of the yacht racing scene.

We have made many trips across the country to participate in local regattas and have met many of you Hobie enthusiasts personally, raced in your waters and under your conditions. Won some, lost some but most of all were exposed to the growing excitement created by the Hobie thing. From the lakes of the Midwest to Cape Cod, to Tampa Bay to Guaymas Mexico, to Hawaii and finally to Surfside, Texas for our first combined 14 and 16 Nationals, it has all been real fun and Nancy and I have enjoyed many good times with our many wonderful Hobie friends.

The 1973 season is well upon us, we are receiving regatta schedules from many areas, and from all indications 1973 promises to be a real exciting racing year. Starting early with the First Annual Hobie Cat 14 World Championship. See the article in this Hotline for details. This promises to be a great kick off for the 1973 season. Not only is this event an exciting opportunity for those who would like to try to qualify in Hawaii, January 17, but it also promises to be a fantastic spectator event for non-qualifiers and beach chair spectators of the Outrigger Canoe Club, plenty of Primo Beer, Hobie parties, surfing, sailing and socializing all of this, of course, with an international flavor. Participants will be flown in by Pan American Airlines from Australia, Europe, South America, Japan, South Africa, Mexico, Hawaii, Canada and England. Pan American and Primo Beer of Hawaii are co-sponsors with Coast Catamaran of this event. An attractive winter vacation package has been prepared for anyone that can make it. A descriptive brochure will be sent upon request. Host Hotel is the Kaimana Beach Hotel at Diamond Head overlooking the Hobie Yacht Harbor next to the members-only Outrigger Canoe Club and includes guest privileges in this beautiful old Hawaiian surfing-sailing club. So if you can make it, join us in Hawaii.

We are planning warm sun and water for the Midwinter Regattas, East for those of you that are snow bound in January, and West. Schlitz Beer, the beer that made Milwaukee famous will make doubly sure as always that the Hobie people will never be out of beer because they will never be out of Schlitz at the Eastern Midwinters at Apollo Beach March 3rd and 4th. The Catch 22 film location in Guaymas, Mexico will be the beautiful site of the Western Midwinters February 17th and 18th complete with mariachi band. Fun races and special events are planned for these warm beach regattas and will launch our greatest racing season off to a sizzling start.

We here in the Coast Catamaran family wish to offer each and every one of our many friends and Hobie owners throughout the country our warmest Season's Greetings and Best Wishes for a Happy New Year and we personally are looking forward to meeting many more of the growing number of Hobie enthusiasts in our travels this coming year.

Hobie and Nancy Alter

Hobie Alter Nancy Alter

and a SAILING NEW YEAR*

GIBBY

DIVISION 12 HOBIE CAT 16 REGIONAL QUALIFIER RESULTS

September 16 & 17

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>CITY & STATE</u>	<u>TOTAL POINTS</u>
1.	Jake Springhorn	Blue Point, New York	8 1/4
2.	Peter Van Arsdale	Truro, Massachusetts	15 3/4
3.	Lee Christoffersen	Bellport, New York	17 3/4
4.	John Dowd	Bellport, New York	23
5.	Mike Hill	Kingston, Rhode Island	27
6.	Kim Whitney	Naples, Maine	32
7.	Ed Laviano	Bellport, New York	41
8.	Kirk Roeser	Bellport, New York	46
9.	Michael Weisel	Quechee, Vermont	48
10.	Ed Bradbury	Lyme, New Hampshire	48

Results submitted by Sally Laviano

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NATIONALS JACKET/HAT SPECIAL

Give him a souvenir of the 1972 Hobie Cat Nationals for Christmas, a jacket and spinnaker hat combination both blazoned with the official picture and words for the 1972 event. The jacket is of 100% Nylon taffeta with waist drawstring and elastic cuffs. Take advantage of this 33% saving. Use the handy order blank on the opposite page for your order.