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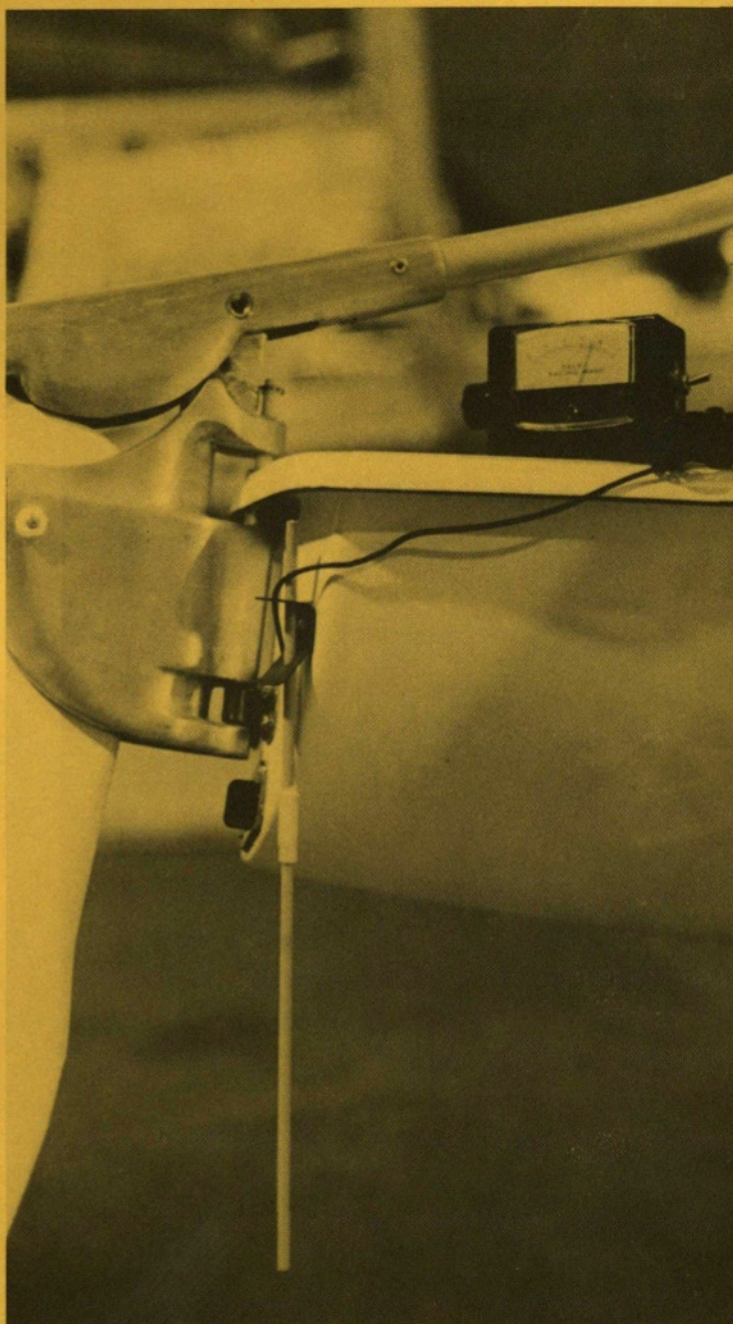
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## HOBIE HELPER

Dear Ed:

On behalf of the Hobie Cat fleet in Guatemala, I want to congratulate you on the fine job you are doing with the Hotline. We're a young fleet and somewhat scattered all over Guatemala, but we do hope to get our class going soon. Gracia por todo y buen viento!

Les Arndt  
Guatemala Hobie Fleet

Thank you very much. Ed.

Dear Ed:

Last season I acquired some significant gouges in the exterior hull surfaces of my Hobie 16'. These were from submerged rocks in Lake Winnepesaukee, N. H.; the gouges are approximately 3/16" to 1/8" deep and up to 2 feet in length. Where can I buy the Lime Green Gel Coat to repair the damage? Do you have any hints on such repairs?

Ralph E. Abbott

If your dealer doesn't carry the gel coat, you can order it from Coast Catamaran, 2026 McGaw, Irvine, California. Ed.

Hi Ed:

We are wondering when and if there will be some Baja adventure for Hobie sailors this spring. We thought it would make a fine outing—let us know!

The Clark Dyer Family, #9597

Clark Dyer Family, Sail #9597

A good friend of ours has moved to Mulege—and is going to start a yacht club. Drop him a line: Bob "Jake" Jacobs c/o Mulege General Delivery. Ed.

Dear Ed:

I received my Hotline yesterday when I got home; it's a very good issue. I particularly like the plastic tube idea—also would like to hear where Hobie sailors fasten other items such as cushion, paddle, pencil, paper, etc. Thanks again.

H. E. Perkins  
Sail #7676

Taylor made sails makes an excellent regatta bag that you can tie to the trampoline. They are sold through Murray's Sport Center. Ed.

Dear Ed:

I'd like to find out if any other Hobie owners know where I can purchase a scale model kit of the Hobie 16.

Dave Holtgrave

There is a model of a Hobie available through Dumas Boats, Tucson, Arizona c/o Jay Brandon. Ed.

Dear Ed:

I would like to completely refinish along the keel line of each hull. I have my own spraying equipment. What are your specific recommendations regarding gel and finishing coats?

Bob Jamison  
Sail #4577

There are various ways of restoring color—gel coat can be purchased through your dealer by the pint. Prices start at \$2.30 and go up to \$3.85. Also a fiberglass repair book can be purchased through us (Hobie Class Association and Coast Catamaran) for \$3.00. Recently I have noticed some skippers refurbishing older boats with acrylic enamel auto paint. How about a Hobie 16 Datsun 240-Z Metallic Brown?? Ed.



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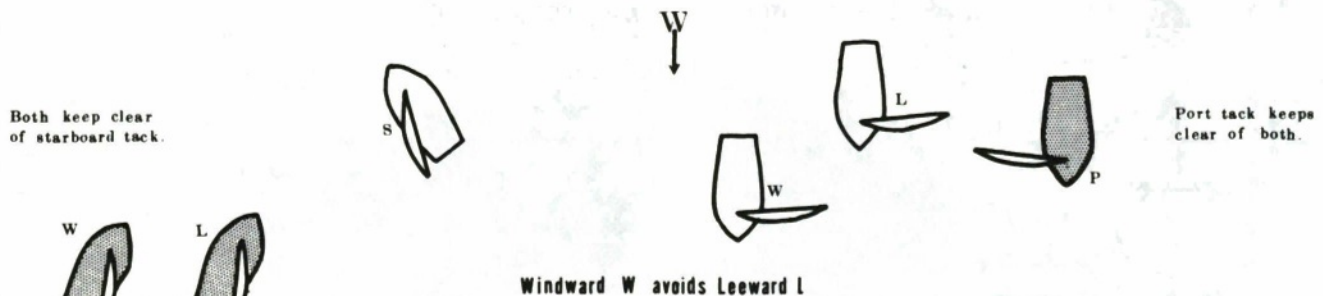
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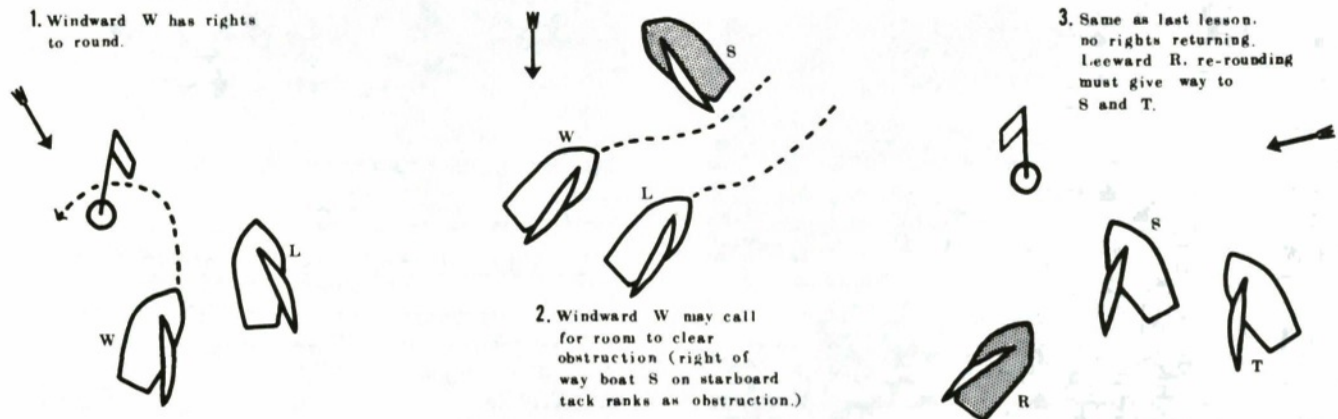
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# Leeward Boat Has Right of Way Over Windward Boat On Same Tack



## PRINCIPAL EXCEPTIONS



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(windward side means side opposite the mainsail.)

(windward boat is boat on windward side; the other is leeward.)

Next to "starboard Tack," this is the rule of most general application, and it covers a large percentage of racing situations. Remember that it applies only to boats on the same tack.—ref: *Nayru rule 37.1*

Windward boat is any (same tack) boat on the windward side of two or more boats . . . i.e. on the side opposite the mainsail.—ref: definition "Leeward" and "windward"

*Fine print point:* note that windward is defined as opposite the mainsail, usually but not necessarily the side on which the wind is blowing. When running dead before the wind, you can jibe onto either tack, hence "switch" which side is windward/leeward (and, of course, starboard tack/port tack).

Leeward boats rights are not free license, as we'll see in the exceptions which follow as well as in the future section (#7) on luffing rights, but otherwise leeward boat is in good shape so long as she minds her own business.

### EXCEPTION . . . buoy room

The right to buoy room outweighs leeward boats.—ref: *Nayru rule 42.1*

PROVIDED it isn't a start line mark, since buoy room doesn't count there.—ref: *Nayru rule 42.1 (e)*

Remember that the right to buoy room must be established when the nearest boat is within two lengths of the buoy, or by tacking into overlap.—ref: *Nayru rule 42.3*

### EXCEPTION . . . obstructions

An overlapped windward boat may demand room to round or pass an obstruction, the same as buoy room.—ref: *Nayru rule 42.1 (a)*

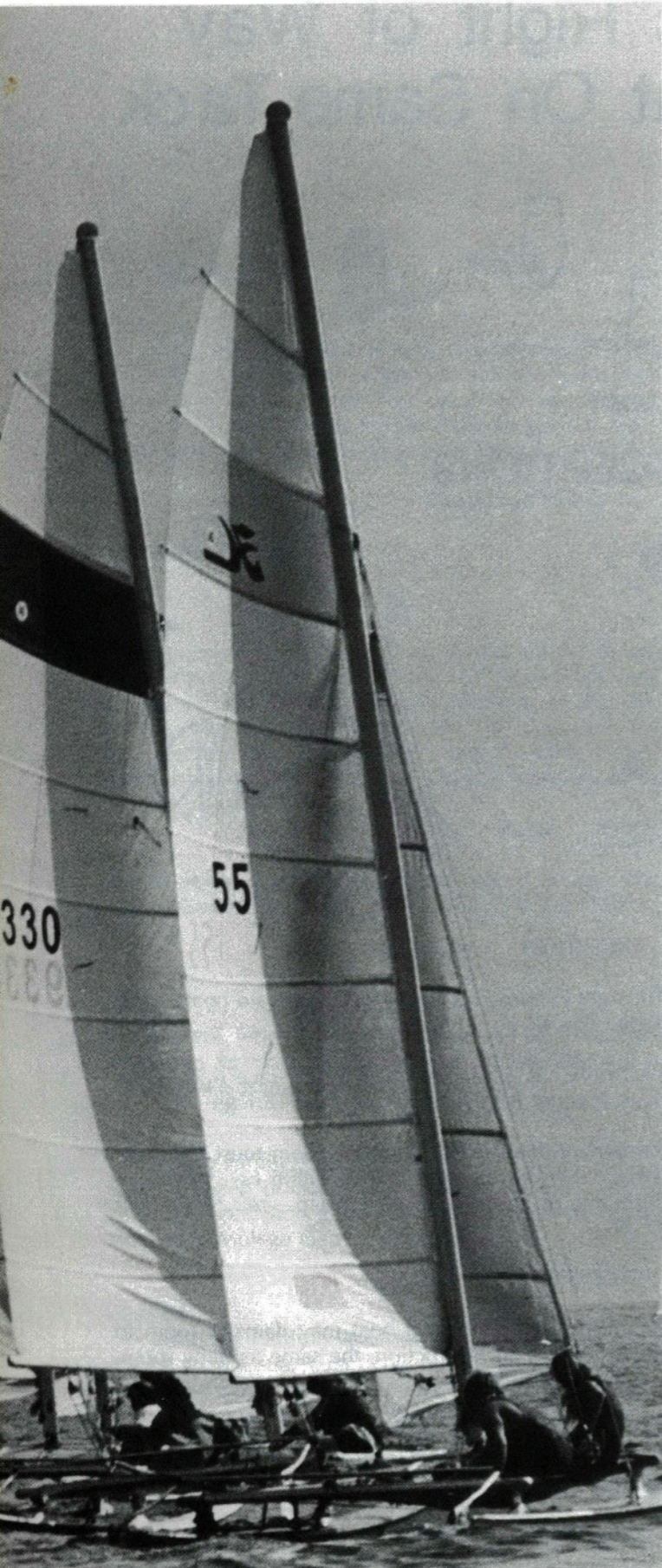
Remember, other right-of-way boats are "obstructions" for the purpose of this rule.—ref: definition "Obstruction"

### EXCEPTION . . . overtaking too close

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# LAGUNA BEACH WINTER FESTIVAL



## LAGUNA BEACH HOBIE CAT REGATTA

CLASS 16	Sail #	Race 1	Race 2	Total
Rich Jeffries	1902	3	3/4	3 3/4—1st
Jock McGraw	2755	2	2	4 —2nd
Jerry Wetzler	8	3/4	7	7 3/4—3rd
Ron Atwood	271	6	5	11 —4th
Jim Brooks	3919	10	3	13 —5th
John Hauser	9561	8	6	14
Everett Bags	1685	5	10	15
Daniel Brown	4510	7	9	16
Jim Foster	9330	12	4	16
Greg Samp	55	4	12	16
Maurice Kendaul	1862	9	8	17
Alfred Egan	1833	14	11	25
Dave Boyle	6969	17	9	26
John Hilebrecht	3744	13	13	26
Rocky Fletcher	4882	11	117	28
Mike Kisling	7951	15	15	30
Don Kolasinski	49	16	14	30

## CLASS 14

Gunter Hagen	561	3/4	3	3 3/4—1st
Terry Haake	486	3	2	5 —2nd
Pat Benedict	1539	5	3/4	5 3/4—3rd
Jerry Kermode	4888	2	4	6 —4th
Joseph Roberts	3318	4	7	11 —5th
Larry Kelsey	10028	7	5	12
George Doumanian	11771	8	6	14
George Lambert	3358	6	8	14
Walt Krausmal	7646	9	9	18



# 1974 Nationals Qualifications System

The Hobie Class Association has revised the Qualifying system used in the past years. The new system is designed to allow a greater amount of skippers to qualify for the 1974 Nationals with the least amount of travel. The Hobie Class Association felt that it was unfair that many Hobie sailors did not have the time available or the capability to travel great distances to a regatta, especially with the threat of gas rationing upon us.

The Hobie 12, 14, and 16's all qualify for the Nationals under this system.

## I. Nationals Qualifications

100 boats qualify to Nationals by the following:

- 80—from division points racing
- 13—from division championships
- 6—Open
- 1—National championship

## II. Points Racing:

- A) Using a percentage system based on the number of entrants, points will be earned toward divisional standings; only the best five races count.
- B) Only sanctioned races count—a sanctioned race is: date and location approved by Hobie Class Association for master calendar, scheduled in advance; open to anyone.
- C) Weekly fleet races will count as one if 4 or more races make up the series.
- D) The number of qualifiers from each division will be based on the number of boats in that division (see map below).

POINTS SYSTEM			
PLACE	"A" FLEET	"B" FLEET	"C" FLEET
1	25%	10%	3%
2	20	7	2
3	17	5	1
4	14	3	
5	12	2	
6	10	1	
7	9		
8	8		
9	7		
10	6		
11	5		
12	4		
13	3		
14	2		
15	1		

(Figures are percentages of total entrants.)

- E) It is the responsibility of the race sponsor to send total results to either Divisional Captains or to Hobie Class Association.

## III. A Divisional Captain

A divisional captain will be elected for scorekeeper. This will result with an election from the members of each division. He/she will be the contact point for Hobie Class Association—score.

## IV. Nationals Race Schedule

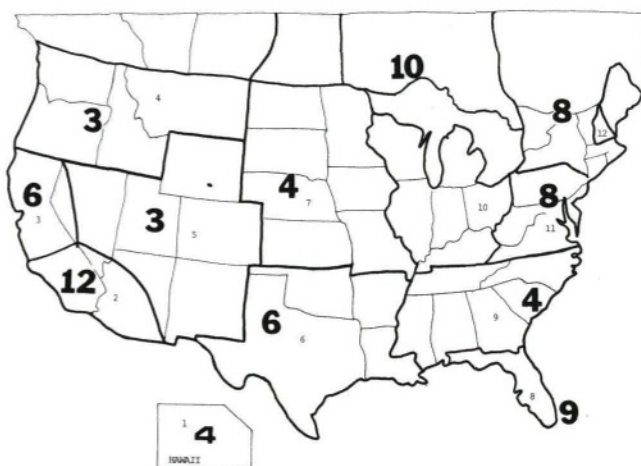
Two days of racing (each skipper racing against each other at least once) will qualify the top 50 skippers for the final National Championship races and the second 50 for the Governors Cup Regatta.

The final sail-offs will consist of four races. More information will follow in the next Hotline.

The top 50 skippers will then qualify for the Nationals and the second 50 will qualify for the Governors Cup Trophy.

The final sail-offs will be 4 races on the last day of the Nationals (weather permitting).

More information will follow in the next Hotline. If you have any suggestions or complaints, contact the Hobie Class Association.



## DIVISIONAL CAPTAINS NEEDED!

How would you like to help your Division in sending winning skippers to the Nationals?

It's real easy. You will be our correspondent in the field, keeping tabs on your local races and supplying the HOTLINE Editor with up-to-date information about qualifying races from your Division.

You will receive a Hobie Divisional Captain Windbreaker in addition to the materials necessary for keeping score. For further information contact:

Hobie Class Association  
2026 McGaw Avenue  
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Ph: (714) 979-2880



# AROUND THE WORLD

## GUAM:

### SECOND ANNUAL WESTERN PACIFIC HULL FLYING CONTEST A SUCCESS

Dec. 16 saw hulls up, down and upside down as the wind in Apra Harbor on Guam varied between six and 22 knots. The competition was held in both Hobie 14 and 16 classes this year with no limit on crews for either class.

Competitors were judged by stopwatch from chase boats which recorded the elapsed time the windward hull was airborne from the time it lifted from the surface until either the hull or the mast tip touched the surface. To give a fair chance for a good "fly" to all competitors, skippers chose their starting position by draw. When their turn came up a one minute warning signal was given to allow lining up on whichever tack was desired (sunlight could make it hard to see puffs with reflections on one or the other tack depending on time of day) and to set up trim. Each competitor was then given a five minute period during which time was kept on each "fly." Only the single longest "fly" was recorded as his official time. If a hull was in the air at the end of the 5 min. period the watch would continue until it touched the surface, so that a score of more than 5 min. was possible. Also, if an entrant ran out of sea room, he would be given another chance. There was about 2 miles of clear water in all directions where the competition was held.

This year's winner was Phil Drips single handing a Hobie-16 with a time of 2 min. 35 sec. This indicates that Guam is perhaps not the best location for Hull Flying records with its typical gusty trade winds. However, the committee feels that hull flying against time is a viable competitor activity particularly since a stopwatch can be used anywhere in the world without special preparations. Fleet 75 submits the above time under the conditions and rules as explained, as a World Record and challenges other Fleets to hold competitions in this event. (It may be that the rules should be modified. Let's have your suggestions!)

In the Hobie-14 class, Bob Urban, a Lt. in the U.S. Coast Guard, weighing in at 210 lbs, and 6'4" tall, managed to capsize twice (he had never had occasion to fly a hull before) and still tie for second place with a best fly of 8 sec! It was a little gusty!!

Bob Finana of Honolulu sailing on a Hobie-16 with Melinda Thomas—who received, of all things, a Laser for Christmas took honors for the shortest "fly" with a best time of 3 sec.

For this contest, Coral Reef Marine Center, the local dealer for Zodiac Inflatable Boats and Mercury Motors provided boat, motor and fuel for chase boats. These are fantastic committee boats and kept up all afternoon with 6 people aboard a 15 ft. boat and a 20 horse motor.

### HALF TON CUP RACE

After the Hull Flying Contest, a new event—the First Annual Fleet 75 Open Invitational Hobie-16 Half Ton Cup, was held. Rules for this race include a minimum crew weight of at least 1000 lbs. per boat and a scale is provided on the beach to guarantee compliance. Most crews averaged 6 or 7 persons.

The course was a Lemans type start from Marianas Yacht Club, out over the reef, around a few bouys and back to the beach. To avoid (insure?) congestion at the start, skippers positioned their boats in waist-deep water and the remainder of the crews started from the Clubhouse Patio at the Gun.

Phil Drips with a crew of Lou and Jo Eldredge, V. Furlow, Gerry Edgley and Will Schulman (1022 lbs.) took first. Phil's comment after the race was "I think my crew were pretty good paddlers and someone forgot to bring the beer so we had to get back quick." Naturally NAYRU Rules governed the event with the exception that Rule 68 was modified as follows: "All protests must be filed with the committee, typewritten in triplicate, thirty (30) seconds prior to the finish of the first boat." (This took care of some petty bickering as a result of a 4 boat—and 28 man—pile up which occurred at the jibing mark. (Tacking or Jibing with 1000 lbs. on a 16' is a very interesting experience!)

### Results:

#### Hull Flying Contest

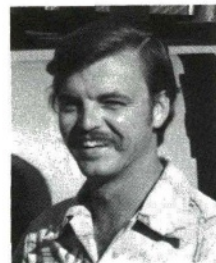
H-14		H-16	
1. Scott Daniel	27 sec.	1. Phil Drips	2 min. 35 sec.
2. Tom Harper	8 sec.	2. Cliff Cross	1 min. 40 sec.
(tie)		and	
2. Bob Urban	8 sec.	Ginger Diekman	
		3. Mike Driscoll	

#### Half Ton Cup

1. Phil Drips	3. Larry Teele
2. Mike Thomas	4. Scott Souder



# Preparing your Hobie for a trouble free season



**Maintenance:** Jim Black

Here's a checklist which should help prolong your summer enjoyment by preventing possible part failures. We suggest you take a few minutes to go over your Hobie Cat and check these areas.

To effect a complete maintenance job on a Hobie 14 or 16, it is advisable that the boat be completely disassembled with the hulls disconnected: it is then easy to turn them over and inspect for dents and scratches and excessive bottom wear.

Anodized hull extrusions and spars may be cleaned with an all purpose auto finish cleaner (or a light polishing compound) and wax and rubbed to a shine. Do not use a heavy abrasive on the anodized aluminum surface as it will expose the raw aluminum to rapid oxidation.

### RIGGING:

Check all shrouds and halyards for kinks or broken strands, either can lead to a wire breakage. Shroud covers should be put on to prevent discoloration and chafing of the sail.

Fatigue occurs at Swedge or Nicro fittings. This area should be inspected thoroughly for signs of corrosion or broken strands. The wire pennant at the head of the 16' forestay should be given special attention as the twisting action of the jib tends to weaken this part due to its short length. It might not be a bad idea to replace it each season.

### CHAINPLATES:

Hobie 14: Check the chainplates where they are riveted to the side bar. Electrolysis can take place on boats used in saltwater and the chainplate should be relocated an inch forward or an inch back of the present position if the electrolysis goes too far. When relocating, use RTV silicone sealant or other non-conducting protectant before installing. Use monel or heavy duty aluminum rivets.

### RUDDER SYSTEM:

Rudder Pins: If your rudder pins are badly worn or destroyed replace them.

Rudder Blades: Any nicks, deep scratches or cuts on the blade may result in failure. Consider carrying a spare blade in your car.

Tiller Extension: Inspect the swivel joint on the tiller extension. If the swivel is loose and sloppy, or cracked, it should be replaced.

Rudder Gudgeons: Check for cracks around sharp bends. These are subject to fatigue.

Trampoline Laces: Inspect for wear. It's a let down when one breaks.

Keeper rings on the shroud adjusters should be replaced if distorted or worn. If you are leaving your boat rigged for awhile, tape them so they can't work loose or be caught in a rope while sailing.

If your boat is anchored or in dry storage with mast standing, extra care should be given rigging as masts have been known to fall after a ring has worked itself out. Shackle pins used for shroud pins will work loose from pliers tight position, with continuous water and wind motion.

All of the slack should be taken out of the rigging for boats that are anchored as the constant rotation of the mast and snapping of loose rigging will fatigue and wear many parts, and will wear holes in furled sails.

Teflon traveler and mast bearings should be replaced if worn. To replace the traveler car bearing, cut out the old one, warm the new one so it is pliable and slide it down over the car, pinching the sides together so they enter the track. Work the bearing down with a large screwdriver or similar tool.

Check all hull castings and extrusions for worn or broken rivets. Your dealer will rent or loan a pop rivet gun for replacing any worn or broken rivets.

Tighten all shackles with pliers and check to see that drain plugs are in.

### SAIL MAINTENANCE:

Check all batten sockets, pockets and all stitches for torn seams, a small amount of prevention here pays off, also check the headboard clew and tack grommets for wear. Rewax the luff and foot rope with paraffin wax for easy hoisting and sail adjustments. An extremely dirty sail may be washed with a medium bristle brush and cold water soap. Spread the sail out on a lawn and scrub all dark areas. Rinse and hang to dry. Shroud protectors will prevent the oil from the shrouds from marking the sail. These are easy to apply and are available at your Hobie dealers or marine hardware stores.

### 16' FRONT CROSSBAR:

We have discovered a few failures of the front crossbar on the Hobie Cat 16. In all cases, this has occurred when the nuts on the dolphin striker become loosened. In most cases, the loosened nut has worked off the rod, the dolphin striker becomes useless and any large compression load breaks the front crossbar. In a couple of cases, the nut remained on the rod but was backed off so far that when a sudden compression load at the base of the Hobie Cat 16 mast is tremendous and if the dolphin striker rod does not take the strain, the front crossbar will collapse.



### Easy Righter

About a month ago, Howard Newman called from Marina Del Rey, California to tell me about a fantastic righting device. Howard said that he had devised a system to right a capsized Hobie 16 by yourself even if you only weighed 100 lbs!!

I hear lots of stories every day but this one was so far out I had to see for myself. Howard invited me to go sailing with him and explain and maybe prove the whole idea. With wet suits and a camera I drove to Marina Del Rey (about 50 miles from Coast Catamaran).

On the drive up I visualized long beams and swinging weights and what not, concluding that I should stick to editing and sailing. On the way out the channel to the ocean I got a close look at the device. It is hardly what I imagined on the trip to the Marina. Instead, the parts normally strung from the shroud to the deck have been replaced by different ones. And an extra cable runs from the new shroud adjuster aft 18" to a second deck anchorage. Also, there is a pulley at the base of the shroud.

As we hit the main channel, he suddenly sheeted in the main, hopped to the lee deck and there we were with the fishes! "Just watch me this time," he said. I floated, waiting to be asked to help swim the mast into the wind and then help lean. But, I watched him stand on the lower hull, catch the righting line and lean back. As soon as he did so, the upper hull swung quickly toward him a couple of feet, then slowed. In three more seconds the boat was upright with a startled me clambering aboard!

Then I saw what it was about. The mast was tilted leeward about 35° because he had elongated to weather shroud by, in effect, adding the 18" cable length to it. This let the hulls rotate partly with the mast still in the water.

With the weight of the upper hull helping you to RIGHT rather than helping the mast to hold you capsized, one person's weight is plenty to tilt the hulls up. As I watched, Howard quickly reset the mast straight up, and we were on our way.

The details were then explained to me and I got my turn out in the ocean. Would you believe that by my third try, I got the routine down to 47 seconds by the clock.

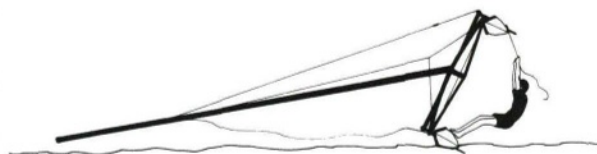
I was very pleased. On the way in, Howard told me the background. He bought his 16 two years ago and is an enthusiastic sailor as are his sons 13 and 15 who weigh 100 and 120 lbs, respectively. After a capsize with a sizeable friend he was concerned for the boys' safety so he rigged a 2" x 5" x 66" mahogany righting beam temporarily. Meanwhile, he put on his engineer's hat (he is a consulting engineer) and came up with the EASY RIGHTER® system which is now sold through the HOTLINE.

Howard Newman hastened to point out that ease of righting depends on many factors such as wind speed, crew weight, crew strength, sea state, sail trim, orientation of the boat re: the wind, etc.

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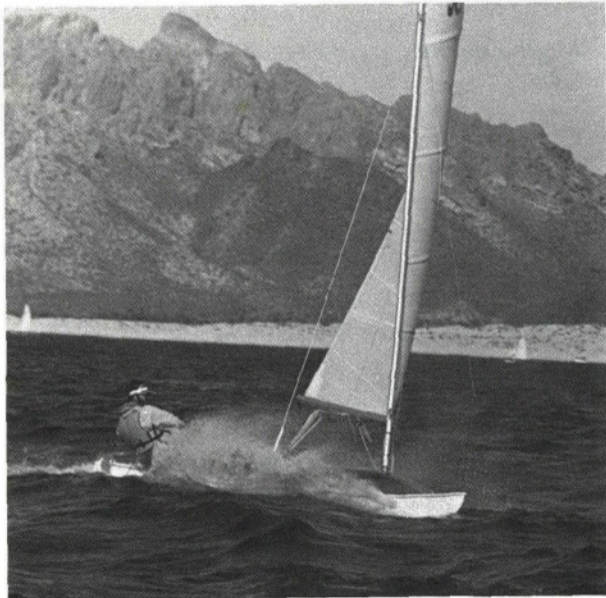


Randy Johnson reaches towards the weather mark.  
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# REGATTA SCHEDULE

## WEST

### APRIL

	DATE	EVENT	DIV.	LOCATION	SPONSOR & CONTACT
ARIZONA	13-14	Puerto Penasco Regatta	13	Rocky Point, Mexico	Desert Sails/Fleet 66 Contact 602/968-5551
CALIFORNIA	27-28	London Bridge Regatta	2	Lake Havasu	Contact Kevin Summerell
	6-7	Fleet #4 Fun Races	2	San Felipe, Mex.	Fleet #4—Contact Richard Jeffries 714/582-9146
	13	Fleet #1 Spring Series	2	Dana Point Harbor	Fleet #1 John Hillebrecht 714/494-7754
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IDAHO	27-28	Fleet #105 Regatta	4	C. J. Strike	Mike McMurray 1920 Canal Street Boise, Idaho 208/345-4356
LOUISIANA	27-28	Fleet 93 Series Race	6		Contact Mark Thompson 318/234-3573
NEVADA	13	Fleet 51 Spring Series	2	Lake Mead	Fleet 51—Contact Terry Fulbright 702/734-2904
TEXAS	6-7	Open Regatta	6	Lake Tyler, Tex.	Contact Ned Plumer 214/657-4167
	6-7	Lake O' Pines Regatta	6	Lake O'Pines 22 miles N.E. Longview, TX	Ed Laster 2801 Glenclif Dr. Plano, TX 75074 214/423-1123
	20	Fleet 64 Series	6	Lake Travis, Tex.	Contact Lewis Thompson 512/452-0434
	21	Fleet 8 Series	6	Texas City Dike	Contact Shirley Martin 713/498-0287
	27-28	Lake Livingston Regatta	6	Lake Livingston	Contact Shirley Martin 713/498-0287
	28	Lakeway Regatta	6	Lake Travis	Fleet 64/Austin Y.C. Contact Lewis Thompson
	20-21	Utah Ski-Sail	5	Utah Lake	Contact Uli Holland 801/581-6351

## WEST

### MAY

	DATE	EVENT	DIV.	LOCATION	SPONSOR & CONTACT
ARIZONA	25-26	Lake Powell Regatta	2	Lake Powell	Chuck Stoddard
CALIFORNIA	26-27	Fleet 90 Series	2	Roosevelt Lake	Jack Dain
	2, 9, 16, 23, 30	Fleet 57 Summer Series	2	Marina del Rey	Dave Lind 213/395-7889
	4	Fleet 4 Spring Series	2	San Diego	Rick Jeffries 714/582-9146



# REGATTA SCHEDULE

## WEST

MAY

	DATE	EVENT	DIV.	LOCATION	SPONSOR & CONTACT
CALIFORNIA	4	Spring Series	2	Dana Point	Fleet #1 John Hillebrecht 714/494-7754
	5	First Annual Anacapa Island Race	2	Oxnard	Joe Eichblatt 805/482-8393
	11-12	Vail Lake (tentative)	2	Vail Lake	Kevin Summerell
	18	Spring Series	2	Dana Point	Fleet #1 John Hillebrecht 714/494-7754
	18-19	Inland Transpac (tentative)	3	San Francisco	Mike Douglas 415/523-8500
	25	Fleet 4 Spring Series	2	San Diego	Rick Jeffries 714/582-9146
HAWAII	25-27	Don Ho Regatta (tentative)	1		Mike Look 808/262
IDAHO	18-19	Fleet #105 Regatta	4	Lake Lowell	Mike McMurray 1920 Canal Street Boise, Idaho 208/345-4356
NEVADA	11	Fleet 51 Spring Series	2	Lake Mead	Terry Fulbright 702/734-2904
TEXAS	4	Fleet 64 Series	6	Lake Travis	Lewis Thompson 512/452-0434
	11	Fleet 64 Series	6	Lake Travis	same as above
	11-12	Rayburn Country Regatta		Sam Rayburn Reservoir, Texas	Ben W. Miller 318/322-3785 or Ned Plumer 214/657-4167
	18	Fleet 64 Series	6	Lake Travis	Lewis Thompson 512/452-0434
	19	Fleet 8 Series	6	Texas City Dike	Shirley Martin 713/498-0287
	25-26	Turnbock Canyon	6	Lake Travis	Lewis Thompson
WASHINGTON	11-12	Northwest Hobie Cat Association Regatta	4	Sand Point Seattle, Wa.	Paul Ulibami 206/772-2622
	25-26	Soap Lake Regatta	4	Soap Lake	Paul Ulibami 206/772-2622

## EAST

APRIL

FLORIDA	6-7	Key Largo Regatta	8	Largo Sand, Key Largo	Contact Steve Gibbs 305/451-1717
	14	Fleet 36 Points Race	8	Rickenbacker Causeway, Fla.	Fleet 36—Contact John Hogg 305/592-1702
	28	Fleet 36/Performance Marine Regatta	8	Rickenbacker Causeway, Fla.	Fleet 36/Performance Contact John Hogg 305/592-1702
GEORGIA	6-7	Fleet 98	9	Lake Clark Hill Augusta, Ga.	Fleet 98—Contact Tom Hodges 404/722-7302
MARYLAND	27-28	Fleet 54 Spring Series	11	Gunpowder State Park, Md.	Fleet 54—Contact Bob Ball 301/467-3608
NORTH CAROLINA	20-21	April Showers Regatta	9	Cowans Ford Country Club	Fleet #92 Charlotte, N.C.
	27	Sailing School	9	Cowans Ford Country Club	Fleet #92 Charlotte, N.C.



# REGATTA SCHEDULE

## EAST

MAY

	DATE	EVENT	DIV.	LOCATION	SPONSOR & CONTACT
FLORIDA	4-5	Disney World Regatta	8	Orlando	
	12	Fleet 36 Black Ledge Race	8	Rickenbacker Causeway	Ralph Linero 305/856-4559
	25-26	Fleet 35	8	Pensacola Beach, Florida	John Bowman 904/455-2653
	26	Fleet 36 Weekend Race	8	Rickenbacker Causeway	Ralph Linero 305/856-4559
GEORGIA	18-19	Fleet 12 Regatta	9	Aqualand	Bill Cochran 404/938-8923
LOUISIANA	11	Fleet 93 Series	6	Lafayette	Mark Thompson 318/234-3573
	25	Fleet 93 Series	6	Lafayette	same as above
	11-12	Contraband Regatta	6	Lake Charles	Fleet #9 Lake Charles Y. C. Contact: Alan Heath P.O. Box 5308 Lake Charles 70601 318/477-1698
MARYLAND	18-19	Spring Series	11	Gunpowder State Park	Robert Ball 301/467-3608
	25	Summer Series	11	Bay Ridge Beach	Robert Ball 301/467-3608
MICHIGAN	19	Clarklake Regatta	10	Clarklake Michigan	Mike Johnson 517/529-9988
NEW JERSEY	5, 12, 19, 26	Fleet 65 Spring Series	11	Shore Acres Yacht Club; Bricktown, N.J.	Jud Williams 201/255-1118 or 892-8303
NORTH CAROLINA	4-5	SARA Invitational		Lake Norman Yacht Club	Fleet #92: John Milani 704/535-4485
	18-19	Armed Forces Day Regatta		Cowans Ford Country Club	John Milani 704/535-4485
	18	Fleet 97 Regatta	9	Bogue Sound	Hayne Palmour
OKLAHOMA	18-19	Fleet 63 Series	6	Lake Thunderbird	Warner Pierce 405/364-1823

## INTERNATIONAL

APRIL

DATE	EVENT	DIV.	LOCATION	SPONSOR & CONTACT
13-14	Kitsilano Marine	13	Jericho Beach, W. of Kitsilano Yacht Club	Contact Richard Cavalier 736-0166
27-28	Krefeld, Unten im Bruch			Deutsche Hobie Cat Klassenvereinigung e V. Zwehrner Weg 39 35 Kassel PH: 0561/22394
11-12	Lembruch		Dümmer See	
25-26	Kiel		Baltic Sea	



## Sailing Tips

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It is possible to overtake to leeward so close to the windward boat that windward is unable to maneuver into the clear without contact. The rules place a burden on boats overlapping from astern, not to come so close that windward can't keep clear. Windward has no obligation except to steer a proper course until after the overlap has been established. Overlap means anything in normal position. Whisker pole over rudder.—*ref: Nayru rule 37.3—ref: definition "Clear astern and clear ahead."*

EXCEPTION . . . tacking or jibing too close

Just as we said in last Hotline's section on Starboard Tack, a boat tacking or jibing must keep clear of a boat on a tack, and the other fellow has no obligation to begin trying to keep clear until you complete your tacking or jibing maneuver; if it's then too late for him to keep clear, "leeward boat" won't help you, you're out.—*ref: Nayru rule 41.2*

EXCEPTION . . . returning to start or re-round

Here again, the points are the same as last week's: boats that are returning to start, or to re-round a touched buoy, have no rights over any boats sailing the course, though they have all the usual rights with regard to others also returning.—*ref: Nayru rule 44 & 45*

## TACTICS AND NOTES

Think it through when meeting boats on opposite legs of the course . . . you may both be on starboard, but the other (close-hauled) boat is "leeward boat to you" when you're running.

Be leeward at the starts . . . sailing as close to the wind as you can manage . . . for this is where your "Leeward boat" rights can count the most. The windward boat reaching along the line is a "barger" which you can (from leeward) push over the line early. Remember too, no buoy room rights at the start, so leeward boats may squeeze windward (on same tack) above the line marks.

## Easy Righter

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The EASY RIGHTER® needs about 100 lbs. crew minimum. Resetting the mast to the vertical position in a 20 knot wind without heading up requires some muscle. However if you can spare 15 seconds, just sheet in the main which brings you about and lets the wind pop the mast back up, with no crew muscle required.

Hobie Alter and many others at Coast Catamaran view the EASY RIGHTER as an important contribution to boating SAFETY and one which should make Hobie sailing more practical for solo crews, youngsters, and women. Newman says he is at work on a device for the 14 also, which he is testing now and which should be available soon.

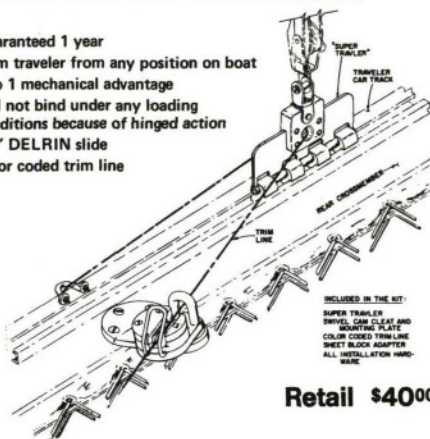
The EASY RIGHTER is another Hobie exclusive . . . not available for any other catamarans.

Now you are probably asking yourself if this fantastic system is class legal (?). The Hobie Class Association sees no reason why it shouldn't be. This system is excellent and we recommend to anyone who entertains the idea of sailing by himself or never wants to worry about capsizing his boat other than getting a little wet.

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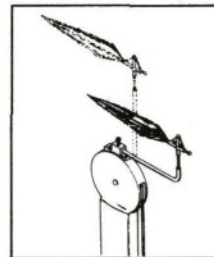
Increase boat speed by as much as 7%. There are at least 4 variables for best sail shape. One that is frequently overlooked is mast rotation. Variable mast rotation is not allowed by class rules but mast rotation can be modified by filing the stops. One position may be ok for heavy winds but not so for light winds or visa versa. So - file the stops to overrotate, calibrate the rotation for 2 or 3 wind conditions with this kit, and use the kit provided inserts on the stop to give the rotation you want. Rotation cannot be adjusted while sailing once the calibration procedure is completed. All necessary materials provided in kit except a file.

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# FLEET NEWS

## HOBBIE FLEET 36 "SKIPPER OF THE YEAR" AWARD

The highlight of the sailing year for Fleet 36, Miami Hobie Catters came on December 14 at the Coral Reef Yacht Club. Eighty-three skippers, wives, and friends gathered for the First Annual "Skipper of the Year" Awards. After a buffet dinner the awards were presented.

John Hogg, past Commodore presided as the awards were given to the top 10 sailors of Fleet 36. Top honors went to John Steverding, who easily sailed his 16' Hobie to the number one spot in his division. Ralph Linero, present commodore, found it wasn't quite as easy but found himself on top in the 14' class.

Both skippers received the impressive perpetual awards as well as silver Keeper Bowls. The fantastic perpetual award sculptured by John Stahr will be kept on display through the year at Performance Marine.

Dave Druben's Quartet finished out the evening as a great year of sailing came to a close.



Left to right, Ralph Linero, John Hogg, John Steverding, with perpetual awards.

**Fleet #20** of Capitola, California, would like to extend a special thanks to Doug Cox, Commodore, and his wife, Denise, for their assistance in making their recent boat show at the Eastridge Shopping Mall a huge success. They were able to turn many people onto sailing with Hobie movies, brochures, had eight boats on display, recruited about 30 new members, and sold 5 boats.

The Hobie Class Association would like to take this opportunity to thank Fleet #20 for their enthusiasm and hard work. Keep it up and HAPPY SAILING.

After founding **Fleet #54**, Baltimore, Md., and holding the post of Commodore for two years, John Flanigan has turned over the tiller to the new Commodore, Robert Ball. John will continue to assist the new officers of Fleet #54 in an advisory capacity. Thank you, John, and welcome Bob!

## HOBBIE CAT FLEET 36 POINT RACE RESULTS

Hobie 14	Round Black							Pts.
	Key	Ledge	Fowey	1	2	3	4	
1. Ralph Linero	2	(7)	5	2	2	1	2	13¾
2. Rocky McCullen (5)	2	2	3	5	2	4	18	
3. Don Crowe	1	1	(11)	1	1	7	10	20
4. Jim Dingle	5	3	(8)	4	3	3	5	23
5. Art Kossowsky	5	4	(7)	5	7	5	6	32

Hobie 16								
1. John Steverding	1	1	1	1	(23)	2	1	5¾
2. Bob Woods	7	6	5	(14)	1	1	2	21½
3. Ralph Chambers (10)	2	3	6	3	7	3	24	
4. Lou Adams	5	4	2	3	(23)	4	6	24
5. Randy Besley	4	5	(21)	7	9	3	4	32

Hobie 14	Pts.	Hobie 16	Pts.
6. Jerry Stegenga	32¾	6. Gray Bates	40
7. Ron Davidson	34	7. John Hogg	44
8. Glen Prunyi	35	8. Becky Houtchen	49
9. Stan Kossowsky	38	9. Dave Anderson	50
10. Jim Rice	42	10. Jerry Stegenga	51
11. Hoppy Averitte	44¾	11. Jeff Beard	52
12. Randy Besley	45	12. Mike Harris	57
13. Jim Coston	48	13. Dale Breece	61
14. Linda Koenigsberg	50	14. Rick Gonzalez	63
15. Jim Sommonds	50	15. Bill Chapple	66

## FLEET #2 WINTER SERIES RESULTS NEWPORT BEACH, CALIFORNIA

### HOBBIE CAT 16

#### A FLEET

Position	Name	Sail #	Pts.
1	Nick Steele	1844	4½
2	Jerry Wetzler	8	4¾
3	Bob Beauchamp	1400	10¾
4	Dean Wickstrom	9	12
5	Jack McGraw	2755	17
6	Steve Leo	4161	19

#### B FLEET

Position	Name	Sail #	Pts.
1	Jim Brooks	3919	13
2	D. Hirschfield	1862	16
3	Paul Clemmer	1914	19
4	Bill Pettit	1400X	18
5	Jim Foster	9330	20
6	Ben Richardson	107	23

### HOBBIE CAT 14

#### A FLEET

Position	Name	Sail #	Pts.
1	John Ross-Duggan	4520	2¼
2	Steve Grimshal	11849	3
3	Al Egan	342	5



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## SECOND ANNUAL GULFSTREAM HOBIE REGATTA FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA GULFSTREAM SAILING CLUB—FLEET 44

DATE: May 4-5, 1974

LOCATION: Fort Lauderdale, Fla.  
South end of Fort Lauderdale Beach

SPONSOR: Gulfstream Sailing  
Club & Fleet 44

REGISTRATION: 9:30 A.M.-11:30 A.M.,  
Saturday, May 4

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

- Saturday — Skippers' Meeting, 11:30 A.M.  
at launch area
  - First Race, 12:00 Noon  
3 races, back-to-back
  - Sunday — Skippers' Meeting 9:30 A.M.  
at Launch Area
  - First Race 10:00 A.M.  
2 Races, back-to-back
- No Throw Outs*

### ENTRY FEE:

- 14'—\$ 7.50 Entry fee includes T-shirts.
- 16'—10.00 12's will not race due to heavy surf.

PARKING: \$1.00 per car.

BOAT STORAGE: Boats can be left overnight on the beach. A Security Guard will be on duty.

### SPECIAL ACTIVITIES:

BBQ Saturday afternoon, immediately following the last race in the picnic area adjacent to launch area. \$3.50 per adult; under 12, \$1.75. Free beer and soft drinks.

*Gas will be available for return trip.*

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Tom Wickenhauser  
Port Tack Sailboats  
924 S. E. 17th Street  
Fort Lauderdale, FLA 33316  
PH: 305/523-0888

### ACCOMMODATIONS: *register early—busy season*

Camping: Nearest camping facility approximately 3 miles away at the K. O. A. Campgrounds

Motels: Holiday Inn/Oceanside Holiday Hotel &  
3000 E. Las Olas Blvd. Villas  
Fort Lauderdale, Fla. 3030 Holiday Drive  
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PH: 305/525-8421 PH: 305/522-1731  
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(on ocean) from the area:  
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PH: 305/564-4386



**HOBIE FLEET 68 NEWS**

The second annual Lake Harris Hobie Hassle, sponsored by Central Florida Hobie Fleet 68, was held March 2-3 at Leesburg, Fla. Turnout was good in spite of gasoline problems, with sixteen Hobie 16's and five Hobie 14's registering for the event. Winds were light southeasterly Saturday afternoon for the first four races, but picked up Sunday morning for the rest of the seven race series. The best five were counted. Trophies were cast aluminum plaques turned out by Fleet 68 member Bill Conner, and a special plaque was presented to Al Stevens, the only skipper to flip in the two day series.

The Hobie Class Association welcomes CANADA to our ever-growing fleet organization. Prior to March 4, 1974, we had many inquiries from Canadian Hobie owners but were unable to refer them to a fleet Commodore because we just didn't have one. But we've heard from Ontario and we welcome Peter McGennis, Commodore of our new Fleet #108. Come on, Canada . . . we'd love a fleet in every Province!

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## DECEMBER 29-31, SECOND ANNUAL KEYS CAT CHALLENGE

Key West Hobie Fleet 71 and Tropical Sailboats hosted the second annual Keys Cat Challenge on December 29-31 in the Atlantic off Smathers Beach in Key West. Forty catamarans from all over the state of Florida and several from as far North as Ontario and Michigan competed in the event which was organized by Jack Woehrlé.

Racing started at 1 PM on Saturday and two races were run in winds of 10-12 mph. A triangular course of approximately 6 miles was used for the first race but when the wind shifted during the afternoon, a shorter course was used for the second race of the day.

Sunday morning saw a slight change in the near perfect Key West weather. Air was cooler and the wind was up to 15-18 mph with seas of 4-6 feet and some of the local skippers donned wet suits. Three races were sailed on an 8 mile rectangular course.

The lack of collision was noteworthy. Closest call came when one Hobie 16 skipper on a starboard tack got involved with a Hobie 16 on a port tack and came so close that both he and his crew received bruises from the boom on the other boat as they flew a hull over the sterns of the port tack boat!

The sailors took time for some fun and good Key West food on Saturday night when Russ and Joan Gregory hosted a lobster and fish dinner at the Driftwood Restaurant on the beach for approximately 100 people. Hobie Skipper Tom Blake, perhaps afraid there wouldn't be enough fish to go around, threw a line off the stern of his 16 after the last heat on Saturday and brought his own fish to the dinner.

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# REGATTA RESULTS

## CATCH 22

### MIDWINTERS WEST FLEET 16 A

NAME	SAIL #	POINTS	POSITION
Byron Watson	4238	5	1st Place
Russell Eddington	3824	9½	2nd
Rick Biddle	330	12	3rd

### FLEET 16 B

Dick Cotter	1436	8¼	1st Place
Dick Noll	1542	14¾	2nd
Jim Brooks	3919	16¾	3rd
William Parton	5007	19	4th
Tom Dost	5147	20	5th
Randy Johnson	8403	26	
John Hillebrecht	3744	28	
Jim Foster	9330	33¾	
Lee Thompson	7643	37	
Wendell Maberry	1723	41	

### FLEET 16 C

Ken Collins	9225	5	1st Place
Rudy Jaseniuk	3641	18	2nd
Dave Hersfeld	1862	18	3rd
Steve Bergman	3051	22	4th
Greg Sump	55	22	5th
J. R. Moulinier	4695	26	
J. Graham	6243	37½	
Rich Camack	4166	43	
Dick Pankoski	6541	51	
Jeffrey Purdy	8862	52	
Larry Timmons	1	57	
Ed Wridler	8957	60	

### FLEET 14 A

NAME	SAIL#	POINTS	POSITION
Don Snyder	2345	5	1st
Gunter Hagen	561	11	2nd
Lee Hefner	915	11½	3rd
Burt Scott	4118	17	4th
Ian Wallace	2787	21	5th

### FLEET 14 C

NAME	SAIL #	POINTS	POSITION
Erich Kessler	1662	3¾	1st
Bruce Dawson	5601	14	2nd
George Petcsch	3278	20	
Scott Ailes	5622	20	

## NUT FREEZER REGATTA, FLT #95 Vasa Park, Lake Sammamish, Wash.

POSITION	NAME	SAIL #	POINTS
1	Brian Guptil	6955	10
2	Dave Harris	3291	10¾
3	Joe Turner	9752	12¾
4	Stan Burchart	1486	13
5	Bud Tamm	6010	14
6	Eldred Smith	6383	15
7	Merv Eaton	7337	16
8	Gary Sloulin	9563	18¾

## HOBBIE 14 WORLD TRIALS Pago Pago, American Samoa Fleet #79

POSITION	NAME	SAIL #	POINTS
1	Gordon Crawford		7¼
2	Jan Kiaer		8½
3	John Berry		17
4	Mike French		18
5	Howard Lynn		21
6	Andy Eklund		23
7	Mat Flannagan		29
8	Judy Payes		30



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The three plans below have something for everyone. A short trip to the World's only or two options to really make a memorable vacation that you will long remember. All these packages are based on accommodations at the Taharaa Hotel (the site for the World's) and in Moorea we use the BaliHai, The Moana and The Moorea Lagoon. All deluxe hotels. These are not regular tours... they have been specially put together for Hobie Catters. We've made a commitment to the hotels and the airlines and must have a quick response from you to hold the space. It's Bastille time in Tahiti and that's the Mardi-Gras and Carnival all rolled in one—so, we have to know early to hold this valuable hotel space. Just complete the attached form and mail with your deposit (\$100.00 per person) to Studio City Travel.

Qualifying races will be held the first two days in Tahiti. A maximum of 68 Skippers will be vying for 13 open spots in the world championships. All races will be sailed in a round-robin fashion using 34 identical boats, with a maximum of 4 races per day and each Skipper sailing twice.

## PACKAGE #1 ECONO 7 (ECONOMY IN NAME ONLY)

Nothing is spared in quality for this fast trip to the World's. It's really great. Just about all any Hobie Catter would want to cover all the exciting action of the big event. You'll flip when you see the Taharaa Hotel. Every room overlooks the Bay. You can watch all the sailing activities right from your private lanai. This low-cost package includes deluxe accommodations for the week, full American breakfast each day, cocktail parties and the very special awards banquet with lavish entertainment, food and drinks. The easy going Tahitians have planned many activities for non-skippers and Papeete is just a few minutes away with its bustling market and Polynesian style. So, get set for the World's now and be packed for Sunday, July 21... return to Los Angeles on this one on Sunday, July 28. All the above features including air fare at one low, low price. Based on two people sharing double room.

**\$585.00** Per Person.

## PACKAGE #2 EXPERIENCE 11 A WEEK AND HALF IN PARADISE

Our eleven-day trip is called an experience... 'cause that's what it is. Eleven full days... enough to capture the real spirit of the South Seas. It's all based on the World's at the Taharaa Intercontinental Hotel. You get everything in our basic 7-day package and a lot more. On Sunday, July 28, we have a special way to go to the island of Moorea. A chartered launch for all Hobie Catters with entertainment and drinks, all blended together as we cross the Sea of the Moon to glorious Moorea. A gala feast on the beach awaits you on Moorea and real authentic Tahitian hospitality. Accommodations 'til Wednesday, July 31, are in thatch-roofed cottages. Breakfast and dinner is included on Moorea. There's no place on earth better for outdoor sports; swimming, sailing (we have Hobies there), snorkeling and scuba diving. This package lets you have a few days to relax and get into the Tahitian way of things. That's why we call it an experience—it's a different vacation than any you can imagine. Don't miss this one... it's sensibly priced and includes air fare, accommodations and meals. Based on two people sharing a double room—

**\$687.00** Per Person.

## PACKAGE #3 DELUXE 14 2 ISLANDS, 2 ADVENTURES!

For those who want to do it all. This one means going to the World's all the way. A week in Tahiti and a week on Moorea. What more could there be. Start out on Sunday, July 21, and jet to Tahiti and the Fabulous Taharaa Intercontinental Hotel sitting on a hill overlooking the World's activities; the Taharaa is the headquarters for the event. Naturally deluxe hotel rooms are included in the week in Tahiti. There's a full American breakfast every day, cocktail parties and the very special Awards Banquet. On Sunday, July 28, a special crossing to glorious Moorea is planned. Twelve miles of incredible waters and there's fun on the way with entertainment and drinks. Your stay in Moorea is in deluxe thatched cottages (Far sin Tahitian) and you get breakfast and dinner every day. We've planned fun activities for each Hobie Catter but have left you lots of time to enjoy the beauty of the sailing, snorkeling and glass-bottomed boat rides. The hotels on Moorea are The BaliHai, The Moana and The Moorea Lagoon. This is a real vacation suitable for the whole family and one that you will long remember. One price covers all transportation, hotel accommodations (based on two people sharing a double room), meals as outlined and Moorea crossing. There's limited space on this one. Book now.

**\$779.00** Per Person.

Excluding Air Fare, Price of Package #1 is \$145.00.

**DEPOSITS REFUNDABLE  
UP TO JUNE 10, 1974.**

All the above packages leave Los Angeles on Sunday, July 21, by regular scheduled jet. There's a special rate involved in each. (The regular fare is \$559.70.) So you have great savings for this special event. Any of these tours can be extended extra days or to cover extra islands. Just call Patrick Hogan at Studio City Travel for details. Send your deposit today and get set for the trip of a lifetime... THE WORLD'S IN TAHITI.

Sign us up for Tahiti Hobie World's package # \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ persons.  
Enclosed please find \$ \_\_\_\_\_ or minimum deposit of \$100 per person for the following persons:

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# SNEAK PREVIEW...

## 11TH ANNUAL LONDON BRIDGE REGATTA

**APRIL 27-28  
LAKE HAVASU, ARIZONA**

The largest Hobie Regatta of the year again will be at Lake Havasu, Arizona. In cooperation with Lake Havasu Yacht Club, McCulloch Corp., and the Hobie Class Association, this 11th Annual Regatta will be held April 27 and 28, 1974. Classes will be open for Hobie 16, 14 and 12. Even if you don't race all year, you cannot afford to miss this all-time fantastic regatta.

**THE LONDON BRIDGE REGATTA  
IS A POINTS REGATTA!!!**

### FOR ROOM RESERVATIONS

Send a letter to Housing Director, Post Office Box 813, Lake Havasu City, Arizona 86403 with a \$20 deposit per room made payable to the Housing Director.

### FOR ENTRY FORMS

Direct a letter to Gus Newman, Suite 900, 8899 Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90048.

### ENTRY FEES:

\$ 7.50—12'

\$ 7.50—14'

\$10.00—16'

Entry deadline is April 20; a penalty of \$10.00 will be charged after that date for late filing.



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