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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Bill Allen

This is the second Starlights of 2005, with 4 or 5 more planned, and a fall magazine. David Bolles has done an excellent job with the first 2 issues. I have heard many comments about how nice it is to receive news from the class. Melinda is finishing the 2005 LOG, and we expect to mail this by early April. Thanks to David and Melinda, and all those who have provided information.

Enclosed in this issue are summaries of the IGC / CMC meeting and 2005 annual meeting, both held in Argentina at the recent World's Championship. One important issue that has come up recently is the application of the ISAF designation as the MEN'S Keelboat in the Olympic Games. Unfortunately, some of the organizers of Grade One events, that are not Star Class events, have chosen to enforce this designation in their regattas. The class strongly disagrees with this concept, and is actively trying to get an open designation for all events except the Olympics.

Star Class Rule 9.1 explicitly prohibits discrimination based on age, race, sex, or creed. The class officers are committed to ensuring that all Star Class events remain open to all eligible members. Unfortunately we have no control over the regattas that are not class events.

The main focus of the annual meeting was to vote on 2005 for 2006 resolutions, to determine which of these proposals would go on the ballot next November. The results are shown herein.

While many of the resolutions were housekeeping in nature (all of these passed), two topics were of particular importance. Numbers 8, 9, and 10 proposed new weight limits, based on a total weight for skipper and crew. These were all defeated, indicating that the membership is happy with our current (2005) weight limit rule.

Resolutions 4, 5, 11 and 15 should be taken together, since they all concern permitting shorter courses, more total races, and more than 2 races per day for our championship events, based

on the size of the fleet and the characteristics of the venue. In many areas we have been racing shorter courses for some time, and passing these resolutions would formalize a good concept for the future. It is expected that in World's Championships, except for the combined ISAF World's, our current long courses would be used. All racing formats for Continental and World's Championships must be approved by the class regatta manager and the Class Management Committee.

One of the CMC / IGC initiatives for 2005 is to work to assist local areas in fleet building.

Several ideas have been discussed, and will be published in future Starlights. The class officers hope to assist local fleets and districts in these efforts. Please pass your ideas along to myself or any class officer.

The recent World's Championship in Buenos Aires was a great event in all respects. The racing was great – excellent competition and 12-22 knots of wind for all races. The hospitality of the host fleets and organizers was wonderful, and the event went off very smoothly. But I think what I found most enjoyable about the event was the camaraderie among 104 sailors from 18 nations. I had been concerned at some recent World's that maybe the class was becoming overly competitive and too nationalistic. In Argentina, there seemed to be a more relaxed atmosphere. The competition was intense, but off the water everyone enjoyed the friendship regardless of how the racing went. This is the spirit that has made our class so special.

2005 ANNUAL MEETING SUMMARY

February 10, 2005

The 2005 ISCYRA Annual Meeting was held at Club Náutico Olivos, in Olivos, Buenos Aires, Argentina on the evening of 10 February 2005. International President Bill Allen announced that the IGC had appointed Claude Bonanni to complete Bill Allen's term for International Vice President of the Western Hemisphere and that Claude had agreed to continue handling his regular duties as International Secretary for the remainder of this year since the International Secretary's term ends 31 December 2005. President Allen also introduced Richard Burgess as the newly elected IGC Chairman.

President Allen proceeded to report on the status of the Class making the following points:

- Star Class rules do not allow discrimination against age, sex, race or creed; therefore, all Star Class events will be open events.
- Class publications are now being produced by David Bolles, new editor for the Starlights, and Melinda Berge, webmaster and new editor for the LOG. The Starlights newsletter was mailed to all the members in January and preparations are underway to get the 2005 LOG printed and delivered much

earlier this year. The Starlights editor needs members to help with the reporting for Starlights.

- Annual audit for the Star Class was just completed and the Class is in very good financial shape. Expenses were significantly under budget, due in part to Starlights not being published in 2004 and the LOG international delivery problem caused by DHL. The budget for 2005 will be completed shortly.
- The Star Class needs to focus on fleet building. Star fleets are encouraged to share their successful ideas with the Class via the Starlights and the webpage.

International Vice President of the Eastern Hemisphere Hermann Weiler reminded everyone that the European Spring Championship has been renamed as the Eastern Hemisphere Championship. He reviewed the dates and venues for the 2005 Eastern Hemisphere Championship and the 2005 European Championship. Details for these and other championships can be found on the Star Class website. Vice President Weiler also shared his hopes for developing Star sailing in Asia.

The International Race Committee with John Koopman (USA) as Principal Race Officer was approved.

The International Jury of Carlo Rolandi (ITA), Chairman, Jaime Chavez (CHI), Carlos Diehl (ARG), Emilio Feliu (ESP), Carlos Gastelu (ARG), and Peter Dirk Siemsen (BRA) for the 2005 World Championship was approved.

No fleets have requested fleet charter ratification. Three fleet charters were revoked due to disbanding or several years of inactivity. The Buzios Fleet in District 7 was disbanded. The Oslo and Stockholm Fleets, both in District 10, have been inactive for several years.

The St. Francis Yacht Club in San Francisco, California, USA was announced as the venue for the 2006 Star World Championship. The exact dates have not yet been set, but the organizers are planning to hold it in early October 2006. The dates will be posted in the calendar of the Star Class website, www.starclass.org, as soon as they are confirmed.

The Star Class is currently planning to participate in the 2007 ISAF Sailing World Championships in Cascais, Portugal. Subject to final approval by ISAF, the proposed Championship dates are 27 June to 12 July 2007. Finalized dates, updates and additional information on this Championship can be found on the ISAF website, www.sailing.org.

International Secretary Claude Bonanni read the 17 resolutions as published in the Starlights and on the Star Class website. President Allen presented the recommendations of the International Governing Committee for each resolution. Prior to discussion & voting, it was noted that Resolution 2, 5, 7, 11 and 17 were amended by the delegate or proxy of the submitting fleets as follows:

Resolution #2-2005 -- Withdrawn.

Resolution #5-2005 -- The words "a minimum of" was added to the first sentence so it reads, "Rule 27.2. The Continental Championship shall consist of a minimum of six scheduled races."

Resolution #7-2005 -- The words "with approval from the C. M. C." was added to the end of the rule so it reads, "Rule 29.4.1. Additional entries to the World Championship may be allowed for no more than two International Officers with approval from the C. M. C."

Resolution #11-2005 -- The three sentences regarding the code flags were removed.

From Format A: "Code Flag A shall be flown from the committee boat prior to the warning signal."

From Format B: "Code Flag D shall be flown from the committee boat prior to the warning signal."

From Format C: "Code Flag E shall be flown from the committee boat prior to the warning signal."

Resolution #17-2005 -- The words "though the championship was invalidated afterwards" were removed from the end of the sentence, so it reads, "Gold Star is awarded to Xavier Rohart and 4 Gold Bars are awarded to Pascal Rambeau, winners of the 2003 World Championship."

After each resolution was read, it was discussed and then put to a vote. Ballots were signed and returned at the end of the meeting for counting. Voting results can be found directly below. All votes that passed will appear on the November 2005 ballot.

Respectfully submitted by Diane C. Dorr, Executive Secretary

2005 ANNUAL MEETING BALLOT RESULTS

2005 for 2006 Resolutions

All resolutions that were passed at the 2005 Annual Meeting will appear on the 2005 ballot that will be sent to all members in November 2005.

# 1-2005	Passed / 167 - 142	#10-2005	Failed / 8 - 301
# 2-2005	Withdrawn	#11-2005	Passed / 287 - 22
# 3-2005	Withdrawn	#12-2005	Passed / 309 - 0
# 4-2005	Passed / 287 - 22	#13-2005	Passed / 292 - 8
# 5-2005	Passed / 287 - 22	#14-2005	Passed / 228 - 61
# 6-2005	Passed / 292 - 13	#15-2005	Passed / 295 - 14
# 7-2005	Passed / 238 - 71	#16-2005	Passed / 173 - 133
# 8-2005	Failed / 8 - 301	#17-2005	Passed / 277 - 32
# 9-2005	Failed / 22 - 287		

IGC / CMC MEETING SUMMARY

February 10, 2005

The International Governing Committee [IGC] and the Class Management Committee [CMC] met at Club Náutico Olivos, in Olivos, Buenos Aires, Argentina on 10 February 2005. Richard Burgess was elected to be the IGC Chairman. The IGC appointed Claude Bonanni to complete Bill Allen's term for International Vice President of the Western Hemisphere. Claude Bonanni agreed to continue handling his regular duties as International Secretary for the remainder of this year since the International Secretary's term ends 31 December 2005.

The IGC approved Ulrich Fischer [member of the Bedaius Flotte Chiemsee Star Fleet in Germany] as the newest Judiciary Board member to replace Carlo Rolandi (whose term ended 31

December 2004) and Jack Lynch [of Annapolis, Maryland, USA] as the alternate member for the Judiciary Board.

The IGC confirmed the venue for the 2006 Star World Championship to be the St. Francis Yacht Club in San Francisco, California, USA. The exact dates have not yet been set, but the organizers are planning to hold it in early October 2006. The Star Class is currently planning to participate in the 2007 ISAF Sailing World Championships in Cascais, Portugal. Subject to final approval by ISAF, the proposed Championship dates are 27 June to 12 July 2007.

All 2005 for 2006 resolutions were reviewed and discussed by the IGC. The IGC's position on each resolution was presented at the Annual Meeting that evening.

The IGC & CMC members discussed gender issues in the Class events, emphasizing that Star Class rules do not allow discrimination against age, sex, race or creed. All Star Class events will be open events. Fleet building was an additional topic of discussion and International President Bill Allen is asking the Star fleets to share their successful ideas with the Class via the Starlights and the webpage.

Brief reports were given for the Eastern & Western Hemispheres. The CMC granted LOG + Infinity status to all the 2005 Silver Star Championships. International Eastern Hemisphere Vice President Hermann Weiler will check with the organizers of the Eastern Hemisphere Championship and the European Championship to determine the amount of boats that each venue can handle. Current venues, dates & entry deadlines for the Silver Star Championships are shown in the fixture list in Starlights and on the Star Class website.

Additional items of interest:

Measurement symposium will be held in Milan, Italy on 15-16 April 2005. The CMC has agreed to give some financial assistance for the symposium as this is very important for the Class.

Class Officers will hold an informal town hall meeting with the Star Class members on Thursday evening, 10 March 2005 at 5:30 p.m. at the Coral Reef Yacht Club in Coconut Grove-Miami, Florida, USA.

Regatta Manager Barbara Beigel Vosbury was thanked for the great job she is doing on standardizing procedures for all of our championships.

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2005 WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP

February 8 – 20, 2005

Buenos Aires

Based on reports posted on the Star Class and 2005 World's web sites, with additional information supplied by spectators and participants.

For photos of the event go to:

<http://www.regattaactiveimages.com/> (Jan Walker)

<http://starworld2005.com/en/> (Diego Yriarte)

Fifty-two boats from 18 countries and 27 fleets gathered at the Club Nautico Olivos in Buenos Aires for the 2005 World's Championship. Registration for the Championship began on Wednesday, February 9. The process of registration and measuring was interrupted Wednesday evening around 17:30 when the skies to the west of the Club darkened and shortly thereafter a ferocious storm descended on the Club Nautico Olivos. The weather calmed down after 30 minutes of this chaos and by Friday the humidity level was well below that of the past 4 days.

Practice Race, February 11

Winners: Marcelo Fuchs & Fabio Kraiczky

After three days of preparation, weighing, and measuring, the practice race was run on Friday, February 11th at 15:24 in a 15 knot breeze from 130°. Only two teams finished the practice race as the weather did not provide favorable conditions to sail the 10.8 mile course. During the racing strong wind gusts and rainstorms came across the course. Marcelo Fuchs and Fabio Kraiczky won the race with Peter Erzberger / Hans-Jurg Saner coming in second.

Opening Ceremony, February 11

By 17:30 the sailors were ashore and preparing to attend the opening ceremony at 19:30 at the host club, Club Nautico de Olivos. Delegates from the main Consulates came, so there was a great Open Ceremony with wonderful cocktails.

Race 1, February 12

Winners: Torben Grael & Marcelo Ferreira

The first race was sailed on a sunny day with a strong wind around 18-20 knots. A few boats preferred not to leave the dock and one boat broke down before leaving the harbor. The race started at 16:16 with wind of 18-20 knots from 125°. By the third mark, the wind had diminished to 14-16 knots and moved 5° to the right where it stayed the rest of the race. At the end of the race the winds were from the ESE at 20-22 knots.

Leading around the first three marks was the team of Max Treacy / Anthony Shanks. By the 5th mark Roy Heiner / Alex Breuseker had taken the lead. At the finish Torben Grael / Marcelo Ferreira were 1st, followed by Löff, Heiner, Treacy, Presti, Rohart, Reynolds, Murray, Szabo and Scheidt in the top ten.

Eight teams did not complete the race including Iain Percy / Steve Mitchell and Peter Erzberger / Hans-Jurg Saner who broke their masts.

Race 2, February 13

Winners: Xavier Rohart & Pascal Rambeau

Race 2 started at 3:12 pm with 50 boats and ended at 5:12pm, with 45 boats crossing the finish line. Wind at the beginning came from East South East at 15 knots. Towards the end of the race, wind was 18 knots. The Plata River was relatively smooth compared to Race 1.

Xavier Rohart and Pascal Rambeau led the whole race. Iain Percy and Steve Mitchell had a spectacular race and managed to go from the tenth to the fourth place, and sailed for some time right behind Grael and Ferreira. At the end the British team passed two more boats and finished in second. Mark Reynolds / Phil Trinter came in third.

“We had a great start. The first minutes were excellent and probably gave us the advantage that finally allowed us to stay in first during the whole race. There was a moment, though, that the British came close, but we managed to keep in the front of them”, said Xavier Rohart.

Race 3, February 14

Winners: Robert Scheidt & Bruno Prada

Race 3 was sailed under sunny skies, winds from the east-southeast between 9 and 11 knots. Rounding the first upwind mark was the British team of Iain Percy / Steve Mitchell, followed by Philippe Presti / Jean-Phillipe Saliou, Percy and Mitchell maintained their position rounding the first downwind mark with Scheidt / Prada catching up to round in second, and Rohart / Rambeau in third place. True to form, Rohart and Rambeau had a good second upwind leg to round in second place while Scheidt / Prada were first around this mark. Scheidt / Prada and moved up to lead around the leeward mark followed by Percy / Mitchell in second and Rohart / Rambeau in third. Robert Scheidt and Bruno Prada hung on to finish first in this third race followed in second by Iain Percy and Steve Mitchell, third were Xavier Rohart and Pascal Rambeau, fourth Phillipe Presti and Jean Phillipe Saliou and in fifth place Iain Murray and Andrew Palfrey.

At midweek the Championship was being led by Xavier Rohard / Pascal Rambeau with 10 points, followed by the current World's Champion, Freddy Lööf / Anders Ekström with 12 points and in 3rd place was Torben Grael / Marcel Ferreira with 15 points.

Race 4, February 15

Winners: Torben Grael & Marcelo Ferreira

Race 4 was dominated by the Brazilian and French teams. The race started with a general recall and finally got off at 1520 with a speed of 10 knots from the east-southeast. Finishing in first place were Torben Grael and Marcelo Ferreira, in second Xavier Rohart and Pacal Rambeau, in third Phillipe Presti and Jean-Phillipe Saliou, in fourth Julio Labandeira and Valentin Thompson, and rounding out the top 5 finishers were Robert Scheidt and Bruno Prada.

Torben Grael said: “This World's Championship is going along very well. It is a tradition in this class that you never know who will be the final champion until the last race. There is always a strong rivalry among the competitors. It is not easy to win because the best sailors in the world are all here”. He added: “Sailing conditions on the Plata River are very special. You

need stronger winds to make the boats move fast and there are a lot of waves. This makes sailing interesting”.

Xavier Rohart said: “I believe that for a moment we saw ourselves in the first place but we couldn't hold onto the lead. We are very happy with our second place. Our plan was to finish in the top three places and we did it. It is very important to stay consistent in the top places in this competition.”

Lay Day, February 16

A typical Argentinean barbecue was planned for the lay day and everyone looked forward to having some time ashore to enjoy the sights and food of Buenos Aires.

The lay day social event was held at a lovely golf and country club on the site of an old farm estate. People strolled the grounds and had a session with the golf pro. In the afternoon, a traditional Argentine BBQ was held outdoors under trees and umbrellas, with three rounds of different meats presented -- first came sausages and organ meats, then chicken, lamb, or pork, and finally various cuts of beef. All were grilled over charcoal that was made by burning wood until it was in glowing chunks. A fine way to relax.

Race 5, February 17

Winners: Iain Percy & Steve Mitchell

Race 5 started at 3:20 pm with 51 boats and ended at 5:26 pm, with 49 boats crossing the finish line. Wind at the beginning came from South East between 8 and 10 knots but it varied many times descending between 7 and 10 knots. Towards the end of the race wind was stable at 11 knots. The river was in good sailing conditions but presented some waves as is usual for the Plata River.

The race was won by Iain Percy and Steve Mitchell. They were followed very closely by Xavier Rohart and Pascal Rambeau. Third were Afonso Domingos and Bernardo Santos. Fourth came Torben Grael and Marcelo Ferreira.

Steve Mitchell said: “We won by only a quarter of a boat. Xavier and Pascal were really near us when we crossed the finish line. I believe we are one of the fastest boats in downwind but the French are the fastest upwind. The Portuguese must have lost because of some minor errors. I believe that today anyone in this competition that did a good job could have won.”

Race 6, February 18

Winners: Iain Percy & Steve Mitchell

Race 6 started at 3:06 pm with 45 and ended at 5:12 pm, with 43 boats crossing the finish line. Wind at the beginning came from the East South East at about 8 knots but varied after the second leg up to 14 knots. Towards the end of the race wind was stable at 11 knots. There were good sailing conditions on the Plata River but with some waves.

For the second day in a row the race was won by Iain Percy and Steve Mitchell. Their performance was good but not good enough to win the Championship which now belonged to Xavier Rohart and Pascal Rambeau, who came in second. Third in the race were Torben Grael and Marcelo Ferreira gave them a second in the series standing.

Xavier Rohart said after the race: "Our best time in this Championship was today. We were happy to know we were finishing a very good competition and that we managed to sail and remain among the first three in many of the races".

Awards Ceremony

A festive crowd gathered under a big tent at the club about 21:00 for the Awards Ceremony. Endless trays of appetizers were carried through the crowd and beverages of all kinds

flowed freely. People were seated and participation mementos were presented to all competitors, staff, and volunteers. Dinner was accompanied by live music, a tango show, and dancing by many of the celebrants. Just after midnight, presentations began for the many awards and trophies of the Star World's. This culminated about an hour later with on-stage celebration by the three top teams. Argentine hospitality continued on into the night, with the older crowd starting to leave about 2 a.m.

2005 WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP

Pl.	No.	Skipper	Crew	Fleet	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Points
1	8107	Xavier Rohart	Pascal Rambeau	NI	6	1	3	2	2	2	10
2	8210	Torben Grael	Marcelo Ferreira	Gua	1	6	8	1	4	3	15
3	8144	Iain Percy	Steve Mitchell	SO	dnf	2	2	13	1	1	19
4	8191	Fredrik Lööf	Anders Ekström	Bk	2	4	6	6	7	4	22
5	7879	Philippe Presti	Jean Phillipe Saliou	FdeSA	5	9	4	3	6	10	27
6	8127	Robert Scheidt	Bruno Prada	GuB	10	8	1	5	13	7	31
7	8170	Roy Heiner	Alex Breuseker	Hol	3	7	10	ocs	8	6	34
8	8145	Afonso Domingos	Bernardo Santos	CP	14	5	9	9	3	11	37
9	8129	Mark Reynolds	Phil Trinter	SDB	7	3	11	16	16	5	42
10	7836	Iain Murray	Andrew Palfrey	LMac	8	12	5	8	21	12	45
11	7995	George Szabo III	Brian Fatih	SDB	9	11	13	17	9	8	50
12	8180	Francesco Bruni	Guido Antar Vigna	Pal	12	10	14	12	5	14	53
13	7213	Julio Labandeira	Valentin Thompson	OL	17	dnf	17	4	19	9	66
14	8031	Luca Modena	Sergio Lambertenghi	SG	18	17	7	14	10	18	66
15	8163	Eric Doyle	Brian Sharp	SDB	13	16	12	15	15	13	68
16	8028	Maurice O'Connell	Ed Peel	IRL	11	14	18	22	12	16	71
17	7581	Roberto Bermudez	Manrique Domingo	P-San	16	23	16	10	14	31	79
18	8158	Max Treacy	Anthony Shanks	IRL	4	15	29	18	20	dns	86
19	8169	Alberto Zanetti	Mariano Lucca	OL	20	13	dnf	19	17	21	90
20	8046	Lars Grael	Marco Lagoa	Par	15	28	15	20	18	24	92
21	8215	Larry Whipple	Mark Strube	PS	19	18	20	28	23	17	97
22	8098	Guillermo Altadill	David Vera	P-San	21	22	21	21	ocs	15	100
23	8109	Peter Ficker	Marcelo Jordao	Gua	28	27	28	7	11	28	101
24	8070	Juan Kouyoumdjian	Juan Pablo Engelhard	--	22	21	22	24	22	23	110
25	7986	Bill Allen	Brad Lichter	WH	24	26	19	26	31	19	114
26	7907	Fabian MacGowan	Federico Calegari	OL	dnf	24	23	11	35	27	120
27	8143	Brian Cramer	Iain Greensmith	LOC	26	19	24	dnf	25	29	123
28	8117	Alessandro Pascolato	Ronald Seifert	GuB	25	30	33	23	24	30	132
29	7871	Marcelo Fuchs	Fabio Kraiczuk	SP	27	29	35	30	29	20	135
30	7901	Mahesh Ramchandran	Nitin Mongia	IND	23	20	37	dnf	30	32	142
31	7226	Guillermo Calegari	Nicolas Rosas	OL	dnf	35	36	27	32	25	155
32	7700	Eduardo Farre	Santiago Sharpin	OL	32	33	26	39	27	dnc	157
33	7316	Alejandro Chometowski	Hernan Celedoni	BA	31	25	25	25	dnf	dnf	159
34	7774	Andre Mirsky	Marco Aurelio Sa Ribeiro	Par	33	37	39	32	26	34	162
35	8016	Hubert Rauch	Sergey Horetski	And	35	36	32	37	34	26	163
36	8183	Antonio Tamburini	Albino Fravezzi	FDM	29	43	30	36	36	35	166
37	7237	Lucio Boggi	Andrea Tarabella	Viar	36	31	31	34	40	37	169
38	7534	Pablo Gianelli	Jorge Caviglia	OL	dnf	ocs	27	31	39	22	172
39	7909	Jorge Perez	Enrique De La Torre	OL	34	34	38	33	43	38	177
40	7717	Peter Erzberger	Hans Jurg Saner	TB	dnf	39	40	29	38	33	179
41	8122	Claude Bonanni	Richard Burgess	TaB	38	32	41	38	33	dnc	182
42	6924	Alejandro Cherro	Ariel Simonet	OL	dnf	38	42	41	41	36	198
43	7899	Mike Milner	Matthew Johnston	LOC	30	dnf	43	ocs	28	dnf	207
44	8008	Luis Bustelo	Jualian Gazari Barroso	OL	37	42	45	42	46	43	209
45	8211	Juan Jose Percossi	Juan Pablo Percossi	BA	dnf	dnc	34	35	37	dns	212
46	7650	Tomas Hornos	Hector Longarella	--	dnf	41	46	43	42	40	212
47	7946	Herman Weiler	Steffen Rutz	Neu	40	44	47	40	47	42	213
48	6926	Martin Costa	Federico Mera	BA	dnc	40	48	44	44	41	217
49	7736	Eduardo Soraide	Corrado Cristaldini	OL	39	dnf	44	dnc	45	39	220
50	7106	Vicente Gimeno	Jorge Zuazola	CHI	dnc	dnf	dnc	45	48	44	243
51	7517	Tomoya Hotta	Takashi Hotta	JPN	41	45	raf	dnc	dnc	dnc	245
52	5235	Guillermo J Calegari	Patricio Homps	BA	dnc	dnf	dnf	dnf	49	dnc	261

2005 SOUTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP

January 5 – 9, 2005

Report by Fernanda Sesto

On the 6th of January, the South American Championship began. There are 26 boats from 6 countries: Argentina, Brazil, USA, Canada, Chile and Italy. The races began at 14:00 pm, we had 2 races of approximately 2 hours each. The wind was 6 knots from NE and turning ESE in the afternoon. Lars Grael and Marco Lagoa won the first race, follow by Robert Scheidt and Bruno Prada. In the second race the Argentinean Julio Labandeira and Valentin Thompson were first and in second place again were Robert Scheidt and Bruno Prada.

On January 7th, 2005, all the races were cancelled because of strong wind and thunderstorms.

January 8: As races were cancelled on Jan. 7, the starting time for Saturday, Jan. 8th, changed to 11:00 am. Fortunately the weather conditions were very good with wind from the SE of 9 to 10 knots. The Brazilians Lars Grael and Marco Lagoa won the first race followed by the Argentines Chometowski and Celedoni. During this race the wind had been shifting from the ESE to the SSE, and vacillating between 6-10 knots. These were not easy conditions for

sailing and it took two hours for the first boat to complete the four legs of this race. At 14:00 pm, just before the start of the second race, the wind direction changed from the SE to the E, so the race committee had to reset the course. Half an hour later the fourth race of the South American Championship started, with 6 knots of wind from the East. The wind was very shifty, going from E to N and then to the NE causing the positions of the boats to change in all the legs. The 5 leg race took more than two hours to complete with finally the Argentines MacGowan – Calegari crossing the finishing line first followed by the Italians Tamburini- Ricci.

After having some drinks Fabian MacGowan told us, "It was a very shifty race, I am very happy to win because it was not easy". We also spoke with Lars Grael about the races who thought that the wind shifts made the races more difficult.

On Jan 9 Lars Grael / Marco Lagoa had a first and a second in the two races sailed on the last day to win the championship by 7 points over Robert Scheidt / Bruno Prada. Scheidt / Prada won the tiebreaker with Julio Labandeira / Valentin Thompson as both teams had 15 points after one discard.

2005 SOUTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP

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2	8127	Robert Scheidt	Bruno Prada	GuB	2	2	9	6	1	4	15
3	7213	Julio Labandeira	Valentin Thompson	OL	dns	1	3	3	6	2	15
4	7316	A. Chometowski	Hernan Celedoni	BA	5	8	2	8	3	3	21
5	8109	Peter Ficker	Marcelo Jordao	SAN	13	5	11	4	5	5	30
6	7907	Fabian MacGowan	Federico Calegari	OL	6	13	6	1	16	8	34
7	8215	Larry Whipple	Mark Strube	PS	4	4	16	5	18	6	35
8	8117	Alessandro Pascolato	Ronald Seifert	GuB	8	11	5	7	17	10	41
9	806	Guillermo Calegari	Nicolas Rosas	BA	3	7	15	12	12	11	45
10	8143	Brian Cramer	Ian Greensmith	LOC	11	9	8	19	4	13	45
11	8169	Alberto Zanetti	Mariano Lucca	OL	9	12	12	9	10	7	47
12	7700	Eduardo Farre	Santiago Sharpin	OL	7	15	7	11	11	14	50
13	8060	Antonio Tamburini	Renzo Ricci	FdM	17	18	18	2	7	9	53
14	8211	Juan Percossi J.	Juan Percossi P.	BA	14	6	10	16	9	16	55
15	7899	Mike Milner	Steve Cutting	LOC	12	10	4	13	dns	dns	65
16	7534	Pablo Gianelli	Jorge Caviglia	OL	19	17	14	17	22	12	79
17	7106	Vicente Gimeno	Jorge Zuazola	Iso	18	14	20	dns	8	21	81
18	7909	Jorge Perez O	E. Della Torre	OL	15	20	19	15	13	19	81
19	8122	Claude Bonanni	Richard Burgess	TaB	10	21	dns	18	21	15	85
20	7226	Eduardo Soraide	Santiago Sharpin	OL	22	19	13	22	15	22	91
21	6926	Martin Costa	Federico Mera	BA	21	23	17	21	14	18	91
22	7236	Eduardo Rawson	N. Chernovilski	BA	20	16	23	20	19	23	98
23	6924	Alejandro Cherro	Ariel Simonet	OL	dns	22	22	23	20	20	107
24	7970	Alejandro Suescun	Hector Moneta	OL	23	24	21	14	dns	dns	108
25	7237	Luis Boggi	Maximo Costanzo	Viar	16	dns	dns	dns	dns	17	111

2005 LEVIN MEMORIAL

January 8 – 9, 2005

Coral Reef Y.C., Miami, FL

By John A. MacCausland

The start of the Star sailing season each year in North America is at Coral Reef Yacht Club. This year was no exception with a week of very nice weather. The season started off with a bang. Thirty-seven teams raced in a three race regatta. This event would serve as the first of three regattas that would pick the 2005 U.S. Sailing Team.

Prior to the regatta U.S. Sailing ran a three-day clinic with Ed Adams coaching. Six teams were invited to the clinic along with Freddy Lööf, the defending World's Champion. This was the start of the 2008 Olympic program for many of the teams at the clinic.

Racing throughout the weekend was very tight. Conditions were on the light side, eight to ten knots of breeze. After the first day of racing Eric Doyle and Brian Sharp were leading with the rest of the fleet close behind.

Sunday the racing was done in much of the same conditions that we had on Saturday. Two starts were brought back by general recall, with the final start run under the black flag. By the first mark many of the lead boats from Saturday were well back in the fleet. Andy Beadsworth and David Carr sailed a solid race to the gun for race three and an overall win. Not bad for his first Star regatta. Three other boats were one point behind. They all tied for second with John MacCausland and Brian Fatih coming out on top and Will Stout and Darrell Hiatt rounding out the top three. With the racing this close and so many good teams, the rest of the winter in Miami should be very interesting.

2005 LEVIN MEMORIAL

2005 BISCAYNE TROPHY

Pl. No.	Skipper	Crew	Fleet	R1	R2	R3	Points
1	7953 A. Beadsworth	David Carr	SO	1	17	1	19
2	8184 J.A. MacCausland	Brian Fatih	CR	7	10	3	20
3	8067 Will Stout	Darrell Hiatt	--	11	5	4	20
4	8163 Eric Doyle	Brian Sharp	SDB	6	2	12	20.5
5	8141 Fredrik Lööf	Lööf / Liljedahl	Bk	15	6	6	27
6	8129 Mark Reynolds	Pitic Trinter	SDB	3	16	9	28
7	8157 Mark Mendelblatt	Steve Erickson	--	4	13	19	36
8	8045 Augie Diaz	Bob Schofield	BisB	2	11	24	37
9	7567 Aaron Serinis	Will Wagner	AN	8	24	5	37
10	7225 Hyde Perce	Chris Rogers	WH	10	22	8	40
11	8181 Argyle Campbell	Eric Munroe	NH	17	9	15	41
12	7988 Andy Horton	Brad Nichol	NB	5	12	25	42
13	8162 Andy Macdonald	Austin Sperry	EB	bfd	3	2	43
14	7659 Rick Peters	Richard Zirkle	SBM	22	7	16	45
15	7715 W G Swigart	C. McCallum	CLIS	19	18	12	49.5
16	8177 Karl Anderson	Scott Norris	BH	bfd	1	11	50
17	8176 Steven Kelly	Bill Holowesko	N	9	25	17	51
18	8080 Fotis Boliakis	Serg Leonidov	CLIS	13	29	10	52
19	8043 Jock Kohlhas	Bill Joyce	BisB	31	4	18	53
20	8038 John Vanderhoff	Scott Karr	NCB	21	8	28	57
21	7626 Brad Anderson	Larry Scott	LOC	18	31	14	63
22	7369 Steve Haarstick	T. Schumacher	SL	26	32	7	65
23	7986 Ken Allen	Bruce Hatfield	WH	14	23	31	68
24	7640 Arthur Anosov	David Caesar	TaB	16	26	26	68
25	8087 Kim McNeil	Kevin Murphy	AN	12	30	29	71
26	8112 J Joseph Bainton	Tod Raynor	NB	32	20	21	73
27	7639 Sam Rowse	Rob Bowers	Sun	20	27	27	74
28	7876 M. O'Connell	Ed Peel	--	23	28	23	74
29	8175 Jim Babel	Tom Babel	--	30	14	32	76
30	7370 Rob Emmet	Mike Voeltner	AN	bfd	19	22	79
31	7521 Bob Van Wagnen	Eric Becwith	--	27	34	20	81
32	8113 G. Weissenberger	Chris Brown	NCB	bfd	15	bfd	91
33	7434 Bill Parks	Clark Anderson	WH	28	33	30	91
34	7964 C. Kohlermann IV	C. Kohlerman III	NCB	25	36	34	95
35	7995 George Szabo	Paul Larkin	SDB	bfd	21	bfd	97
36	7934 Karl Von Schwarz	Rich Wharton	AN	24	35	bfd	97
37	7999 Tiani Hausen	A. Solmininch	BisB	29	37	33	99

2005 BISCAYNE TROPHY

January 22 – 23, 2005

Biscayne Bay

By Carroll McCallum

Olympian Bill Parks was the first boat to sail out for the races in the light southeasterly air on Saturday. Sunscreen was in order all day. Crews stayed in the boats or leaned chest down on the weather deck. Both races were course 4 and the second race started with the wind at exactly 180°.

The awesome Augie Diaz was out in front all day. It was striking that while Augie and various others got away, the rest of the fleet stayed in close competition, finishing in a tight pack, like hounds pursuing foxes.

On the run back to the hoists Bill Parks serenaded the sunshine and the boats around him. For anyone working on their boat Saturday night there was more music, provided by a big party going on at the Biscayne Bay Yacht Club.

Sunday's forecast was for a front to come through from the northwest bringing unusual cold. The sky was overcast and the wind 14 to 16. Crews suited up and got soaked, but the water temperature was high in the 60s, so it wasn't ever cold. Andy Macdonald gloriously port tacked the fleet at the start. As he crossed several boat lengths to weather of the starboard tack boats on the line you could see his grin.

There was one race, course 4 again and no recalls, so it was a fast day. Plenty of time for people to get to the airport and watch the flights north getting canceled across the board. Those going home to shovel snow had to be envious of the crews leaving their sail on the boom for the Olympic Classes Regatta starting next day.

Pl No.	Skipper	Crew	Fleet	R1	R2	R3	Pnts
1	8045 Augie Diaz	Bob Schofield	BisB	1	2	10	13
2	8162 Andy Macdonald	Austin Sperry	NH	5	9	1	15
3	8031 Luca Modena	S. Lambertenghi	SG	7	4	6	17
4	8132 Vincent Brun	Doug Brophy	SDB	4	7	8	19
5	8157 Mark Mendelblatt	Steve Erickson	--	2	20	4	26
6	7995 George Szabo III	Eric Monroe	SDB	23	1	3	27
7	8129 Mark Reynolds	Phil Trinter	SDB	11	15	2	28
8	7640 Arthur Anosov	Dave Caesar	TaB	16	12	13	41
9	8086 Terry Neff	Chris Rogers	--	22	8	16	46
10	8163 Eric Doyle	Brian Sharp	SDB	13	3	31	47
11	7953 Andy Beadsworth	David Carr	SO	30	10	9	49
12	8059 Peter Vessella	Mike Marzahl	WSFB	3	31	17	51
13	8028 M. O'Connell	Edmundo Peel	--	28	18	5	51
14	8038 John Vanderhoff	John Avis	NCB	6	13	32	51
15	8033 P. Rotermund	Nils Holweg	Glu	31	6	14	51
16	7753 Marc Blees	G. VanDerHeyden	LO	9	14	28	51
17	8184 J.A. MacCausland	Brian Fatih	CR	19	21	man	58.5
18	8143 Brian Cramer	Iain Greensmith	LOC	21	17	22	60
19	7986 Bill Allen	Brad Lichter	WH	14	26	21	61
20	7879 Philippe Presti	Jean P Saliou	FdeSA	ocs	5	7	63
21	7369 Steve Haarstick	Todd Schumacher	SL	25	30	11	66
22	8214 Jon Vandermolten	T C Bello	GL	29	23	15	67
23	8084 Bob Teitge	Rick Burgess	DR	17	24	27	68
24	8014 Alberto Barovler	Wea Albareui	--	8	29	33	70
25	8087 Kevin McNeil	Andrew Higgs	AN	24	36	12	72
26	7626 Doug Folsetter	Larry Scott	--	15	27	36	78
27	8043 Jock Kohlhas	Pepper	BisB	12	16	dns	79
28	8110 C. Nehammer	G. Mitterhauser	--	37	11	34	82
29	7715 William Swigart	C. McCallum	CLIS	18	34	30	82
30	8068 De la Villehuchet	Dan Ronan	Mid	26	22	35	83
31	8112 J Joseph Bainton	Tod Raynor	NB	32	37	20	89
32	7956 Tony Herrmann	Scott Monroe	WLM	38	25	26	89
33	8191 Freddy Lööf	Anders Ekström	Bk	10	dnf	29	90
34	7637 Lars Kiewning	Markus Mehlen	--	27	19	dns	97
35	7370 Rob Emmet	Mike Voeltner	AN	ocs	28	mna	97.5
36	7639 Sam Rowse	Rob Bowers	Sun	33	41	24	98
37	8082 Phillippe Kahn	Joe Londrigan	WSFB	36	40	25	101
38	7434 Bill Parks	Clark Anderso	WH	20	32	dns	103
39	8081 Renato Irrera	F. Medolago	Pal	43	38	23	104
40	7193 William Joyce	Thomas Berger	WLM	34	44	37	115
41	7202 John Richardson	John Jenkins	MES	42	35	dns	128
42	7471 John J Bainton	Will Christenson	NB	ocs	39	38	128
43	7521 Bob Van Wagnen	Eric Beckwitha	TaB	35	43	dns	129
44	8083 John Chiarella	Bob Carlson	Sun	44	46	40	130
45	7970 Sam Hopkins	Bart Kaplan	MES	45	48	39	132
46	7964 C. Kohlermann IV	C. Kohlerman III	NCB	40	42	dns	133
47	8168 Jim VanderMolen	Stefan Tilbury	--	ocs	33	dns	135
48	7934 Karl Von Schwarz	Richard Wharton	AN	39	47	dns	137
49	7999 Tiani Hausen	Antonio Batista	BisB	41	45	dns	137
50	8176 Steven Kelly	Bill Holowesko	N	dnc	dnc	dns	153

THE 20th ANNIVERSARY ZAG

February 12 – 13, 2005

by Harry Walker

Twenty years ago Frank Zagarino, Ding Schoonmaker and I were talking about the "good old days" and Frank proposed that we have a Masters' Regatta to help keep us all together and still sailing. The result was the first Masters' Regatta which was held on February 23 – 24, 1985. There were 12 boats in the first Masters' and it has progressed until now when we have a regatta with 35-40 boats and representatives from several nations. There were 5 countries this year and for only a three race series.

As the years went by we used to have the party at the Zagarino's home and at first it was primarily Louan who put it on. Soon others began to bring food and drink and it became like a church potluck supper.

For the last few years it has grown to a size where, though still hosted by the Zagarinos, there have been caterers and bartenders. However it has almost always been at the Zagarinos and hosted by Louan with a little help from a small group of us.

This year the Founder, Zag, has been very ill and there was no way Louan could handle it so the Biscayne Bay Star Fleet and the Coral Reef Yacht Club (again with a little outside help) put on the dinner at the Club, and after 8 hours on the water Saturday the guys were ravenous.

The first two races were held Saturday with the PRO Rich Raymond and his committee doing an outstanding job.

We got off in about 4 miles of wind, which freshened, but not by much. The course was #4 and Hans Fogh / David Caesar sailing Arthur Anosov's boat got into the lead and held on. There were some fairly big shifts but Hans kept on top of them. He was followed by Andy Macdonald and third went to Thomas Mueller. That first race went off with only individual recall guns.

The second race, which started after a general recall and then a black flag, got off in a slightly building breeze but only enough for the lighter crews to hike.

From our position back in the fleet we could see that Jock Kohlhas / Richard Zirkle had jumped out to a several hundred yard lead. The race was a course 3 with an upwind finish. Again Andy Mac was 2nd and Thomas Mueller third.

The breeze died about 5:30 PM and we all were happy to get towed in. At that point Andy led the regatta with Thomas Mueller second. It should be noted that two Rock Stars were crewing in top two boats: Austin Sperry and Mark Pickel.

A great happy hour was held on the Coral Reef deck and a superb dinner followed for all involved.

Sunday showed us a glassy bay at 10 AM but Rich had us on the water. There was just enough breeze to get to the starting area. At 11:10 a SE sea breeze came in and in 5 minutes we had 10 knots from about a 115 heading.

Again a course 4 and we got off to a clean start. Augie Diaz / Bob Schofield took this one and never looked back after a start that shortly featured a 5 degree favorable shift. Mueller / Pickel took second, and in doing so took the Masters Series.

Louan Zagarino gave out the prizes and gave a report on Frank who, unfortunately, had to be taken back to the hospital the night before.

Mueller and Pickel took first with Macdonald / Sperry in second and Hans Fogh / David Cesar third. In the Grand Masters division (60 and up) Hans Fogh was first and ever-fast John Sherwood and Bert Collins were second. The Exalted Grand Master winner (70 and up) was Harry Walker / Arthur Anosov. They were 16th in the series. The Very Super Senior Winner (80 and up) was Dr Emil Karlovsky with veteran crew Chris Rodgers. Emil sailed a fine series, finishing 26th, and will be 90 years old this year.

Lastly the long sleeved shirts we received bear the logo and the title The Zag Regatta. That is as it should be, for Zag was its papa and Louan has been the mother hen who has made us all so welcomed.

The weather was perfect and a great time was had by all.

2005 REGATTA SCHEDULE

Date	Org.	Event
Mar 25 - 27	Dist. 5	ABYC Olympic Classes
Apr 05 - 09	ISCYRA	Western Hemisphere Championship
Apr 16 - 17	Dist. 5	Green Star/Ahmanson Cup
Apr 22 - 29	ISCYRA	Semaine Olympique Francaise
May 14 - 22	ISCYRA	Eastern Hemisphere Championship

2005 MASTER'S REGATTA / THE ZAG

Pl	No.	Skipper	Crew	Fleet	R1	R2	R3	Points
1	8129	Thomas Mueller	Marc Pickel	Brm	3	3	2	8
2	8162	Andy Macdonald	Austin Sperry	NH	2	2	5	9
3	7775	Hans Fogh*	David Caesar	LOC	1	7	9	17
4	7988	Bill Mauk	Brad Nichol	Sun	5	6	8	19
5	8045	Augie Diaz	Bob Schofield	BisB	14	5	1	20
6	8177	Magnus Liljedahl	Karl Anderson	BisB	16	4	7	27
7	8043	Jock Kohlhas	Richard Zirkle	BisB	24	1	4	29
8	8112	J Joseph Bainton	Peter Bromby	NB	4	9	17	30
9	8063	John Sherwood	Bert Collins	CB	11	10	13	34
10	7601	Michael Hicks	David Munge	SO	8	24	3	35
11	7939	Elliott Oldak	Will Wagner	AN	20	13	6	39
12	7715	William G Swigart	Carroll McCallum	CLIS	6	11	23	40
13	7639	Sam Rouse	John Wolff	Sun	9	8	27	44
14	7732	Gary MacDonald	Rob Bowers	BH	13	12	22	47
15	7369	Steve Haarstick	Todd Schumacher	SL	25	14	12	51
16	8000	Harry Walker**	Arthur Anosov	BisB	21	21	10	52
17	8083	John Chiarella	Bob Carlson	Sun	18	25	11	54
18	7626	Bob Anderson	Larry Scott	LOC	10	16	30	56
19	8068	DeLa Villehuchet	Dan Ronan	Mid	12	31	14	57
20	8175	Jim Babel	Bill Hawk	GL	7	26	26	59
21	7567	Davis Buckley	Aaron Serinis	AN	15	27	18	60
22	8189	Bill Fields	Darrell Hiatt	SMB	19	22	21	62
23	8038	John Vanderhoff	Rowan Perkins	NCB	22	23	19	64
24	7879	Bill Nutzel	Kevin Murphy	LH	34	19	15	68
25	7228	Joe Zambella	Joe Zambella	BH	31	17	24	72
26	7554	Emil Karlovsky***	Chris Rogers	Mid	dns	20	16	74
27	7964	C. Kohlerman III	C. Kohlerman IV	NCB	27	15	33	75
28	7450	Stefan Lehnert	Peter Menning	Brm	23	30	25	78
29	7434	Bill Parks	Clark Anderson	WH	17	34	28	79
30	7521	Bob Van Wagnen	Erick Beckwith	BisB	33	18	32	83
31	8080	Nelson Stephenson	Roger Sharp	CLIS	30	33	20	83
32	7934	Karl Von Schwarz	Rich Wharton	AN	28	28	37	93
33	8015	Tom Londrigan	Mike Londrigan	LS	29	35	29	93
34	7202	John Richardson	Jay Richardsona	MES	26	37	35	98
35	7802	Jack Button	John Button	Mid	dns	29	31	98
36	7631	Paul Erickson	Mike Marzhal	WSFB	35	32	34	101
37	7193	William Joyce	Thomas Berger	WLM	32	36	36	104

*Grand Master's winner

**Exalted Grand Master's winner

***Venerable Exalted Grand Master's winner

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