



18 March 2015

PROPOSAL TO HOST THE 2016 INTERNATIONAL A-CLASS CATAMARAN OPEN WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

DATES: MAY 14-21, 2016

HOST ENTITY: SAIL NC, A NOT FOR PROFIT ORGANIZATION
ROANOKE ISLAND, NORTH CAROLINA, USA



GENERAL AREA

THE OUTER BANKS of North Carolina are renowned for the highest average wind speeds on the East Coast of the USA. Nearby Cape Hatteras, and its surrounding waters, have become a destination for top kiteboarders worldwide. Some of the East Coast USA's best surfing breaks are along the 100 miles of pristine beaches that form the Outer Banks. Inside the Outer Banks are sailing's best kept secret. The Ablemarle, Pamlico, and Croatan Sounds offer some of the best catamaran sailing conditions available anywhere. In summary, this area is a family and waterman's paradise.

ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE SAILING



- Wright Brother's National Monument. Site of the first flight.
- Jockey Ridge Park. Largest sand dunes on East Coast. Great walking.

- Graveyard of the Atlantic Museum & Cape Hattaras Lighthouse
- Nag's Head Woods Nature Trails
- Sportfishing day-charters in the Gulf Stream. Catch tuna, marlin and many other species.
- Two NC Aquariums (Manteo and Jeanette's Pier)
- "Lost Colony" outdoor drama production at 8pm most evenings. Longest running production in USA. A must see. Worthy of Broadway.
- Kiteboarding
- Surfing
- Biking (many excellent roads for bikes)
- SUP or Kayaking on many water trails
- Walking and kayak trails at Pea Island or the Alligator & Bear Refuge,
- Mini-golf
- Go-karts
- Beaches!



AN AREA WITH PASSION FOR A-CLASS & CATAMARANS

- SAIL NC Hosted the 2014 A-Class North American Championship, and achieved the largest North American Championship ever.
- SAIL NC will begin hosting an annual ATLANTIC COAST (USA) CATAMARAN CHAMPIONSHIP beginning in 2015. The event will focus on the F18 & A-Class
- SAIL NC will host the 2015 North American Laser and C420 Championships. Each regatta will be over 100+ boats.
- SAIL NC has a young, energetic & growing A-Class fleet
- Local TEAM CAT FEVER generated widespread local support for its four completed WORRELL 1000 campaigns. The region is steeped in WORRELL 1000 legend.
- GUNBOAT has its primary production facility in nearby Wanchese, NC. GUNBOAT produces 40-101' all carbon performance catamarans.



SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

- A regatta is an opportunity to see old friends, and to make new ones.
- SAIL NC hosts great evenings for sailors, their families and the volunteers.



LAUNCHING & STORAGE FACILITIES

- SAIL NC'S SITE BETWEEN THE DARE COUNTY AIRPORT AND THE NC AQUARIUM IN MANTEO, NC, USA
- BOAT STORAGE INSIDE THE AIRPORT FENCE & ON AQUARIUM FIELD
- 35,000 SQ M OF BOAT, TRAILER AND VEHICLE STORAGE ON MOWED GRASS
- 1 X 50' WIDE CONCRETE RAMP, LANDING ON SANDY SOUND BOTTOM
- TENT, LAWN AND VARIOUS CONCRETE APRONS FOR MEASUREMENT
- ABILITY TO STORE CONTAINERS, TRAILERS AND VEHICLES FOR SEVERAL WEEKS IF NEEDED. NO STORAGE FEES.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE

Saturday	May 14	9am-4pm	Measurement
Sunday	May 15	9am-4pm	Measurement
		1pm	Practice Race
		6pm	Skipper's Meeting & Regatta Opening
			SAIL NC Pavilion
Monday	May 16	1pm	Two Races
Tuesday	May 17	1pm	Two Races
Wednesday	May 18	1pm	Two Races

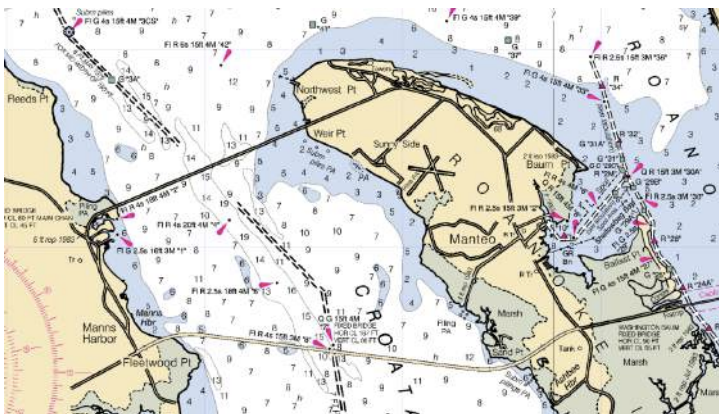
		7pm	BBQ Shrimp & Fish Dinner. Live Music On Croatan Sound, Manteo
Thursday	May 19		Lay Day (Spare Racing Day if Needed)
Friday	May 20	1pm	Two Races
Saturday	May 21	11am	One Race
		1pm	Packing Up
		7pm	Awards Celebration Dinner Roanoke Maritime Museum Downtown Waterfront, Manteo



TYPICAL WEATHER FROM MAY TO JULY

If the 'Bermuda High' is established in a normal summer weather pattern, expect a mix of sun, cumulus clouds and brief sprinkles mixed through the day. Winds typically start out of the SW and turn S over the day with velocity building from 8-10 knots to 14-18 knots. Afternoon thunderstorms can occur. Water temperatures are typically 22-30 degrees C. Air temperatures are typically 25-32 degrees C. The sailing area is surrounded by mixed coastline of sand or marsh if needed in emergency.

SAILING AREA



CROATAN SOUND located to the West of Manteo, NC, between two bridges. Access is possible to both Ablemare and Pamlico Sounds if conditions warrant course relocation. Depths are 1m to 1.5m from launch area to race course, and typically 2m to 3.5m in the racing area. The bottom

is all soft sand or mud. The sailing area allows for courses over 4km of length in all wind directions. Traffic is light with the occasional fishing boat or local pleasure boat in the waters...minimal. Crab pots and fishing stakes are present but do not pose a problem.



RACE COMMITTEE & SUPPORT BOATS

An experienced PRO will be chosen with IACA and USACA input and approval. Volunteers to support. SAIL NC has access to an adequate fleet of race committee and support powerboats



SPONSORSHIP & MEDIA

SAIL NC has established governmental, promotional and industry sponsorship relations, and all have indicated their likely support for this event.

A renowned video and photography team will produce worldwide daily media output. A website will be developed or coordinated with the class. See June 2014 postings for examples from the 2014 A-Class North American Championship. <https://www.facebook.com/sailncorg>

ENTRY FEES

US\$375 per entry before deadline. US\$450 after deadline.

SUGGESTED HOUSING

- 5000+ homes are available within 20 miles on a weekly rental basis. Many are on the ocean beaches.
 - Bodie Island Resort, Nag's Head www.bodieislandresort.com
 - Cove Realty, Nag's Head www.cover Realty.com

- Pirate's Cove Realty, Manteo www.pirates-cove.com
- Stan White Realty, Nag's Head www.outerbanksrentals.com
- Village Realty, Nag's Head www.villagerealtyobx.com
- Camping & RV sites
 - The Refuge RV Park in Wanchese \$ <http://www.therefuge-roanokeisland.com>
 - Oregon Inlet Campgrounds \$ <http://www.nps.gov/caha/planyourvisit/campgrounds.htm>
- Hotels, Inns and B&B's
 - Burrus House Inn, Manteo \$\$ www.burrushouseinn.com
 - Cameron House Inn, Manteo \$\$ www.cameronhouseinn.com
 - Elizabethan Inn, Manteo \$ www.elizabethaninn.com
 - Roanoke Island Inn, Manteo \$\$ www.roanokeislandinn.com
 - White Doe Inn, Manteo \$\$\$ www.whitedoeinn.com
 - First Colony Inn, Nag's Head \$\$ www.firstcolonyinn.com
 - Nag's Head Beach Inn, Nag's Head \$\$ www.nagsheadbeachinn.com
 - Nag's Head Inn Oceanfront Hotel, Nag's Head www.nagsheadinn.com
 - Rodeway Inn, Nag's Head \$ www.rodewayinn.com
 - Surfside Inn, Nag's Head \$\$ www.surfsideobx.com
 - Island House B&B, Wanchese \$ www.islandhouse-bb.com
 - Wanchese Inn B&B, Wanchese \$ www.wancheseinn.com

AIRPORTS (Connect from major International hubs JFK, Newark (NJ), Dulles (DC), or Atlanta (GA))

- Dare County Airport (Private flights)
- Norfolk, VA (2 hours distance)
- Pitt Greenfield, NC (2 hours distance)
- Raleigh-Durham, NC (3 hours distance)

SUPPLIES & SUPPORT NEARBY

- Home Depot, Lowes and auto supply and service facilities for tow vehicles and trailers.
- CVS and local pharmacies nearby
- Outer Banks Hospital in Nag's Head
- United States Coast Guard in Wanchese.
- Ample supermarkets in Manteo and Nag's Head
- West Marine in Nag's Head
- Two Yamaha outboard dealers and service centers.
- Two canvas shops
- Many surf and outdoor shops for clothing
- Over 10 epoxy boat-builders within 10 miles
- Ample epoxy and carbon in stock at Gunboat.

DISTANCES DRIVING

Bristol, RI: 12 hours
 New York City: 9 hours
 Annapolis/Washington DC Area: 6 hours
 Atlanta: 7 hours

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