



## ***JOIN US FOR A MEMORABLE BUCKET REGATTA, CELEBRATING 25 GREAT YEARS!***



### ***SIGN UP NOW FOR THE NEWPORT BUCKET AUGUST 25–28, 2011***

To celebrate the Newport and St. Barths Bucket Regattas' momentous 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary, this summer's Newport Regatta is being planned to top even our past great events.

Set in the Yachting Capital of the U.S., the Newport Bucket is an event not to miss. August 25-28, the weekend before Labor Day Weekend, should bring great racing conditions, with lively late-summer southwesterlies and excellent visibility.

#### **The Event:**

Bucket Regattas are known for their legendary combination of thrilling big-boat racing and memorable shoreside celebrations. With safe sailing and enjoyment always the foremost goals, they are congenial, invitational regattas set in the spirit of the Corinthian ideal. The event is open to yachts over 90 feet LOA; there will also be a Demi Class for yachts 76 to 90 feet. Participants range from high-performance racing designs to heavy luxury cruisers, and all races are pursuit style to allow every yacht an equal chance of winning. We continue proactively to fine-tune our rating system to ensure utmost accuracy and fairness. This year, we will be providing a Rating Certificate to each yacht.

Now is the time to register for the Newport Bucket. The entire fleet will be limited to 25 yachts, and 18 have already signed up. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. We appreciate those who have pre-registered or registered. We urge them as well as new entries to let us know right away not only that you will be participating, but also how many will be in your party so that we can confirm numbers with caterers and other suppliers. The Announcement of Regatta and the Entry Application can be downloaded at [www.bucketregattas.com](http://www.bucketregattas.com).

## The Enjoyment:

To celebrate our first 25 years, we've added a pre-Regatta Thursday evening Bucket Rendezvous on Martha's Vineyard and a Friday Feeder Race to Newport. Separate trophies will be presented to the winners of the Feeder Race. There will also be a separate, special trophy awarded to the winner with the best combined result for the Martha's Vineyard and Newport races. Newport races will have daily and series class awards as well as overall and specialty trophies.

The Rendezvous will feature an elegant evening highlighted by a gourmet lobster dinner at the beautiful waterfront home of longtime Regatta supporter Captain David Murphy. Music will be provided by Jerry Bennett and the Sultans of Swing, a terrific 11-piece band, including piano, known for bringing the house down at parties given by Bill Clinton, Donald Trump, and other great hosts from the Vineyard to Palm Beach.

Everyone is also invited by David Murphy to join a Thursday-afternoon golf tournament at the exclusive Royal & Ancient Chappaquiddick Links Club, founded in 1887. If you need assistance with Thursday-night lodging on Martha's Vineyard, please contact Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket Reservations at [www.mvreservations.com/](http://www.mvreservations.com/) or call 508-693-7200.

Friday's Feeder Race will take the fleet to Newport, where Newport Shipyard will serve as headquarters for the weekend. That evening's welcome cocktail party will be held at historic Ft. Adams and include entry to the fort's fascinating casemates (open to us by special arrangement), a private viewing of the museum, and access to the observation tower for spectacular 360-degree views of Newport. Colors will be sounded on a 900-pound 1741 Paul Revere cannon (a gift of King George II)—we're hoping to have every owner take a turn!

Saturday's race will be topped off by a strictly invitation-only yacht hop and the best ever Bucket Bash (start thinking about your crew's costumes now!). There'll be great music, drink, and food, of course, but that's only the beginning. Just imagine: Simulator racecars, roulette and a blackjack table, a cigar lounge, and a single-malt bar, all just for your pleasure! Sunday's race will be followed by cocktails and the Awards Celebration at Ochre Court, one of Newport's exquisite waterfront mansions.

## The Sponsors:



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