

THE BUCKET BOOK

A CELEBRATION OF MEGAYACHT RACING

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From its casual beginning in Nantucket in 1987 (with seven boats) to its most recent iteration in Newport and St. Barths (where nearly 60 mega-sailing yachts are vying for the right to race), Bucket Regattas have captured sailors' imagination in a way that no other event can begin to approach.

The Bucket has attracted a growing coterie of devoted participants and loyal sponsors and supporters from Nantucket to St. Barths to Newport. The Bucket Book celebrates 25 years of unique megayacht racing.

Alessandro Vitelli, veteran Bucket participant, and one time Race Committee Officer, offers us a view of how Bucket Racing is in a class by itself. The book includes historical perspective by Peter Goldstein, one of the original instigators of the Nantucket Bucket, as well as input from Nelson Doubleday's first captain, John Clyde-Smith, who also participated in the very first Bucket.

In addition, there are words presenting the Bucket by the Directors, Tim Laughridge, Hank Halsted, and Ian Craddock. A chapter on safety and technology is duly elucidating, and once and for all, Jim Teeters explains exactly how the rating system works. Interspersed throughout the book are quotes, comments, and reminiscences from yacht owners, crew, sponsors, and Bucket devotees.

Needless to say, the book allocates much of its space to spectacular images of the Bucket. After all, the allure of the Bucket lies in the beauty and majesty of the participants. A picture is indeed worth a thousand words, and photos of the Bucket will bring the event to life in ways that no prose can touch.

Front cover: The 115ft performance ketch Sojana seen from the 133ft classic schooner Altair.

Back cover: The magnificent fleet in St. Barths with spinnakers flying.

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