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2023 *St. Petersburg
Classic Regatta*
The Regatta for
Good Old Boats

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Commodore's Welcome

Penny Simone SPSA Commodore

One thing you quickly learn when you first start messing around with boats, especially good old boats, is that there is always another sailor around that will lend a hand or offer some sage advice when you need it. This innate sense of support reaches far beyond the docks and bays and into our broader community. On behalf of the St. Petersburg Sailing Association, I Welcome you to the 14th Edition of the Classic Regatta. This very celebrated event achieves two goals – bringing together classic sailboats (20 years or older) from around the region for a race on Tampa Bay and more importantly raising funds to support

the Meals on Wheels program in Pinellas County. Last year our sailing community raised \$58,000. Please support this year's Classic Regatta with your donations so that the Meals on Wheels program can continue to provide nutritious meals to the elderly as it has for nearly 60 years. See you out on the Bay.



SCHEDULE OF *Events*

Friday, October 20 | 4:00 - 7:30 PM

Welcome to Skippers - "Check-in Social" at SPYC

Saturday, October 21

7:30-9:30 AM Breakfast

11:30 AM Parade of Boats

10:00 AM Competitors Meeting

1:00 PM First Warning

5:30 PM Social Hour and Auction

6:00 PM Awards Banquet Begins



2023 Awards CATEGORIES

Sailboat Classes

Fun • Cruising • Spinnaker • Non-spinnaker

Motorboat Classes

These will be based on the number and types of entries

Special Recognition by Committee

- Distance traveled (sailed/trailerred)
- Oldest Boat
- Oldest Skipper
- Youngest Skipper
- Prettiest Boat
- Most Unique / Unusual Boat
- Most Stylish Crew
- and for other such considerations deemed worthy by the regatta committee



The Good Neighbor Perpetual Trophy

Awarded to the skipper that raises the most money for Meals on Wheels

Classic Regatta Committee

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REGATTA *History*

(Past Winners)

Year	Spinnaker	Non-Spinnaker	Cruising A	Cruising B	Fun Class	Most Beautiful Boat	Good Neighbor Award
2010	Missing Records						
2011	Shady Lady Steve Honour	Eclipse Ron Kinney	Elise Rose Tug Graves		Calcutta Joe Corey		Shady Lady Steve Honour
2012	Missing Records						Shady Lady Steve Honour
2013	Got Wood? Brent Carter	Sazerac Peter Watts	Antea Standa	Amelia Barry Fox			Shady Lady Steve Honour
2014	Family Circus Jay Tyson	Solitude David Wilson	Into The Mystic Mike Wessel	Seasearcher Charles Mixson	The Way Out Don Thomas	Woodwind Jay Wood	Shady Lady Steve Honour
2015	Moonraker Dick Ware	Solitude David Wilson	Fruition William P Gately	Impulse Bob Abberger	So Lo Li Russ Savela	Elsie Rose Tug Graves	Shady Lady Steve Honour
2016	Warrior Grant Dumas		Red Sky Charles Mixson			Warrior Grant Dumas	Shady Lady Steve Honour
2017	Missing Records					Woodwind Jay Wood	Shady Lady Steve Honour
2018	Tack Tick Mike Siedlecki	Mud Lark John Archard	Red Sky Charles Mixson		Jolly Mo Gene Weatherup	White Hawk Greg & Alice Petrat	S/V Jade Al Lima
2019	J Hawk Dave Arata	Hula Girl Steve Shortt	Surge Charles Archer			Chief Chad Ellard	Desiderata Richard Boler
2020	***** Race canceled high winds *****						S/V Jade Al Lima
2021	Tack Tick Josette & Andrew Malti Cheney	Fat Lady David Mendelblatt	Shazaam! Sean Motta		Tazz Wanda Bermudez	Mojo Mauro Harto	S/V Jade Al Lima
2022	Tack Tick Josette Malti	Cayennita III Antonio F. Sanpere	Koinonia II Garth Reynolds			Egret Daniel Mattox	S/V Jade Al Lima

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Good Neighbor AWARD



The Good Neighbor trophy is presented annually to the boat which raises the most money for Meals on Wheels. Initiated in the Classic's third year, 2012, it has now been awarded 11 times. The winner of the Good Neighbor Trophy in 2022 is Hula Girl II, skippered by Steve Shortt. Steve and his Hula Girls have been in the thick of the Good Neighbor Award for many years. However 2022 was the first year Steve captured the Good Neighbor Award. They say with a new boat comes good luck Hula Girl II, a 1995 Catalina 36, is Steve's new boat. In previous years Steve's Hula Girl was a Ranger 23. As a previous Commodore of the St Petersburg Sailing Association, serving from 2013 through 2016, Steve has been a guiding force and a stalwart competitor in the Classic Regatta for many years. The 2022 efforts of Hula Girl II's skipper, crew and sponsors placed a substantial \$4,910 into the coffers of Meals on Wheels.



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All of us at Neighborly Senior Care Network – clients, volunteers, donors – are humbled by the many years of support offered by the St. Petersburg Sailing Association and the St. Petersburg Yacht Club. Each year we look forward to the Classic Regatta and seeing the many skippers who have been with us since it was called ‘Good Old Boats for Good Old Folks’. Since I am now old enough to be a client, I like the switch from ‘Old’ to ‘Classic’.

The regatta preparation allows us to reach out to the community and tell our story. Compassionate people with a heart for seniors facing hunger and isolation responded and are sponsoring this event.

If we are lucky, we will all grow old one day. If we are especially fortunate, we will have a strong network of family and friends who will not forget us. We will live confidently that our basic needs will be met.

I cannot say that about all of the seniors we serve who are hungry and isolated. And that is a big reason why I do what I do. That’s true for our volunteers and donors, too.

You have helped Neighborly tremendously and I thank you. Your support is invigorating. Here’s to a great race!

With appreciation,

David

David Lomaka
Executive Director

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IT'S ALWAYS ABOUT *the Boats*

The Good Old Boat Regatta, aka the St Petersburg Classic Regatta, debuted in January 2010. Based on a novel idea of restricting entries to boats 20+ years old. A brainstorm of the St. Petersburg Sailing Association proved to be a good idea - 70 boats showed up for the inaugural event.

In 2012 the Regatta became a dedicated fundraiser for Neighborly's Meals on Wheels program. A theme was hatched, and "Good Old Boats Support Good Old Folks" raised \$2000.

Jumping to 2018, the regatta moved to September increasing boats to just over 30 and another \$30,000 raised. 2020 had us organizing around the perils of Covid-19. With winds a steady 25 and gusts way over 30, racing was canceled but support was truly amazing raising over \$27,000.

Covid mutated in 2021 and participation was down to 19, but great weather fueled a great day to race. Best of all sponsors, sailors, and donors came through raising a record \$55,000.

When the Classic was sailed in September of 2022, Covid was a fresh memory and most sailors were back on their boats. A full slate of activities were held and our sailing community and sponsors stayed with us. Participation began to recover, with 26 boats entering. Donations to Meals on Wheels stayed high, \$58,000.

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The total contribution raised over the years by the Classic Regatta for Meals on Wheels is now over \$260,000!
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So why has this event worked so well?

That's easy, it's the boats. What could be more enticing than spending a day in your old boat while admiring other fine vessels, partying afterward with the finest of all people (boaters), and the warm feeling in your heart after raising a boatload of money for a very worthy cause.

2022 MOST

Beautiful Boat

Egret is the 2022 Classic Regatta's Most Beautiful Boat. Egret fell into Daniel Mattox's hands as a gift from an uncle who had owned this classic 1967 Hinckley Pilot 35 for many years. His uncle wanted Egret to be taken care of and used. Since then Egret has been lovingly maintained. On the used side of things, Daniel left St Petersburg with his family shortly after the 2022 Classic. When last heard this cruising family had sailed over 1,400 nm and Egret was safely put away for the hurricane season in the Dominican Republic.

The original Hinckley Pilot was designed in 1945 by Aage Nielsen of Sparkman & Stevens. No boats were built until 1955 when S&S updated the design for Maine boat builder Henry Hinckley. Seven wooden boats known as the Pilot 35 were built. In 1962 Hinckley again asked for a redesign, this time for fiberglass production. This was S&S design No. 1727 and known as the Hinckley Pilot 35. From 1963 to 1975 one hundred and seventeen Pilots were built in the Hinckley yard at Southwest Harbor in Maine. Most 35s were built as masthead sloops. A tall rig for light wind conditions and yawls were options.

As described by Darrell Nicholson of Practical Sailor the Pilot was

Most remarkable for her beauty, this balanced, traditional-looking boat with a deeply curved sheer and plenty of overhang fore and aft has had a full life. Cruising widely, racing seriously, weekending and day sailing in most of the planet's best sailing grounds, she embodies that "wholesome, dual purpose ideal" that many sailors put at the heart of the sport.

The Pilot is very good looking. If there's a comment that echoes repeatedly from her owners it's "everyone says she's the prettiest boat in the harbor." Her design team combined a boldly curved sheer line, drawn-out ends, a jaunty aft-raked transom, and a straight but not severe houseline into a traditionally eye-pleasing package. She comes from a bygone era and her looks suggest the good old days "when boats were boats." She has some other timeless virtues, too and many owners and sailors in general appreciate her for her simplicity, integrity, and durability.

The Pilot 1940's heritage has low freeboard which can invite the occasional wave aboard, her ends are full and she is acceptably dry in most conditions.

Her short waterline and long overhangs shape drives a tendency to hobby horse in a heavy chop. Her long keel, though, moderates this motion. It's nothing like the snap-roll of modern fin keeled boats. By comparison she is much more comfortable in a seaway.

The Pilot's narrow beam while desirable as an easily driven hull, has design limitations below deck. The most common arrangement has 5 berths although both 4 and 6 berth versions have been made. All of which were designed to work in a narrow beam and long ends. In a seaway the grab rails are always close while elbow room is a bit scarce. In order to avoid the Clorox bottle interior found in many fiberglass designs, everything below is appears to be mahogany, at least on the surface. The sole exception being the cabin ceiling which is painted a smooth white. From the inside it is difficult to find the fiberglass underpinnings of this Hinckley design.

Most owners think their Pilots are very well-built. It is difficult to find anything less than highest remarks in terms of build quality. Don Danilek, compiler of the Pilot 35 Yearbook, says it succinctly "The Pilot's construction, like her design, is legendary. From the faired stemplate with its integral chocks and tack fitting to the integral flagstaff as part of the stainless stern pulpit, the Pilot is the epitome of quality construction." In the beginning of fiberglass construction, the limits of fiberglass were not well known. As a consequence of a sturdy design philosophy, Hinckley's were overbuilt.

Some owners have sailed their boats for 30 years or more, and when a Pilot comes on the used boat market today it's not likely to stay there long.. Often the boats fetch prices in excess of \$70,000.

A seaworthy and well built boat that holds its value is a comforting bit of knowledge when cruising with a young family.





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On behalf of our clients, volunteers, donors, staff, and board of directors, we thank you for your advocacy.

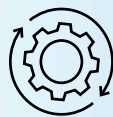




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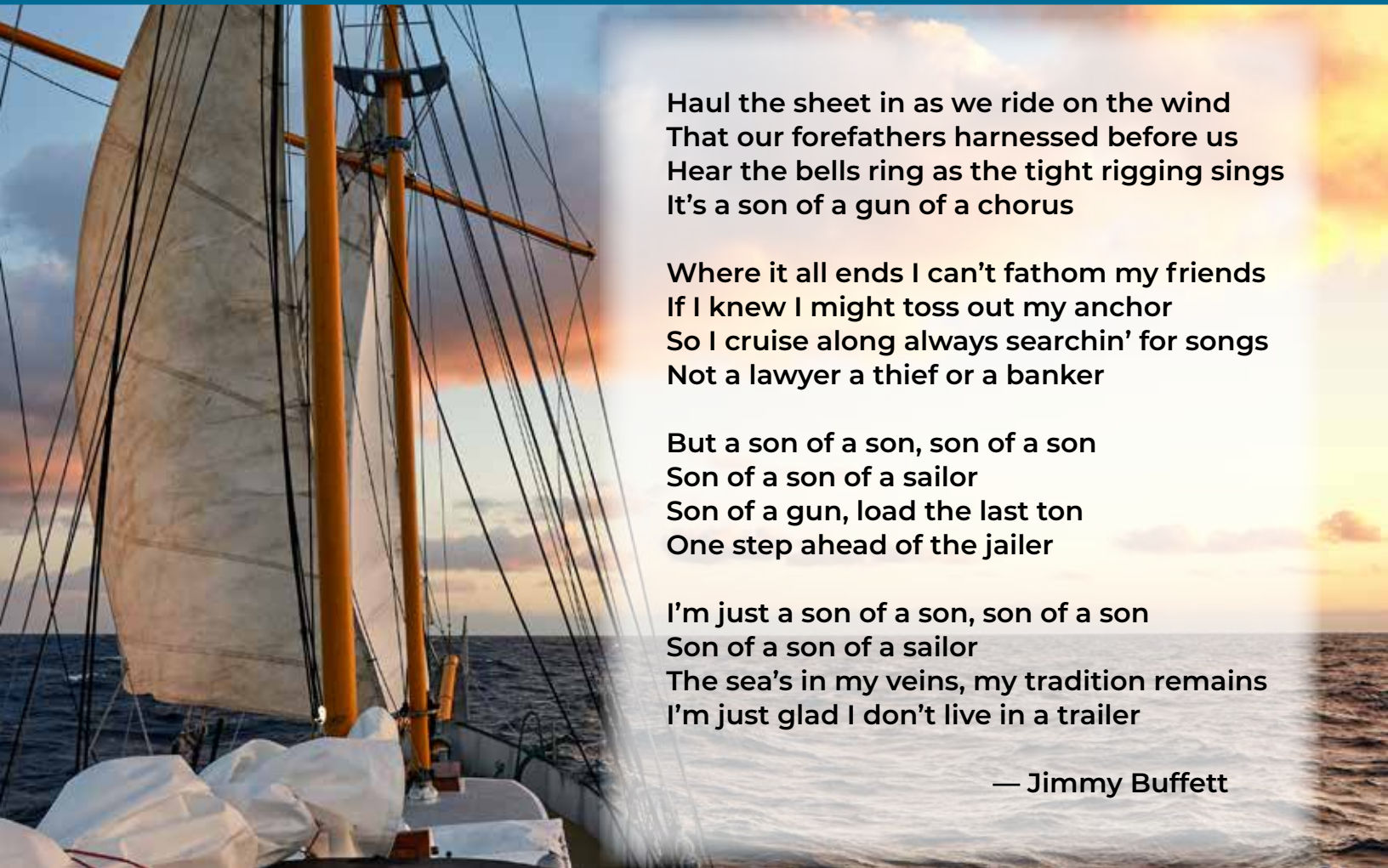
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Haul the sheet in as we ride on the wind
That our forefathers harnessed before us
Hear the bells ring as the tight rigging sings
It's a son of a gun of a chorus

Where it all ends I can't fathom my friends
If I knew I might toss out my anchor
So I cruise along always searchin' for songs
Not a lawyer a thief or a banker

But a son of a son, son of a son
Son of a son of a sailor
Son of a gun, load the last ton
One step ahead of the jailer

I'm just a son of a son, son of a son
Son of a son of a sailor
The sea's in my veins, my tradition remains
I'm just glad I don't live in a trailer

— Jimmy Buffett