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### **SAIL REPAIRS**

All sail repairs and evaluations are 15% off if brought in (or picked up) by October 30, 2009.

### **SAIL CLEANING**

Don't forget to get your sails in for winter cleaning beginning October 1 thru October 30 to receive a 10% discount off of all Sail Washing, Coating and Mildew Removal services.

Our unique service does not use harsh chemicals, agitation or heat and is safe for both Laminate and Woven sail materials and UV Covers. Your sail will come back looking as good as new, free of stains and mildew.

Our standard cleaning fee is \$3.50 per pound with a 15lb minimum; this also includes a basic check over and minor repair pair work.

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### **Reducing Weight Aloft**

by Eric Christensen

Want to have an advantage in your local fleet or class racing without breaking the bank and too much effort? So what's the easiest upgrade that you can do to your boat? Reduce weight aloft, thereby reducing pitching and increasing stiffness.

The average 25-50 foot PHRF boat is rigged with a trisect masthead rig with three forward halyards and a spinnaker pole topping lift. Implementing simple rigging changes aloft will lighten your boat, simplify crew work, and help you sail faster.

Most boats, believe it or not, are still equipped with wire-to-rope or oversized stretchy Dacron halyards. Wire has good strength and low stretch, but simply weighs too much and is tough on

the hands when it gets older. A great alternative to wire halyards is Spectra or Vectran halyards. These halyards offer low weight and high strength. Initially they may stretch a little more than wire as you bring them up to working load, but have very good chafe resistance and long life thanks in part to modern coatings that are applied to the line during the manufacturing process. Spectra and Vectran are readily available in sizes from 1/16" to 7/16". (If chafe is a concern, we can build a rope halyard with a four to six foot sacrificial cover made from Kevlar or Spectra at the sheave area.) The weight savings of the finished all rope halyard will be nearly half of that old wire-to-rope halyard.

For example, a 3/16" 7x19 wire that weighs .065 lb/ft. could be replaced by a 3/16" Yale Ultrex line that weighs only 0.011lb/ft. Or, a 1/4" 7x19 wire that weighs .11 lbs/ft. can be replaced by a 1/4" Yale Vectrus at only .022 lb/ft! We recommend Vectran 12 strand and cored lines for Main and Headsail Halyards where no stretch is a must and Spectra 12 Strand or cored lines for Spinnaker or Wing Halyards where lightweight is more of a concern. Vectran has proven durable in stripped cover applications, but is not as abrasion resistant as Spectra and is also susceptible to UV degradation so you might want to consider running your stripped covered rigging up to the top of the mast when not using the boat.

Want to reduce weight even more? Reduce the number of halyards aloft. Replace your centerline genoa halyard with a line almost half the diameter. Use this as your masthead based topping lift. The diameter of the line depends on the halyard load and the breaking strength of the Spectra or Vectran. (For example, if your genoa halyard is 7/16", try a 1/4 or 3/16" size line instead.) Now remove the old topping lift and sheave box from the mast entirely. Re-moving the sheave box will leave a hole in the mast, but an average sheave for a 30-footer weighs about a pound.} Now you have a two-halyard system: One for the spinnaker and the other for the genoa, and a topping lift that won't interfere with the leech of the jib before and after a set. This system not only lightens your rig, but is less confusing, with fewer lines to grab.

Want to further lighten up? Replace the main halyard with a 2:1 main halyard system with line two sizes smaller than the tail of your main halyard. This requires drilling a hole through the masthead crane to dead-end the halyard. Pin the dead-end of the halyard with a clevis pin, and add a block to your headboard. We suggest using a block with a working load that is similar to the breaking strength of the line that you are using.

Implementing all three methods on an average 30-footer could save you between 20-26 pounds! The cost of rigging your boat with Spectra or Vectran line will be only 15-30 percent more than your old wire-to-rope halyards. Give us a call today if you are considering upgrading your boats running rigging.

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## **US SAILING'S 2009 Rolex International Women's Keelboat Championship**

### **Anna Tunnicliffe Captures First Title - Day 4 Report, Final**

Rochester, N.Y., USA (October 10, 2009) - Anna Tunnicliffe (Plantation, Fla.) and her team of Molly O'Bryan Vandemoer (Redwood City, Calif.), Liz Bower (Rochester, N.Y.) and Debbie Capozzi (Bayport, N.Y.) have won US SAILING's 2009 Rolex International Women's Keelboat Championship. Racing took place at the Rochester Yacht Club October 7-10, 2009. At the gala Rolex Awards ceremony held this evening at the RYC, Tunnicliffe and her team

were awarded US SAILING's perpetual Bengt Julin Trophy and a Rolex Oyster Perpetual Stainless Steel & Gold Datejust presented by Jaimie Carlsen of Rolex Watch U.S.A.

"We're very excited," said Tunnicliffe, Olympic Gold Medalist and a member of the US Sailing Team AlphaGraphics, moments after returning the dock. "We wanted to win this event for a while and finally we've done it. We're super psyched!" Both Vandemoer and Capozzi also are members of US Sailing Team AlphaGraphics.

After yesterday's disappointing day off from racing, due to lack of suitable wind conditions, the fleet was anxious to get out onto the Lake Ontario race course. With only one day of racing and three races completed, Tunnicliffe lead the 35-boat fleet with a narrow two-point margin over Jennifer Provan (Toronto, Ontario, CAN). The final standings would come down to today, the final day schedule for racing. The RYC Race Committee, lead by Principal Race Officer Hank Stuart, took advantage of today's spectacular conditions - 15-18 knots of wind - and held three races.

"We were really happy about our first day," continued Tunnicliffe, 2008 Rolex Yachtswoman of the Year. "None of us have fleet raced for at least two months, and we are all a bit rusty in our fleet race tactics. Once we got a chance to get our heads around the tactics, we got locked in and dialed in, and we did really, really well."

Her team's five-race score line was 3-6-1-1-1 and with an unbeatable margin they decided not to participate in the final race. "It's one of those big decisions, do you race or do you not? We felt we wanted to stay out of everyone's way. We knew it was close for second (place), so thought we would stay out of the way and not influence anything."

The final race, with 10-12 knots of wind, was won by Nicole Breault (Old Lyme, Conn.) with Amanda Taselaar (Scarsdale, N.Y.) in second and Carol Cronin (Jamestown, R.I.) in third.

"It was so nice to have good breeze," said Breault. "The wave action made the shifty-ness really about boat speed, and we finally started to click as a team. It felt really good and the day was great. We wish there were a couple more days of racing, but that's the way it goes."

Second overall was Cory Sertl, who counts this regatta as her 11th (including two wins in 1985 and 2001). She clearly relished having the regatta on her home waters at her home club. "It was really fun sailing and great to be out there," said Sertl, a two-time Rolex Yachtswoman of the Year. Her 'Team Lucy' included Annemarie Cook, Jane Mastrandrea and Amy Moran. Sertl's and Moran's daughters, Katja and Merritt, sailed together. They finished 13th overall. "They did just fine," continued a beaming Sertl. "They were really fast today off the starting line and held it for a really long time. Their speed was awesome today."

For Cronin, who won the regatta in 1991 as crew, her overall third place finish is satisfying. According to Cronin, who marks this regatta as her ninth, her results were starting to look like a terrible trend. "I won this event in 1999," she said. "I was second in 2001, third in '03, fourth in '05, and that was my goal, to break the curse."

"We had a great day today," continued Cronin of her 'Team Spidey,' Kim Couranz, Margaret Podich and Kate Fears. "We worked really well together, and I thought it was a challenging day of sailing because the waves were ahead of the breeze." Three teams finished the regatta tied on points - Cronin, Dominique Provoyeur (Cape Town, South Africa) and Jennifer Provan.

A count back system, detailed in the sailing instructions, was used to break the tie, putting Provoyeur into fourth and Provan in fifth.

"We can't really be too disappointed," said Provoyeur, who has competed in this regatta four times. "The fourth is our best result yet, but obviously when you are so close you think what could have gone better. I woke up this morning a little anxious for the final day of racing and knowing there was a bit on. There was breeze and we were in a position close to first. We tried to take the attitude that we want to go sailboat racing, but the wind was up and the swell was bigger than what we had had. We tried to start well and see what would happen, really one race at a time." Provoyeur sailed with Louise Meek, Tiffany Baring-Gould and Saskia Butcher.

Rounding out the top 10 teams: Jennifer Provan (CAN) in fifth, Marieke Poulie (Maarssen, NED) in sixth, Amanda Taselaar (Scarsdale, N.Y.) in seventh, Breault in eighth, JoAnn Fisher (Annapolis, Md.) in ninth and Kaitlin Storck (Huntington, N.Y.).

Until this regatta, Tunnicliffe had held the record as the youngest competitor, having set the mark as a 14-year-old skipper in 1997. At that time, she confided that one day she would win the regatta. "I always thought it would be cool to do really well one day," she said. "This is my fifth time sailing the regatta, my fourth time skippering it. We were getting to the point that we need to get up there sometime soon. I'm happy we sailed really well together and did so well. I have a

fabulous crew. Debbie, Molly and Liz sailed together a few times before, and the chemistry has worked perfectly. It makes my life so easy on the race course and they make me look really good."

The 2011 Rolex International Women's Keelboat Championship will be held at the Rochester Yacht Club.

#### **Rochester Yacht Club, J/22 (35 boats) Series Standing - 6 races scored**

Pos, Bow/Sail, Boat, Skipper, Hometown, Country, Yacht Club, Results, Total Points

1. 14 / USA 1326, , Anna Tunnicliffe, Plantation, Florida, USA, Plantation FL, 3-6-1-1-1-[36/DNS]- ; 12
2. 42 / USA 1466, Lucy, Cory Sertl, Rochester, NY, USA, Rochester NY, [13]-1-5-5-4-7- ; 22
3. 12 / USA 1501, , Carol Cronin, JAMESTOWN, RI, USA, Jamestown RI, [11]-8-10-2-2-3- ; 25T
4. 21 / RSA 1542, , Dominique Provoyeur, Koelenhof, WC, RSA, kodlenhof WC, [10]-2-2-4-8-9- ; 25T
5. 24 / CAN 1421, Sunrise, Jennifer Provan, Toronto, ON, CAN, Toronto ONT, 6-3-3-7-[15]-6- ; 25T
6. 35 / NED 1141, , Marieke Poulie, Maarssen, N.A., NED, Maarssen N.A., 2-11-[17]-6-6-4- ; 29
7. 27 / USA 585, Donder, Amanda Taselaar, Scarsdale, NY, USA, \*\*\*, 9-5-6-10-[10]-2- ; 32
8. 34 / USA 1060, Leading Edge, Nicole Breault, Old Lyme, Connecticut, USA, Old Lyme CT, 12-10-[16]-8-3-1- ; 34
9. 18 / USA 1586, , JoAnn Fisher, Annapolis, MD, USA, Annapolis MD, [17]-4-8-3-5-15- ; 35
10. 26 / USA 1589, , Kaitlin Storck, Huntington, NY, USA, Huntington NY, 1-12-4-16-[18]-11- ; 44
11. 38 / USA 1098, Instigator, Donna Faust, Webster, NY, USA, Webster NY, 4-9-15-19-7-[19]- ; 54
12. 45 / USA 54, Thunder Chicken, Kiki Werner, Rochester, NY, USA, Rochester NY, 8-16-14-15-[20]-5- ; 58
13. 44 / USA 489, , Merritt Moran, Pittsford, NY, USA, \*\*\*, 19-[25]-9-11-13-12- ; 64T
14. 11 / USA 1464, Dogs Playing Pool, Julie Sitzmann, Severna Park, MD, USA, Severna Park MD, 15-14-12-9-14-[17]- ; 64T
15. 20 / USA 1536, Hot Ticket, Sandy Adzick, Haverford, PA, USA, Haverford PA, 7-19-[27]-14-12-13- ; 65
16. 33 / CAN980, Double Dueuce, Katie Coleman Nicoll, Etobicoke, Ontario, CAN, Etobicoke ONT, [24]-7-22-21-11-8- ; 69
17. 17 / CAN 978, Prudence, Felicity Clarke, Toronto, Ontario, CAN, Toronto ONT, [25]-15-20-12-9-14- ; 70
18. 15 / USA 1058, HeySue, Susan McDowell, Bay Village, OH, USA, Bay Village OH, 5-20-13-18-21-[36/DSQ]- ; 77
19. 16 / USA 1470, Sundog, Kathy Parks, Shady Side, MD, USA, Shady Side MD, 22-13-[30]-17-24-10- ; 86
20. 13 / CAN 789, TBD, Marg Hurley, Ottawa, Ontario, CAN, Ottawa Ont, 14-[28]-11-23-22-21- ; 91
21. 29 / USA 881, Virago, Nicolie Hendrickson, Orono, MN, USA, Orono MN, 16-[27]-21-22-16-18- ; 93

22. 39 / USA 354, Lola, Sarah Enwright, Rochester, NY, USA, Rochester NY, [27]-18-24-13-17-23- ; 95T
23. 23 / USA 204, , Susan Taylor, Los Angeles, CA, USA, Los Angeles CA, 20-17-18-20-[23]-20- ; 95T
24. 31 / USA 1023, , Jennifer Warnock, KANEHOE, HAWAII, USA, Kaneohe HI, 21-24-7-24-[25]-22- ; 98
25. 28 / USA 1090, Stellar Jay, Susan Mattis Turnham, Duluth, MN, USA, Duluth MN, 23-23-19-[25]-19-16- ; 100
26. 22 / USA 238, Eve n Keeled, Jennifer Grant, Destin, FL, USA, Destin FL, [31]-26-25-26-26-25- ; 128
27. 36 / USA 1065, , Caroline McNally, Castine, ME, USA, Castine ME, 29-22-[31]-28-29-24- ; 132
28. 41 / USA 745, Discovery, Lisa Smith, Rochester, NY, USA, Rochester NY, 30-[33]-28-29-27-27- ; 141
29. 32 / USA 1081, Cayenne, Debby Grimm, New Orleans, LA, USA, New Orleans LA, 18-29-23-36/DNS-36/DNS-[36/DNS]- ; 142
30. 40 / USA 1420, Restless, Carolyn Bick, Pittsford, NY, USA, Pittsford NY, 28-31-29-27-[31]-29- ; 144
31. 25 / CAN 948, TinkerBell, Femke Le Duc, Hudson, Quebec, CAN, Hudson Quebec, [33]-30-32-31-28-28- ; 149
32. 37 / USA 987, Traffic, Kelly Stremmel, Canastota, NY, USA, Canastota NY, 32-32-[34]-30-30-26- ; 150
33. 30 / USA 317, Frosty, Susan Korzeniewski, Liverpool, New York, USA, Liverpool NY, 26-21-33-36/DNF-36/DNS-[36/DNS]- ; 152
34. 19 / USA 75, , Patricia Bazan, San Diego, CA, USA, San Diego CA, 34-34-26-36/DNS-36/DNS-[36/DNS]- ; 166
35. 43 / USA 857, Buzzard, Janice Ziobrowski, Rochester, NY, USA, Rochester NY, 35-35-35-36/DNS-36/DNS-[36/DNS]- ; 177

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