# Racing



This year's 25th Annual Juana Good Time Regatta did not disappoint. More than 120 vessels registered, painting the Santa Rosa Sound into a sailor's dream. Beach cats, windsurfers, and multihull cruisers lined the beach for Saturday and Sunday's races, making this a record-breaking event.

We've come a long way since 1990, when we were excited to have 25 multihulls attend. Over the years, Juana's Pagoda has been rebuilt and expanded into Juana's Pagodas/Sailors Grill, a friendly water-front complex, complete with gift shop, beach water-sports, lit volleyball courts, a dance club and event hall. Plus, a fine county boat ramp with floating dock and

rectly next-door. And as the years tick by, this regatta just keeps getting better and more fun! Over half the registrants towed their boats from outside of the local area, coming from places like Alabama, Texas, Mississippi, and even as far north as Ohio and Illinois!

Most sailors pre-registered online this year, although Friday night's "Late Registration/Smooth Sailing" party added another 30+ participants. Old friends and new

drank ice-cold Coronas, enjoyed

Saturday's early-morning rainstorms let up before 9am continental breakfast, and by 10 am skipper's meeting, conditions were looking quite favorable for completing the distance course towards Pensacola Beach.

Over-cast skies and 10-12kt breezes prevailed, and the race was on! The Sound looked to be covered in butterflies as the beach cats fluttered into position, shortly followed by the big cruising cats. On the beach, the WAVE timed racers as well as the windsurfers were beginning their competitions as well. And by 3pm, all the boats were back to the beach, enjoying a cold one and sharing stories of their distance race adventures.

Sailors' Grill's BBQ hit the spot after a long day on the water, and plenty of lucky sailors heard their names called to receive one of many great prizes donated by local businesses—weekend on the beach, bottles of liquor, gift certificates, t-shirts/hats.... More dancing on the deck ensued.

Sunshine, nice breezes, and triangle racing were the order of the day

## **Cruisers**

Jay and Tami Klassen, "Avigaa" Catana 40S

2nd: Karl and Doti Marusak, "Spider Crab" Gemini 105MC

3rd: Steve Rudzki, "Cat's Away" Gemini 105M

# **Hobie WAVE**

1st: Mike Pederson 2nd: Jason Knoll

3rd: Cole Kariher

## **Hobie WAVE timed**

1st: Matthew Buys

2nd: Tom Pelczynski

3rd: Diane Pelczynski



Sunday. One race team may disagree that Sunday was a perfect day.

Karl Renelt and Bridget Precise, Santa Rosa Island, Florida, got T-Boned at the start of Sunday's races. Fortunately, Karl, a veteran racer, (sailed in this race for the past 20 years!) managed to navigate to safety without so much as a drop of water getting into the gaping hole in his hull!). But for the rest of the sailors, it was a splendid day.

#### Hobie-16

1st: Ron and Isabella Gaston 2nd: Brian and Jessica Lambert 3rd: Jerome and Jane Vaughn

#### X Class

1st: Linda Wright – WETA

2nd: John Kidder - Hobie WAVE

3rd: Earnest Langford and Savannah Johnson

#### Y Class

1st: Randy Smyth - A-Cat 18'

2nd: Michael McNeir & Krista Vind

- Hobie 20

3rd: Rundell Curtis & Kevin Smith

- Hobie 20

Rumbling bellies were satiated with more Sailors' Grill BBO as well as 6' subs

donated from our local sub shop All American Heroes. A few additional door prizes and finally the trophy presentation rounded up the weekend events as sun-burned, smiling racers promised to do it all over again next year, the weekend AFTER Labor Day weekend, 2016.

Please visit <a href="http://www.juanas-pagodas.com/RegattaNews.htm">http://www.juanas-pagodas.com/RegattaNews.htm</a> for more regatta photos, videos, and info

## Z Class

1st: Kirk Newkirk and Glenn Holms 2nd: Andy and Renee Humphries 3rd: John Meeks and Ken Arthur

### Nacra 20

1st: Scott Beach & Alex Efre-Perez 2nd: Joseph and Joey Pocreva 3rd: Terry and Rick Loewen

# F-18 Trimarans

1st: David and Kathy Ingram

2nd: Dick and Linda MacDonald

3rd: Michael Aregood and

Alissa Miller

For full race results, click here