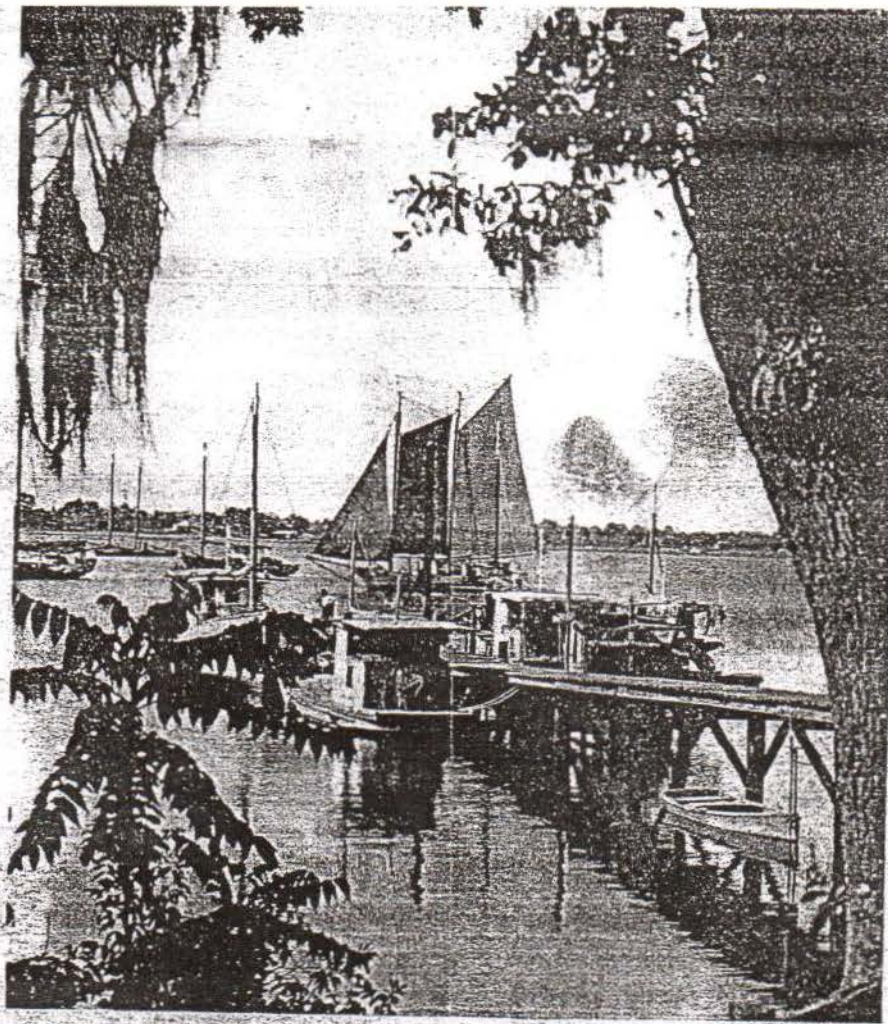


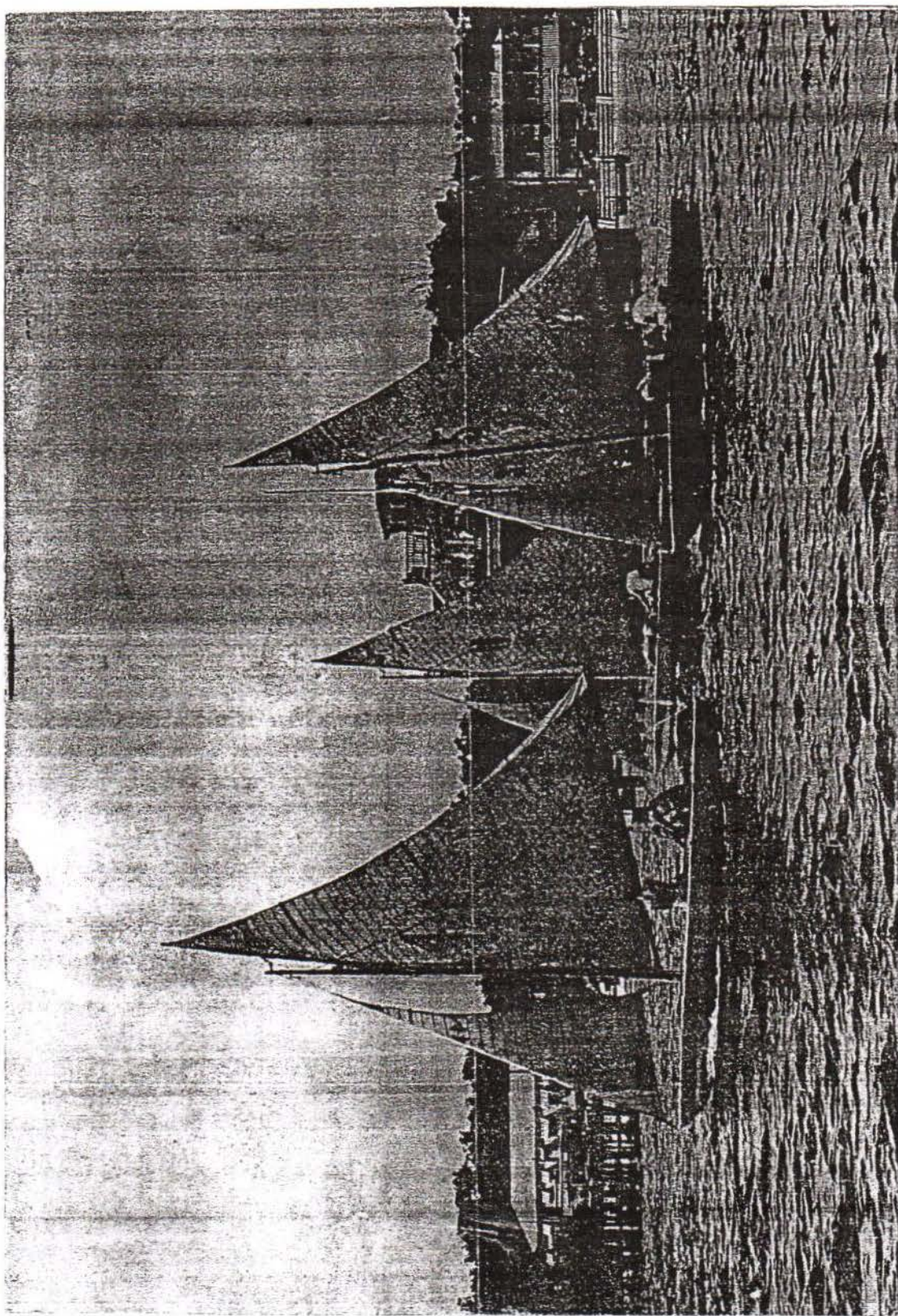
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Beautiful Back Bay

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The  
Biloxi Yacht Club  
*Presents the*  
**GULF YACHTING ASSOCIATION**  
Thirty-fifth Annual Regatta  
*for the*  
**Sir THOMAS LIPTON CHALLENGE TROPHY**  
1954



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## GULF YACHTING ASSOCIATION

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SOUTHERN YACHT CLUB  
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NEW ORLEANS, LA.

WELCOME!

At this, the 35th. Anniversary of the Sir Thomas Lipton Cup Races, it is my pleasure to welcome you, on behalf of the Gulf Yachting Association, and indeed it is a pleasure.

On this occasion each year quite a few of us greet friends who we have not seen since the last Lipton Cup Races, we renew old acquaintances and make new ones. This is the Mecca of sailing in the South, where all interested in the sport gather. You yachtsmen, your families, and your friends come from many miles to participate in and witness this event - proof plenty that Yachting is here to stay on the Gulf of Mexico.

The G. Y. A., the pioneer Yachting Association in the South, is expanding its field of operations and will continue to do so, but nothing in sight will overshadow this, the Lipton Fish Class Regatta.

Congratulations to all the Officers and Members of the Biloxi Yacht Club who have worked so hard to make this Regatta the success it is - thanks for a Job Well Done.

Again welcome to all of you - and best wishes for good weather, good sailing, and a good time.

Sincerely,

ARTHUR B. TIPPING  
President  
GULF YACHTING ASSOCIATION

# OFFICIALS OF THE GULF YACHTING ASSOCIATION



WILTON B. DUNCAN, SR.  
Vice President  
St. Andrews Bay Yacht Club



ARTHUR B. TIPPING  
President  
Pass Christian Yacht Club



J. ALVIN WEINFURTER  
Secretary-Treasurer  
Bay-Waverland Yacht Club

## MEMBER YACHT CLUBS OF THE GULF YACHTING ASSOCIATION

Name	First year of Lipton Cup Competition	Lipton Cup Regatta at
Bay-Waveland Yacht Club (1949)	1949	Southern
Biloxi Yacht Club (1920)**	1922	Mobile (Eastern Shore) Magnolia Beach
Buccaneer Yacht Club (1933)	1933	St. Petersburg
Davis Island Yacht Club (1953) *	None	None
Fairhope Yacht Club (1944)	1944	
Gulfport Yacht Club (1934)	1934	Pensacola
Mobile Yacht Club **	1921	
(Eastern Shore 1920)	(Eastern Shore)	Pensacola
New Orleans Yacht Club (1952)	None	None
Pass Christian Yacht Club (1926)	1937	Gulfport
Pensacola Yacht Club (1920) **	1920	Southern
Sarasota Yacht Club (1927)	1927	St. Petersburg
Shreveport Yacht Club (1952) *	None	None
St. Andrews Bay Yacht Club (1935)	1935	Mobile
St. Petersburg Yacht Club (1923)	1923	Southern
Southern Yacht Club (1920)**	1920	Southern

(Note \* Not eligible for Lipton Cup Races)

\*\* Charter Members

GULF YACHTING ASSOCIATION



LIPTON BOARD OF APPEALS

	Term Expires
Leslie P. Beard of Southern, Chairman.....	1958
Al D. Strum of St. Petersburg.....	1957
Fred W. Clarke of Buccaneer.....	1956
Jos. F. Marques, Jr. of Pensacola.....	1955
Jack E. Kerrigan of Pass Christian.....	1959

G.Y.A. RACE COMMITTEE

Curtis P. Sinkhorn.....	Biloxi Yacht Club
W. B. Harris.....	Mobile Yacht Club
Dr. Howard F. Rees.....	St. Petersburg Yacht Club
Harry Whittman.....	Pass Christian Yacht Club
Henry B. Chapman.....	Bay-Waveland Yacht Club

BOAT INSPECTION COMMITTEE

George P. Hopkins, Jr., Chairman.....	Gulfport Yacht Club
Thomas Cecil Kemp.....	Biloxi Yacht Club
J. W. Terrell.....	Pass Christian Yacht Club

WELCOME

TO

THE



BILOXI

YACHT

CLUB

For the second consecutive year the Biloxi Yacht Club Officers and Members will enjoy the extreme pleasure of being your host for the Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge Regatta.

Our Regatta Committee has made every effort to make this 35th Annual Regatta an enjoyable and memorable occasion for visiting Yachtsmen, their families and their friends.

Welcome aboard, make yourself completely at home, and join us in wishing all challenging Clubs fair weather, good breezes and close competition.

Most sincerely

*Victor B. Pringle*  
VICTOR B. PRINGLE  
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Rear Commodore

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Social Secretary

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Joe Creel  
Dr. Harry J. Schmidt

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REGATTA COMMITTEE

Alf Dantzler )  
Thomas C. Kemp ) Co-Chairmen

House Committee.....Vernon Pringle  
Race Committee.....Curtis P. Sinkhorn  
Fleet Captain .....W. P. Kennedy, Jr.  
Fleet Surgeon .....Dr. Harry J. Schmidt  
Entertainment.....Estelle Wilkes & Dave Ballard  
Bar Committee.....John B. Joyce  
Registration Committee.....Dr. Eldon Bolton & Mrs. W. P. Kennedy, Jr.  
Publicity Committee.....Cosman Eisendrath  
Harbor Committee.....Jacinto B. Baltar & Fred B. Ferson  
Reservations .....L. V. Pringle  
Communications.....A. C. KcKinney  
Junior Committee.....Walter Seymour & Bert Holland

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER THIRD

- 2:00 p.m. Registration
- 8:00 p.m. Informal Gathering at Club



### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER FOURTH

- 9:00 a.m. Meeting G.Y.A. Official Race Committee-Top Deck
- 9:30 a.m. Meeting of Team Captains
- 10:30 a.m. Fish Class Chairmen's Meeting
- 11:00 a.m. Instructions and Inspection of Course for Skippers, Judges and Timers.
- 11:30 a.m. Semi-annual Meeting of Officers and Representatives of Gulf Yachting Association
- 1:30 p.m. Team Captains submit Personnel for First Race
- 2:00 p.m. Drawing for Boats
- 3:00 p.m. Start of First Race
- 9:00 p.m. Informal Lipton Regatta Dance  
The Deck - Buena Vista Hotel.

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER FIFTH

- 8:00 a.m. Team Captains submit Personnel for Second Race
- 8:30 a.m. Drawing for Boats
- 9:30 a.m. Start of Second Race
- 12:30 p.m. Official Luncheon for G.Y.A. Officials, Skippers and Crews
- 1:30 p.m. Team Captains submit Personnel for Third Race
- 2:00 p.m. Drawing for Boats
- 3:00 p.m. Start of Third Race
- 8:00 to 12:00 p.m. Informal Dance at Club - Selection of Miss G.Y.A. at 9:30 p.m.

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER SIXTH

- 8:00 a.m. Team Captains submit Personnel for Fourth Race
- 8:30 a.m. Drawing for Boats
- 9:00 a.m. Start of Fourth Race

Following the Fourth Race

Presentation of Lipton Trophy and the Capdeville Memorial Trophy.

Presentation of Individual Trophies and Introduction of  
INTRODUCTION OF TEAM PERSONNEL AND  
OFFICERS OF WINNING CLUB

### Captain Dave Witherill



Cap'n Dave

With most sincere regret, it was learned that Cap'n Dave will not be on this year's Pensacola Yacht Club Lipton Team, due to a recent fall that resulted in a broken hip. Cap'n Dave has skippered in all previous Fish Class Liptons and his extraordinary ability as a skipper and his proven good sportmanship have been the main topic of many a bull session rehashing past Lipton Regattas.

We take great pleasure in calling your attention to some of the highlights of Cap'n Dave's enviable record as an outstanding Gulf Coast Yachtsman and a truly great Southern Gentleman.

Cap'n Dave was born in Fon Du Lac, Wisconsin, moving to St. Andrews Bay at the age of 12 where he learned to sail, as it was the only means of transportation. In 1894 Cap'n Dave designed and built a 26' sail boat that was for years the fastest boat on St. Andrews Bay.

Cap'n Dave moved to Pensacola in 1902 and built and operated a passenger and freight boat between Pensacola and Fort Walton. In 1908 the Pensacola Yacht Club was organized with Cap'n Dave as a charter member. This same year he entered the marine supply business.

Cap'n Dave became interested in the Fish Class when the first boats were built and skippered in the first Lipton Regatta in 1920, which was won by Pensacola Yacht Club. He skippered for Pensacola in every Lipton through 1953 and was largely responsible for Pensacola winning the Championship eight times and tying twice with Southern Yacht Club.

Two outstanding accomplishments of Cap'n Dave's skippering during Lipton Regattas occurred at St. Petersburg. In 1927 Cap'n Dave (under the old rules) skippered in three sixteen boat races and amassed a total of 44 points out of a possible 48 points. In 1933 the last race of the Lipton's was sailed in the face of an approaching hurricane. The Fish boats were double-reefed, however gusts of hurricane force were too much for the competition and Cap'n Dave won by a big margin, only one other boat actually finishing the race before capsizing. After crossing the finish line, Cap'n Dave nonchalantly came-about, sailed back to the harbor and rounded up in the proper slip. He always enjoyed a little breeze!

Cap'n Dave's 34 successful years in Fish Class competition have clearly demonstrated his uncanny sailing ability, which is greatly admired. He is even more esteemed by fellow yachtsmen for his proven perfect sportsmanship, his unfailing good humor and his warm friendship. In fact, in these qualities, Cap'n Dave is equalled only by his dear wife, Ruth, who is known by all as Cap'n Dave's staunchest supporter.



# PAST PRESIDENTS OF THE GULF YACHTING ASSOCIATION

1920	J. H. Cross of Pensacola	1st President
1921	Byrd Enochs of Biloxi	2nd President
1921	J. P. Moore of Biloxi	3rd President
1922	H. Falk of Houston	4th President
1923	E. G. Quina of Pensacola	5th President
1924	W. Milton Miller of Southern	6th President
1925	A. L. Gandy of St. Petersburg	7th President
1926	Ed. B. Overton of Eastern Shore	8th President
1927	J. M. Kinabrew, Sr. of Southern	9th President
1928-29	J. S. Bonner of Houston	10th President
1930	A. Clarke of Sarasota	11th President
1931-35	R. G. Patterson of Pensacola	12th President
1936-39	Auguste Capdevielle of Southern	13th President
1940-41	H. Hilton Green of Pensacola	14th President
1942-43	Leslie P. Beard of Southern	15th President
1944-45	F. B. Wood of St. Andrews Bay	16th President
1946	Wallace Chapman of Biloxi	17th President
1947	Thomas P. Kroutter of Mobile	18th President
1948	George P. Hopkins of Gulfport	19th President
1949	G. W. Rifley of St. Petersburg	20th President
1950	Fred W. Clarke of Buccaneer	21st President
1951	Cal Weiss of Mobile	22nd President
1952	Eugene Taylor of Pensacola	23rd President
1953	J. Gilbert Scheib of Southern	24th President

(In 1946 the G.Y.A. voted to prohibit a G.Y.A. President succeeding himself in office, so as to afford recognition towards the candidacy of others.)

## WINNERS OF THE CHALLENGE TROPHY

1920 Pensacola Yacht Club  
1921 Eastern Shore Yacht Club  
1922 Southern Yacht Club, tied  
with Pensacola Yacht Club  
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1928 Mobile Yacht Club  
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1934 Buccaneer Yacht Club  
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1937 Biloxi Yacht Club  
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tied with Southern Yacht Club  
1946 St. Petersburg Yacht Club  
1947 St. Andrews Bay Yacht Club  
1948 Gulfport Yacht Club  
1949 Pensacola Yacht Club  
1950 St. Andrews Bay Yacht Club  
1951 St. Petersburg Yacht Club  
1952 Biloxi Yacht Club  
1953 Biloxi Yacht Club



## Officers - Committees - Crews -- G.

CLUBS	BAY WAVELAND	BILLOKI	BUCCANEER	FAIRBOPE	GULFPORT	MOBILE
COMMODORE	Norman A. Renshaw	Victor B. Pringle	Joseph W. Hall	Hoyt Greenbury	Sam Mills	L. G. Beauvais, Jr.
CHAIRMAN, FISH-CLASS COMMITTEE	Leo W. Seal, Jr.	Curtis P. Sinkhorn	George Kunkle H.B. Whaley, GTA N. 1213.	Martin Berglin	Vincent Al Smoo E. L. Howell (Alt.)	Warren Harris
TEAM CAPTAIN	Carroll Gordon	W. P. Kennedy, Jr.	Rudolph Nordmann	Preston O'Connor	Dr. G. C. Lewis, Jr.	Hobby Hankins
TIMER	Cyril Glover	Joe Greel	Freder Plegger	Charles Gey	H. D. Larson	G. E. Moore, Sr.
JUDGE	J. E. Erwin	Bert Holland	T. P. McAdelle	Jack Bonnell	J. R. McNamee	W. J. McDonnell
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ALTERNATE SKIPPER	Glen Coward Leo W. Seal, Jr. Elliot Coward Henry B. Chapman	T. C. Kemp Joyce Fountain A. F. Dentler, Jr. Dr. E. L. Bolton	Sam Saunders B. S. Brown Ben Mayfield W. R. Davis	Preston O'Connor Milton Hudson A. J. Koppersmith R. O. Gerson	Dr. G. C. Lewis, Jr. Vincent Al Smoo	L. G. Beauvais, Jr. Billy McQuillen Dr. Howard Walker, Jr.
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## Y. A. 35th Annual Lipton Regatta

NEW ORLEANS	PASS CHRISTIAN	PENSACOLA	SARASOTA	ST. ANDREWS BAY	ST. PETERSBURG	SOUTHERN
B. J. Lawrence, Sr.	J. E. Kerrigan	Asa P. Ward	Gerald E. Ludwig	A. R. Rogers	George Pearson	James G. Gibbons
Notie D. Alfonso, Sr.	J. W. Terrell Lynn Cook	J. R. Robidoux Angus McMillan, Sr.	Edward G. Cooke	E. J. Quigley	Homer Allen	James Jamason
Joe Young	Shannon Pickich	Angus McMillan, Sr.	Charles R. Walpole	B. Pope	Sam Cary	David Drown
Jules Martin	Jack Lang	William Lutton, Sr.	Jack Birket	E. E. Brewton	Dr. & Mrs. Howard Rees	Dixon R. Smith
James Valliant &	Bill Van Landingham	RaeLou Witherill M. O. Anderson	David Lindsey	F. B. Wood	Dr. & Mrs. Howard Rees	J. Gilbert Scheib, Sr.
Joe Young Jerry Thorn Tom Roscoe-Trenchard John Ballatin	T. A. "Snuffy" Schmidt Sidney Ellis John G. Garren J. W. "Tip" Terrell	Albert Rosasco Doug Heard Nat Rotureau Marge Rotureau	Edward G. Cooke Averia L. Hardisty Bitch Roberts Joan Tonstall	L. Darby F. Davis J. Bennett J. Laird	L. C. Schow Don Jordan G. W. Hilley Fred Dessel	Robert C. Hughes J. Fred Clerc Robert Killam J. A. Janin
Notie D. Alfonso, Sr. Poe Ree Sheldon Bill Harter Jack Williams	Harry Wicoms Jack Lang	J. "Ray" Robidoux Jack Greenhut Bill Lutton, Jr. Paul Schreck	Betty Parry Gene Liddy Chas. R. Walpole Frank Bins, III	D. Legne E. J. Quigley E. Steadman G. Suddath	Sam Cary John Burke Bud Weaver Bob Blair - Jim Kirk	Paul Schreck David Drown Walker B. Coleman Gilbert Gray
O. J. Young, Jr. Bert Cary Gene Moore George Welton Mike Brennan Al Deckart Earl J. Fredericks Francis Favalloro Paul Caple Jack Schindler Jerry McCarthy A. A. Bryant Oswald Laporte Jerry Rees, Jr.	Al "Blitz" Bourdin Bill V. Landingham Avery Allen, Jr. Shannon Pickich Cary Spence Warren Adams, Sr. Lollette Wittmann Ray P. McKay Lisa Kerrigan Rosalie Auhler Thelma Miller Bill Wiegand, Jr. Capt. Joby Dennis Capt. Robert Miller E. A. Lang, Jr. Mike Ellis H. H. Hillyer III Pat McClure	Marcia Oliver Alan Sheppard Jim Spurl Angus McMillan, Sr. Angus McMillan, Jr. Stan Marston RaeLou Witherill Joe Youd Bill Foster Bob Harvey Carol Fay Youd Tony Spurl John Thatcher Click Schreck Kenneth Bykin C. W. Gaylor Bill Matthem Joe Ed Davis	Alva Barringer Barbara Hardisty Werner Kamenberg Louise Kamenberg Dan Liddy Naoma Liddy Elinor Lowe Ves Lowe Jerry Ludwig Gloria Reynolds Martha Young J. M. Young	P. Brewton W. Duncan G. McLaughlin E. Mathis N. Mathis T. Watson H. Steadman J. Youd A. Sals O. Frey F. Holland G. Hindman H. Dill R. Sorrentino	Bob Lee Bill Herbert Edith Jordan Len Scarborough Steve Lang Steve Lang, Jr. Jerry Hamill Ted Tolson Homer Allen Henry Ernatinger Ray Jantz Jenn Jantz Ed Anthony Don Rowe Bill Gobler George Gensling Bill Carroll Ed Frush	W. H. Seemann, Jr. Clarence Bonnett Robert Hughes, Jr. James Calvert James Calvert, Jr. James Bond Harry Swain J. D. LeBlanc, Jr. Mrs. J. Fred Clerc W. C. Flower, Jr. Dan Killcoo Louis Koerner, Jr. Mrs. J. A. Janin Mrs. Edna Gray Mrs. W. H. Seemann, Jr. Louis Koerner Olivier Grouce Gordon Gaell

## HISTORY OF FISH CLASS

Rathbone DeBuys, Chairman of the Southern Yacht Club Race Committee in 1919, designed and promoted the Fish Class and is affectionately referred to as the "Daddy of the Fish Class".

This healthy, durable class of sloop was created with the following objects in mind:

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2. To develop competition between good sportsmen;
3. To develop nautical skill and prowess;
4. To develop self reliance in the growing young men and women, and to afford them a healthy sport in which they may accomplish this object;;
5. To afford Yacht Clubs a means to develop new sailors.

Shortly after the celebration of its 70th anniversary, the Southern Yacht Club received from that Prince of all Yachtmen, Sir Thomas J. Lipton, a letter dated October 22, 1919, in which he stated that he was having made from an original designed a trophy, to be presented to the Southern Yacht Club. In this letter, he expressed the desire that it be used as a Challenge Trophy under whatever conditions the Southern Yacht Club considered best. It was decided by the officials of this club to use it as a perpetual challenge trophy to be sailed for by the Yacht Clubs bordering on the Gulf of Mexico, who owned Fish Class Fleets.

The next year, 1920, the first Regatta to determine possession of this Lipton Trophy was held on Lake Ponchartrain between the Southern Club and the Pensacola Yacht Club. Three races were sailed, and each club sailed three boats in each race. The Pensacola Club won by a score of 32-28. At this regatta, the Gulf Yachting Association was formed, and on October 3, 1920, Commodore John H. Cross, of the Pensacola Yacht Club, was elected its first president.

The next year, 1921, the Lipton Regatta was held in Pensacola with the Houston Yacht Club and the Eastern Shore Yacht Club of Mobile also participating. This series of races was won by the Mobile Club, with Pensacola Yacht Club second.

Annual Lipton Trophy Regattas were held every subsequent year to date, including the difficult World War II years, to this our Thirty-fifth Annual Regatta. The continued growth of the Gulf Yachting Association and the continued increase in size, enthusiasm and wide-spread interest in the Fish Class Liptons proves this important yachting event will continue to expand for many years to come.

1954  
1954 LIPTON CHAMPIONSHIP RACE INSTRUCTIONS  
BILOXI YACHT CLUB RACE COURSE

- Schedule, Drawing for Boats -

Morning Races

8:30 am Drawing for Boats  
9:20 am Warning Signal - One Gun  
9:25 am Preparatory Signal - One Gun & hoisting Red Shape  
9:30 am Starting Signal - One Gun & hoisting Red Shape

Afternoon Races

2:00 pm Drawing for Boats  
2:50 pm Warning Signal - One Gun  
2:55 pm Preparatory Signal - One Gun & hoisting Red Shape  
3:00 pm Starting Signal - One Gun & hoisting Red Shape

Preparatory Signal will be lowered 30 seconds before Starting Signal. The Starting Signal will remain hoisted until the race committee is on station at the finish line.

In case of misfire the visual signal shall be considered the starting signal.

Time Limit ; Three and one-half (3½) hours.

Signalling the Course: The Race Committee shall display the Course Signal before or with the Warning Signal.

Signals (Shapes or Code Flags or Guns)

Warning Signal - One Gun

Preparatory Signal - Red Shape & One Gun

Starting Signal - Red Shape & One Gun

Shorten Course - "S" (blue square on white)

Postponement - "P" (white square on blue)

Warning Signal will be given 5 minutes after "P" is lowered

Cancellation - "C" (red, white and blue stripes)

Finish Signal - "F" (red diamond on white)

The Race Committee is on station at the Finish Line.

Calling Attention to Signals: Two Guns or whistles when displaying "P" or "C". One Gun or whistle when making any other signal.

Course Signals will be displayed at the Race Committee Station and designated as follows : (It will be noted that the standard course includes two rounds of the Triangle ABC or ACB unless the Shorten Course Signal "S" is displayed)

Course "E", From the Starting Line to  
Mark No. 1 (leave to port) to

**LEGEND**

- MARKS OF COURSE
- RED GOV'T BEACON
- RED CAN BOUY

**NOTE**

General location of markers "B" and "C" shown. Actual location will depend on prevailing wind.

**Map Labels:**

- DEER ISLAND
- DEER ISLAND BAR
- OLDFIELD BAR
- SHALLOW
- START & FINISH LINE
- YELLOW BOUY
- LINE FLAG
- B.Y.C.
- LIGHT HOUSE

**Course Markers:** A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z

General location of markers "B" and "C" shown.  
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OFFICIAL RACE COURSE CHART 35th ANNUAL LIPTON REGATTA

Mark "A" (leave to port) to  
 Mark "B" (leave to starboard) to  
 Mark "C" (leave to starboard) to  
 Mark "A" (leave to starboard) to  
 Mark "B" (leave to starboard) to  
 Mark "C" (leave to starboard) to  
 Mark "A" (leave to port) to  
 Mark No. 1 (leave to starboard) to  
 the Finish Line.

Course "W", From the Starting Line to  
 Mark No. 1 (leave to port) to  
 Mark "A" (leave to starboard) to  
 Mark "C" (leave to port) to  
 Mark "B" (leave to port) to  
 Mark "A" (leave to port) to  
 Mark "C" (leave to port) to  
 Mark "B" (leave to port) to  
 Mark "A" (leave to starboard) to  
 Mark No. 1 (leave to starboard) to  
 Finish Line

Stake Boats will be stationed at Marks "B" and "C" the exact location of which will be varied to suit wind conditions.

Short Course Signal: The Race Committee may shorten above courses before the Warning Signal by displaying Shape "S" with the Course Signal which will eliminate one round of the Triangle "A", "B", "C".

Shorten Course Signal: The Race Committee may shorten above courses upon or after one complete round of the Triangle "A", "B", "C", by displaying Shape "S" on the Committee Boat, which means the race will be finished between the nearby Mark and the Committee Boat. A Committee Boat will not be used unless it is necessary to Shorten Course.

Starting and Finish Lines will be between the White Flag at the Committee Station and the Yellow Starting Mark unless the course is shortened, in which case it will be between the White Flag on the Committee Boat and the nearby Mark. The Race Committee may angle the Starting Line to suit wind conditions, however the Finish Line will be at approximately right angles to the last leg of the Course.

Government Beacons No. 6, 8 & 10 must be passed on the Channel Side (West Side) at all times and are Marks of the Course. Other Government Beacons and Channel Bouys may be passed on either side and are obstructions.

Stakes Marking Shoal Waters are not Marks and may be passed on either side at the contestant's risk, however a hail for Sea-room or room to Tack when close aboard these Stakes will be deemed proper. Touching these stakes will not be grounds for disqualification.

Racing Rules: The 1954 North American Yacht Racing Rules will apply, except as modified by Gulf Yachting Association Rules and these instructions,

All Clear Statements: These statements must be signed by each skipper and filed with the R. C. Chairman within one hour after the finish, unless contestant plans to protest. Failure to comply with this instruction will result in disqualification without hearing.

Protest, Protest Flags: All protest, claims of foul or complaints must be filed in writing with the secretary of the G. Y. A. or his representative within one hour after completion of the race in which it occurred.

Protest flags (or their equivalent) must be flown before completion of the race, except when the foul or fouls occurred at the Finish Line, in which case the Protest flag shall be displayed immediately thereafter.

Hearing of Fouls: The Lipton Board of Appeals shall have original or exclusive jurisdiction of all fouls, complaints, and protests arising out of any race, or races and its decision shall be final. Involved contestants shall make themselves available to the Lipton Board of Appeals for Hearings. Failure to appear when called may result in disqualification without hearing.

Premature Starts, Recalling: The Race Committee will use a loud speaker to recall yachts that have started prematurely by calling out her number. Failure to hear or heed such recall shall not relieve a yacht from the necessity of making a proper start.

The Race Course Chart: This chart shall be an official part of these instructions. Please study carefully and if you do not fully understand ask the Race Committee for clarification.

Point Scoring: A yacht shall score one point for finishing a race and one additional point for each yacht defeated.

Each Yacht finishing after a disqualified contestant shall score one additional point.

The winning yacht of each race will score one-quarter point additional.

If two or more Clubs end in a point tie the winner will be the Club whose yachts finished ahead of the others the majority of times.

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1921 Byrd Enochs	1933 W. L. Parks	1943 thru Wallace Chapman
1922 J. P. Moore	1934 W. P. Kennedy, Jr.	1946
1923 Dr. Al Russ	1935 W. L. Barbour (Resigned)	1947 James Pringle
1924 Ed. Elmer	Thomas N. Pringle	1948 Carl E. Matthews
1925 F. G. Collins	1936 F. C. Goodman	1949 E. C. Tonsmeire, Jr.
1926 Ed. Elmer	1937 Geo. R. Stannus	1950 John B. Joyce
1927 W. Leach	QOEI E. W. (Pat) Sadler	1951 Fred B. Ferson
1928-29 G. J. Wiltz	1939 Dr. E. L. Bolton	1952 Thomas C. Kemp
1930-31 E. Desporte, Jr.	1940 A. F. Dantzler, Jr.	1953 Walter Seymour
1932 G. E. Moore (Resigned)	1941 Robert Brodie	
Robert H. Pringle	1942 Dr. B. B. O'Mara	