

83rd Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge

August 31 - September 2, 2002
Bay-Waveland Yacht Club



John "Corky" Hadden
Commodore



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On behalf of the Board of Governors, the Flag Officers, our members, and our staff, I would like to welcome you to the 83rd annual competition for the Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge Trophy. It is a great privilege for Bay-Waveland Yacht Club to host the premier championship of the Gulf Yachting Association.

Regatta Chairman, Commodore Basil Kennedy, and over 100 BWYC volunteers have been working hard to create a weekend filled with fun, friendship, food, and entertainment for you. A quick scan of the Schedule of Events confirms that Basil and his committees have been very busy planning for your arrival.

Race Committee Chairman, Marc Eagan, has organized his team to provide a challenging and fair series on the water. We ask that all spectator boat captains review the page in this program titled "Spectator Fair Sailing Rules". It is critical that spectator boats have no influence on the outcome of this championship.

Once again, I would like to extend a warm welcome to our guests. I hope that each of you enjoys your visit to BWYC. Please let us know if there is anything that we can do to make your weekend more enjoyable.

Sincerely,


John "Corky" Hadden
Commodore

Bay-Waveland Yacht Club Flag Officers

Commodore	John "Corky" Hadden
Vice-Commodore	Chris Roth
Rear Commodore	Mac Magee
Secretary	Mike Haas, Jr.
Treasurer	Ruth Michel



GULF YACHTING ASSOCIATION

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To: Competitors, Guests and Officials

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Gulf Yachting Association, I am pleased and honored to welcome each of you to the 2002 GYA Lipton Championship. Host Bay-Waveland Yacht Club has turned out an army of volunteers to make this event happen, so please notice their efforts and thank them whenever you can.

There is a special aura about this event that is difficult to explain to an outsider. It's a crazy feeling of anticipation, exhilaration, nervousness, and sometimes fear. The Lipton Regatta is the GYA's answer to football's Super Bowl and baseball's World Series – it's THE EVENT of the year. Pomp and Circumstance, GYA brass, board and committee meetings, parties, history, tradition, and exciting competition are all part of this regatta. I call it "Lipton Fever". Ever since I attended my first Lipton many years ago, I get a dose of this fever every year around this time. Now, here I am as the GYA Commodore, at a Lipton Regatta, hosted by my own club as the defending champion. Can it get any better than this?

Congratulations to defending champion Bay-Waveland Yacht Club for winning last year's event and earning the honor of hosting this 83rd annual competition for the GYA's most prestigious trophy.

During this regatta, let's not forget the man who donated the trophy we are competing for. Sir Thomas Lipton is best remembered for his five challenges for the America's Cup. Equally important was his reputation for being a true sportsman. Let's remember his legacy and compete in the same manner.

Good luck to all competitors, and let's all have a great Labor Day Weekend.

Good Sailing to all,

Walter G. Chamberlain
Commodore, Gulf Yachting Association



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Gulf Yachting Association



Kenneth K. Kleinschrodt
Immediate Past-Commodore
Gulf Yachting Association



Janet Miller-Schmidt
Secretary-Treasurer
Gulf Yachting Association

2002 Lipton Race Committee

Marc Eagan, Chairman	Bay-Waveland Yacht Club
Calvin Jones, III	Fort Walton Yacht Club
Stewart R. Barnett, Jr.	Southern Yacht Club
James H. Tichenor	Houston Yacht Club

2002 Lipton Judges

Norton W. Brooker, Jr., Chairman	Mobile Yacht Club
Chris Luppens	Mobile Yacht Club
Harry Chapman	Bay-Waveland Yacht Club
Peter Morrill	Bay-Waveland Yacht Club
Janet Miller-Schmidt	Pontchartrain Yacht Club
Burton Howell, Area D - RAJ	Savannah Yacht Club

2002 BWYC Lipton Committee

Basil Kennedy, General Chairman

Communications	Anthony Trapani
Decorations	Ellen Breath
Entertainment	Becky Trapani
Evening Meals	Cary Trapani / Chris Trapani Dave Peranich / Bill Whitfield
Finance	Mark Uram
Harbor	Mac Magee
Grounds	Rick Eagan
House	Chris Roth / Henry Martinez
Launching & Scot	Larry Keith / Bernie Wolfe
Parking & Security	Alan Noonan
Photographer	Cindy Cady
Program	Molly Hadden
Publicity	Ann Stieffel / Bishop Stieffel
Race Chairman	Marc Eagan
Regatta Desk	Anne Chapman / Nancy Gex
Scoring	Chuck Breath IV
Solicitor	Eileen Chapoton
Spectator Boats	Mike Chapoton
Transportation & Housing	Weezie Kennedy
Trophy	Basil Kennedy
Volunteers	Vicky Staehle
Weigh-In	Grace Santa Cruz
BWYC Manager	Brenda Graybeal