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HURRICANE CAMILLE DISASTER FUND

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Dear Commodore:

On the night of August 17, 1969, Hurricane Camille drove in from the Gulf of Mexico and obliterated the Mississippi and Alabama Coast, destroying five of our fellow yacht clubs. I am sure that in the past such a hurricane has destroyed maybe one or two other yacht clubs, but never in the history of yacht racing have five clubs been destroyed in one evening.

Three of these clubs were completely destroyed and now are only a clean spot of ground. The only way you can tell that anything was there before is the fact that there is no grass on the ground where they once stood. Two of the other yacht clubs were torn apart to such a degree that they will have to be completely rebuilt. The support of you and your club and its members is desperately needed to help rebuild these clubs.

The completely destroyed clubs were the Pass Christian Yacht Club, The Gulfport Yacht Club and The Biloxi Yacht Club. The two other clubs almost completely destroyed were the Bay-Waveland Yacht Club and The Mobile Yacht Club. We at the New Orleans Yacht Club and The Southern Yacht Club survived this Hurricane with little or no damage; therefore, we felt we should try to do something to help our neighbors.

We then came upon the idea to write all of the yacht Clubs throughout the United States and Canada and request that each club contribute to a Hurricane Camille Disaster Fund to assist these clubs in rebuilding.

TO

NOYC - SYC HURRICANE CAMILLE DISASTER FUND

as of

May 2, 1970

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Columbia Sailing Club Ladies Auxillary	\$ 25.00
Shreveport Yacht Club	\$ 100.00
State University of New York Maritime	\$ 10.00
Milford Yacht Club	\$ 100.00
Three Rivers Yacht Club	\$ 50.00
The Corinthians	\$ 25.00
Seabrook Sailing Club	\$ 153.00
Williamette Sailing Club	\$ 25.00
Alamitos Bay Yacht Club	\$ 100.00
Corinthian Yacht Club of Cape May	\$ 50.00
Eagle Lake Yacht Club, Inc.	\$ 100.00
Riverside Yacht Club	\$ 250.00
Highland Yacht Club	\$ 10.00
Canadian International Flying Dutchman Class Organization	\$ 8.82
Lake Davenport Sailing Club	\$ 10.00
Omena-Traverse Yacht Club	\$ 25.00
Knickerbocher Yacht Club	\$ 100.00
Potapskut Sailing Association	\$ 25.00
Lake Lanier Sailing Club	\$ 75.00
Clark Boat Company	\$ 10.00
Poulsho Yacht Club	\$ 10.00
James Island Yacht Club	\$ 25.00
Indian Lake Yacht Club	\$ 10.00
North American Yacht Racing Union	\$ 200.00
Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club	\$ 100.00
Columbia Sailing Club	\$ 100.00
Narragansett Yacht Club	\$ 25.00
Mayfield Yacht Club	\$ 50.00
Indianapolis Sailing Club	\$ 380.00
St. Petersburg Yacht Club	\$ 831.67
New Orleans Yacht Club	\$ 272.00
Expenses (postage and printing)	\$ 116.86
Rc'd after May 2, 1970 -	
Pensacola Yacht Club	\$ 25.00
Pontchartrain Yacht Club	25.00
St. Andrews Bay Yacht Club	100.00

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Four members of our special committee, Mr. J. Fisher, Vice-Commodore of NOYC; Mr. C. J. Young, North American Dragon Champion; Mr. Buddy Friedrichs, Olympic Gold Medal Winner; Mr. Nathaniel C. Curtis, Commodore of SYC, and many other members of our clubs have enjoyed greatly the hospitality and good fellowship of your club at various regattas and sailing events. At times, too, I am sure some of your members have enjoyed some of this same spirit at these yacht clubs or other yacht clubs. Therefore, in the spirit of comradeship and brotherhood, we are sure your members and Board will be willing to contribute to this worthy cause, thus greatly aiding these unfortunate members of the Yachting Fraternity.

I am sure that in the past few weeks you have read much about the terrible devastation caused by the strongest hurricane ever to hit the United States. Not only have these fellow yacht clubs lost their club houses, but many of their members have lost their homes.

We request that all funds be forwarded by December 15, 1969, to NOYC-SYC Hurricane Camille Disaster Fund, c/o Bank of New Orleans, 935 Common Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70112.

Your kind consideration and assistance in this appeal is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

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