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 U.S. YOUTH
MATCH RACING
CHAMPIONSHIP
FOR THE ROSE CUP



Sheboygan, Wisconsin
June 15-19, 2016

Want to Make Some History?

In six short years, the Rose Cup—now the United States Youth Match Racing Championship (“USYMRC”) for the Rose Cup—has already featured some of the finest youth match racers in

the country. You can add to that history by joining us in Sheboygan in June!

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Yacht Club and the Newport-Balboa Sailing & Seamanship Association (“NBSSA”). When the Rose Cup returned to Newport Beach and Balboa YC in 2015, it was as an official US Sailing National Championship

The rationale for its founding was simple—promote youth match racing in the United States and improve the quality of United States competitors in national and international competition.

So far, it has exceeded beyond the expectations of its founders. Rose Cup alumni have already distinguished themselves in both youth and open match and fleet racing events worldwide.



The Rose Cup

It will be great to return to the waters of Lake Michigan and the city of Sheboygan for the 2nd USYMRC (and 7th Rose Cup). Sail She-

boygan and the Sheboygan YC are looking forward to making this event even better than the 2013 Rose Cup which they also hosted.

With the exciting 3 person Elliott 6m’s being provided to the competitors, and likely the most competitive fleet ever, this second U.S. Youth Match Racing Championship should be epic!

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Christophe Killian of Balboa Yacht Club and his crew Harrison Vandervort and Jack Martin repeated their 2014 win in the Rose Cup, but this time, their 2015 win allowed them to claim the first U.S. Youth Match Racing Championship for the Rose Cup.



Jack Martin, Harrison Vandervort & Christophe Killian celebrate their USYMRC win

Killian & Crew Win First USYMRC

The regatta was held at Balboa Yacht Club in Newport Beach, California in the Governor’s Cup 21 boats in light to moderate breezes.

Christophe is again eligible in 2016 to return to the USYMRC and if he does compete, it will also represent his return to Sheboygan where he finished 4th in his first Rose Cup.

That 2014 experience was invaluable to Killian and crew who dominated the 2015 Championship with only one loss from the round robin through the finals. Scott Sinks of San Diego was 2nd, followed by fellow Californian Chris Weis in 3rd and Nick Sertl in 4th.

US Sailing is the national governing body for the sport of sailboat racing in the United States. It was originally organized as the North American Yacht Racing Union (NAYRU) in 1897. The organization’s original purpose was to encourage and promote yacht racing, and to unify the racing and rating rules in the United States and Canada and throughout the yachting world.



Today, US Sailing’s authority comes from an act of Congress (the Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act of 1978) and a much broader charter to serve America’s sailors directly. US Sailing administers 18 National Championships—including its newest, the Rose Cup—for juniors, adult men and women, and sailors with disabilities, in various forms of fleet racing, match racing, and team racing.

Governor’s Cup Invite Offered



2016 will be a special year for the oldest youth match racing event in the world when the 50th anniversary of the Governor’s Cup International Youth Match Racing Championship is hosted by Balboa Yacht Club in Newport Beach, California from July 15-23, 2016. The winner of the USYMRC will receive an invitation to the Governor’s Cup.

This may be your chance to become part of the incredible “Gov

Cup” alumni who have won the America’s Cup, Olympics, World Match Racing Tour, Volvo Round the World Race (and predecessors) and other national and world championships. That group includes defending America’s Cup winner James Spithill among many others.

The 50th anniversary events will include the debut of new, purpose-built “Governor’s Cup 22” sloops featuring mast-head spinnakers, and flat top mainsails (rendering to the right) and that are expected to be the best boats in the world for this type of event when launched. For more information, go to balboayachtclub.com and click on the Gov Cup logo.



Rose Cup/USYMRC alums continue to rise with podium finishes in events including the U.S. Match Racing Championship, the Governor’s Cup and the World Youth Match Racing Championship...

- ◆ 2014 Rose Cup and 2015 USYMRC for the Rose Cup winner Christophe Killian and his College of Charleston team (including alumni Jake Reynolds) are the 2015 U.S. Intercollegiate Sailing Association (“ICSA”) Match Race Champions.
- ◆ Alumni Charlie Lalumiere finished second in the ICSA Championships beating, among other great teams, former ICSA Sailor of the Year, Rose and Governor’s Cup winner Nevin Snow.

Rose Cup Alumni Rising Rapidly on National & International Stages



Pictures L to R: Chris Weis at 2015 Gov Cup; Chris Weis and Nick Sertl in 2015 Rose Cup; Ryan Davidson at U.S. Match Racing Championship; more USMRC Action at Oakcliff Sailing

- ◆ Nevin may not have had his best regatta at this year’s ICSA Nationals but won it in 2013 and 2014. He is also a former World University Match Race Champion, and his record includes a third place finish in the new ISAF (now “World Sailing”) World Youth Match Race Championship in 2014, barely missing the podium in this year’s event.
- ◆ Christophe Killian and Charlie Lalumiere also distinguished themselves in the U.S. Match Racing Championship against a fleet of sailors with considerably more experience by placing 3rd and 4th, respectively, behind USYMRC “Godfather” and US Sailing Match Racing Chair, Dave Perry, who won for a record 5th time. Rose Cup alum Ryan Davidson also qualified and sailed in the event.
- ◆ Six of the twelve skippers in the 2015 Governor’s Cup were Rose Cup and/or USYMRC alums with Christophe Killian and Chris Weis finishing third and fourth, respectively, and Scott Sinks close behind.

The Boats and the Regatta Schedule

Competitors will be provided with Elliott 6m sloops which were designed with match racing in mind and were used in the 2012 Olympic Women’s Match Race Event. Schedule for the USYMRC follows:

Wednesday, June 15

Registration, Practice Day & Coaching

Thursday, June 16

North U Advanced Match Racing Clinic

Friday, June 17

Round Robin Racing

Saturday, June 18

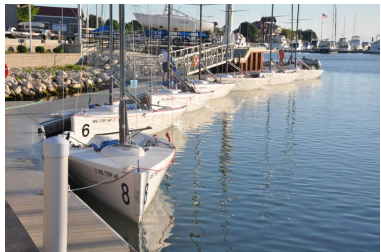
Round Robin; Start Semi-Finals

Sunday, June 19

Semi-Finals; Final & Petit Finals; Trophy Presentation for Rose Cup & Scandone Sportsmanship Award



Requesting an Invitation



Above, sailing the Elliott 6m's on Lake Michigan and the facilities of Sail Sheboygan and the Sheboygan YC.

- ◆ Skipper and crew members must have reached at least their 16th birthday but not have reached their 21st birthday during 2016.
- ◆ The event is expected to be an ISAF Grade 3 Event.
- ◆ The U.S. Youth Match Racing Championship (“USYMRC”) for the Rose Cup is an invitational event based on Requests for Invitation from qualified skippers. Teams will consist of crews of 3 with a maximum crew weight of 495 pounds. All sailors must be members of US Sailing.
- ◆ If there are more Requests for Invitation than places available, the USYMRC Selection Committee, organized by the US Sailing Match Racing Championships Committee as organizing authority (“OA”), in its sole discretion, will select the invitees from among qualified requests. **Requests for Invitations received by April 1, 2016 will receive preference.** Selected invitees will be notified by April 8, 2016.
- ◆ The Selection Committee will base its selection on a number of factors including experience in match racing as well as fleet racing in dinghies and larger boats, with some consideration for geographic diversity among the entrants in order to attract a nationally representative entry list. Those requesting invitations should have sufficient experience to handle the modern Elliott 6M boats including experience with spinnakers of this size. If the Committee deems two or more of those skippers requesting invitations equal in experience and ability, it may favor the older applicant over the younger given that it is an age limited event.
- ◆ Teams need not be composed of members of the same yacht club or sailing association.
- ◆ The NOR, Request for Invitation (“RFI”) and all the information necessary to prepare an RFI will be available on January 15, 2016 on the US Sailing website:

<http://racing.ussailing.org/racing/championships/youth/usymrc>

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NOTE ON THE GOVERNOR’S CUP: The USYMRC winning skipper will receive an invitation to the Governor’s Cup International Youth Match Racing Event in July, 2016. If the winning skipper cannot attend, no additional *automatic* invitations will be issued. However, the Governor’s Cup Selection Committee may choose at its meetings in May, 2016, to invite additional place winners in the USYMRC. However, all interested skippers must file a separate Request for Invitation with the Governor’s Cup to be considered for an invitation and, in the sole discretion of the Selection Committee, may be invited to the Governor’s Cup without regard to the USYMRC results.