



Welcome to Race Week 2009

Nantucket's First Clean Regatta

Thank you for participating in this historic event benefiting Nantucket Community Sailing.

For the first time Nantucket Race Week is being run as a Clean Regatta under standards established by Sailors for the Sea.

Help share our goals:

● **Generate less waste by design.**



- Racing crews receive **stainless steel reusable water bottles** and easy access to refill stations instead of pallets of plastic water bottles.
- Crews receive **reusable bags** to help teams carry water bottles and other equipment.
- All social events use **eco-friendly biodegradable products**.



● **Reduce trash in the water and on the shore.**

- Each racing boat receives **clear plastic recycling bags** to use as part of our comprehensive recycling strategy.
- Racing boats in the anchorage may call GoFer (channel 77) for **trash pick-up** — free service for recyclables only.
- All race venues including the yacht clubs, beaches and boat basin have **recycling bins available for your trash**.



● **Reduce pollution in the harbor.**

- Each skipper receives **bilge sponges and dye tablets** to help reduce pollution in the harbor.
- We have requested that teams **use biodegradable cleaning products** and do not allow discharge of untreated sewage in the harbor.
- We ask that you respect the Harbormaster's no-anchor zones to **avoid environmental damage** to the eel grass beds in the harbor.



After party at Jetties Beach, 8 a.m., Monday, August 17th
with the "Clean Team." Breakfast provided!

***“The greatest threat to the sea is ignorance...
but with knowing comes caring.”***

--Sylvia Earle, *Sea Change: A Message of the Oceans*

Why run a Clean Regatta in Nantucket?

Nantucket owes its very existence to the sea. For centuries our harbor has been the foundation of our economy, a source of recreation and a vital link to the world beyond.

Our coastal waters are important ecosystems and habitat for marine mammals, fish and birds. By running a Clean Regatta we are helping to keep them healthy and vital for our town, island residents and visitors.

ReMain Nantucket, an island-based philanthropy, became a sponsor of Race Week to support community sailing programs and to highlight the important connection between a healthy harbor and a healthy downtown.

Ultimately, the future of our downtown, our harbor and the ocean that surrounds us, is interconnected. The success of each contributes to the other, as a rising tide floats all boats.

We have worked closely with the organizing committee to put systems in place to keep the racing fun and to help protect our waters.

Your participation in Nantucket's first Clean Regatta helps ensure that young people learning to sail through Nantucket Community Sailing will continue to enjoy our beautiful island and its water resources for decades to come.

To learn more, visit:

www.nantucketcommunitysailing.org

www.sailorsforthesea.com

www.remainnantucket.org



Thirsty?

Fill'er Up At These Stations

 Nantucket Boat Basin

 Nantucket Yacht Club

 Great Harbor Yacht Club

 Greenhound Building

10 Washington Street

Courtesy of Wannacomet Water Company

Bottled water costs about 1000 times more than tap water.

Tap water is held to more stringent quality standards than bottled water.



It takes 1,000 years for a plastic water bottle to decompose.

About 40% of bottled water starts as tap water.

Please remember to bring your refillable water bottle.



got water?

No plastic water bottles will be distributed this year.
Please remember to bring your refillable water bottle.



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