THE NAUTICA TROPHY International Team Competition

he International Team Competition brings another competitive and friendly aspect to race week. Now in its tenth year, the 2006 competition features an exciting international field of 10 three boat teams. Swan 45s join the traditional Farr 40s and Melges 24s as the "big boat anchor".

2006 presents teams from France, Germany, Italy (2), Japan, Norway, the UK and the US. The three USA teams hail from the West, Mid West and the East.

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"Each year the international team competition unites people who would not normally see each other on the race course," notes Race Chairman Peter Craig. "What was loosely modeled after the Admiral's Cup in Cowes, England has become a Key West tradition. Presenting sponsor Nautica once again brings added prestige to the award and quality timepieces to the winners."

At the end of the week The Nautica Trophy and Nautica Yacht Timer watches will be awarded to each of the three boats on the winning team. Second and third place teams will also receive Nautica trophies and timepieces.

International Team Competition scoring will be based on the lowest cumulative points scored by each team for the entire series. For the purpose of team scoring, the individual boats on each team will be scored only against other boats on teams within their individual classes.

The complete lineup and all individual entries are listed here.



Linda Calvert (right), Nautica Watches representative, will once again be presenting the tropies and timepieces to the winners. Nautica Watches is the Official Timekeeper.



Last January, Jim Richardson's Farr 40 *Barking Mad* and Neil Sullivan's Melges 24 *M-Fatic* triumphed over a competitive field. They won by a substantial margin (19 points), but second through fifth place were separated by only 2 points.

International Teams Preliminary Scratch Sheet — January 6, 2006

TEAM	Model	Boat	Entrant	Homeport	CTRY
FRANCE	Swan 45	Cuor Di Leone	Leonardo Ferragamo	Etrusca, ITA	ITA
	Farr 40	Twins	Erik Maris	Paris, FRA	FRA
	Melges 24	Zig Zag 17	Henri Samuel	Dinard, FRA	FRA
GERMANY	Swan 45	Plenty	Alexander Roepers	Stonington, CT	USA
	Farr 40	Opus One	Wolfgang Stolz	Koenigstein, GER	GER
	Melges 24	Courage 8	Eddy Eich	Munich, GER	GER
ITALY 1	Swan 45	DSK-Comifin	Danilo Salsi	Scarlino, ITA	ITA
	Farr 40	Nerone	Massimo Mezzaroma	YC Punta Ala, ITA	ITA
	Melges 24	Nautica	Riccardo Simoneschi	Genova, ITA	ITA
ITALY 2	Swan 45	Mintaka	Stefano Polti	Scarlino, ITA	ITA
	Farr 40	Mascalzone Latino	Vincenzo Onorato	Napoli, ITA	ITA
	Melges 24	Borgo Scopeto	Igino Angelini	CVT, ITA	ITA
JAPAN	Swan 45	Yasha	Yukihiro Ishida	Tokyo, JPN	JPN
	Farr 40	SLED	Takashi Okura	Tokyo, JPN	JPN
	Melges 24	Pegasus 492	Samuel "Shark" Kahn	Honolulu, HI	USA
NORWAY	Swan 45	Devocean	Stephen DeVoe	Jamestown, RI	USA
	Farr 40	Norwegian Steam	Eivind Astrup	Oslo, NOR	NOR
	Melges 24	Baghdad	Kristian Nergaard	Oslo, NOR	NOR
UK	Swan 45	Fever	G. Gordon/K. Diederichs	Southampton, UK	UK
	Farr 40	Fiamma	Alessandro Barnaba	Cala Galera, ITA	UK
	Melges 24	Excellent	John Pollard	Torquay, UK	UK
USA East	Swan 45	Goombay Smash	William Douglass	Newport, RI	USA
	Farr 40	Barking Mad	James Richardson	Newport, RI	USA
	Melges 24	Riot	Marc Ewing	Newport, RI	USA
USA Mid West	Swan 45	Better Than	Andrzej Rojek	Newport, RI	USA
	Farr 40	Heartbreaker	Robert Hughes	Holland, MI	USA
	Melges 24	Flyer 02	Chuck Holzman	Farmington Hills, MI	USA
USA West	Swan 45	VIM	Craig Speck	Newport, RI	USA
	Farr 40	Warpath	Fred & Steve Howe	San Diego, CA	USA
	Melges 24	Pegasus 505	Dave Ullman	Newport Beach, CA	USA