



the insideline

INTERNATIONAL J/22 CLASS ASSOCIATION

J[®] 22



Durban

J/22 **MARRIOTT** **J/22**
INVESTMENT MANAGERS

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS



2nd July to 8th July 2022

 **Point Yacht Club**
Incorporated within MSC Week

2 days Registration
5 days Champagne Sailing!



Check for updates
J22.co.za

A MEMBER OF  OLD MUTUAL INVESTMENT GROUP



South Africa



International Class Chair

Mike Farrington, Cayman Islands
mike@compassmarine.ky

International Class Vice Chair

Thomas Lösch, Germany
thomas.loesch@t-online.de

International Technical Committee Chair

Ron Harris, Canada
rdharris@bell.net

US and International Class Office

1604 Ventana Dr.
Ruskin, FL 33573
440-796-3100
howell@j22.com

Newsletter Editor

Julie Howell
Ruskin, FL



BUILT ON A CHAMPION SPIRIT

Whether it's the World Championship or a local Wednesday night, we thrive on seeing our clients at the top of the leaderboard. These results are a culmination of many years working behind the scenes. Add North Sails speed and support to your next regatta.



Shop Sails at
northsails.com

SOUTH AFRICA

J/22 Association Update



The great news is the J/22s are back on the water as COVID levels are well under control with huge inroads being made with vaccinations.

We had a very successful Nationals on the Vaal Dam with 19 entries. The wind most definitely could have been better! This didn't impact competitive racing and being able to catch up after what has been far too long due to COVID.

SOUTH AFRICA J/22 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 2ND JULY-8TH JULY 2022

We are excited to announce the J/22 Marriott World Championships. Our sponsor, Marriott Investment Managers, is an asset management company offering a range of different investment options, including South African unit trusts and investment products, international unit trusts, an offshore portfolio and a direct UK property fund. Marriott was acquired by Old Mutual in 2005 and now forms part of the Old Mutual Investment Group as an independent boutique. Marriott aims to create financial peace of mind through predictable investment outcomes and personalised service.



J[®]
22

Marriott's support will enable us to have an even bigger and better World Championship than those held previously in South Africa... so what will we offer?

Affordable travel costs with top class accommodation. The hotels, B&Bs, Airbnb and self-catering accommodation can be found within short distances to the host club, Point Yacht Club. We will be sending more specific information on this going forward but please contact Sharin if you are needing help or advice: sharinr@mweb.co.za.

Host club: Point Yacht Club, Durban, Natal. Visit their website to see what they have to offer: www.pyc.co.za

Race Management: The International Judges, Race Officer and Protest Committee are all on board. The shore committee is hard at work

putting in place the documentation, logistics, support team and entertainment. The family and friends who travel with you will also be catered for – they will not sitting bored at the yacht club!

J/22 website: Now we have our sponsor Marriott Investment Managers on board, we will be creating a specific Worlds page for you to visit with continual updated information.

This is an affordable, prestigious event to be part of, also giving you the opportunity to see amazing countryside and the sites we have to offer in South Africa. We look forward to being your hosts!

Contact Sharin at sharinr@mweb.co.za or via <https://www.j22.co.za> and we will get back to you.



Technical Committee Report



By Ron Harris, International Technical Committee Chair

World Sailing has done a further review of the J/22 Class Rules, in light of recent changes to the Equipment Rules of Sailing, and has asked us to do some minor changes to the wording of our Class Rules. These changes have been done and submitted to World Sailing for their review and approval. There is nothing significant in the changes, and they will be posted on the J/22 website once we have received final approval from World Sailing.



Save the Date

September 13-17, 2022
Tawas, Michigan

Tawas Bay Yacht Club looks forward
to welcoming you to the 2022
J22 North American Championship.

Join us for great racing and fun on Tawas Bay!

presented by:

**WEST
SYSTEM®**

www.tbyc.net

First-time J/22 sailboat owners, Max Vinocur and Keenan Hilsinger, are the first recipients of the US J/22 Class Association youth and young adult resources

*The sailors will be racing their boat for the first
time at the 2022 J/22 Midwinters*



The US J/22 Class Association now offers resources to help **youth and young adults** compete in J/22 regattas. We are very excited to award financial support to our first qualifying applicants, Max Vinocur and Keenan Hilsinger. Max and Keenan have purchased a J/22 and will be participating in the **J/22 Midwinter Championship** being held March 17 – 20, 2022 at Lakewood Yacht Club in Seabrook, Texas. This will be the first time Max, Keenan and their crew will race their new to them J/22.

Max and his now J/22 boat partner Keenan discussed buying a small keelboat for some time. They contemplated buying boats such as the Lightning, J/24, several small handicap sailboats and the J/22. As they assessed their needs for a race boat, it became apparent that the J/22 was the right sailboat for them.

“The combination of a small crew, ease of trailering, and low year-to-year costs, while still being a true keelboat made the J/22 standout,” says Max. “The size of the fleet in Annapolis and the level of competition throughout the country were also important considerations.”



“The J/22 ticked a lot of boxes for me when it comes to boat ownership,” says Keenan. “I wanted a boat with a symmetric spinnaker, as I really enjoy the tactical and boat handling they allow. I was also looking for a boat that could be day sailed in reasonable comfort and with less experienced sailors on board. The College of Charleston Sailing Center has a fleet of J/22s, so I got to spend a lot of time racing and sailing the boats. I learned to appreciate the boat. While I was working for AYC, one of my duties was to look after their J/22 fleet. So I went into the buying process having already spent quite a bit of time working on the boats. The J/22 class offers world level competition, which was very important to me, in a fun boat to sail with a lot of great regattas.”

MAX VINO CUR

Max Vinocur grew up in eastern Long Island and learned to sail at a young age through his middle school sailing team. Max had always been fascinated by vehicles and was enthralled by the independence he experienced while skippering an Opti. His family moved to

New York City when he started high school. During the summers, Max coached sailing at the Devon Yacht Club in Long Island and raced keelboats on Wednesday nights in Sag Harbor. He attended college at Michigan State University, where he skippered a 420 on the club sailing team. During the summers, he continued to coach sailing well as competing in PHRF and J109 races around Long Island. Additionally, he used time off in the summer to obtain his captain’s license.

After graduating from Michigan State in 2019, Max ventured back east to Sag Harbor where he coached high-school sailing and captained sailing charters. In March of 2020, he was hired by Quantum sails and moved to Annapolis to pursue a career in the sailmaking industry. Approximately one year later, Max was hired by North Sails Annapolis, which is where he currently works. His role at the loft is in the service department working as a sailmaker. He actively races in Annapolis in the J/70, J/24 and ORC fleets. And he’s looking forward to racing his J/22 in 2022 at Annapolis.



KEENAN HILSINGER

Keenan Hilsinger grew up along the coast of Maine in the small town of Brooklin. His father, Rich Hilsinger, was the director of a boatbuilding and sailing school. Keenan learned to sail at a young age under his father's tutelage in various small wooden boats. Once he found the competitive side of sailing, Keenan was truly hooked. His racing career started on local sailboats and classic yachts, competing in the New England racing circuit. While in his final year at George Stevens Academy he started racing dinghies, which shifted his focus to buoys racing.

After graduating from George Stevens in 2014, Keenan attended the College of Charleston where he spent four years on the varsity sailing team. During this time, he also raced on multiple local keelboats participating in events in the Southeast, both inshore and offshore. When at home, Keenan worked at various boat yards in Brooklin, focusing on wooden boats. Post college, Keenan moved to Annapolis, MD

in 2018 and coached at the Annapolis Yacht Club. After his time coaching he worked as a fabricator and rigger at Annapolis Rigging. In 2020, he and two friends, Sean and Liam Harr, founded a yacht management company based in Annapolis. They specialize in both One-Design race sailboats as well as larger ORC offshore boats. Keenan is most active in the J/70, Etchells and ORC fleets.



FROM MID-FLEET TO PODIUM

By Quantum Sails' Alan Woodyard

2022 promises to be an exciting year for the US J/22 Class. With Midwinters coming up in Texas, North Americans in Michigan, a competitive Texas/Southwest Circuit and East Coast Championship in Annapolis, the year is filling up quickly.

My goal for 2022 is to focus on roles and specialization with the teams I compete with. My teams have the mechanics of sailing down: the driver is good, the tactics are solid and there are few major changes that need to be made. Instead, we'll be focusing on making small, incremental adjustments to fine-tune our processes—the things that make the difference between finishes in the middle of the pack and finishes on the podium—and putting all our solid foundation pieces together to create better, more consistent results. This is where specialization comes in.

This year, the teams I sail with will be working on specific “plays” and situational practices,

emphasizing both routine and oddball mark roundings and course situations to avoid the little snags and hiccups that can pull a crew member off their primary job to sort out an issue. Even when chaos is breaking out on the racecourse, a confident crew stays focused on their role and their current most-important task at hand, whether that's trimming the jib after a spinnaker douse or driving the boat around the mark in a tactical and efficient manner. When these maneuvers or situational calls can be made almost instinctively, there is less distraction onboard and less need for troubleshooting.

Another example is practicing penalty turns. It's much easier and less stressful to practice penalty turns in advance, so we'll also be focusing on turns this year. It's far better for you and your team to seamlessly roll into a turn if you foul on the racecourse, and the practice takes a lot of frustration out of doing turns on the course as well. Even the best teams will find themselves in protests from time to time; executing a penalty turn with the same confidence and calm demeanor you would round the weather mark can go a long way toward that podium finish.



Finally, learn from each other. Chat with sailors in your local fleet and find some tuning and practice partners. Play off each other's strengths and debrief as a group. Maybe someone in your fleet nailed a douse that your team is struggling with. Ask them to talk through the maneuver with your team onshore, and then find some sparring time on the water.

So J/22 sailors, get your local fleet together and create concrete goals for the 2022 season.

What's going to take you from your mid-fleet finishes to the podium? We all have areas that need improvement. And last but not least, don't forget to have a blast on the water with old and new friends while participating in one of the best and most enduring one-design Classes in the world!

Get in touch with [Alan Woodyard](#) or one of Quantum's [J/22 Class Experts](#) to talk all things J/22.



**ARE YOUR SAILS
READY TO**

EXTEND YOUR LEAD?

LET'S GO

Kickstart your season now! Contact our J/22 experts for resources, support, & new sails.

Travis Odenbach | todenbach@quantumsails.com

Alan Woodyard | awoodyard@quantumsails.com **QuantumSails.com**



2022 J/22

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

AT NORTH SEA REGATTA

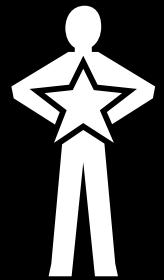
The Netherlands
June 3-6, 2022

www.nsr.nl

*Looking for Vendors
for Your J/22?*

WWW.J22.ORG/THE-BOAT/VENDORS/

www.awardandsports.com



C a l e n d a r

2022

**2022 J/22 European Championship
at North Sea Regatta**

Jun 3 – Jun 6

**2022 J/22 World Championship
at Point Yacht Club**

Jul 3 – Jul 8

**2022 J/22 North American
Championship at Tawas Bay
Yacht Club**

Sep 13 – Sep 17

2023

**2023 J/22 World Championship
at Travemünder Week**

Jul 21 – Jul 30

**2023 J/22 North American
Championship at CORK**

EXACT DATES TO BE ANNOUNCED

Submit your regatta
dates/information
to howell@j22.com

2022 J/22 MIDWINTER CHAMPIONSHIPS



Lakewood Yacht Club
March 17-20, 2022

Join J/22 Fleet 6
and Lakewood Yacht Club for the 2022
J/22 Midwinter Championship

Racing on Galveston Bay, Fun at LYC

www.j22mw.com

www.lakewoodyachtclub.com



Platinum Sponsors

Platinum Sponsors have contributed \$200 to the U.S. Class (in addition to full membership)

Christopher Doyle • Kenmore, NY

Robert Grove • Boyne City, MI

Dennis Princing • Saginaw, MI

Gold Sponsors

Gold Sponsors have contributed \$100 to the U.S. Class (in addition to full membership)

Sandy Adzick
Haverford, PA

Award & Sports
Saginaw, MI

Richard “Boo” Heausler
New Orleans, LA

Willem (Mart) Lamar
Jackson, MS

Thomas Lösch
Germany

Linda McDavitt
Austin, TX

Frank McGowan
Annapolis, MD

Jeff Progelhof
Heath, TX

James Rawlings
Alexandria, VA