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QUANTUM KEY WEST RACE WEEK FAMILY OF SPONSORS CONTINUES TO GROW



Jamaican-brewed Red Stripe and Foiling RIBs join 30th anniversary regatta

KEY WEST, Fla. – As entries keep coming in for Quantum Key West Race Week, organizers at the Storm Ti sponsor and the return of Foiling RIBs for the 30th anniversary regatta, scheduled Jan. 15-20, 2017.

Founded in 1928 in Jamaica, **Red Stripe** is a full-bodied amber lager that embodies the spirit and rhythm o Gold Medal in the Monde Selection awards in the Beers, Waters and Soft Drinks category, and Red Stripe L

independent taste test evaluation that guarantees a brand's quality for consumers.



Sunny Skies and clear waters await in Key West - photo Sara Procter

"We are excited to take part in our first Quantum Key West Race Week and start our relationship with the S said **Andrew Anguin**, Red Stripe's Senior Brand Manager in the U.S. "This is an extra special occasion for u: Red Stripe brewed in Jamaica for the United States since 2012. As a brand we are all about sharing good t better place than Key West to bring this to life."

Red Stripe joins as a Gold-level sponsor as does **Foiling RIBs**, a boat sales and charter company that mark and center console sport fishers. Hysucat is an acronym for hydrofoil supported catamaran, which the cor engines, have more deck space and ride better in seas. Hysucat RIBs were the support boat of choice for r Series events in New York and Chicago, Volvo Ocean Race Newport stopover, the Newport-Bermuda Race, Foiling RIBs' third consecutive year as a sponsor at Quantum Key West Race Week.



Foiling RIBs in action - courtesy photo

“Foiling Ribs is excited to be back supporting Quantum Key West Race Week,” said **Mike Quaglio**, the President. “The organizers and volunteers do an exceptional job running extremely competitive races in an array of conditions that bring together some of the best boats with some of the most talented sailors in the world, is one of our favorite aspects of sailing while showcasing the technological advancements and performance capabilities of the Hyscat hybrid.”

The entrant list is nearly 100 for the 30th anniversary regatta and includes some prominent U.S. sailors. **Paul Cayard** (St. Petersburg, Fla.), **Bill Hardesty** (San Diego, Calif.), **Terry Hutchinson** (Annapolis, Md.) and **John Kretschmer** (Yachtswoman of the Year **Hannah Swett** (New York, N.Y.) is entered as skipper of the J/70 *Sparkle*.



Gill NA, the official apparel company of Quantum Key West Race Week, has launched its **signature line for 2017** range of clothing for men and women including technical t-shirts, polos, soft shell jackets and smocks and crews wishing to have their boat name embroidered in time for race week.

Through an alliance with the **National One Design Sailing Academy of Canada**, charter opportunities are available. The Flying Tiger 7.5m is sailed with a maximum crew weight of 1,025 pounds (465 kilograms). The charter fee, dockage, and on-water lunches each day. Also included in the charter fee is a two day on-water clinic on Jan. 13-14, 2017.

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The Storm Trysail Club is one of the world's most respected sailing organizations. Founded in 1938 and co an international, merit-based membership consisting of sailors who have demonstrated expert leadership Storm Trysail Club encourages safe offshore racing and cruising by its members' example in sailing under sharing safety standards, and promoting good fellowship among sailors. As a result, its members influence organizers, race committee, and supporters. The Storm Trysail Club hosts popular race weeks at Block Island such as the annual Block Island Race, the biennial Pineapple Cup race to Montego Bay, the Transatlantic Race and offshore. The Storm Trysail Club also has a strong commitment to sharing its wealth of experience with affiliated charitable organization, The Storm Trysail Foundation, which hosts safety seminars and the Interboat Regatta. For more information, visit www.stormtrysail.org.

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