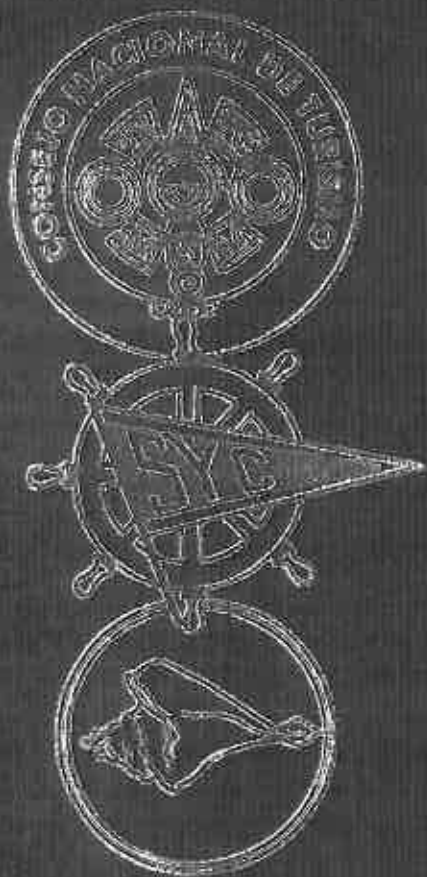


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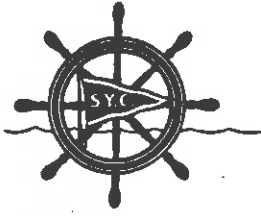
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Saludos a Nuestros Amigos del Club de Yates de Isla Mujeres!

"REGATA AL SOL" (Regatta to the Sun) is the name given to the 550 mile ocean race from New Orleans to Isla Mujeres, Q. R., Mexico, which will take place for the first time on June 16 of this year, and will be an annual event.

At the suggestion of the Mexican National Tourist Council, the Southern Yacht Club and the Club de Yates of Isla Mujeres have joined in sponsoring the race. Southern was chosen because of its long sailing tradition and fame, which are well recognized by our friends south of

the border. As Southern Yacht Club is second oldest in the United States, Club de Yates holds the same position in Mexico.

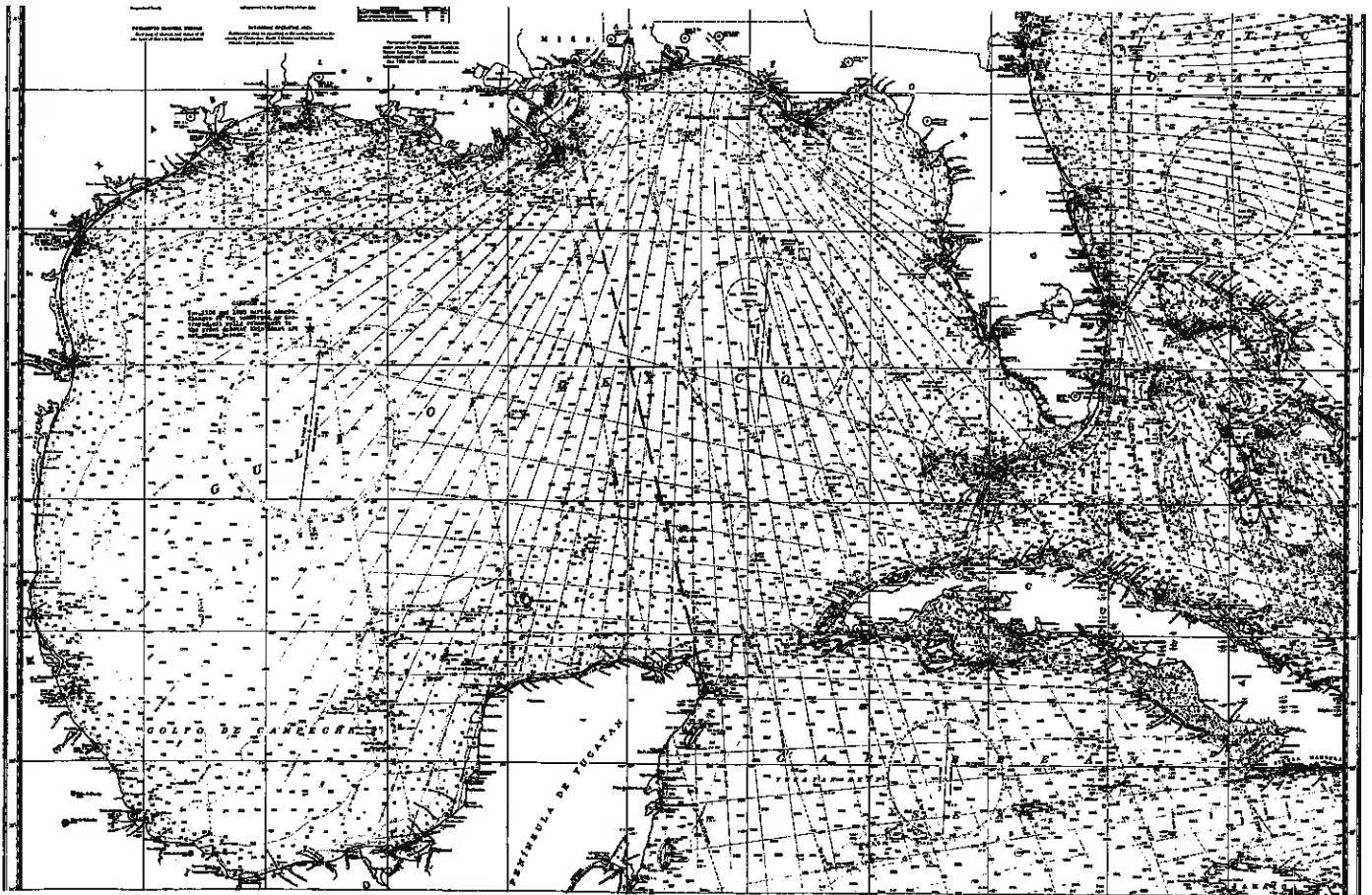
The race will begin on June 16 off the new lightship at the entrance to the New Orleans Ship Channel in Breton Sound, and will finish off the Isla Mujeres Light. The trophy for the event will be awarded by the President of Mexico, Gustavo Diaz Ordaz, and will be known as the President of Mexico Prize.

Isla Mujeres is an island off the coast of Yucatan Peninsula, known

for its exceptionally clear water and fabulous skin diving. There is a new modern hotel on the Island where participants in the race will be housed for the festivities following the race.

The Mexican Government has planned a fiesta around the ancient Maya Festival of the Sun, which will include celebrations at Isla Mujeres, Valladolid, Merida, visits to the Mayan Ruins of Uxmal, Chichen-Itza, and Kabah, as well as to the walled city of Campeche.

Participants in the race, and mem-
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bers of the Southern Yacht Club delegation will be guests at the festivities, and will be taken to the various cities in air-conditioned buses.

Because of a late start this year, and a date conflicting with both the Pensacola Race, and the Galveston-Gulfport Race, there are no SYC boats participating, but the enormous interest shown in the race assures us of having the top event in the Gulf next year.

The boats participating this year are:

"VENUS", Schooner,
 W.J.Broughton of Birmingham
 Owner.

"DAWN", Sloop,
 Sam Labouisse of Pass Christian
 Owner.

"MARESPÉL", Yawl,
 Peter Troughard of Sarasota,
 Owner.

"LANGOSTA", Schooner,
 Don Hazlett of New Orleans,
 Owner.

Two Navy Yawls from Pensacola. Any last minute entries will be most welcome.

There will be a group of SYC Members who will fly down as a Delegation to be on hand at the end of the race, and be present for the festivities. It is planned to leave New Orleans at noon June 22, and return Friday evening, June 25. Anyone interested in making the trip may contact Dick Spangenberg at 822-4240 for information, cost, etc.

Meetings will be announced later in the year to plan next year's race. The date can be varied to fit a proposed central Gulf circuit schedule, as well as the weather. All boat owners interested in next years race, please come forth with suggestions as to best time, starting point, or any idea to make it the most important sailing event in the Gulf.



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