

## 2010 GulfStreamer

## Halifax River Yacht Club / Charleston Yacht Club

revised 06-26-10, Protest appeal upheld: Password vs Cloud Dancer

Sprint										10.6 nm		Ponce Inlet to Daytona Beach Pier				
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3	2	Cruising A	51205	TOKI	Gorden	145	HRYC	Moorings 51	13:00:00	14:30:06	1:30:06	0:25:37	1:04:29	0:01:04		
4	3	Cruising A	51907	SHENANIGAN	Law	162	CORA	Gulfstar 50 Ketch	13:00:00	14:33:11	1:33:11	0:28:37	1:04:34	0:01:09		
8	4	Cruising A	711	THE LAST MANGAS	Ford	132	HRYC	Beneteau First 36s7 WK	13:00:00	14:32:41	1:32:41	0:23:19	1:09:22	0:05:57		
6	1	Cruising B	3869	<b>PASSWORD</b>	<b>Huff</b>	193	<b>SAYC</b>	Morgan 38 Yawl	13:00:00	14:41:31	1:41:31	0:34:06	1:07:25	0:04:00		
9	2	Cruising B	28281	<b>SANTANA</b>	<b>Rollberg</b>	213	<b>SAYC</b>	Hunter 28.5 WK	13:00:00	14:48:05	1:48:05	0:37:38	1:10:27	0:07:02		
14	3	Cruising B	10	ACCOLADE	Stanbersky	191	HRYC	West Indies 36	13:00:00	14:46:43	1:46:43	0:33:45	1:12:58	0:09:33		
15	4	Cruising B	621	MAKANI	Gannett	200	ChYC	Catalina 34 WK	13:00:00	14:48:20	1:48:20	0:35:20	1:13:00	0:09:35		
16	5	Cruising B	17	COPPERHEAD	Stebleton	211	HRYC	Alberg 37	13:00:00	14:50:29	1:50:29	0:37:17	1:13:12	0:09:47		
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13	7	Spinnaker	13148	LONGBOW	Nuernberger	129		C&C 35-1	13:11:00	14:46:33	1:35:33	0:22:47	1:12:46	0:09:21		
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18	9	Spinnaker	50	FREEDOM II	Adames	179		Valiant 40	13:11:00	15:00:28	1:49:28	0:31:37	1:17:51	0:14:26		
19	10	Spinnaker	51704	CELADON	Lesniak	83	ChYC	Beneteau Oceanis 510	13:11:00	14:44:41	1:33:41	0:14:40	1:19:01	0:15:36		

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## GULFSTREAMER YACHT RACE

# Captain plots new course to finish

By **STEVE MASTER**  
CORRESPONDENT

**DAYTONA BEACH** — If Richard Klimas' strategy proves successful in this weekend's Gulf Streamer Daytona to Charleston, S.C., yacht race, it might be time to consider changing the race's name.

According to Klimas, the Gulf Stream might actually be the route to avoid.

The 235-nautical mile race starts today at 1 p.m. with the traditional 10.6-mile sprint race from Ponce de Leon Inlet to Main Street Pier. From the pier, the 19-strong fleet will turn northeast and set sail to Charleston.

For most boats, the trek traditionally starts with an urgent rush to the Gulf Stream about 50 miles offshore. That's the strategy Klimas used when he skippered his Irwin 43, Jolie Dancer, to the overall title in 2006 and placed second in the Bimini class in 2008.

But a three-month examination of National Oceanic and Atmosphere Administration data and images has convinced Klimas that the extra distance it takes to reach the stream — which has been compared to an offshore interstate highway, where the water is warmer and the current faster — might prove counterproductive.

### GulfStream

**WHAT:** Seventh Biennial GulfStreamer Daytona to Charleston, S.C., yacht race

**WHEN:** 1 p.m. start. Finish time in Charleston depends on wind.

**WHERE:** Race starts with 10.6-mile sprint from Ponce Inlet to Main Street Pier. If you want to watch, boats are expected to reach the Pier at about 3 p.m., but the time is just a guess — it depends on the wind

**DISTANCE:** 235 nautical miles

**WHO:** 22 boats in all, though three will pull out after the sprint race. Among the entries are boats from Daytona Beach, New Smyrna Beach, St. Augustine, Jacksonville, Charleston, S.C., and Savannah, Ga.

The alternative strategy is to take the rhumb line, a more direct route that eliminates the distance required to reach the Gulf Stream but lacks the faster current of the stream.

"There's a trade-off there," said Klimas, a retired Navy officer from Green Cove Springs. "But looking at the Gulf Stream compared to previous years, I don't think it's gonna be that much of a benefit."

Klimas' strategy bucks conventional wisdom, says veteran GulfStream competitor Bob Ford, the race chairman, and Dennis Gorden, who skippered Toki to a 2006 GulfStream class victory.

"You talk to most veterans and ask what the key to the race is, they say, 'Look at the name (of the race) . . . go to the stream,'" said Gorden, a Halifax River Yacht Club member. "The key is figuring out where you go in, how long you stay and where you get out."

Weather also plays a role in devising strategy. However, predicting a weather pattern has proven challenging due to a non-tropical low pressure system between Bermuda and the Bahamas, Gorden said.

The system raised concerns among competitors earlier, when long-range forecasts called for possible gale-force winds off the Carolina coast. But the system has lost its punch and is drifting east, reducing its potential impact on wind and wave conditions.

Marine forecasts call for northwest winds to 10 knots and 2- to 3-foot seas for the start of the race. Winds are expected to shift to east-southeast, remaining in the 10-knot range, as the sailors make their way to Charleston.

Finish time depends largely on wind, but the quicker boats could begin pulling into Charleston Harbor within 24 hours. The trophy ceremony is Monday at the Charleston Yacht Club.



## GULFSTREAMER YACHT RACE



News-Journal/DAVID TUCKER

The first two boats get to the Daytona Beach pier in the Gulfstreamer Yacht Race on Friday. The race goes from Ponce Inlet to Charleston, South Carolina.

# Boats enjoy smooth start

By **STEVE MASTER**  
CORRESPONDENT

**DAYTONA BEACH** — The 19-strong fleet in the GulfStreamer Daytona-to-Charleston, S.C. yacht race will no doubt face assorted challenges during their 225 nautical mile trek.

Some will endure navigational miscalculations. Others will face equipment failures. At least a few will find the wind or weather conditions not optimal for their boats.

In distance ocean races, these things happen. But for one two-hour stretch, at least, the entire fleet seemed to enjoy a relative comfort zone.

Fueled by a coveted gift from Mother Nature, the seventh-biennial GulfStreamer got off to a speedy, picturesque start on Friday with the traditional sprint from Ponce Inlet to Main Street Pier.

Toki, a Moorings 51 skippered by Halifax River Yacht Club member Dennis Gorden,

reached the pier first in 1 hour, 30 minutes. It wasn't the fastest sprint on record, but the 15-knot winds out of the east — with some even stronger gusts — gave skippers ample fuel to get their vessels whistling.

The sprint — a 10-6 mile run along the beach — provided a colorful spectacle for beachgoers. Some competitors flew multicolored spinnakers, creating a virtual rainbow of sails as the boats separated after a tightly clustered start.

On the beach, mothers pointed out the sailboats to children and sunbathers inquired about the logistics of a distance ocean race.

On the decks of the boats, meanwhile, skippers and crews worked to harness the wind as efficiently as possible in an effort to win the sprint and capture an early advantage in the long haul to Charleston.

The boats began arriving at the Main Street Pier at about 2:30 p.m., then pointed their bows northeast, setting in motion

their respective navigational strategies that typically determine the outcome.

Those strategies were closely held secrets prior to the race, although one former champion — Richard Klimas — said earlier in the week he would forego the traditional strategy of sailing 50 miles offshore to the Gulf Stream.

Others indicated the Gulf Stream's benefits — the warmer water, faster currents and about four knot extra wind speed — are well worth the extra distance.

Finishing time depends largely on wind, but some of the faster boats could begin trickling into Charleston tonight. Marine forecasts called for southeast winds 10-to-15 knots.

■ Sprint winners by division were Tohidu (spinnaker), skippered by Jay Cook of Charleston, S.C.; Jolie Dancer (Cruising A), skippered by Klimas of Green Cove Springs; and Password (Cruising B), skippered by Dave Huff of St. Augustine.