



US ETHELLS YOUTH TEAM

2019 ANNOUNCEMENT

Introducing the third annual US Etchells Youth Team (USEYT). This Team opportunity was first offered in 2017 and has provided for youth sailors to race competitively in the Etchells Class. A challenge, originally issued by the Cowes, UK Etchells Fleet invited the USEYT to race for the Gertrude Cup in Cowes in July 2017. The USEYT won the Olin Stephens Trophy (presented to the top Etchells Youth team in the world) becoming the trophy's first ever winner. In 2018 at the North American Championships the US and UK teams battled it out and the Brit's won back the Olin Stephens trophy. This year the USEYT is headed over to the UK to bring the Stephens Trophy to the US.

Thirty-Two USEYT members have been selected from applications that came in from across the country. We are excited to introduce the new JV (19 and under) and Varsity (25 and under) Teams. Members span from the West Coast to the East Coast. Below is a list of members and their hometowns:

2018 VARSITY CAPTAINS			
Brooks Daley (VT)		Sean Cornell (FL)	
2019 VARSITY MEMBERS			
Alexander Brown (CA)	Bridget Groble (IL)	Kathryn Bornarth (FL)	Rachel Daye (FL)
Andrew Reed (MA)	Chris Manson Hing (MA)	Kyle Comerford (MD)	Raymond Groble (IL)
Belle Strachen (CA)	Elena Vandenberg (CA)	Kyle Magno (NJ)	Reed Lorimer (MI)
Ben Wilkinson (RI)	Franny Schulte (SC)	Martim Andersen (CT)	Riley Freeman (RI)
Bradley Adam (MD)	Fraser MacKechnie (RI)	Meri Harrington (NY)	Sam White (CA)
Brendan Feeny (FL)	Ian Morgan (MA)	Patrick Shanahan (FL)	Sarah Ragle (CO)
2019 JV MEMBERS			
Carina Becker (NY)	Charlie Hibben (MA)	Chloe Holder (CA)	
Lars Osell (FL)	Marina Barzaghi (RI)	Michael Morley (FL)	

Five competitive boats have been secured for the USEYT which will offer the opportunity to develop skills and teamwork in the run-up to the Cowes Challenge. This year's rigorous schedule also includes the Etchells World Championship in Corpus Christi, TX. At these events several youth teams from around the world including Canada, Bermuda, Australia and the UK will likely be sailing. Thanks to the generous support of our donors, the USEYT has grown along with the international contingent.

In order to reach our goals for the USEYT we need your help! Success and growth of the Team depends largely on fundraising through tax deductible donations and sponsorships. Please consider contributing to this effort by making a tax-deductible contribution to the Skiff Sailing Foundation as follows:

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<p>Mail to:</p> <p>The Skiff Sailing Foundation 933 Polk Street, Albany, CA 94706 Attention to: USEYT</p>	<p>Please request instructions at: Useyt20@gmail.com</p>	<p>Ebay: https://www.charity.ebay.com/charity/The-Skiff-Sailing-Foundation/16537</p> <p>Amazon: https://smile.amazon.com/ch/43-1956843</p>
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With your support we will continue to develop some of the top youth teams in the world giving an opportunity to many of those that may not otherwise be able to compete in one of sailings most competitive classes. The 2019 schedule is:

February 9-10: Florida State Championship — Biscayne Bay Yacht Club, Miami, Florida
March 1-3: Mid-Winter's East Regatta — Biscayne Bay Yacht Club, Miami, Florida
March 22-24: Coral Reef Cup — Coral Reef Yacht Club, Miami, Florida
April 27 – 28: Pacific Coast Championship – San Diego Yacht Club, San Diego, California
May 6-11: North American Championship — Houston Yacht Club, Houston, Texas
June 7-9: La Regata Que No Importa — Corpus Christi Yacht Club, Corpus Christi, Texas
June 20-29: Etchells World Championship — Corpus Christi Yacht Club, Corpus Christi, Texas
June 29-30: NYYC One-Design Regatta, New York Yacht Club, Newport, Rhode Island
July 5-7: The Newport Regatta — Sail Newport, Newport, Rhode Island
August 2-4: Buzzards Bay Regatta – New Bedford Yacht Club, South Dartmouth, Massachusetts
August 10-17: Lendy Cowes Week — Cowes, United Kingdom
September 20-22: US National Championship — American Yacht Club, Rye, New York
October 19-20: Atlantic Coast Championship — Annapolis Yacht Club, Annapolis, Maryland
December 7-8: Louis Piana Cup — Biscayne Bay Yacht Club, Miami, Florida

The USEYT has been partnering with corporate sponsors and donors, providing promotions and exposure at these many events and online. Four tiers of sponsorships are offered from \$ 1,000 to 10,000, each granting corporate sponsors promotion of their company by the USEYT. We have been fortunate to have many great sponsors so far that have helped our campaign succeed including:

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