

# Vic-Maui's Half Century

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1965 - 2016















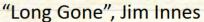




#### 1965: The First Vic-Maui

Long Gone (RVanYC), Velaris (RVanYC), Norena of Wight (RVicYC), Tatoosh (Seattle YC)







Post finish celebration, Kaanapali Beach, West Maui















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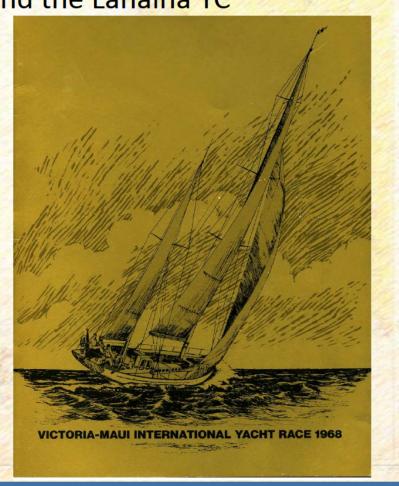




## 1968: Royal Vancouver & Lahaina YC's

#### Co-hosted by the Royal Vancouver YC and the Lahaina YC

- 14 boats
- HMCS Oriole's first Vic-Maui
- First overall and first elapsed:
   Porpoise III, RVYC
- 16 days
- Gabrielle III













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## 1970: A Light Air Ocean Race

- 22 boats finished
- Greybeard's debut: 1st overall, 1st elapsed
- Slow race: 15-23 days



#### VICTORIA-MAUI INTERNATIONAL YACHT RACE

**JULY 1, 1970** 



Sponsored By The

ROYAL VANCOUVER YACHT CLUB

And The

LAHAINA YACHT CLUB



HIS HONOUR



ON BOARD

H.M.C.S. MIRAMICHI (Lieutenant Commander J. B. O'Reilly)

































Odusa, 1972



Merlin, 1978













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- Fleet sizes 19 30+ boats
- Greybeard, Merlin debut
- Times 10 23 days elapsed
- Boats 29 91 feet LOA
- Smallest winner: Cherokee, Cal 33
- Smallest boats:
   Arietian 29'10", Madhatter 29'11"









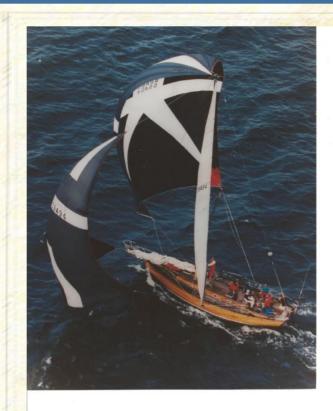


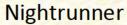




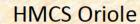


































- Fleet sizes peak in 1980-1982 at 36 boats
- Scotch Mist sails to Lahaina and stays there ... still!
- No boats beat the elapsed time record during this decade
- Winners from RVanYC, VRC, Bellingham YC, Corinthian YC, Seattle YC













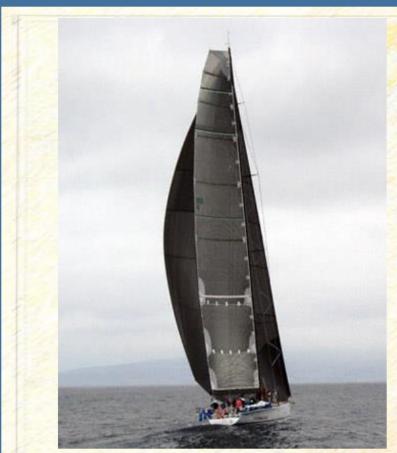






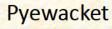








Renegade



























- Decade of the sleds: Cheval, Merlin, Pyewacket, Renegade
- Elapsed time record set by Merlin, Pyewacket
- Fleet sizes gradually decline
- IOR, PHRF, IMS transition multiple winners in 1990, 1992
- Winners from Comox Bay YC, Pt Roberts, WVYC, RVanYC, CYC Seattle, Bellingham YC, LYC









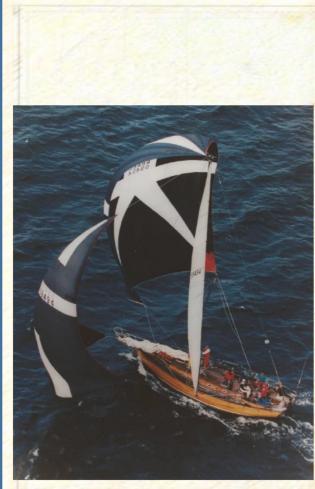


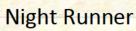














**Grand Illusion** 

























- Grand Illusion breaks the elapsed time record
- Record breaking 2000 followed by a post-start gale in 2002
- Three lighter air races in a row ...
   2004-2006-2008
- Winners from LYC twice, Orcas Island YC, Tacoma YC / CYC Seattle and RVanYC









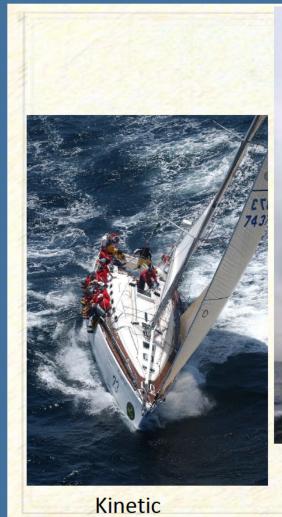
















Longboard

**Double Take** 























- Fleet size rebounds from 9 boats to 20+ boats
- Windy races in 2010 and 2012, followed by a split weather pattern in 2014
- Race record from 2000 still stands, as of 2014
- WVYC's Longboard, at 35', is the smallest boat to win since a 33' boat won the 1972 race



















## Cruising Class

- Autopilots & electric winches allowed; motoring allowed with a time penalty
- Beneteau Trophy, awards for having the most fun
- Recent cruising class boats:
   Beneteau First 456, Hans Christian 48,
   Shearwater 39, Beneteau Oceanus 50
- Mentors, preparation seminars & classes, camaraderie, fleet communications & safety net



















# Half Century: Going Beyond Hawaii

- Gabrielle III: 1968 Vic-Maui, S. Pacific, Sydney Hobart, Indian Ocean, Atlantic Ocean, Baltic cruising
- Greybeard: 1970 Vic-Maui, S. Pacific, Sydney Hobart
- Kinetic: 2006 Vic-Maui, S. Pacific, Sydney Hobart, Pacific Ocean return
- Radiance: Alaska, 2012 Vic-Maui, S. Pacific, Japan, North Pacific, Alaska



















#### Double-Handed Class

- Trend in distance racing, new class introduced for Vic-Maui
- Two double-handed entries for 2016:
  - Amiskwi Sabre 386
  - Mountain J-109













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# 2016 Vic-Maui: Highlights

- Half Century Celebration: 1965-2016
- Twenty-sixth running of the Vic-Maui
- Racing, Double-handed, Cruising
- Mentors for first-time entrants
- Biggest fleet in twenty years!
- Will the record finally fall?
   Grand Illusion, LYC, 2000: 9d, 2h, 8m, 27s



















# Half Century: Elapsed Time Records

Year	Boat	Skipper	Club	Time
1965	Long Gone	JG Innes	RVanYC	15d 6h 55m 0s
1970	Greybeard	L Killam	RVanYC	15d 0h 47m 45s
1972	Odusa	EH Zahn	CYC Seattle	14d 0h 12m 0s
1974	Joli	B Niemi	Seattle YC	12d 17h 53m 26s
1978	Merlin	D Fryer	Seattle YC	10d 0h 2m 37s
1992	Merlin	D Sinclair	RVanYC	9d 23h 15m 59s
1996	Pyewacket	RE Disney	LAYC	9d 19h 36m 30s
2000	<b>Grand Illusion</b>	J McDowell	Lahaina YC	9d 2h 8m 27s



















#### 2016 Vic-Maui Fleet

























#### Pre-Start - Victoria

- Boats in Victoria 2-3 two days before their start
- Last-minute preparations & provisioning
- Vic-Maui "village", families & friends & fans
- Pre-start parties for everyone

- Spectator boats at the starts
- Similar start area as Swiftsure ...
   but no turning back at Cape Flattery!











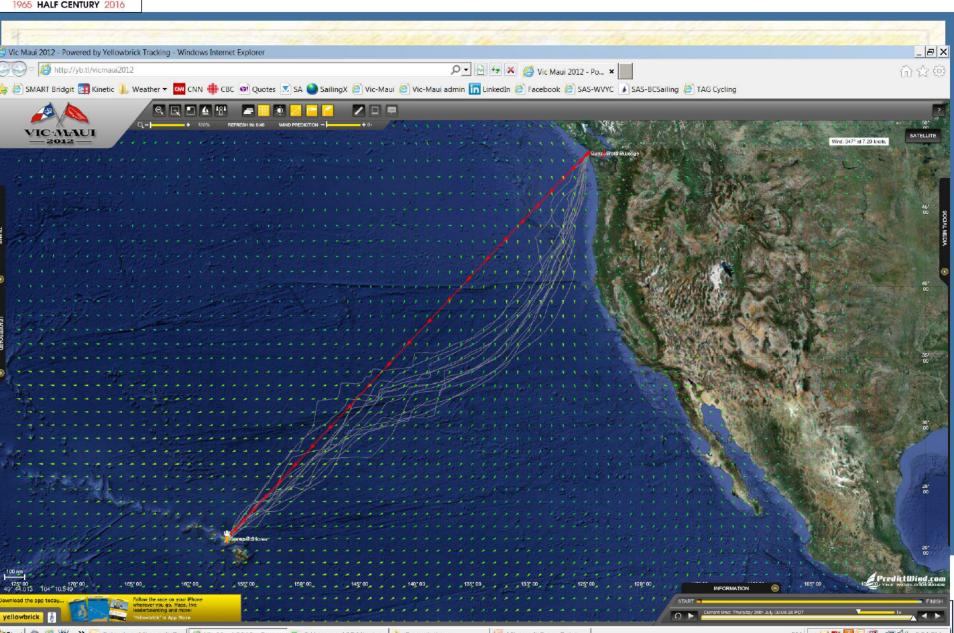






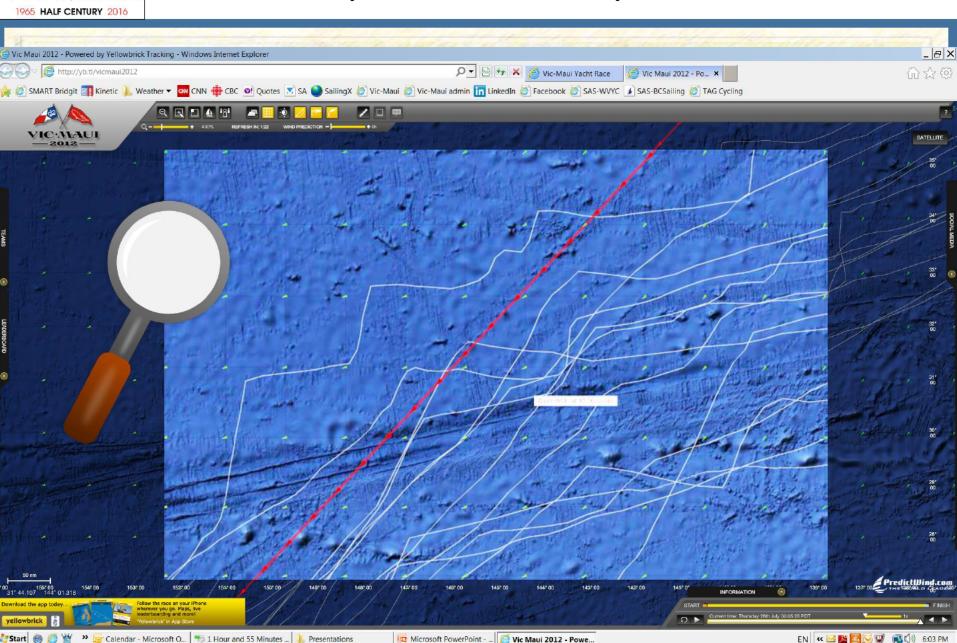


## Race Tracker





# Every Tack and Gybe!





## Post-Finish – Lahaina, Maui

- Every boat is greeted with an aloha welcome party, regardless of time of day or night
- Everyone gathers for the awards banquet; many trophies are awarded
- Most crews and families stay for a vacation in Maui
- Most delivery crews re-provision and depart directly from Maui





















## Vic-Maui Qualifying Races





















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#### Vic-Maui Events

#### Between Vic-Maui's:

- Preparation Seminar
- Offshore First Aid
- Offshore Weather
   & Routing
- Safety at Sea
- Alumni & Fleet Gathering

#### **During each Vic-Maui:**

- Starts Victoria
- Race & Tracker
- Waiting Wahine Luncheon
- Finishes Lahaina
- Awards Banquet

Details at: www.vicmaui.org/events





















## 2016 Vic-Maui Key Dates

2015

January 31

Notice of Race

September 15

Early entry deadline

2016

February 3

Final entry deadline

July 7-12

Starts in Victoria

July 30

**Awards Banquet Lahaina** 





















#### Vic-Maui: The Adventure of a Lifetime

#### More information about Vic-Maui:

- Website: www.vicmaui.org
- Email us at: entry@vicmaui.org
- Facebook: Like us at "Vic-Maui"
- Shackles & Cotterpins e-newsletter: subscribe at: <u>www.vicmaui.org</u>
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