

LARRY THOMAS CUP

Hudson to Hooters

The LARRY THOMAS CUP is a perpetual trophy awarded to the winner of the annual H.B.Y.C. HUDSON TO HOOTERS RACE. Larry Thomas was a long time member of the H.B.Y.C. After he passed away, his family donated funds to purchase something for the club to remember Larry, since the Club was very important to him. Larry had a powerboat that he used as a Committee Boat for the H.B.Y.C sailboat races.

The HUDSON TO HOOTERS RACE was a favorite of Larry's so the club decided to use the funds to purchase a perpetual trophy in his honor, to present to the winner of that race each year. The HUDSON TO HOOTERS RACE is traditionally held in October and is usually the last race of the racing season.

The race starts near Marker 2 at the outer end of the Hudson Channel and finishes near Marker 1 at the outer end of the Port Richey Channel, which follows the Pithlachascotee "Cotee" River into Port Richey. After the race, the racers, committee boat and spectator boats, motor through the Cotee River Channel to Hooters Bar and Grille where they are joined by other club members for food, drinks and comradery

Although the HUDSON TO HOOTERS RACE has been held annually since 1997, the LARRY THOMAS CUP has only been awarded since 2011.

WINNERS:

- 2011 DAVE ZIMMER "*CAT CAN DO*"
- 2012 MIKE NUNES "*ENTERPRISE*"
- 2013 IAN HODGES "*MISS LYNNE*"
- 2014 MIKE NUNES "*PLATYPUS*"
- 2015 MIKE NUNES "*PLATYPUS*"
- 2016 DEAN PERRY "*FINE ALEE*"
- 2017 DEAN PERRY "*FINE ALEE*" (Monohull)
- 2017 TIM SANDER "*PAISLEY MAE*" (Multihull)
- 2018 GENE MICHEAUX "*LADY IN RED*" (Monohull)
- 2018 TIM SANDER "*PAISLEY MAE*" (Multihull)
- 2019 MIKE NUNES "*PLATYPUS*" (Monohull)
- 2019 DAN WALLACE "*CAT SASS*" (Multihull)