

General Press Release
Albemarle Sound Sailing Association
Albemarle Challenge Cup Sailing Regatta
September 25-28, 2025

The 2025 edition of the Albemarle Challenge Cup Sailing Regatta was held at the Albemarle Plantation in Hertford, NC and hosted by the Osprey Yacht Club, September 25-28, 2025. Eighteen boats participated in three tightly grouped classes which produced great racing that resulted in tiebreaker rules being applied numerous times in the final results. The weather forecast for light winds and rain did not transpire and thankfully, Mother Nature had other thoughts, delivering zero rain while racing and light with some moderate wind conditions throughout the weekend. Skippers and crew were challenged with consistently changing conditions and the Mark Boat Crews and Race Committee had to shorten and lengthen courses and move marks frequently. Overall, racers enjoyed solid sailing and racing over three days, completing six races total, three short distance, two middle distance, and one long distance.

Results from PHRF A class (7 boats) 1. Greg Florence, Go with the Flo (Bristol 38.8), Colington Yacht Club; 2. Ken Attkinsson, Lift Ticket (J 27), Edenton Yacht Club; 3. Scott Vickery, Knot so Fast (Baltic 39), Pasquotank River Yacht Club. Results from PHRF B class (5 boats) 1. Chuck Moncees, Newfie Dancer (Olson 25), Colington Yacht Club; 2. Mike Hutchinson, Hart 2 Hart (Colgate 26), Colington Yacht Club; Tim Askew, Our Time (Catalina 387), Pasquotank River Yacht Club. Results from PHRF C class (6 boats) 1. Ryan Thompson, Pelican (Hinckley Pilot 35), Roanoke Island Yacht Club; 2. John Sams, Ember (Ranger 22), Edenton Yacht Club; 3. Red Temple, (Cape Dory 25), Roanoke Island Yacht Club.

Since 1985, the Albemarle Challenge Cup has been awarded to the club with the best four overall finishes. This marks the 40th anniversary of the club championship. This year, the Albemarle Cup was awarded to the Edenton Yacht Club in Edenton, NC.



Hal Murry, John Sams, and Dan Bohl accept the Albemarle Challenge Cup from Greg Florence, Race Director

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