

Counting Down to Grenada Sailing Festival Westerhall White Jack Workboat Regatta 2017

Preparations are at an all-time high in the traditional sailing communities preparing boats to take part in the 2017 Westerhall White Jack Workboat Regatta to be staged on Grand Anse Beach on Saturday & Sunday 28 and 29 January. Hulls are getting new, vibrant coats of paint, sails are being checked & renewed & even some new boats are being prepared to make their debut.

This, high action, high fun Regatta Festival has been a 'Must Go-To' event on Grand Anse Beach for twenty-four consecutive years and welcomes big crowds of spectators – local community supporters; visiting yachtsmen & cruisers, as well as Hotel guests who have the chance to experience a unique traditional sailing experience. Pure Sail, Pure Spice, Grenadian-style.

There will be two days of the most spectacular and competitive racing: a full day of Community Class Racing on Saturday 28 January and again on Sunday morning, 29 January, when all crews will be going full throttle to win first place in their community races to qualify for Sunday afternoon's GSF16 Match Race Final – for the highly prized overall title of 'Champion of Champions' & a cheque for US\$1,000.00. This year there will be even more to race for – as the owner of the winning boat will walk away with a YAMAHA outboard engine presented by McIntyre Brothers – The heat of the competition is going to be off the charts.

There will be more action on Sunday in Grenada Sailing Festival's own fleet of GSF16 Workboats, when each community nominates a Junior & Senior crew to compete to be 'National Team Sailing Champion' for 2017. Once again, Carib is sponsor of the Senior National Team Sailing Race and Budget Marine is the Junior Team Sailing sponsor.



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Festival Favourite DJ Blackstorm will keep the atmosphere charged and there will be fun games and prizes to be won. Crowds will also be able to enjoy all the best traditional dishes from Oil Down to Lobster at Community Kitchen food stalls and sample the range of Westerhall Rums, plus ice-cold Carib beers and Blue Aqua water at the Festival Beach Bars throughout both days. The whole event will be rounded off with a wonderful firework display courtesy of Spice Island Fireworks - a true high spot to start the week of Independence celebrations.

Grenada Sailing Festival's Westerhall White Jack Workboat Regatta will be staged on Saturday & Sunday 28 - 29 January on Grand Anse Beach. Grenada Sailing Festival wishes to thank Sponsors, Supporters & Festival Friends who make the event possible: Westerhall Rums; Grenada Tourism Authority; Budget Marine; True Blue Bay Resort's Dodgy Dock; CARIB; Spice Isle Fish House; Waggy T; McIntyre Brothers & Yamaha; Courts; DeSign Factory; Horizon Yacht Charters; Camper & Nicholsons Marinas; Blue Aqua; Bryden & Minors with Campari & Smirnoff; L.L Ramdhanny True Value & Harris Paints; Digicel; Andy's Soup House; Republic Bank; Umbrellas Beach Bar; Bulk Buy; Victory Bar; GUT Co-operative Credit Union; Grenada Marine; Clarke's Court Boatyard & Marina; Amalgamated Security Services; Century21; Savvy Grenada Sailing Charters; Island Dreams Yacht Services; Sunsation Tours; Caribbean Rentals and Spice Island Fireworks.

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