

J105 FLEET GOES for GOLD

Doug Bullock, Fleet Captain

The J105 Fleet is proud to announce their plans to host the **2017 J105 Canadian Championship** at the **RCYC** as a **Clean Regatta**.

Sailors for the Sea, a boating community organization focused on environmental sustainability and ocean health, created and maintains the Clean Regatta Program. The Program awards Certificates of Bronze, Silver and Gold for participation in using their 25 Best Practices for water-based events.

Our goal is to achieve a **Gold Certificate** which requires us to implement 19 of their 25 Best Practices which include, to name just a few, a paperless regatta, responsible signage, water bottle reduction, recycling, water refilling stations, responsible dinnerware, public engagement, sustainable food options and eliminating single-use bags.

This is not the first Clean Regatta on Lake Ontario, last year the York Cup hosted by the RCYC was awarded a Silver Certificate under the guidance of Regatta Chair, Landon Gardner. Nor are good environmental practices new to the Fleet as demonstrated by Terry McLaughlin and Rod Wilmer implementing a reusable water bottle program for their J105 boat, Mandate.

Our Green Team, consisting of J105 Sailors, Emily Sale, Chair with Justine McLoughlin and Michelle Skutelsky will be leading the planning and execution of our Green Initiatives and Best Practices.

Together we can all make a difference, reduce, reuse and recycle.