Sailors for the Sea Clean Regatta Platinum Level Sustainability Report



Camden Classics Cup

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1. Eliminate Single-Use Water Bottles and Provide Water Refill Stations:





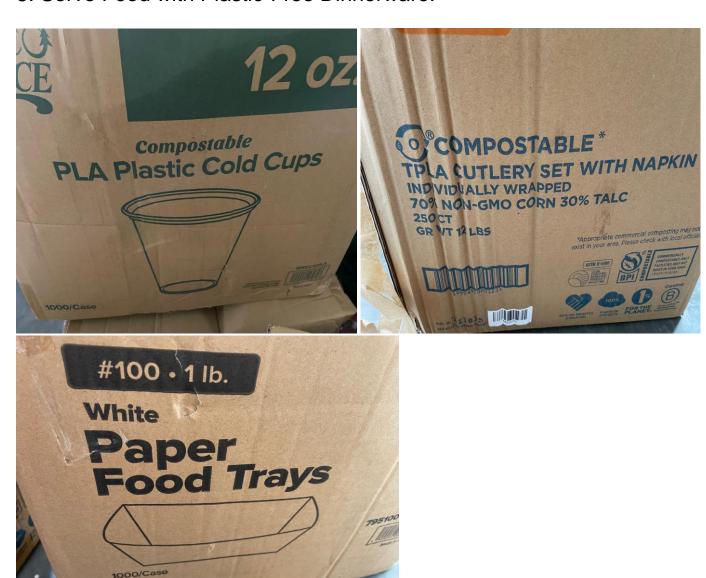


We had several water filling stations and all regatta participants received a refillable water bottle. Boxed Water is Better supplied boxed water for our youth regatta participants (85 kids).

2. Eliminate Plastic Straws:

We did not have straws anywhere at the event.

3. Serve Food with Plastic-Free Dinnerware:



All of our dinnerware was compostable; the caterer was very helpful in implementing this with us. We also had bamboo forks and knives. In the restaurants they have real dinnerware.

4. Use or Provide Reusable Bags:



All participants received a dry bag and we also had reusable shopping bags for our lunches.

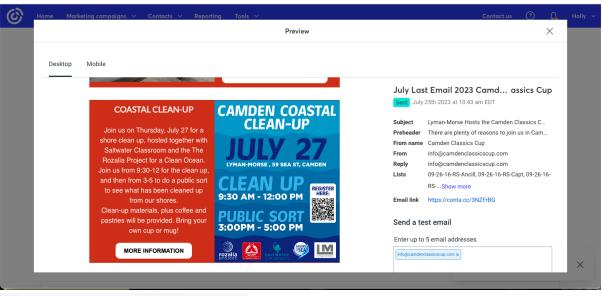
5. Award Practical Items or Use a Perpetual or Upcycled Trophy:

We have several perpetual trophies and other awards are usable platters.





6. Publicize Your Sustainability Efforts:

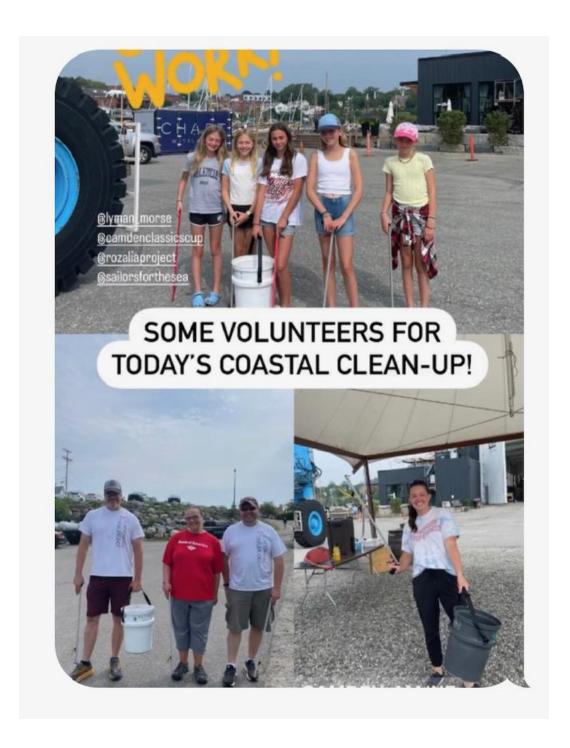




We used social media, our email blasts to our fleet and also the local paper publicized our efforts online.

7. Involve Local Organizations:





This is a photo of a team from Bank of America, Saltwater Classroom and the Rozalia project that joined our green team and assisted with the shore clean up.

We also had Hurricane Island represented at the event.

8. Post Educational and Reusable Signage:

CAMDEN COASTAL CLEAN-UP

JULY 27

LYMAN-MORSE, 59 SEA ST, CAMDEN

CLEAN UP 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

PUBLIC SORT 3:00PM - 5:00 PM



















We use mostly reusable signs. Any vinyl signs we do not re use our sewing department uses to make sail bags for customers.

9. Serve Local Food or Source Seafood Sustainably:





In addition to the local blueberries pictured, we had local oysters and locally made beverages.

10. Organize a Green Team:

We had a group of employees plus some local students who helped monitor the property. We partnered with Saltwater Classroom & Rozalia project to do a harbor clean up. They organized people throughout the day. At the end of the day, they documented all the trash picked up.

11. Ensure Proper Waste Bin Placement and Signage:



We had waste & recycling bins and barrels throughout the property.

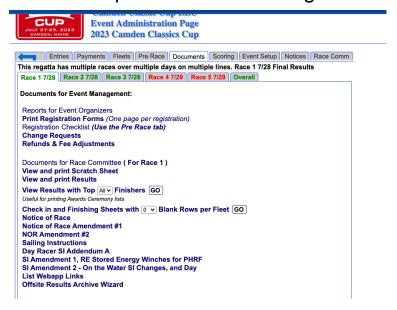
The restaurant has a compost bin. Food was only served in our tent and one evening on the dock but that was only an oyster bar, and they removed all their waste.

12. Divert Food Waste from the Landfill:



The restaurants on site do compost but I do not have a photo of that. We do have cooking fuel drop off on site. Our event parties used compostables and the caterers took care of waste. In the event tent we had recycling bins.

13. Use Paperless Event Management:



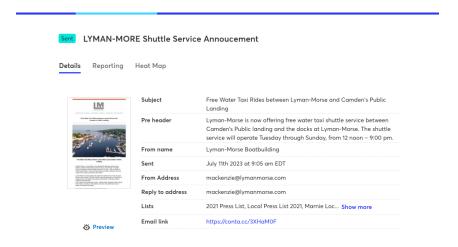
Most of our event information is online, except for the sailing instructions which captains prefer to have in hand. Our local charts are printed on waterproof, reusable paper and do not have a date so they can be used every year. RC also used white boards and bulletin boards for information.

14. Host a Beach or Marina Clean-up:



The clean up took place on July 27. Cigarette butts were the number 1 item picked up.

15. Promote Alternative Transportation:



The marina offers water taxi, which most participants used.

16. Increase Awareness of Wildlife and Habitat Protection:

We had a group from Hurricane Island on site discussing the habitats of the local environment. Hurricane is a non-profit that is located offshore near Camden. They brought a pop-up display that had some sea creatures for kids to see and learn about and also they had some craft projects for kids (coloring, etc). They also had information about their amazing camps they have year-round on the island.

17. Offer Vegetarian or Vegan Alternatives:



We had several options on our menu for vegetarians.

18. Use Eco-Smart Race Management Techniques

Most of our event communication was online with the exception of the changes to sailing instructions on the day of event and the marine charts that were on waterproof, recyclable paper which can be reused each year. When boats check in at the marina, they are directed to recycling, waste dispensers, water refilling etc.

19. Prevent Toxins from Entering the Water

There is engine oil recycling station on site.

We have switched to using a horn instead of the Rifle to starts, finishes, etc. to eliminate blanks ending up in the water.

20. Encourage Green Boating Practices

Though I do not have photos, I would say that 95% of the boats are green and recycle, use refillable bottles and generally have concern for the environment.

One of our sponsors is Sea Bags and they work with the boats to recycle old sails.

We encourage people to participate in Sailors for the Sea in our email blasts.

About 25% of the boats that participate do not have engines; the others will turn off if safe to do so for maneuvering.

Bonus Opportunities:

The team did their best to get to a higher level this year. We had many young kids engaged. The boatyard has added solar lights around the property, additional filling stations for water and a massive bottle/can recycling program.







We also partnered with OP BOX, a Maine company that is building small buildings out of material made from plastic bottles. They provided us with a small building for our gear shop and also Chart Metal works had their box on site as well.