

# 50th Hyannis Regatta begins today

The 1992 Hyannis Yacht Club Regatta gets under way this morning at the club on Ocean Street, marking the 50th anniversary for this competition among sailors from around the Cape and islands.

There will be three days of racing and the fleet will include a large number of one-design boats, as well as some 35 ocean-going vessels. Some six different starting lines will be set up by principal race officer Dennis Sullivan in order to accommodate about 300 skippers who have registered their boats for the regatta.

Two of those starting areas will be located in Lewis Bay. Emily Mezzetti, the sailing master at the Hyannis club, will be in charge of the Optimist Prams and the Beetle Cat Mitey Mites (skippers under age 12). Lee Williams, representing the Southeastern Massachu-

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setts Yacht Racing Association (SMYRA), will start the older skippers in the Beetle Cats.

Out on Nantucket Sound, Keith Sexton and his committee will count down the starting gun for Sunfish, Cape Cod Knockabouts and the J-22 fleets. In another area of the Sound, Chuck Lockhart, Bob Baker and Win Carter will start the Lasers and the 505s.

The Wianno Senior fleet and the Collegiate 420 skippers will be under the direction of David Crawford. The HYC Ocean Race chairman, Jack Mezzetti, will call the shots for the J-24s racing as one-design boats, as well as the 35 skip-

pers of the spinnaker and non-spinnaker ocean divisions.

Some of the racing fleets will be competing for more than just HYC Regatta awards. For the Wianno Seniors, this weekend is counted in the summer-long series competition for the Scudder Cup, emblematic of the overall Senior racing championship.

The Lasers will also be competing for the New England Championship and the 420 fleet will be chasing the North American Championship trophy.

Club commodore Stanley Moore will present the HYC awards, with the assistance of skipper Bill Koch, an Osterville resident, and successful defender of the America's Cup.

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