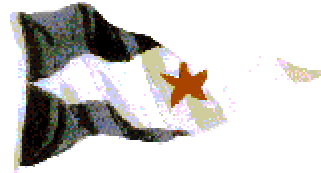


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## April's fool!

We'll probably never know how many sailors believed the story about Dennis Conner in a halftonner was true. Fact is that many notorious sailing webzines and newsletters (Scuttlebutt, Daily Sail, ...) published the press release without noticing the date. One website even suggested that it was the Half Ton class itself that was being fooled. Oh boy if only they knew...

After all it was a perfect way to make it once again into the sailing news headlines...

## The Half Ton Classics Cup 2005

The Yacht Club of Dinard wishes to unveil part of its programme for the Half Ton Classics Cup:

- *Tuesday August 30th*: the Prizegiving will be organized on the Cézembre island just off Saint-Malo. (followed by the Half Ton Party!). Everybody will be transferred to the island by small ferry as from 18h30, return is foreseen between midnight and 01h00. Price: 22 or 30 €, depending on whether you want the wine included or not.

- *Thursday September 1st*: Half Ton Banquet (& dancing) in the Casino of Dinard.

**You must make reservations before June 15th !!**. Send ASAP a mail to [yacht-club-dinard@wanadoo.fr](mailto:yacht-club-dinard@wanadoo.fr), mentioning your boat's name and the number of attendants that would like to assist the banquet.

Unless the YCD finds a big sponsor to finance some pontoons, the club will arrange for berths in the adjacent Yacht harbour of Saint-Malo. There will be a shuttle service from the yacht harbour to the club for the interested crews.

As you will undoubtedly have noticed on the website, the number of participants is steadily growing. At present 26 owners announced their entry, and some more will do so in the near future. A total of 19 prototypes and 7 series build halftonners will compete in Dinard.

Don't forget that **your entry fee of 200€ has to be paid to the YCD before June 15th!!** After that date the entry fee amounts 300€... Check the Notice of Race published on the website for all details.

**An idea for accommodation during the HTCC-week: at [www.campinglatouesse.fr](http://www.campinglatouesse.fr) they rent nice mobil homes at special halfton prices (30€ off the published prices). The camping is close to Dinard (2,5 kms).**

## Regatta News

The traditional Spi Ouest France regatta (La Trinité – FRA) was won (in its class) by HALF RED, a 1989 Berret designed one-off. Her crew managed to contain successfully the charges of BRITTANY DRIZZLE, another Berret, from 1978 this time. Remarkable performances also by the crews of BIG BANG (5<sup>th</sup>) and GENERAL TAPIOCA (7<sup>th</sup>).

Needless to remind you that HALF RED (same design as SUPERHERO and BLUE BERRET PI) is on top of the list of participants for Dinard...

The Half Ton Class also offered a drink to all halftonner crews in La Trinité, with many thanks to the wines of Marcel Sautejeau. And the sail loft of Technique Voile.

**PLEASE FORWARD THIS EMAIL TO ALL YOUR CREWMEMBERS !!**