

Mayor of Saint-Tropez awarded by “La Belle Classe”

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The Yacht Club de Monaco organised the “La Belle Classe” cocktail party in the harbour of Saint-Tropez. The event took place aboard four magnificent yachts, the sailing yacht Tuiga (1909), Mariquita (1911), sailing yacht Elena (1911 replica) and Shamrock V (1930) in occasion of the Voiles de Saint-Tropez, as well as to celebrate the end of the racing season.

An evening which gathered over two hundred owners and skippers, all signatories of the “La Belle Classe” Charter, members of the YCM and yachting personalities including Jean-Pierre Champion, President of the French Sailing Federation, Frédéric Berthoz, President of the AFYT, Jean-François Touret, Saint-Tropez Harbour Master, André Beaufiles, President of the Société Nautique de Saint-Tropez and organiser of the Voiles de Saint-Tropez, François Fiat, “La Belle Classe Superyachts” ambassador. Were also present navigators, to name a few: Brad Butterworth, Harold Cudmore, Catherine Chabaud, Philippe Monnet, Servane Escoffier...



Saint-Tropez Municipality honoured by « La Belle Classe »

During this event, the new Ambassador of “La Belle Classe Tradition” was announced.

Ed Kastelein, first Ambassador of La Belle Classe Tradition

This cocktail was also the occasion to put Ed Kastelein in the spotlight, a true passionate man who has never ceased to manage these restoration projects in order to give a new life to legendary yachts the way they were in their heydays. To name a few were Thendara, Aile Blanche, Zaca a te Moana inspired by the notorious Zaca (1929) owned by Errol Flynn. No less than 18...

After reviving Westward (1910) in the shape of the replica Eleonora, Ed Kastelein took up a new challenge. It was to revive the Atlantic (1903), a legendary schooner which held the record for crossing the Atlantic, under the command of Charlie Barr, for 65 years. In doing so the Dutchman has tackled a veritable “Everest” with respect to the impressive dimensions of this three-masted schooner: length on deck 56.43 metres, mast height 45 metres, lead keel 120 tons.

Being a member of “La Belle Classe” is a real commitment in favour of an activity where courtesy and respect reign, where regatta rhymes with fair-play, naval etiquette with “savoir-vivre” and elegance with spectacle. All members of “La Belle Classe”

