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***Sailing Event to Honor Memory of Local Sailor Frank McCaffrey
Funds to benefit Dana-Farber Cancer Institute.***

NEWPORT, RI , May 26, 2005 -Sail Newport is proud to announce the Frank McCaffrey Trophy for classic yachts competing in the Sail for Jimmy Round the Island Race to be held on Saturday, June 4, starting at 12:10 p.m. This special trophy will be awarded to the classic yacht that not only sails fast, but also raises the most money to benefit cancer patient care and research at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute.

Frank McCaffrey, the founder of Narragansett Shipwrights and a pivotal part of the Newport sailing community, died of leukemia in 2001. An avid, talented and popular local sailor, McCaffrey was well known for his love of and skill in boat building and restoring classic wooden boats. McCaffrey was an active supporter of and gave hours of his time to Sail Newport, the Museum of Yachting, the International Yacht and Restoration School (IYRS), The Maritime Preservation Alliance and Save the Bay.

McCaffrey's brother and business partner, Michael McCaffrey, says, "Frank's dedication to maritime philanthropic endeavors typified his life-long love of the sea, boats and sailing. It is only fitting that we can remember him with a boat race around the island in his honor. I hope all boats will join us in the Sail for Jimmy and will also to make generous contributions to the wonderful Dana-Farber Cancer Institute to help protect our families from the devastation of cancer."

The Frank McCaffrey classic division of the Sail for Jimmy is a special race in which boats of all kinds can take part. Even those who do not like to race may opt for sailing in company around the island. Michael McCaffrey points out, "Since the Frank McCaffrey Trophy will be awarded for fund-raising as well as sailing, boats can essentially buy themselves the winning ticket. Here's your chance to come in first even if your boat isn't optimized for racing and you're not a regular racer. We all win when the objective is helping to cure cancer."

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Frank McCaffrey Trophy

Michael McCaffrey handcrafted the Frank McCaffrey Trophy, a beautiful bronze and wood sculpture that symbolizes Frank's love of boat building and of the sea. The custom trophy will be an annual award, along with the gift of support for the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. Mike McCaffrey will present the 2005 Frank McCaffrey Trophy at a celebration dinner following the Sail for Jimmy on Saturday, June 4 at 7:30 p.m. at the Newport Shipyard. The winning skipper will then in turn present the Dana-Farber Cancer institute with a donation accrued through the donations from the classic yacht fleet and gifts made to the event in honor of Frank McCaffrey. Tickets for the dinner and presentation are \$125 each and are available on-line at www.jimmyfundregatta.org.

The Sail for Jimmy is part of the inaugural Jimmy Fund Regatta, presented by Northern Trust and sponsored by New England Boatworks, New England Ropes, Marsh U.S.A., Harpoon and West Marine. The Newport Shipyard will serve as the host site and Sail Newport is the Organizing Authority for race management. Persons interested in racing and/or donating may do so through the event web site www.jimmyfund.org/regatta. For more information: Call Sail Newport at (401) 846-1983, or email Kim Cooper, kimc@sailnewport.org.

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- Related Web Sites

Dana Farber Cancer Institute: <http://www.dfci.harvard.edu/abo/>

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The Jimmy Fund: <http://www.jimmyfund.org/>