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PATRIOTIC DUTY – ADVOCATES OF OCEAN SAFETY AND TECHNOLOGY

As Well as a Strong Desire for Redemption

Del Mar, CA—The **Patriotic Duty Offshore Race Team**, comprised of **Tony Adams, Steve Seaton, and Allen Bellinghausen**, already holds two **UIM** world records on the West Coast, and they are looking for East Coast redemption by again entering their **47' GTX Outerlimits** into the **Palm Beach to West End, Bahamas, and Back Ocean Cup** world speed records June 8th.

Last year, the team's **Gateway Marathon** record attempt was cut short when, after a quick 40 miles, one of their **Mercury QC4v 1350/1100** engines repeatedly went into low water pressure guardian mode. Stopping to investigate, they found a sea strainer full of Sargassum seaweed and 18" of water in the bilge due to a failed water intake hose, forcing an early return to **Sailfish Marina**. However, the team's subsequent 2023 achievements speak volumes about their capabilities, and this year, **Patriotic Duty** has made no secret of their unwavering determination to seize the **Gateway Marathon's Class B >45 V-Hull** class record, currently held by **Lorne Leibel** in his infamous **47' Apache**.

As a strong advocate for ocean safety and technology, **Patriotic Duty** has repeatedly demonstrated its commitment to those principles, and for this event, the team is sponsoring the media streaming helicopter, which will sweep the 128-mile course that crosses the **Straits of Florida** twice, keeping an eye on all competitors while staying in constant contact with officials.

"This team's dedication to safety and technology is a reassuring sign of their readiness for the upcoming world record attempts," said Ocean Cup's General Manager Janet Wilson. "And a HUGE thank to Tony and his team for their support of the Gateway media helicopter and their ongoing commitment to the Ocean Cup series."



Proudly displaying their new 2024 wrap, Patriotic Duty was recently tested in Discovery Bay, CA, during the team's final preparations for The Gateway Marathon.

On September 15, 2023, the team's world record-setting 415-mile run down the coast of California from **San Francisco to Marina del Rey** (4 hours 56 minutes 33 seconds) was a masterclass in preparedness and professionalism. They not only crushed the record held by **Bob Nordskog** since 1988 but also continued on to set a second record, the **UIM** world record from **San Francisco to Long Beach –NorCal to SoCal** (5 hours 18 minutes 39 seconds). Just two weeks later, they were at it again, resetting their own **Rum Run** record – **Huntington Beach around Catalina** – in 1 hour 17 minutes 10 seconds, averaging 87.47mph during the opening act of **Pacific Airshow**.

For more event information, visit our website: www.OceanCup.com/palmbeach

About Patriotic Duty Offshore Race Team

"We race for those that Served." It's not just our slogan but our promise to support and honor Veterans and First Responders. We realize that our country is not doing its best to help those who are and have put their lives on the line for us and our country. Our mission as Patriotic Duty Offshore Race Team is to lean in, support, and shine a very bright light on our honored service people. We believe that by doing this, we can help change hearts, souls, and minds to view those who serve as a positive in our lives, give thanks, and hopefully wish to lean in, help, and support also. This is our thanks to those who have and do serve our great country. Learn more at PatrioticDutyOffshoreRacing.com.

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