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Bill

I cannot thank you enough for this weekend. I had thought for many years about the 100th anniversary of the NY 30's, and for some years I believed I was the only one.

Your generosity in allowing me to be involved has earned you my everlasting gratitude.

I understand you faced a dilemma in keeping some of our competitive impulses in check while encouraging others to be a little more adventurous. With the clarity of a few days hindsight I see that you pulled it off perfectly.

Your tireless efforts from beginning to end resulted in an event that will be fondly remembered by many for the rest of their lives.

I also believe that while heaven is the perfection of happiness, there were a great many yachtsmen from across the years looking down with even larger grins on their faces. I know this one can't wipe the one off his!

If there is ever anything I can do for you please do not hesitate to call

Yours sincerely

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