# CL ELLIPSE ELLIPTICAL SOLID CARBON RIGGING

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## 01a CL ELLIPSE PROJECTS







**PRB** [2008] **ALINGHI V** [2010] **AC72's** [2012]







**VESPER [EX-MOMO]** [2015] **CANNONBALL** [2016] **PROTEUS** [2018]



# 01b CL ELLIPSE PROJECTS







GALATEIA [2019]

**RAMBLER 88** [2019]

**CANOVA** [2019]







**VISIONE** [2020]



**BOTIN 56** [2020]



## 02 KEY VARIABLES

#### **#1 SIGNIFICANT DRAG REDUCTION**

· Small curvature around the maximum thickness results in a more distributed pressure peak and therefore more efficient flow separation

#### **#2 PROVEN RELIABILITY**

- Elliptical cables in action since 2003 inshore & offshore [60ft to 40m+]
- · Structural production process exactly the same as CL SOLID rigging

#### **#3 SUPERIOR DURABILITY**

- · Unique toughened resin system as with all Carbo-Link CL SOLID rigging
- · High resistance to chafe and impact on leading & trailing edges

#### **#4 OPTIMISED ELLIPSE RATIO**

- · Able to mould rigging into any ellipse ratio, plus variations in angle along length
- $\cdot\,$  Real life applications & modelling suggests optimum aspect ratio of 2:1 or less

#### **#5** SIMPLE INSPECTION & SERVICE

- · Rigging health monitored with simple visual inspections and NDT if necessary
- $\cdot \:$  No need to send rigging anywhere at anytime for inspection or service

#### **#6 REDUCED LIKELIHOOD OF VIBRATION**

- · Ellipse cross-section results in improved flow attachment and less turbulence
- · These flow regimes do not excite rigging at its natural frequency
- $\cdot \;$  Proven to be highly affective under sail, at anchor and when moored



## 03 ELLIPSE ASPECT RATIO



## OPTIMUM PERFORMANCE BALANCE WITH ASPECT RATIO [2.0:1] OR SMALLER

#### **#1 ROBUSTNESS & RELIABILITY**

- · Rounded leading and trailing edges
- $\cdot\,\,$  Therefore reducing exposed edges to chafe, impact damage and point loading
- · Consolidation of CL SOLID rigging ensures shape is fixed. Aspect ratio and shape will not change over time
- · CL SOLID rigging meets your exact stiffness demands, meaning all fibres distribute load evenly at all times

### **#2** REDUCED FLUTTER (VIBRATION)

- · Flutter = lift induced torsional vibration
- $\cdot$  Elongated aspect ratios [2.5:1 or more] reduce torsional stiffness
- · Therefore increased lift can cause deformation, resulting in earlier flow separation
- $\cdot\,$  This creates a 'loaded-spring' in the cable, resulting in aggressive fluttering and vibration

#### **#3 BALANCE OF WIND ANGLES**

- · Performance gain is not all about drag it is vital to consider side force (negative lift or leeward lift)
- · Ellipse aspect ratio is determined primarily as a function of wind speed and wind angle
- · Combined with the type of sailing and/or racing the yacht engages in
- · The longer the ellipse, the greater the side force (negative lift) upwind and increased drag reaching/downwind



## 04 NEXT STEPS



- · Assign designated Project Manager
- Explore specifications & deliverables
- · Explore mast & deck interface solutions
- · Assess polars, apparent wind speeds & angles to determine most suitable aspect ratio
- Finalise specifications, project deliverables, location & time frame
- · Engineer the rigging package
- · Send drawings for analysis & approval
- · Produce rigging, deliver and finalise
- Dress, step & sea trial
- · Ongoing collaboration

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