

Pageant Regatta Victors Ignore Cold Wind, Water

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It would have taken more than icy cold water, brisk northerly winds, soggy longjohns and the risk of pneumonia to stop five determined Southwest Florida sailors from winning their class in the Edison Pageant of Light Regatta Sunday.

When the final two races of the five-race series on the Caloosahatchee River finished Sunday, Fort Myers one-design skippers Tom Woods, Paul Taylor, John Schroeder, Robbie Daniels and Chet Smith of Naples reigned supreme over their respective classes.

Woods tallied finishes of 2-3-2-1-2 to take the MC Scow competition that is tuning for the midwinters to be held on the Caloosahatchee later this month. Taylor turned in an unblemished 1-1-1-1-1 to win the Cyclone war while Schroeder finished 1-2-1-2-1 in the Hobie 14s, Smith 1-1-1-1-3 in the Hobie 16s and Daniels sailed to 2-1-1-1-1 in the Hobie 12 battles.

LASERS

1. Kolisch 1-1-3-1-4; 2. Helmick 6-2-2-3-1; 3. Cochrane 4-7-1-2-2; 4. Bremen 2-4-4-6-3; 5. Cady 3-6-5-4-5; 6. Wells 5-3-6-5-6; 7. B. Shenko 7-5-8-7-7; 8. Varney 8-9-7-8-4; 9. Wolfgang 13-10-9-12-8; 10. Runnells 10-11-12-11-9; 11. J. Shenko 11-12-13-9-10; 12. H. Hicks 9-8-10-DNS-DNS; 13. G. Hicks DNS-13-11-10-11; 14. Raymond 10-14-14-DNS-DNS; 15. Harris 12-15-DNF-DNS-DNS.

SNIPES

1. Seavy 1-1-1-1-2; 2. Caylor 4-2-2-2-1; 3. Edwards 2-3-3-3-3; 4. Cochrane 3-4-4-DNS-DNS; 5. York DNS-5-DNF-DNS-DNS.

CYCLONES

1. Taylor 1-1-1-1-1; 2. Olsson 2-2-2-2-2; 3. Champion 3-3-4-3-3; 4. Olive DNS-DSQ-3-DNS-DNS; 5. Trottnow 4-DNS-DNS-DNS-DNS.

CONTENDERS

1. Roberts 1-1-1-1-1; 2. Lambert 2-2-2-2-2; 3. Hartley 3-3-3-3-3.

470s

1. LaCamera 1-1-DNS-DNS-DNS; 2. Miller 2-DNF-DNS-DNS-DNS.

TORNADO

1. Tingler 2-1-1-2-1; 2. Arens 1-3-3-1-3; 3. Schuh 3-2-2-3-2; 4. R. Bradley 5-4-5-4-5; 5. C. Bradley 4-DNF-4-DNS-4; 6. Haverfield 6-DNS-DNS-DNS-6.

MC SCOWS

1. Wood 2-3-2-1-2; 2. Kinsey 1-2-1-DNS-3; 3. D'Alessandro 4-DSQ-4-3-1; 4. Crum 6-5-5-4-4; 5. Pack 3-1-3-2-6; 6. Faquet 5-4-6-5-5; 7. Butler DNS-DNS-DNS-DNS-DNS.

Sixty-two sailors from various parts of the state were entered in the Pageant event that saw many fail to return for Sunday's four and fifth races of the series.

The event was plagued with cool weather despite an abundance of wind that forced most sailors into straining to keep their ships and themselves from hitting the drink.

One of the top performances in the regatta came from the Laser class, the largest participating class, when Bruce Cochrane of Fort Myers sailed from seventh to third overall.

Cochrane recently traded his old Sunfish for a Laser and after finishes of 4-7 in the opening two races he rebounded with 1-2-2 to be the highest-placing local Laser skipper in the regatta. This was his first major event aboard the boardboat.

Bill Shenko Jr., who was sitting in sixth place Saturday, finished seventh overall.

HOBIE 16

1. C. Smith 1-1-1-1-3; 2. Green 2-3-3-2-1; 3. Livingston 4-2-2-3-2; 4. Sell 3-4-DNS-DNS-DNS.

HOBIE 14

1. J. Schroeder 1-2-1-2-1; 2. R. Hagen 3-4-2-1-2; 3. Raditch 2-1-4-4-3; 4. Garner 4-3-3-3-4; 5. Lynch 7-5-5-6-6; 6. G. Hagen 5-DNS-DNS-DSQ-5; 7. Venetta 6-6-DNS-DNS-DNS; 8. Masiello DNS-DNS-DNS-DNS-DNS.

HOBIE 12

1. Daniels 2-1-1-1-1; 2. C. Garner 1-2-2-2-2; 3. Merkle DNF-DNS-DNS-DNS-DNS.

SUNFISH

1. Lawrence 1-1-DSQ-2-2; 2. Fleming 2-2-2-3-1; 3. Springer 3-3-1-1-3.