

'96 Polar Bear

October 5-6, 1996

Fleet 20 Lake Davenport SC, Iowa

Results from Don Wagner, story from Tony Bruskas

Beautiful weather, light to medium winds, temperatures in the high 70s and very little current on the Mississippi River were the meteorological highlights of this year's Polar Bear Regatta. However, the most memorable highlight was matrimonial where all sailors were invited for dinner, drinks and the wedding ceremony held for C-boater Don Wagner and his now permanent crew Dinah. The wedding was performed by Judge Ron Taber, a lightning sailor and Rev. Al VanderMeer, a former MCer--both members of LDSC. There were 47 boats on the starting line, 27 C-scows followed by 22 MCs. After 4 races, Eric Hood from Melges sailed the shifts around the marks the way you were supposed to, to take first place. Tom Frentzel

PL	SKIPPER	CLUB	BOAT	RACES				PTS
				1	2	3	4	
1	Eric Hood	NSIs	1729	5	2	1	1	8.5
2	Tom Frentzel	PYC/WI	1670	2	3	6	4	15
3	Tim Mulvaney		1562	1	13	4	3	20.75
4	Debbie Ziegler	PYC/WI	1707	3	1	7	11	21.75
5	Dave Staub	LDSC/IA	1594	9	4	9	7	29
6	Gary Reab	LDSC/IA	1735	4	10	13	2	29
7	Bill Wrase	LDSC/IA	1050	6	5	11	9	31
8	Jerry Gill	WLYC/MI	1643	8	7	3	15	33
9	Dick Duley	LDSC/IA	1305	18	8	2	5	33
10	Tom Getz	WLYC/MI	961	7	14	17	6	44
11	Jim Brust	LMSC/IA	1282	11	6	8	DNS	49.0
12	R. Dale		1393	16	11	12	10	49
13	John Rather		820	14	12	5	DNS	53
14	Devin Farley	LGYC/WI	1356	12	16	14	13	55
15	Markus Ritter	PYC/WI	1371	10	19	18	8	55
16	Tony Bruskas	LDSC/IA	1484	13	17	16	12	58
17	Sid Peterson	PLYC/WI	1702	DNS	9	10	DNS	63
18	J. Davis		1216	15	15	20	16	66
19	S. Schaub		883	19	18	15	14	66
20	P. Huizenga		1127	17	20	21	DNS	80
21	B. Axup		1317	20	21	19	DNS	82
22	P. Stromberg		567	DNF	DNS	DNS	DNS	87

from Pewaukee was consistently good in all races taking 2nd place overall followed by Tim Mulvaney a Lido 14 champion from California now at Lake MacBride. SC. Debbie Ziegler, last year's winner took 4th. Dave Staub took 5th to be the highest ranking local. Dick Duley captured Master and GM divisions. Tom Getz took 2nd in the Masters followed by Jim Brust from Lake MacBride. Each of the winners received the now renowned Polar-Bear Trophies.



SW Regional MC Championship

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Fleet 32 Windycrest SC, Tulsa, OK

Results and story from Jack Marsee

As is customary, the Southwest Regional Championship Regatta was sailed with KISS (Keystone Interclass Single-Handed Sailor), a fun regatta in which there were forty-one entries, including the MC Scows. Ten different types of boats were sailed in three classes - MCs, centerboards, and keelboats - ranging from Sunfish to Catalina 27s.

This five-race event was sailed in generally light and shifty winds with temperatures in the seventies.

Scoring provisions for the MC Scows allowed for one throwout if all five races were sailed. Also, no crew was allowed except for women entries and male skippers weighing less than one hundred and fifty pounds. But no crew was needed by anyone for wind speed was never more than 10 mph.

PL	SKIPPER	CLUB	BOAT	RACES					PTS
				1	2	3	4	5	
1	Manning Grinnan	RCYC/TX	1479	1	2	2	2	3	6.75
2	Drew Mize	AYC/TX	937	10	1	3	3	1	7.5
3	Harvey Baker	WSC/OK	1268	4	4	4	6	7	18
4	Greg Barnett	AYC/TX	1743	7	5	7	1	6	18.75
5	Jack Hattendorf	AYC/TX	907	3	3	9	7	9	22
6	Kenny Baggett	WSC/OK	611	8	6	8	4	5	23
7	Jack Kern	RCYC/TX	1694	13	13	1	5	8	26.75
8	Gene Kehr	WSC/OK	548	2	12	6	13	13	33
9	Jim Stinson	WSC/OK	1304	16	10	14	8	2	34
10	Adam Mize	AYC/TX	856	9	11	13	14	4	37
11	Bob McGinnis	WSC/OK	531	15	15	5	9	10	39
12	Herman vanBeek	RCYC/TX	1521	5	16	10	10	17	41
13	Preston Doege	RCYC/TX	1619	6	19	15	12	11	44
14	John Kerr	WSC/OK	1285	11	7	18	15	14	47
15	Jack Marsee	WSC/OK	1069	12	14	12	11	16	48
16	John P. Kerr	WSC/OK	549	19	8	11	19	18	56
17	Dan Ziegler	WSC/OK	620	14	17	16	16	15	61
18	Rob Stout	WSC/OK	596	18	18	22	17	12	65
19	Jay Mize	AYC/TX	533	20	9	19	DNS	DNS	70
20	Justin Admas	WSC/OK	622	17	29	17	18	19	71
21	Skip Jones	WSC/OK	579	21	22	20	21	20	82
22	Rick Martin	WSC/OK	578	22	21	21	20	21	83