

Arlington Regatta

May 3-4, 1997

Fleet 41 Arlington YC, Texas

Submitted by Drew Mize

We had fourteen MCs on the line who battled it out in this five-race event.

Early on Saturday the winds were exceeding 20 mph so a few of us expected the start to be delayed. However, by starting time, the winds had calmed a bit and out we went. It was a wild but an exciting ride in the small lake and we had lots of fun. After a quick lunch we went out for two more races. During the afternoon the winds really laid down so by the time the third race started those with heavy air sails

were at a distinct disadvantage.

On Sunday morning we had light winds mixed with some really strong puffs. The wind was from the east which meant that the weather mark almost wound up in

someone's backyard! Good race management marked this event and kept us sailing most of the time. In the end Greg Gust prevailed as the dominant winner with four bullets.

Arlington Regatta Results

Pl	Skipper	Div	Club	Boat No.	Races					Pts
					1	2	3	4	5	
1	Greg Gust		RCYC/TX	1750	3	1	1	1	1	7
2	Drew Mize		AYC/TX	1321	1	4	2	5	3	15
3	Bill Jackson	M	RCYC/TX	1559	5	3	3	2	4	17
4	Manning Grinnan Jr		RCYC/TX	1479	8	2	4	3	6	23
5	Greg Barnett		AYC/TX	1751	4	8	6	4	2	24
6	Greg Gearing		AYC/TX	590	7	5	5	7	8	32
7	Jack Hattendorf		AYC/TX	1523	6	6	8	9	5	34
8	Scott Miller		AYC/TX	1674	10	7	9	6	7	39
9	Adam Mize		AYC/TX	856	2	10	7	11	12	42
10	Herman van Beek	M	RCYC/TX	1521	9	11	12	10	9	51
11	Jay Mizer		AYC/TX	533	11	13	11	8	10	53
12	Nick Grunt	M	AYC/TX	1059	12	12	10	13	11	58
13	Mike Gralish		AYC/TX	824	13	14	13	12	13	65
14	DAvid Hamilton		RCYC/TX	1685	DNF	9	DSQ	DNS	DNS	69

Spring Dinghyfest

May 10-11, 1997

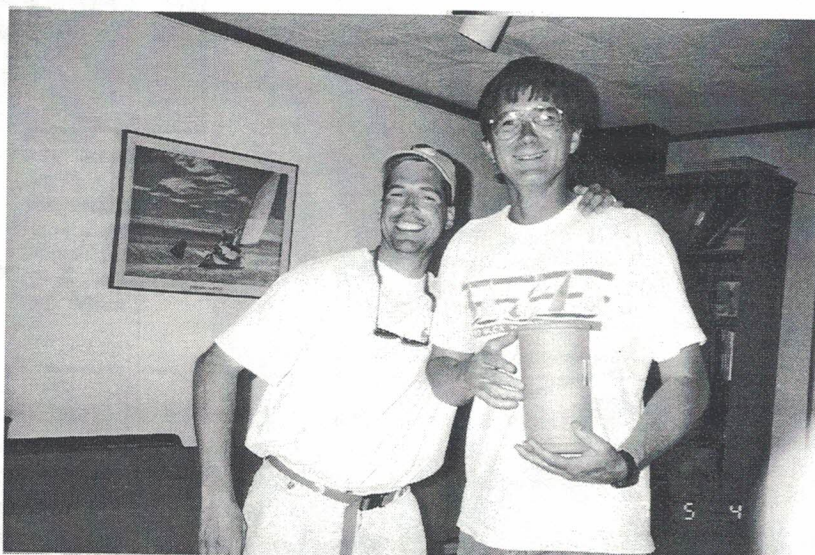
Fleet 5 Rush Creek YC, Texas

Submitted by Herman van Beek

Manning did it! And Rick discovered that you must never relax when you sail an MC!

Light and shifty winds dominated the regatta and picking the correct side was the name of the game. Some did it correctly (part of the time), while others didn't fare so well. Manning Grinnan, Greg Gust, Eric Faust and Greg Barnett each claimed bullets in this five-race event with Greg Barnett from Arlington Yacht Club garnering two on the second day. In the end, Manning Grinnan won first place by consistently finishing in the top six in the thirteen-boat fleet.

During the first race on Sunday, Rick Tears was in second place as he was approaching the weather mark - we were all sitting under the boom in the light and shift air. He apparently was preoccupied with something else because suddenly a small puff came down the course and over he went! He received a big round of applause and (Bronx) cheers from those around him! He needs to be complemented though because he only lost two places while bringing the boat back up -- a testament to agility and dexterity (or was



Arlington Regatta - Drew Mize (2nd) (left) gloating over beating Manning Grinnan (4th)
Photo by Herman van Beek

it a desire not to take A swim in the still cold waters of Lake Ray Hubbard?)

a fifth place finish. John Skiles was so impressed that he purchased the boat! Welcome to the MC Fleet, John!

Eric Faust from Austin sailed MC #82 to

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1	Manning Grinnan Jr		RCYC/TX	1479	1	6	2	5	6	20
2	Greg Gust		RCYC/TX	1750	13	1	4	2	4	24
3	Jack Kern	GM	RCYC/TX	1694	5	4	7	7	2	25
4	Greg Barnett		AYC/TX	1751	11	3	10	1	1	26
5	Eric Faust		Austin	82	4	8	1	10	3	26
6	Kenny Baggett		OSU	1128	10	2	8	3	8	31
7	Jim Alman			1468	2	5	6	12	11	36
8	Rick Tears	M	RCYC/TX	1415	3	11	5	6	12	37
9	Herman van Beek	M	RCYC/TX	1521	12	7	11	4	10	44
10	Charles Price		RCYC/TX	1540	6	9	13	8	9	45
11	Bill Jackson	M	RCYC/TX	1559	7	10	3	DNS	DNS	46
12	Burt Scott	GM	RCYC/TX	1398	9	13	9	9	7	47
13	William Cantrell	GM	RCYC/TX	1539	8	12	12	11	5	48