

1997 MC National Championship

July 16-19, 1997 Fleet 22 White Bear
Yacht Club, Minnesota

The winds failed us on the first scheduled day of racing but showed up for Friday and Saturday races. Friday's first race proved to be the strongest winds and the waves built. It appeared the second race, immediately following the first, would be in the same wind. Some of us recognized the wind was diminishing and dropped crew. Others missed the opportunity.

Saturday morning showed up with a decent wind, although it went through several directions and Tom Hodgson, Chief Judge just managed to get us off the line within the proscribed deadline.

Dan Guidinger of Johnson Boat Works, sailing on his home lake, proved the master of the water with two firsts and a 2nd. In 2nd overall and 1st single-handed was Jamie Searles also a White Bear sailor. Kyle Verplank of Spring Lake, Michigan bested the other three Juniors for top honors. Kyle was followed by Zak Fanberg of Minnesota and Rick Wilfert of Okauchee YC, WI.

White Bear's Karen Alnes won top Female honors.

First Master honors went to Gary Verplank from Spring Lake. He was followed by Jack Schwindler of Missouri Yacht Club and Curtiss Miller of Grand Rapid, Michigan.

Tom Wurster, Cassopolis, Michigan won top Grand Masters trophy and was followed by Paul Eggert of Spring Lake and Bill Freytag of Lake Geneva.

Pl	Skipper	Class	Club	Boat	Races			Pts
					1	2	3	
1	Dan Guidinger	P	JBW		1	1	2	4
2	Jamie Searles	S	WBYC/MN	1801	5	3	15	23
3	Chad Hough	P	JBW	1800	15	9	3	27
4	David Fox		SLYC/MI	1614	11	13	5	29
5	Eric Hood	P	MBW	1795	14	12	4	30
6	Jeff Solum		LMYC/MN	1376	8	27	7	42
7	David Mott		LHYC/MN	1687	9	7	26	42
8	Kyle Verplank	J	SLYC/MI	1666	16	4	25	45
9	Gary Verplank	M	SLYC/MI	1777	25	11	9	45
10	John Murphy		OLYC/MI	1782	10	16	22	48
11	John Emory Jr.		CLYC/MI	1488	13	23	12	48
12	Ted Mortonson		LMYC/MN	1689	48	2	1	51
13	Jack Schwindler	M/S	MYC/MO	1752	17	8	28	53
14	Glen Walborn		SLYC/MI	1789	28	14	11	53
15	Skip Johnson	P	JBW	1796	19	20	19	58
16	Bill Colburn		WBYC/MN	815	4	41	114	59
17	Rick Trester		CLYC/MI	1340	22	10	32	64
18	Steve Schmitt		LMYC/MN	1644	31	28	8	67
19	Zak Fanberg	J	MN	804	23	21	30	74
20	Tom Wurster	GM	DLYC/MI	1759	21	6	51	78
21	Peter Crawford	P	BSIs	1675	2	46	31	79
22	Rick Wilfert	J	OLYC/MI	1586	56	5	20	81
23	Curtiss Miller	M/S	GRYC/MI	1701	26	38	17	81
24	John Bates		LHYC/MN	1239	18	25	39	82
25	Kevin Watrous	S	TLYC/MI	1758	32	32	18	82
26	Joe Levins		WBYC/MN	962	20	17	46	83
27	Paul Eggert	GM	SLYC/MI	1605	6	43	38	87
28	Chris Eggert	S	SLYC/MI	1737	3	22	DNF	89
29	Dan Fink	S	Muskego	1510	51	18	21	90
30	Thor Sorensen		GRYC/MI	1665	27	40	24	91
31	Stuart Oltrogge		CLYC/IA	1591	DNF	19	6	94
32	Tim Fredman Sr.	M/S	BLYC/MI	1774	12	DNF	13	94
33	Markham Chatterton	S	Onalaska	1250	36	26	34	96
34	Karen Alnes	F	WBYC/MN	1660	41	48	10	99
35	Craig Thompson		OLYC/MI	1399	50	34	16	100
36	Mike Crary		WBYC/MN	1663	33	35	40	108
37	Scott Slocum			1166	30	15	DNF	109
38	William Freytag	GM	LGYC/MI	1728	40	30	42	112
39	Dick Duley	GM	LDSC/IA	1305	34	37	44	115
40	Brad Osmundson		CLYC/IA	1635	38	36	41	115
41	Thomas Wilfert	S	OLYC/MI	1529	52	33	33	118
42	Greg Gust	S	RCYC/TX	1750	7	42	DNF	121
43	David Rhude		LHYC/MN	1598	42	30	49	122
44	Jack Kern	M/S	RCYC/TX	1803	24	29	DNF	125
45	Hardy Will	M	LBYC/MI	1616	35	54	36	125
46	Ed Cox		WBYC/MN	1781	44	24	DNF	132
47	Randy Kotz		CLYC/MI	1764	29	52	52	133
48	Dave Phillips		WBYC/MN	1439	43	44	48	135
49	David Keane	M	WBYC/MN	1480	49	59	29	137
50	John Kimball	M/S	NY	912	54	50	35	139
51	Walter Schwarting	GM	PYC/WI	1429	39	56	45	140
52	Tim Fredman Jr		BLYC/MI	1325	DNF	45	27	141
53	Bob Nuffort		WBYC/MN	1568	DNF	51	23	143
54	Dan Hinderaker		WBYC/MN	1677	45	64	37	146
55	Noel Neuman		UMYC/MN	1401	58	39	53	150
56	Tran Alfrey		LHYC/MN	1067	46	63	50	159
57	Caroline Kroening	F	MN	1601	57	49	54	160
58	John Burton	GM	LMYC/MN	1310	53	47	DNF	164
59	Curt Bradley	MM	GRYC/MI	1405	60	57	47	164
60	Tom P Johnson		WBYC/MN	1079	47	60	57	164
61	Michael Gassmann		SLYC/MI	1770	DNF	55	43	167
62	John Getzinger		LHYC/MN	1454	55	53	DNF	172
63	Tom Louis	M	WBYC/MN	1617	59	61	56	176
64	Wally Johnson	S	WBYC/MN	1478	37	DNF	DNF	181
65	Bob Dillon		WBYC/MN	1503	63	62	59	184
66	Herman van Beek	M/S	RCYC/TX	1521	61	58	DNF	191
67	Patrick Tinder		WBYC/MN	1306	DNF	65	58	192
68	Chris Cox		WBYC/MN	1442	DNF	DNF	55	199
69	Hod Irvine		WBYC/MN	1693	62	66	DNF	200
70	Tony Bruskas	GM	LDSC/IA	1484	DNF	DNF	DNF	213
71	Charlie Helmes		WBYC/MN	1159	DNF	DNF	DNF	216
72	Laura Gralton	F/J	BLYC/MI	1638	DNF	DNF	DNF	216

M=Master, J=Junior, GM=Grand Master,
S=Single-handed, P=Professional, F=Female