

Black Tie Regatta

April 18-20, 1997

Fleet 5 Rush Creek YC, Texas

Report from Herman van Beek

Great winds prevailed the 34th Annual Black Tie Regatta on Lake Ray Hubbard near Dallas, Texas. The only exception was on Saturday when only enough wind was available for one race. This great scow event saw 30 MCs on the line with a battle for the lead taking place between Olympic Silver Medalist Paul Foerster; Amateur MC Champion Greg Gust; and National Champion Andy Burdick. In the end Paul prevailed two bullets and two second places even though it was questionable if he would race #1220 on Sunday morning because of equipment problems. Last minute repairs saved the day.

This regatta was also a vote of confidence for the IMCCSRA Technical Committee who keeps the scantlings such that older boats (see finishing positions of #1220 and #1128) have a chance to compete successfully with brand new boats!

Pl	Skipper	Class	Club	Boat No.	Races				Pts
					1	2	3	4	
1	Paul Foerster		Dallas	1220	2	1	2	1	6
2	Greg Gust		RCYC/TX	1750	3	3	1	3	17.1
3	Andy Burdick	P	MBW	1779	1	2	3	5	18.7
4	Dan Guidinger	P	JBW	1751	4	5	6	2	32.7
5	Scott Slocum		Rchdsn,TX	1468	5	4	5	7	41
6	Jim Alman		Dallas	1128	7	7	15	6	58.7
7	Scott Norby		LMYC/MN	1729	6	12	7	15	63.7
8	Jack Kern	GM	RCYC/TX	1694	11	11	9	9	64
9	Rick Tears	M	RCYC/TX	1415	14	8	12	8	66
10	David Hamilton		RCYC/TX	1685	10	9	14	11	68
11	Drew Mize		AYC/TX	1321	8	10	19	10	71
12	Bill Jackson	M	RCYC/TX	1559	12	14	11	12	73
13	Manning Grinnan		RCYC/TX	1479	16	13	8	14	75
14	Gordy Bowers	P	ISIs	1773	26	26	4	4	80
15	Jason Bradley		RCYC/TX	1353	15	17	13	13	82
16	Ralph Kelley	GM	RCYC/TX	1554	22	16	10	18	90
17	Jack Hattendorf		AYC/TX	1523	17	15	17	17	90
18	Brian Tillema		MYC/MO	1224	9	6	23	29	90.7
19	David Brown	M	AYC/MO	1585	24	24	18	16	106
20	Burt Scott	GM	RCYC/TX	1398	13	26	24	22	109
21	Herman van Beek	M	RCYC/TX	1521	20	18	27	21	110
22	Gerry Dorsey		FRYC/CO	871	18	19	21	28	110
23	William Cantrell	GM	RCYC/TX	1539	23	22	22	20	111
24	Steve Stock		FRYC/CO	1350	25	23	16	25	113
25	David Tillema	M	MYC/MO	1524	19	20	25	27	115
26	Charlie Price		RCYC/TX	1540	26	26	20	19	115
27	Adam Mize		AYC/TX	856	21	21	28	23	117
28	Tom Courtney	M	FRYC/CO	1201	26	26	26	26	128
29	Preston Doege	J	RCYC/TX	1619	26	26	29	24	129
30	Jack Schwindler	M	MYC/MO	1752	26	26	30	29	135

Editor's Note: It was good to see Fleet 27, Front Range YC, Colorado sailors, Gerry Dorsey, Steve Stock and Tom Courtney, competing in this regatta.

Upper Tuner Upper Regatta

May 17-18, 1997 Fleet 52
Upper Minnetonka YC, MN

This is our second year in our new Yacht Club Building which includes a huge lake-side deck, locker rooms and showers, large party room and kitchen. The racing area is right in front of club.

There will be lots of short races, no more than four on Saturday and no more than two on Sunday.

- Trophies for top 5 skippers & crew.
- Free breakfasts Saturday & Sunday.
- Keg tapped at Friday launching.
- Tickets available for Saturday and Sunday lunches and Saturday dinner and party.
- We are friendly folk, so call if you want to stay at someone's house.
- Directions - 40 minutes west of downtown Minneapolis. From Minneapolis go west on Hwy 394 to Wayzata. When approaching Wayzata look for the exit to County Road #15. Follow the lake around to Navarre. It is exactly one mile past the stop light in Navarre in the town of Spring

Park. Look on the left just past the boat launch and Minnetonka Water Patrol. Address is 4165 Shoreline Drive. It is a very large brown building with "Yacht Club" in neon letters on the side.

• Regatta Schedule:

Off-lake boats must launch at these times at the ramp next to the club. We have new milfoil permit requirements, the boats must be inspected and have a signed permit form to race on file with our club.

Fri.-Registration and launching 7:30
8:30PM

Sat.-Registration and launching 7:30 -9:30
AM.

Skippers meeting 9:30AM

1st Race 10:30 AM

Social and racing schedule subject to judges discretion.

Sun.-Start time at judge's discretion.

Last race to start no later than 1:00PM

Registration is \$40 (after May 10-\$50)

Send to Upper Minnetonka Yacht Club

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MC Racing Clinic

May 24, 1997

Hosted by Fleet 52

Upper Minnetonka YC, MN

Gordy Bowers and Mark Christensen will be your clinic leaders. Bring your own boat.

Morning Session - 9:00 - Noon

Lecture and demonstration of the basics of boat speed: body position, sail trim, and steering. On the water drills and land review of progress.

Afternoon Session - 1:00 - 5:00PM

Lecture and demonstration of fast MC boat handling techniques: tacking, jibing, mark rounding, and starting.

Afternoon drills: short courses, starting approach techniques, starting practice followed by video tape review.

Registration is \$90 payable to:

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