

## 10<sup>th</sup> Annual MCSA National Team Championship

### Top three teams separated by a single race.

The Upper Minnetonka Yacht Club was the host for the 10th Annual MCSA National Team Championship on the Upper Minnetonka Lake. The Regatta delivered what was promised to the participants; tough competition and fun. Taking the successful approach used last year to maximize competitiveness, teams were formed based on recent regatta results. And, the Team Regatta was a nail biter to the very last race. The best MC team racers squared off against each other for a great weekend of sailing. The weather, while threatening, provided plenty of wind for the round-robin event.

After light winds on Saturday morning, things became exciting after lunch. The wind picked up to 9 mph from the NWN and one race separated each of the top three teams. Sunday morning brought more excellent wind, all be it a bit damp, and even tighter races with each of the same three teams winning an equal number of races for each completed series. As time ran out, a single race separated each of the top three teams. Noel Neuman, John Grzybek, Rich Gross (Saturday) and Darin Newman (Sunday) took top honors.

Next year the Upper Minnetonka Yacht, and all of the 10th Anniversary Team Regatta participants, challenge sailors from all lakes to dethrone these seasoned winners.



The winning teams from right to left included: First Place: John Grzybek, Noel Neuman (Captain Shark), Darin Newman, and Rich Gross (not pictured); Second Place: Keith Morical, Ryan Grosch (Captain Pass-back), Michael Schulz; and Third Place: Joseph Reincke, Marley Crews-Hill, and Joe Friction (Captain Trapper).



Noel Neuman and Ryan Grosch working it