

35th Annual Doc Gilbert Memorial Potomac Cup Regatta Lightning Fleet 50 | May 11-12, 2019

Pos	Sail	Boat	Skipper	Yacht Club	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3	Race 4	Total
1	15240	Brown Eyed Girl	Steve Constants	none	1	2	7	4	14
2	14752	CHED!!!!	John Bauman	Southampton YC	2	1	10	2	15
3	15142	Shadowfax	Nabeel Alsalam	Potomac River Sailing Association	6	8	1	3	18
4	15131	Sailing to Nepal	Patrick Phelan	Havre de Grace YC	4	6	8	5	23
5	15603	Pandora	Robert Astrove	PRSA	3	9	5	13	30
6	14900	His	Gary Hurban	SSA	9	10	11	1	31T
7	14485	Deux Poissons et un Chat	Ron Buchanan / Mark Buchanan	UHYC	7	11	3	10	31T
8	15084	Irie	Joe Buczkowski	Hampton Yacht Club	5	4	13	11	33
9	15315	Quest	William Cabrall	Severn Sailing Association	12	3	14	8	37
10	15498	Bulawayo	Trevor Prior	Susquehanna	13	5	2	18	38
11	15384	Resistance is Futile	FRANK GALLAGHER	PRSA	11	12	9	7	39
12	15259	Humuhumunukunukuapu a'a	Michael Darrah	Potomac River Sailing Association	10	13	12	6	41
13	15595	Hard Asset	Joshua Goldman	Cedar Point	15	7	6	16	44
14	14318	Mighty Moose	Thomas Witten	Fleet 50	14	16	4	12	46
15	15126	As You Wish...	Lisa-Marie Lane / Jim Lane	Fleet 50	8	17	17	14	56T
16	15311	GoGreen	Jim Dillard	FLEET 518	18	14	15	9	56T
17	14525	Spitfire	John Bates	Massabesic Y C	16	15	16	15	62
18	14156		Kevin Smith	Susquehanna	17	18	18	17	70
19	14221	Lightning Bug	Lindsay Bach	PRSA	19	19	19	22/DNC	79
20	15136		Thomas Compton	Havre de Grace Yacht Club	20	20	22/DNC	22/DNC	84
21	15117	Shamrock	John Van Voorhis	PRSA - Fleet 50	22/DNC	22/DNC	22/DNC	22/DNC	88

[Photos by Carl Schaefer](#)

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We had an amazing show of **21 boats for our 35th Annual Doc Gilbert Potomac Cup Regatta**, with 9 Fleet 50 boats and 12 teams traveling from out of town (from Florida to Connecticut). **For everyone who participated - Thank You** for taking the time to make our Regatta part of your 2019 sailing schedule!

Congratulations to **Steve Constants** and his team on "Brown Eyed Girl", who finished in 1st Place, **John Bauman** and team sailing "CHED!!!" who finished second and our own **Nabeel Alsalam** and team on "Shadowfax" for finishing in third.

The forecast indicated a cool cloudy day on Saturday with wind from 8-15, and then rain on Sunday. With that in mind, the well organized RC set up for 4 races on Saturday and 2 on Sunday, and we were off and running on time for a noon start.

Once again we had **Captain Dave** and his historic Oyster Boat for our main RC boat, along with our 17' & 19' PRSA boats staffed by our fellow PRSA volunteers from the I-20 and Albacore fleet. **This event truly "Takes A Village" to host!**

Saturday's 4 races showcased the joys of regional racing with a good race committee, here ably led by **Bruce Bingman, Taran Teague & Dan Trammel**. Just after the first start, the wind went 40 degrees right and the RC was able to quickly abandon that race, bring us back, reset the course and restart us in little more time than a general recall would take. For the rest of the day they ably adjusted the course as the wind oscillated, and gave us clean beats and runs every time.

I would like to recognize **Jim Dillard** who helped organize our relationship with Leesylvania State Park and Yuengling Distributors which allow us to host our Regatta at the park, **Bob Astrove** who organized the breakfast & lunch station, **Angie Darrah** who organized the Appetizers, and **Frank & Maryann Gallagher** housing & making sure everything was ready to be served. We were fortunate to have **Lindsay Bach** at the helm again this year, who has volunteered to cook for the last umpteen years & **Nabeel Alsalam, our Regatta Chair**, who did a wonderful job grilling the steak, salmon and providing the delicious side dishes for the 65-70 sailors Saturday evening.

Unfortunately, Sunday morning the weather did not cooperate and continued to be cool and rained steadily. As most of the fleet congregated under the dry pavilion, discussing the forecast that was going to continue all day. RC announced that they would be keeping a close eye on the weather and mentioned a line of severe weather predicted to arrive shortly after the estimated finish of race #5. The fleet was polled, and a decision made to cancel racing for Sunday to allow folks to step masts and pack up their boats before any severe weather arrived.

I would like to make a special Shout-Out to **Joe Buczkowski** who jumped in and was our Grill-Master for the Sunday hotdogs & grilled chicken lunch before everyone headed home.

We could not have hosted this event without the **various Fleet 50 Members** who moved RC boats to and from the park (in Friday 95S traffic!), arrived early to set up, stay late to clean up were part of *"the Village"* that part it truly made this event possible. Special thanks to **Jim & Ed Lane**, who by default were also on-duty and jumped in to do whatever was needed all weekend~ *"Happy Mother's Day!"*

Hope to see you next year!

Lisa-Marie Lane

#15126 As You Wish...

Fleet Captain, Lightning Fleet 50