

Early Bird Regatta

Cedar Point YC

May 19-20, 2018

A dire weather forecast kept participation low for the Lightning Early Bird regatta. High winds and low temperatures on Saturday resulted in a hotly contested corn hole competition with Dark N' Stormies, followed by a delicious Italian dinner from Tutti's. We also learned steam room etiquette from Josh Goldman.

Sunday brought shifty Westerly and warmer temperatures to the delight of the fleet. Five races were sailed, with each boat seeing the front of the fleet at some point. The regatta was decided in Race 4, when Doug Clark and his imported Vermont crew of Caroline Patten and Nick Aswad passed Bill Bogardus and his usual suspects of Jarrett Lynn and Stephanie Swann on the first run. This propelled team Clark to the victory, with team Bogardus settling for second. Josh Goldman, with Monica Morgan and Ante Jelcic, finished third. Clark is a welcomed addition to the CT/RI District! The regatta was missing many District members who were in Newport for the start of the Volvo Ocean Race.



First Place Top (L-R) Doug Clark, Nick Aswad, Caroline Patten; Second Place (bottom left) Stephanie Swann, Bill Bogardus, Jarrett Lynn. Third Place (bottom right) Josh Goldman, Ante Jelcic and Monica Morgan (left for the airport!)

