

Great Lakes Championship  
North Cape Yacht Club – Fleet 42  
Lasalle, Michigan  
July 8–9, 2017

Pos	Sail#	Skipper	Crew	Crew	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	TOTAL
1	14867	Ernie Dieball	Jacqueline Dieball	Amy Simanson	1	1	3	1	(4)	2	8
2	313	Matt Morin	Kevin Morin	Marcey Morin	5	(10)	1	4	1	1	12
3	15085	Chris Snyder	Holly Snyder	Laurie Dieball	8	3	2	(15)	3	3	19
4	15470	George Sipel	Dan Synowiec	Ian MacKay	3	5	(10)	2	6	6	22
5	14842	Tom Klaban	Geoffrey Wells	Beth Groesbeck	2	2	5	6	10	(15)	25
6	15430	Liz Obermaier	John McCree	Nicole	4	7	7	3	7	(13)	28
7	14499	Alex Cox	Nikka Stoger	Courtney Rizuto	7	8	(12)	9	5	4	33
8	15474	Robert Linden	John Lafontaine	Meghan Linden	9	6	4	8	8	(10)	35
9	15513	Trey Rose	Micahel Coarza	Crissy Curley	6	11	6	7	(13)	8	38
10	14400	Peter Polgar	Michael Polgar	Grace Grabowki	14	4	(15)	14	2	5	39
11	14774	Tom Vickers	Lindsey Diehl	Rich Savage	11	14	8	5	(16)	7	45
12	15585	Doug Steffenson	Bramday Holton	Alex Lulewicz	10	12	9	10	12	(16)	53
13	15559	Jim Davis	Chris Davis	Bill Sommers	(16)	9	16	16	9	9	59
14	5470	Meghan Dieball	Ian Reimel	Chris Twomley	12	(15)	11	12	11	14	60
15	14618	Brian Williams	Luuk Schmidt	Isabel Dziuba	13	(16)	13	11	14	12	63
16	15222	Jody Kjoller	Kyle Gladieux	Keith Fredrick	(15)	13	14	13	15	11	66

What a great weekend of sailing at North Cape. 6 races with 5-15 out of the NW on Saturday and 5-10 out of the SW on Sunday. Friends from Cleveland, Detroit, Bay City, Chicago, Milwaukee and Thunder Bay made the trek to North Cape.

What struck me most was the number of talented young sailors that attended this regatta. MI Class promoter John McCree sailed with 2 junior sailors from PYC. He graciously crews on his boat and tries to sail with someone new at most regattas, to help promote the class. Liz Obermaier (steering) and Nicole Millerman did a great job of mixing it up. PYC Jr. Coach Brian Williams sailed with Luuk Schmidt and Isabel Dziuba. My niece Meghan Dieball was able to borrow a boat and bring a team down from Grosse Ile. She sailed with fellow juniors Ian Reimel and Chris Twomley. Finally, Boat Grant recipients Alex Cox, Nikka Stoger and Courtney Rizuto made the trip from Thunder Bay and sailed very well, especially on Sunday. Honorable mentions go to recent former NCYC junior sailors that included Keith Frederick, Kyle Gladieux, Colin and Ian Mackay. It was great to see all of these "kids" sailing Lightnings and asking questions before and after racing.

NCYC usually hosts the Great Lakes as a stand-alone event for Lightnings but decided to open up to the Snipe and Finn classes this year. It was a treat to see friends that we do not run into that often that sail these other classes. Special thanks go to PRO Bill Pribe and his RC team for running great races in very shifty conditions. Also, to our team of volunteers that was headed by our leader George "Geo" Sipel. Thanks to my team of Jacqueline and Amy for working hard and getting us around the course. Congrats to Teams Morin and Snyder for well sailed series and for all of the teams for attending this year.

Consider coming to NCYC next year for the Great Lakes...and bring a junior or young sailor!