

Combined MI and OH District Championship

June 23-24, 2018 Sandusky Sailing Club, Sandusky, OH

Pos	Sail	Skipper	Yacht Club	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3	Race 4	Race 5	Total
1	15470	George Sipel [MI]	North Cape Yacht Club	[8]	1	4	2	2	9
2	14867	Ernie Dieball [MI]	NCYC	2	[5]	1	5	3	11
3	15172	James Taylor [OH]	Cowan Lake	4	4	2	3	[5]	13
4	15210	Sjoerd-Jan Vanderhorst [OH]	Sandusky Sailing Club	1	9	3	[10]	1	14
5	14842	Tom Klaban [MI]	PYC	5	[6]	5	1	4	15
6	15513	Trey Rose [MI]	Crescent Sail YC	3	3	7	[12]	6.3/RDG	19.3
7	14860	Jack Mueller [OH]	Sandusky Sailing Club	7	2	9	[11]	7	25
8	15506	Samuel McMillan [OH]	Edgewater	11	10	[12]	4	6	31T
9	14260	Jeff Mackay [MI]	NCYC	[10]	8	8	6	9	31T
10	14690	Nick Harris [MI]	Pontiac Yacht Club	[12]	7	11	7	11	36
11	15512	Elizabeth Obermaier [MI]	Pontiac Yacht Club	9	13	6	9	[20/DNF]	37
12	313	Kevin Morin [MI]	CSYC	13	12	[14]	8	8	41
13	14515	John Morley [MI]	Pontiac Yacht Club	6	11	[13]	13	12	42
14	14774	Tom Vickers [MI]	Crescent	[14]	14	10	14	10	48
15	14390	Jim Stone [OH]	Mansfield	15	15	15	15	[20/DNS]	60
16	15420	Ryan Ruhlman [OH]	Pymatuning Yacht Club	[20/DNC]	20/DNC	20/DNC	20/DNC	20/DNC	80T
16	15457	Rob Ruhlman [OH]	Pymatuning	[20/DNC]	20/DNC	20/DNC	20/DNC	20/DNC	80T
16	14216	Lisa Austin [OH]	Mansfield Sailing Club	[20/DNC]	20/DNC	20/DNC	20/DNC	20/DNC	80T
16	15075	Maegan Ruhlman Cross [OH]	Pymatuning Yacht Club	[20/DNC]	20/DNC	20/DNC	20/DNC	20/DNC	80T



Left: MI District Champs - Team Sipel

Right: OH District Champs - Team Taylor



The Sandusky Sailing club sits right across a bay from Cedar point amusement park. This park is very pretty a night with the roller Coasters and Farris well lit up and reflecting off the water. The weather report looked terrible for Saturday with a stationary front sitting over the area with heavy rain expected. Camping was allowed on the property Friday and Saturday nights and luckily the heavy down pours did not occur Friday night.

We awoke Saturday morning to sun and ominous clouds all around. About half the fleet arrived Saturday morning, probably scared of the rain. Well the weather gods allowed us to head out for the first race. The Dieball crew took advantage of being so close to Cedar point and several younger adults took on the roller-coasters. The fleet sailed in the smaller bay between the club and Cedar point so it was easier to get back in if anything arose. The wind was quite shifty and some boats ended up being on the favorable side of a 30 degree shift. Anyway as the PRO set up for the second race a ominous black cloud appeared in the west headed straight at us. When it began to rain the PRO sent us back to the near by club to wait out the storm. After about 2 hours on shore the water looked clear and there was nothing on the radar so the fleet headed out again. There was nothing on the radar when the fleet headed out and the sun was shining. As the PRO set up the course another one of those ominous black clouds appeared in the west. Not taking any chances as the wind built the PRO sent us into the protected Cedar Point marina where the fleet waited out the storm. Pretty neat to see the roller coasters from that vantage point. Anyway the rain cleared and the fleet went out for the second race. This one was a much lighter fair with another 30 degree shift in the last beat. At the end of the day Trey Rose had played the wind right and was leading the entire fleet.

The good dinner was provided that night Sandusky Sailing clubs junior program. Beer was donated by Quantum sails Sandusky and was greatly appreciated by all after the storms that day.

Sunday came and the frond had moved on. The fleet headed out to the big bay at Sandusky for 3 glorious races. The wing started at about 10 knots for the first race and finished the day around twenty. There was one capsize in the last race of the day, unfortunately the Junior crew from Michigan capsized and broke a mast. Everyone was OK and Trey Rose stuck around the boat when they saw it go over for support with the safety crew.

Everyone enjoyed the weekend and look forward to the next time we get to sail there.

James P. Taylor - Ohio District Governor



Left: MI District Championship - 2nd Place Team Dieball.

Right: MI District Championship - 3rd Place Team Klaban



Left: OH District Championship - 2nd Place Team Vanderhorst.

Right: OH District Championship - 3rd Place Team Mueller