

Southern District Championship
 Jackson Yacht Club – Fleet 388
 Jackson, Mississippi
 May 3–4, 2003

Pos	Sail#	Skipper	From	Club	Total
1	10812	Dr. Larry Frost III	Mandeville, LA	Southern Yacht Club	6
2	14969	Carl "Batton" Kennon	Memphis, TN	Delta Sailing Assoc	15
3	14448	Wm. "Bill" Baxter III	Memphis, TN	Delta Sailing Assoc	16
4	12335	John Waskom	Brandon, MS	Jackson Yacht Club	19
5	15126	Larry Frost	Baton Rouge, LA	Southern Yacht Club	19
6	11311	Joe McDevitt	Madison, MS		30

The 2003 Lightning Southern District Regatta was a huge success with sailors from 4 states participating.

Saturday morning had insufficient breeze to start a race, so the committee wisely towed everyone in for lunch and hydration. After lunch, the breeze filled in and we completed three excellent races in light shifting winds. The committee work at starting and moving upwind marks was outstanding. The JYC "Cinco de Mayo" dinner on Saturday night was really great, with good food, refreshments, and live music on the veranda. Sunday brought forth good winds which challenged the boat handling skills of each crew with "lots of hiking" on the upwind legs and the ultimate dingy experience of planing and spinnaker jibes on the downwind legs.

When the fifth race was completed, everyone was ready to come in and take a break. After all the points were tabulated, to no one's surprise, Dr. Larry Frost III took home the regatta in convincing style with 4 first place finishes, thereby adding his name again to the giant perpetual trophy.

The Southern Lightning District would like to express our thanks to our hosts, the Jackson Yacht Club, for their support and hospitality. To JYC Race Chairman Edgar Buchanan, for organizing the committee team, and to Bo Palmer and all the members of the J-22 fleet who provided outstanding committee work including utilization of their own power boats, and to Lightning Skipper Chris Frost (13170) who assisted on the committee when his sailings plans were changed by outside forces.