



SCOWLINES

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2018 Regattas - send your confirmed dates

August 12-19 ILYA Championships - Minnetonka

12-15 A/MC Scows -
15 Bilge Pullers Dinner
16-19 E/C Scows

21-22 MCSA National Junior
Championship Cedar Lake
Wisconsin

23-26 MC Nationals - Pewaukee
Yacht Club

September

6-9 E Nationals - Oshkosh

8-9 Dorn MC - Beulah
Maxinkuckee Fall C/MC

15-16 - C Blue Chip - Okauchee
- 30th Annual North Lake Fall
Classic MC

- Lake Fenton C, Fenton, MI

20-23 E Blue Chip - Pewaukee

22-23 Nan Norris Beulah C

Challenge - Beulah

Lake Lotawana Fall C regatta

29-30 Lasers Masters Great Lakes
Championships - Delavan

29-30 Polar Bear Regatta - Lake
Davenport Sailing Club

Results

A, MC, C and E Scow Results

ANOTHER ILYA CHAMPIONSHIP IN THE BOOKS

E's Get One Race on Sunday

Light air plagued the entire E and C portion of the championships. With only two E races in when the boats arrived Sunday morning and winds of 2-5 at best, it was a waiting game until the race commenced at 10:15ish with a whopping 7 for a brief time. Surprisingly only one boat left early but there were several who retired due to the light air and the secondary time limit went into effect, thanks to the light air conditions. All in all, it was just tough, tough sailing but a race was mandatory to "get a regatta in."

The young cream did rise however. Harry Melges IV was the leader at one-quarter up the first leg and he never relinquished the lead. You can call Sam Rogers young but the real standout was Kyle Navin who completed the regatta in third overall. He was persistent and brilliant in his tactics. Congrats to this first year E skipper. As you review the results, look to see who was in the top and you will see wisdom rose to the top in the light air. The worst casualty was Vincent Porter who truly was just cursed that day. Boats on either side of him would get a little zephyr and Vincent just sat still. You could see him standing with arms outstretched to say, "why?" It was inexplicable.

The C fleet was released about 10:00 AM as it became clear only two races might be sailed for on Sunday. This joint regatta format often means the sacrifice of one fleet for another. Truly there was no grouching heard as everyone understood the scenarios as they played out.

The regatta was such an overall positive that the memories that will last undoubtedly will be the outstanding effort of Minnetonka Yacht Club. Let's start with the race committee. From Minnetonka's Blake Middleton and his staff, thank you from the bottom of our hearts. We could not have met more knowledgeable and considerate folks than Declan Doperalski and Danielle Anderson as boat drivers of the signal boats. The windward markset teams of Dan Crear, Dusty Breitner, Bill Barnett, Paul Ekholm and Suzanna Robinson were top notch. Their local knowledge was essential. Laura Ekholm was working each session despite sending off her daughter Annika to Sweden and housing more young adults than she knew in her home. Nancy Middleton was present to help with all the commotion on the spectator lines and then on signal for the E's. Kendall was the "boat boy" on signal for the E's. She quietly took care of all the docking and organizational needs of the boat.

The chair Kelly Brackin was present 7:15 to end of each day. She was garbage girl, ice girl, traffic cop, registration and launch czar. You get the idea! She was amazingly bright and cheerful. Wonder if she crashed on Monday from sheer exhaustion? Thank you, Kelly for a full year of work.

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To all the Minnetonka host families, you are so generous in your use of your homes and waterfront. Minnetonka's Carson's Bay and Bug Island are filled with moorings so local residents offer their homes around the yacht club island to assist with parking logistics.

Chef Connie Blanchard and her crew - well, well done. We are a lot to handle and you handled this so gracefully.

Thank you to the Minnetonka Board who worked so hard all year to make this happen for us.

Awards

The "unofficial, official" overall winner of the regatta (as pronounced by Pat Hughes) was Coye Harrett who was first in the A's, fourth in the C's and 11th in the E's. What a week he had!

C fleet



First Place to Finn Burdick, Finn Gerard and Andy Burdick

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Second Place - Bill Harvat and Dave Keck



Third place - Chandler Jarecki, Frank Davenport and Ron Jarecki



Fourth place - Jimmy Hughes and Coye Harrett



Fifth place - Augie Jarecki, Riley Schmidt and Charlie Kutschenreuter

E Fleet



First place - Harry Melges IV, Suzanne Melges, Finn Rowe and Harry Melges III



Second place - Tony Jewett with two daughters, Sam Rogers, Martha Hughes with sister in front and Chrisy Hughes



Third place - Ryan Fitzgerald, Connor Jewett, Kyle Navin, Dave Navin



Fourth place - Tim Regan, David Strothman, Lauren Strothman and Mark Sigel. Also Stella, Maddie and Alexandra Strothman.



Fifth place - Annie Rowe, Colin Rowe, RJ Porter and Brian Porter

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