



The Pennant

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Newsletter of the Cayuga Lake Cruising Fleet

First Sailing Day of the Season, Sunday, April 27

"Wow," "Great," "Awesome," these were the words commonly heard on the docks after the first race day of the 2007 Spring Series. This year was more like "Darn," "What Happened," "It's been better" as our season kicked off with a drifter of a race for the tune up event. After a ½ hour postponement we thought the wind had filled in (again) from the North to give us a nice race up to Maplewood, down to West Shore and back to the Club, but the fickle wind gods were not that easily appeased. After an hour of drifting and several lead changes among the three competitors, the wind finally gave in for a while with a nice southerly that lasted just long enough for all the boats to finish and then died again. Clare Fewtrell and crew on "mehitabel" ended up taking both the line honors and corrected time to win the race.

Next Sunday is will be a JBY mid distance race, trying out the new sail to a latitude event that our fleet captain, Richard, has developed. Each boat will have a handout of what GPS coordinates that they will sail to (based on the wind strength and boat rating) and then they will turn around and sail back to the finish line, the first boat back being the winner.

The following weekend will be an "Off" day to celebrate the hard work of the fleet mothers. We will then start the regular Spring series on Sunday May 18th.

The "Fetch" had a great turnout. About 30+ sailors and their families attended for a fun evening of dinner and conversation.

The CLCF will be in the Ithaca Festival parade again this year! More detail to follow. Get your creative thinking going and let's start discussing what we want our entry to look like.

As Usual, skippers meeting will be at 12:45 pm at the South Pavilion with the first race starting at 1:30 pm. For the floating crew people who have been asking, most skippers show up around 12 noon so that would be a good time for you to stop by to look for a boat needing crew for any day.

See you there!

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| Tune Up Race | | Course BI | Wind N-S 0-5 | | | Start 14:05:00 | | | |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|--------|----------|----------------|---------|--------|------|
| Skipper | Boat | Sail# | Rtg | T-on-T | FT | ET | CT | Sailed | Like |
| Fewtrell | mehitabel | 4091 | 168 | 0.9053 | 15:29:14 | 1:24:14 | 1:16:15 | 168 | |
| Alsen | Fantasy | 001 | 174 | 0.8832 | 15:33:26 | 1:28:26 | 1:19:24 | 204 | |
| Stephens | Trevelyan | 172 | 42 | 1.0980 | 15:31:38 | 1:26:38 | 1:35:07 | 188 | |

* Designates a No-spinnaker rating

Gear Exchange

Nothing Yet This Season, Keep Checking Back!

Please email me with any additions by Noon on Mondays to get things listed for the week.