

The Pennant

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Newsletter of the Cayuga Lake Cruising Fleet

Fourth Race Day of the Spring Series, Sunday, May 30

We had lovely blue skies and brilliant sunshine today with temperatures in the high 70s. So what more could we want? Well, we would have liked a bit more wind. What we had was a flukey 8 to 0 knots, mostly from Northwest.

There were times when one boat's knotmeter registered 0 while another nearby boat chugged along at 3-4 knots. The effect of those conditions was that the fleet was alternately close together and spread way out. The exception was Richard Stephens with his Corsair 28 TREVEYAN who waltzed ahead of the rest of us to take line honors in both races. But I'm getting ahead of myself here.

Six boats showed up for today's races. The two 30 footers, LORELEI skippered by Mel Richards and INVICTUS skippered by Tim Bonniwell; the 28 foot rocketship TREVELYAN skippered by our Fleet Captain; the hapless Tanzer 25 FANTASY (see below) skippered by Eberhard Alsen; and the two J-24s, MEHITABEL, skippered by Clare Fewtrell and SNITCH skippered by David Feavearyear.

The course for the first race was CIC, that is, north to the Far Maplewood mark, south to Sycamore, back north to Far Maplewood, and then back to the Yacht Club for a downwind finish. The second race was CI, an abbreviated version of the first race with an upwind finish from Sycamore to the Yacht Club.

The winners in the first race were Dave Feavearyear and crew aboard their J-24, SNITCH. The winners in the second race were Tim Bonniwell and crew aboard their Catalina 30 INVICTUS. Detailed race results and updated Spring Series Standings are on the next page

During the second race, Eberhard Alsen's FANTASY became a contender for the BENT STANCHION AWARD. That award is given every year to the boat causing a collision or to the boat with the most serious mechanical mishap. Here is why FANTASY is a contender: A hundred yards from the finish line in the second race, FANTASY lost the use of its rudder because the rudder came loose from the bottom pintel. Crew members Rick Bray and Chris Brown wrestled and hammered the rudder back into place. Thus FANTASY managed to finish the race, albeit in last place, which they had hoped to hand to Mel Richard's LORELEI.

Fifth Race Day of the Spring Series, Sunday, June 6

The skippers' meeting is at the new time of 1:45 at the South Pavilion of the Yacht Club. Weather premitting, we will run two races. The first start will be at 2:30.

See you at the South Pavilion!

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Race Results for Spring Series Races 7 and 8

Race # 7 Start 14:30 Course C I C Wind NW 0-8

Boat	TonT	FT	ET	CT
Snitch	0.9053	15:15:21	0:45:21	0:41:03
Mehitabel	0.9053	15:18:30	0:48:30	0:43:54
Invictus	0.8868	15:19:34	0:49:34	0:43:57
Trevelyan	1.0980	15:10:50	0:40:50	0:44:50
Lorelei	0.9168	15:18:54	0:48:54	0:44:50
Fantasy	0.8978	15:21:20	0:51:20	0:46:05

Race # 8 Start 15:30 Course C I Wind NW 0-8

Boat	TonT	FT	ET	CT
Invictus	0.8868	16:35:05	1:05:05	0:57.43
Mehitabel	0.9053	16:33:56	1:03:56	0:57:53
Snitch	0.9053	16:35:36	1:05:36	0:59:23
Trevelyan	1.0980	16:25:03	0:55:03	1:00:27
Lorelei	0.9168	16:38:56	1:08:56	1:03:12
Fantasy	0.8978	16:43:22	1:13:22	1:05:52

2010 Spring Series Standings

Race #:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Mehitabel	2	2	2	3	0.75	3	2	2	16.75
Invictus	3	3	3	2	4	4	3	1	23
Trevelyan	5	5	0.75	0.75	5	0.75	4.5*	4	25.75
Lorelei	0.75	0.75	8	8	3	2	4.5*	5	32
Fantasy	5	5	5	5	2	5	6	6	34
Snitch	5	4	4	7	7	1	3	36	
Wisp	5	5	6	6	7	7	8	8	52

*Due to a tie for fourth place, each boat gets 4.5. points.