



# The Pennant

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## **Newsletter of the Cayuga Lake Cruising Fleet**

### Last Race Day of the Fall Series, Sunday, October 16

The sky was overcast with temperatures in the high 60s, and we had 8-15 knot winds veering wildly between SW and NW. Four keelboats and three Wetas showed up for this last Hurrah of the season. The keelboats were Mel Richard's C&C 30, LORELEI; Tim Bonniwell's Catalina 30, INVICTUS; Eberhard Alsen's Tanzer 25, FANTASY; and Dave Feavearyear's J-24, SNITCH. The Weta pilots were the usual suspects: Richard Stephens, Ben Arthur, and Keith Rice.

We had an absolute blast even though the wind kept shifting back and forth and one boat might be sailing north at 6 knots while another boat 100 yards away was creeping west at maybe 2 knots. The course we sailed was S to the Pile Cluster, N to East Shore, NW to Far Maplewood, S to Sycamore, and then N home to the finish line at the Yacht Club.

It was a close race with FANTASY leading most of the way. But SNITCH and INVICTUS caught up, and SNITCH captured line honors only to be narrowly beaten on corrected time by both INVICTUS and FANTASY (see attached photo). After crossing the finish line, FANTASY got hit by a monster puff and performed a spectacular broach. Her starboard spreader hit the water and her spinnaker flew from the mast like a flag and then turned into a sea anchor.

By winning this race, INVICTUS also won the Fall Series. Among the Wetas, HONEY did a horizon job on the other two triamarans, but with WETA 254 coming in second, Keith Rice cinched the series. Congratulations to Tim Bonniwell and Keith Rice! Detailed race results and Final Fall Series Standings are on the next page.

We all celebrated the end of the season with a cook-out party. The party was well attended not only by today's combatant skippers and crews but also by other fellow sailors and families. Tim Bonniwell sure knows how to grill hot dogs and hamburgers to perfection! And among the three brands of beer he brought, everyone found one he liked.

### Marks-Out Work Parties, Saturday/Sunday October 22/23

Yes, the calendar says Oct. 23/34, but that's an error. If you have time to help us get the racing marks out of the water and cleaned up, please put on work clothes and heavy gloves and join us either at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday or at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday. Coffee and donuts will be provided.

### 2011 Awards Banquet (probably on the first weekend of November)

It still has not been decided whether the banquet will be at the Yacht Club or the Glenwood Pines. I'll be sending out a notice as soon as a date and venue have been set.

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## Race Results, Sunday, October 16

### Fall Series Race # 10

#### Keelboats

Start 13:32:30

Wind SW/NW 8-15

Course HGCI

	<u>TT</u>	<u>FT</u>	<u>ET</u>	<u>CT</u>
Invictus	0.8868	15:12:24	1:39:54	1:28:35
Fantasy	0.8868	15:12:34	1:40:04	1:28:44
Snitch	0.9053	15:12:19	1:39:49	1:30:22
Lorelei	0.9015	15:13:00	1:40:30	1:32:08
Little Wing	0.8868	DNS	DNS	DNS
Grendel	0.8868	DNS	DNS	DNS
Mehitabel	0.9053	DNS	DNS	DNS
Smiling Bulldog	1.0015	DNS	DNS	DNS

#### Wetas

Start 14:40:00

Wind SW/NW 8-15

Course HGCI

<u>Boat</u>	<u>Place</u>
Honey	0.75
Weta 254	2
Gray Matter	3

### Final Fall Series Keelboat Standings

	<u>Race #1</u>	<u>#2</u>	<u>#3</u>	<u>#4</u>	<u>#5</u>	<u>#6</u>	<u>#7</u>	<u>#8</u>	<u>#9</u>	<u>#10</u>	<u>Total</u>
Invictus	0.75	0.75	2	[4]	[4]	2	2	2	0.75	0.75	11
Mehitabel	[3]	[5]	3	2	2	0.75	0.75	0.75	2	*1.6	12.85
Snitch	2	5	4	0.75	[7]	[5]	3	3	3	3	23.75
Fantasy	[6]	2	[5]	5	3	4	5	4	4	2	29
Smiling Bulldog	4	5	0.75	3	0.75	[8]	[8]	8	8	6	35.5
Lorelei	5	5	6	6	7	3	4	[8]	[8]	6	42
Little Wing	7	3	[8]	[8]	6	8	8	5	5	6	48
Grendel	7	7	[8]	[8]	8	8	6	6	6	6	54

[ ] After seven races, competitors can "throw out" their two lowest scores.

\*Average of MEHITABEL's races before she was put out of commission by a port tack boat.

### Fial Fall Series Weta Standings

	<u>Race #1</u>	<u>#2</u>	<u>#3</u>	<u>#4</u>	<u>#5</u>	<u>#6</u>	<u>#7</u>	<u>#8</u>	<u>#9</u>	<u>#10</u>	<u>Total</u>
WETA 254	0.75	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	18.75
Honey	4	4	2	2	2	0.75	0.75	2	2	0.75	20.25
Gray Matter	2	0.75	2	2	2	4	4	2	2	3	23.75

[The Wetas sailed only five races, hence no throw outs]

