



The Pennant

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Newsletter of the Cayuga Lake Cruising Fleet

Fifth Latitude Race, Sunday, July 29

We had even better sailing weather today than last Sunday: Sunny skies, temperatures in the low 80s, and a steady NW breeze of between 12 and 17 knots.

The usual suspects turned up for this race: Tim Bonniwell with his Catalina 30, *Invictus*; Charlie Mueller with his Sabre 28, *Gypsy Moth*; Eberhard Alsen with his Tanzer 25, *Fantasy*; and David Feavearyear with his J 24, *Snitch*.

Here is the first in a series of race reports from participating skippers. This time from the skipper of *Fantasy*.

We enjoyed the race very much although we suffered two equipment failures. Three minutes before the race we broke our genoa halyard near the top, with the sail, the halyard shackle, and four inches of halyard cascading down onto the foredeck. By the time we had fixed the problem by hoisting the genoa with a spare spinnaker halyard, we crossed the start line several hundred yards in arrears. We clawed our way back up into the running and turned around at our assigned latitude in second place. Running home with Dave Feavearyear's *Snitch* hot on our heels, we had the other equipment failure. This time our spinnaker guy broke off the shackle, and we had to lower the sail to re-attach the guy with an all-purpose knot. Fortunately that knot held, and we were able to sneak across the finish line still in second place.

So today's finishing order was as follows:

1. *Invictus*
2. *Fantasy*
3. *Snitch*
3. *Gypsy Moth*

The current Latitude Series Standings are on the next page.

50 Mile Night Race, Friday, August 3

The skippers' meeting is at 5:30 at the South Pavilion of the Ithaca Yacht Club, and the start is at 6:30. The turn around mark is navigation buoy 51A just north of Union Springs near the east shore. Skippers will record their own finish times.

Sixth Latitude Race, Sunday, August 5

The skippers' meeting is at 1:15 at the South Pavilion of the Ithaca Yacht Club. The race will start at 2:00.

See you at the South Pavilion.

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Latitude Series Standings as of July 29

<u>Boat</u>	<u>Race #1</u>	<u>#2</u>	<u>#3</u>	<u>#4</u>	<u>#5</u>	<u>Total</u>
<i>Invictus</i>	3	0.75	0.75	2	0.75	7.5
<i>Snitch</i>	2	7	4	0.75	3	16.75
<i>Gypsy Moth</i>	4	3	3	3	4	17
<i>Fantasy</i>	6	2	5	4	2	19
<i>Trevelyan</i>	0.75	5	7	6	6	24.75
<i>Lorelei</i>	6	7	2	6	6	27
<i>Smiling Bulldog</i>	6	4	7	6	6	29