

The Pennant

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Newsletter of the Cayuga Lake Cruising Fleet

Race to Kidder's Landing, Sunday, August 26

For this first-ever Cruising Fleet race to Kidder's Landing (13.5 miles north of the Yacht Club) we had partly overcast skies and a SSE breeze ranging from 10 to 15 knots with gusts in the mid twenties.

Six boats showed up at the starting line: Tim Bonniwell's Catalina 30, INVICTUS; Woody McKenzie's Shamrock 30, SHAMROCK USA; Brian Buchanan's 30 ft. Allied Seawind ketch, DAWN TREADER; Charlie Mueller's Sabre 28, GYPSY MOTH; Susan Swensen's Cape Dory 28, VEDETTE (aka Quetzal III); and Eberhard Alsen's Tanzer 25, FANTASY.

Because of the strong breeze, we all got to Kidder's Landing very quickly, though we arrived in intervals of six minutes and more. Most of us found docking space, and only one boat had to raft up.

Since we hadn't called ahead to make reservations, the folks at the Landing were a bit overwhelmed by 23 sailors suddenly descending upon them. Nevertheless the service was very friendly and not as slow as might be expected, and everyone liked the food. Also, several people suggested that we should make the Kidder's Landing Race a regular part of the Cruising Fleet long distance race schedule.

Here are the race results

Boat	TonT	FT	ET	CT
Invictus	0.8978	11:41:52	1:31:52	1:31:27
Fantasy	0.8868	11:47:57	1:47:57	1:35:44
Dawn Treader	0.8135	12:10:00	2:10:00	1:45:45
Gypsy Moth	0.8553	12:04:09	2:04:09	1:46:11
Vedette	0.8453	12:11:03	2:11:03	1:50:47
Shamrock USA	0.8868	12:19:00	2:19:00	2:03:16

First Race Day of the Fall Series, Sunday, September 2

Please note that the fall races start a half hour earlier than the summer ones. So, the skipper's meeting is at 12:45 at the South Pavilion of the Yacht Cub, and the start of the first race is at 1:30. We hope to get in two races.

See you at the South Pavilion.

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