



# The Pennant

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## Newsletter of the IYC Cayuga Lake Cruising Fleet

### Sheldrake Cup Race, Saturday, June 28

This was the first long distance race of the season. It was a 12.6 mile race from the starting line at the Ithaca Yacht Club to a line extending perpendicularly out into the lake from the pile cluster at Sheldrake Point. This is the only race of the year when we are using a Bermuda Start. In that type of start, the boats start at different times depending on their PHRF handicap rating, with the slower boats starting first and the faster boats starting later. That way we don't need to calculate corrected times because the boat that crosses the finish line first is the winner. After the race, skippers and crews got together for a lunch-time party at O'Malley's restaurant.

Six boats showed up for the Sheldrake race, and they finished in the following order:

1. Tim Bonniwell's Catalina 30.
2. Clare Fewtrell's J-24.
3. Bruce Caward's Bayfield 29
4. John Berger's Beneteau 40
5. Dirk Swart's Pearson 26
6. Charles Orcutt's Islander 26.

Here is Clare Fewtrell's race report:

It was a lovely sunny day and we had pretty good wind. O'Malley's weren't too pleased to see us, but when we persisted they gave us a big table on their deck and a lovely lunch. We had a nice sail back but the wind completely died when we reached Crowbar. One of my crew said he needed some exercise so he jumped in and towed us for quite a distance. However no wind appeared so we finally fished out the outboard to see if it actually worked and it did!

### Second Latitude Race, Sunday, July 6

For information about our Latitude Races visit [www.cruisingfleet.org](http://www.cruisingfleet.org). All skippers need to have a GPS and will be given latitude charts at the skippers' meeting. That meeting is at 1:15 at the South Pavilion of the Ithaca Yacht Club. The start is at 2:00 p.m.

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