



The Pennant

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Newsletter of the Cayuga Lake Cruising Fleet

First things first

Thanks, Liz, for writing the newsletter last week :)

And here are the scores for the week and overall:

Race 5 course: WEN

Rank	Boat	PHRF	Finish	Elapsed	Corrected	Points
1	Mehitabel	168		0:36:44	0:33:15	1
2	Ayla's Ride	117	14:04:32	0:34:32	0:33:39	2
3	Snitch	168	14:09:08	0:39:08	0:35:26	3
4	Trevelyan	33		0:34:54	0:38:55	4
5	Fantasy	192	14:16:36	0:46:36	0:40:49	5
6	Little Wing	183	14:20:19	0:50:19	0:44:37	6

Race 6 course: NEAES

Rank	Boat	PHRF	Finish	Elapsed	Corrected	Points
1	Snitch	168	16:02:01	1:12:01	1:05:12	1
2	Trevelyan	33		1:00:06	1:07:00	2
3	Ayla's Ride	117	16:01:26	1:11:26	1:09:37	3
4	Mehitabel	168		1:17:34	1:10:13	4
5	Fantasy	192	16:16:20	1:26:20	1:15:38	5
6	Little Wing	183	16:34:05	1:44:05	1:32:18	6

Overall

Sailed: 6, Discards: 2

Rank	Boat	PHRF	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total	Nett
1st	Snitch	168	1.00	(3.00)	1.00	1.00	(3.00)	1.00	10.00	4.00
2nd	Trevelyan	33	2.00	1.00	(6.00)	(7.0 RET)	4.00	2.00	22.00	9.00
3rd	Mehitabel	168	3.00	(7.0 DNF)	3.00	2.00	1.00	(4.00)	20.00	9.00
4th	Fantasy	192	(5.00)	2.00	2.00	4.00	(5.00)	5.00	23.00	13.00
5th	Ayla's Ride	117	(4.00)	4.00	4.00	(5.00)	2.00	3.00	22.00	13.00
6th	Little Wing	183	(6.00)	5.00	5.00	3.00	(6.00)	6.00	31.00	19.00

Congratulations to *Ayla's Ride* for having the most improved scores this series thus far!

Section 2 header

Indeed – now we come to section 2. So, you don't really want to know the scores (well, OK, you did want to know the scores, but...) – you want to know how racing went! Well, let me tell you this, it was racing.

We awoke to a bright and clear morning, light breeze and a pleasant 62F. Then we turned off the ceiling fan, opened the door and went out on the porch. It was fairly clear out (well, light anyway) with some kind of a breeze but it was in the 40s. The forecasts that I saw called for 8-10kts from the East during racing. The actual temps and the forecasted winds were enough to push us to take our full fowl-weather kits with us for the day.

Still, forecasts are only that – if they came true all of the time we'd have another Clinton in office right now and we all know that's not the case. (But enough of that – seriously! Let's talk sailing!)

Fine, fine. Sailing. Well, it warmed a bit outside – to the upper 60s – but the winds never really filled in as they should have. I suppose that it's really just the curse, thus far, of this racing season. That is to say that we've had only East or West winds and both of those receive great interference from the land masses and are grossly unreliable.

Which isn't to say that there wasn't wind because this week there was wind! Heck to the yeah! We managed to average nearly 5kts boat speed over both races – that's not nothing and it's certainly not the other races in the series! But it was a generally East wind and thus it was all over the place and not consistent. In the first race (WEN – as shown above) we managed a downwind leg from East Shore to Near Maplewood. In the second race (NEAES, again above) every leg seemed to be upwind until the very last one from Sycamore home where we were just barely able to fly a chute on a beam reach.

So, yes, as they say, that just means that we were all sailing like America's Cup boats -> every leg is upwind because you make your own wind from boatspeed. Yes, yes. That was surely the case.

Ayla's Ride managed to take line honors in the first race followed quickly by *Trevelyan* and *Mehitabel*. *Trevelyan* took line in the second race and then was right at hand for the last ½ mile of the race for line between *Snitch* and *Ayla's Ride*... It was tight and tough and *Ayla's Ride* just managed to sneak in as second over the line but with *Snitch* taking the win on corrected time.

We had some special guests out on the water with Ben and Donovan Kuo racing their S2 6.9 – *Adrenalin*. They were hurt on the downwind leg of the first race by a lack of sail area but did great in the second race – keeping it in the mix and holding good. I'm sure we'll be seeing more of them (and those delicious brownies!) in the future!

Section 3 (upcoming events)

Fall 7/8 next Sunday! Fall 9/10 September 30! Fall 11/12/BBQ October 7!

Day 50 Mile race September 22! Think about sailing it! Shoot me or Rick (CayugaLakeCruisingFleet@gmail.com) an email to get on a boat or to get crew for yours!

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