



The Pennant

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Newsletter of the Cayuga Lake Cruising Fleet

Spring Racing Continues!

The Spring Series continued over the Memorial Day weekend with races 7 and 8. Or, would you believe 4 and 5? We had some lovely weather for the day – for sailing and otherwise. Yes, it did get up to 80F and that might generally be considered a bit warm but it was partly cloudy and we did have a pleasant breeze from the NW of roughly 10kts – so it was plenty warm (but not too hot and not still) on shore and good sailing on the lake (away from the West shore, certainly).

Our first course, and the 4th race of the season, I suppose, was FES – **F**ar Maplewood, **E**ast Shore, **S**ycamore. We began promptly at 1:30 PM with *Shawondasee* shooting across the line to a commanding lead. Unless it was *Mehitabel*? Perhaps it was *Trevelyan*? Maybe *Fantasy* shot across the line but was quickly overtaken by *Snitch*? Things get so hectic out there that sometimes you just can't keep track of it all. I prefer to believe that *Shawondasee* had a wonderful start and held off all comers until we finally crossed the finish line with *Trevelyan* followed by *Snitch*, *Mehitabel*, *Fantasy* and *Shawondasee* which corrected to *Snitch*, *Mehitabel*, *Trevelyan*, *Shawondasee*, *Fantasy* – with under an hour of corrected time for each boat.

Ricky set our second course (that would be race 5) a little longer as LWN – **L**adoga, **W**est Shore, **N**ear Maplewood. *Shawondasee* again had a fantastic start and held a commanding lead for quite some time, unless it was some other boat or boats, as we set off up the lake. The NW wind curving around Crowbar Point gives an interesting lift to those on port tack – pretty much regardless of where you are on the lake but we all still ended up tacking more times than really felt necessary to make it around the windward mark. Chutes were flown and we sailed quickly back down the lake. Now, after rounding the second windward mark we all flew chutes again. This last downwind leg things didn't go quite as well as other legs as I saw and then later heard about at least 3 of the 5 boats having issues with their spinnaker sets (sorry about ours, skipper! I'll try harder to get it right next time!). Whatever! All good! We crossed, again, in the same order and corrected, again, in the same order.

The J/24s have a good little thing going and are often neck and neck – as you can see in pictures and videos up in our Facebook group (just ask to join! Link at the bottom of the newsletter). *Shawondasee* and *Fantasy* spend a lot of time trading places on the lake, too, and we both look forward to having *Little Wing* back in the mix with us. *Trevelyan*? They have fun doing horizon jobs on the fleet and then hanging around the finish line taking pictures – at least, as far as I can tell.

Results

Results are always available online <http://www.cruisingfleet.org/results.html>

Race 4:

Rank	Boat	PHRFTOT	Finish	Elapsed	Corrected	Points
1	Snitch	168	14:27:53	0:57:53	0:52:24	1
2	Mehitabel	168		1:00:49	0:55:03	2
3	Trevelyan	33		50:05:00	0:55:50	3
4	Shawondasee	216	14:37:15	1:07:15	0:57:04	4
5	Fantasy	192	14:36:46	1:06:46	0:58:29	5

Race 5:

Rank	Boat	PHRFTOT	Finish	Elapsed	Corrected	Points
1	Snitch	168	16:02:04	1:12:04	1:05:14	1
2	Mehitabel	168		1:13:20	1:06:23	2
3	Trevelyan	33		59:45:00	1:06:37	3
4	Shawondasee	216	16:11:20	1:21:20	1:09:01	4
5	Fantasy	192	16:09:48	1:19:48	1:09:54	5

Spring so far:

Rank	Boat	PHRFTOT	<u>R1</u>	<u>R2</u>	<u>R3</u>	<u>R4</u>	<u>R5</u>	Total	Nett
1st	Snitch	168	1	2	6.0 RET	1	1	11	11
2nd	Mehitabel	168	4	3		1	2	12	12
3rd	Trevelyan	33	3	1		2	3	12	12
4th	Shawondasee	216		2	4	3	4	17	17
5th	Fantasy	192	7.0 DNC		5	6.0 DNF	5	28	28

Upcoming

Calendar links: <http://www.cruisingfleet.org/calendar.html>

We have 2 Spring Series races each of the next 3 weekends so June 2, June 9 and June 16. Skippers' Meetings at 12:30 and races at 1:30.

IYC's Wine Keg Laser Regatta is Saturday June 8. If you have a Laser come race! Or come to volunteer on Race Committee! It's a fun day on the water.

June 22 is the first Long Distance Series Race -> the Sheldrake Cup (and Summer Sailstice). Stay tuned for details as I have them.

Get Your Registration Forms in!

Well, if you're regular crew and you haven't done so yet you should but you'll be thrilled, I'm sure, to know that all boats have registered and paid. Paying is a good way to support the Fleet and it pays for the fantastic BBQs we put on - like on June 16.

Reg form (and other documents) <http://www.cruisingfleet.org/documents.html>

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