

NEWSLETTER

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1989 MC National Championship Regatta

There's more than corn and soy beans in Nebraska, and it makes for marvelous sailing. As you turn south off US80 you begin a gentle climb to higher altitude to find Johnson Lake, a beautiful two by three mile oval unhampered by hills, coves or coal piles. Truly a great place for a great fleet regatta.

Our hosts put on a great show both on and of the water with a welcome-aboard party Wednesday night, barbecue in one of the "canyons" near the lake on Thursday, and a memorable Nebraska-bred roast beef dinner Friday night. JJ's Marina was our headquarters and you couldn't imagine a more congenial marina operator than Jim.

As for racing: Thursday we got in three races in medium to heavier air. We twiddled our thumbs on Friday waiting for better air which only came minutes after the races

we're called for the day. But we made up the schedule on Saturday with three races in good air.

Here's a brief run-down of each race with comments from each race winner. For the first race, a windward-leeward course twice around, Gordy Bowers had his mast set at 28'-4-1/2" for the 9 mph northeasterly. He went shallow right and turned the pin in third behind David Koch and Andy Burdick. Gordy caught them both at the leeward mark with an early jibe and led the way to the finish line with only a scare near the

finish, where he fell into a hole, which resulted in a close finish with Dave.

The rest of the races were over Olympic courses. David Koch won the second race after being 4th at the pin and 7th at the leeward mark. On the second beat, when the leaders went far right, David took a hitch to the left and got the lead. During an ensuing tacking duel, David got a bit of a puff and crossed the line 25

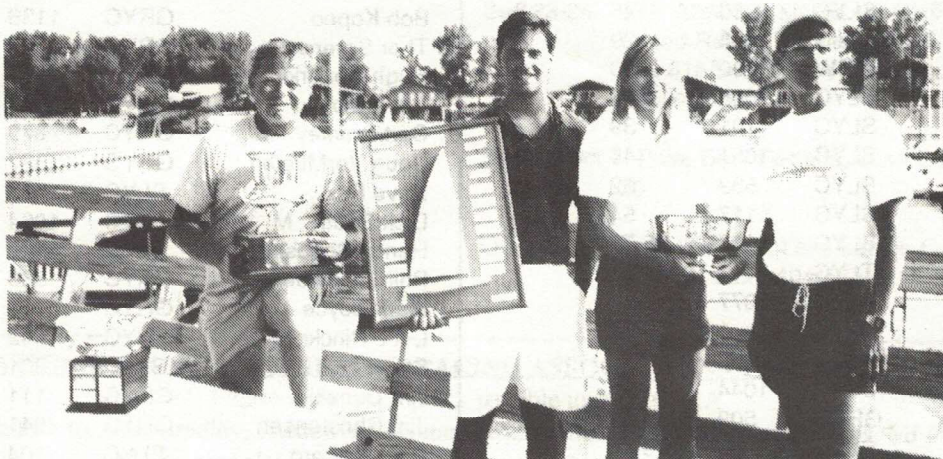
seconds ahead of Ernie French. The third race belonged to Andy Burdick who got off to a good start when he found a large mid-line sag and went on to port to cross the entire fleet. Koch was close at the windward mark but Andy was able to stretch his lead riding the puffs downwind.

In the 4th race David Koch was first off the leeward end of the line

and only trailed Byron Beasley around the first mark. David managed to shake Byron's cover and sail to the win. The wind picked up some for the 5th race and Gordy and Andy fought all the way around the course with Gordy picking a couple of good shifts near the end to capture this race.

In the final race, Andy established what turned out to be a half-leg lead over nearest contender, Jim Zevalkink. Andy got to the windward end of the course so fast that the finish line was set just as he got there!

Complete results begin on page 6.



1989 MC National Champions: L to R. Sid Peterson, Masters; Andy Burdick, National Champion; Pam Scribner, Womens; Byron Beasley, Amateur

Nationals Results

Name	Yacht Club	Boat	Points	Trophy
Andy Burdick	MBW	1254	11.5	1st
Gordon Bowers Jr.	Bowers	1235	11.5	2P
David Koch	North	1008	12.5	3P
Byron Beasley		1118	24	1st A
Scott Luce	GRYC	1077	34	2nd A
Jeff Nicholas	CLYC	1243	38	3rd A
Harvey Baker	WSC	562	53	4th A
Charlie Helmes		870	55	5th A
Ernie French	JLYC	923	55	6th A
Jamie Searles		1101	58	7th A
Brad Osmundson		945	60	8th A
James Zevalkink	GRYC	1165	60	9th A
Hardy Will	LBYC	1234	65	10th A
Jason Brown	JBW	1241	66	
Sid Peterson	M PYC	1176	76	11th A, 1st M
Manning Grinnan, Jr.	RCYC	1069	84	12th A
Dick Booth	M DLYC	1064	87	13th A, 2nd M
Burdette Blue	WSC	858	92	14th A
Curt Miller	GRYC	1301	94	15th A
Jim Brust	SYC	721	96	
Bruce Smith	M	525	98	3rd M
Jack Schwindler	MYC	1004	99	
Mike Fieseler	LDYC	1258	100	
Randy Kotz		1247	110	
Bob Cantrell	MYC	857	113	
Jay Sawyer	JLYC	877	115	
Pamela Scribner	MYC	1231	116	1st W
Androv Carlson	M LGYC	1013	120	4th M
Jim Stinson	M WSC	530	124	5th M
Bill French	M JLYC	922	125	
Tony Bruskas	LDYC	1260	136	
Lynn Walborn	SLYC	1051	152	2nd W
Cheryl A Schwartz	MYC	803	152	3rd W
Thor Sorensen	GRYC	307	154	
Curt Bradley	M GRYC	879	154	
Brian Hutchinson		468	157	
Harrison Pratt	SYC	1147	162	
John Harkrader	SYC	1148	163	
Douglas Hamman	WSC	548	166	
Riley George		523	171	
Paul Whitworth	Houston	834	174	
Lee Stewart	JLYC	1220	178	
Tom Wurster	M DLYC	1274	182	
Dale Hanna	JLYC	669	199	
Bob McGinnis	WSC	624	204	
Jay Mize		179	204	
Steve Stock		1151	216	
Paul Richards	GRYC	1163	219	
Bob Hoffman		1191	219	
Scott Tillema	MYC	641	220	
Bud Toepfer		1144	227	
Jack Marsee	WSC	655	240	
Joan King	WSC	529	242	
Carol French	JLYC	22	246	
Laura Barnes	WSC	599	253	
David Tillema	MYC	1224	257	
Jack Way		1264	262	
Chuck Quinby	ENSA	802	286	
Gene Kehr	WSC	549	354	

IMCCSRA News

Board of Directors Meeting July 19, 1989, Johnson Lake, Nebraska

The meeting was called to order at approximately 4pm at J.J.'s Marina (National Championship Headquarters) by Commodore Charlie Helmes. Present were Curt Bradley, Tony Bruskas, Androv Carlson, Charlie Helmes, and Hardy Will.

John Maloney has submitted his resignation and we accepted it with regret. Our thanks to John and Gail for their good service to the Association.

The matter of weight reduction in the MC was discussed and the executive secretary will include a questionnaire in the next newsletter for members to submit their opinions. Hardy will contact all MC regatta chairman requesting that they require all regatta sailors to be members of the Association. This will entitle the host club to regatta listing in the Newsletter and free mailing labels. A decision was made to continue renting a digital scale (\$145 per year versus purchase price of \$1200 to \$1400). We will acquire a rubber stamp for certifying sails at the next Nationals. Certification will be good for the life of the sail. The matter of flutter patches was tabled. Adjustable forestay proposal was denied. Flotation panels (on the head of the sail) is up to the individual.

Tony, chairman of the technical committee, reiterated that the so-called "rolled-edge" is actually covered under the present scantlings under a clause which allows "construction without rubrail." **The measurers at the 1990 Nationals will require that each sailor's sail number must match his boat's hull number.**

A long discussion concerning the status of amateur and professional sailors and the boat ownership requirement followed. The directors decided that the number one finisher (pro or amateur) will be designated "the MC National Champion."

IMCCSRA Annual Meeting, July 21, 1989

The executive secretary reported the following:

- Members as of 7/4/89 214
- New members this year 59
- New fleets this year 2
- Net worth of the Association \$10,687.64

An election was held to replace the one-year term of John Maloney and for three three-year terms. Nominations were: Charlie Helmes for the one-year term, Andy Burdick, Androv Carlson, Ernie French, and Scott Luce. Charlie, Androv, Ernie, and Scott were elected.

The Association's thanks go to Frank and Vera Keenan for their long management of the MidWinter Regatta. Next year it will be hosted by the Lake Eustis SC on Lake Dora, Florida.

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