## Scowabunga Report 2015

Scowabunga 2015 saw 7 races completed in strong shifting winds. While the weatherman predicted thunderstorms they never appeared. Gary Smith, PRO, with a crack RC team were able with few exceptions to start the new sequence as soon as the last boat returned from the finish line. After the second race David Helmick from Lake Eustis FL and Richard Blake Columbus OH were tied at 7 points each and from that point on were fighting for first place. The balance of the fleet were left to race for the remaining spoils.

Blake has come to Chattanooga twice and both time won Scowabunga. Helmick was second and as an officer of the class thanked PYC for their hospitality. Jeremy Pape 3rd, Kurt Stadele 4th and Jean-Pierre Bordes 5<sup>th</sup> rounded out the trophy winners. Top Master out of the trophy circle Steven North, Grand Masters 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> were Fred Herr and Thomas Martin, Steve Sherman was the top and sole Mega Master. All received trophies. 23 Competitors traveled from 8 states.

Again this year each competitor beginning with last place chose a gift from a table provided by McLaughlin Boat Works. New this year were products from Magic Marine. McLaughlin recently became Magic's North American Distributor.

Christian Cyrul weighting in at 105 pounds led the first race on Sunday all the way for a bullet. Had it not been for several very heavy air races he might have won. Christian at age 16 has just retired from the Optimist Class after 6 years on the regatta circuit. He hails from PYC and was sailing the club owned MC No. 940. This is the second year in a row he beat his father Chris (Winner of the 2014 Champion of Champions help in Port Huron MI.)

Many of the 23 competitors enjoyed camping on the newly landscaped property and the run of PYC's club house just completed in the last 6 months. Even the custom built stainless grill use for the "Grill You Own Steak" was new and arrived Saturday afternoon during racing. That's called "Just in time delivery."

Master Chef Jan Varnell with the help of many again out did herself in the kitchen. Again when thanked during the trophy presentation she received the loudest ovation. She has a secret grand plan for the upcoming Masters Food and lavation.

We at PYC are looking forward to hosting the 2015 US National Masters Championship beginning September 30.

YOU All COME ENJOY OUR SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY (If your over 50 – No Children Allowed)

See you at the 2016 Scowabunga May 14 & 15 Mc Fleet 82