SW Regional Championship

October 3-4, 1998 Fleet 32 Windycrest Sailing Club Lake Keystone, Oklahoma

From Darline Hobock/Jack Marsee

Summer returned with a vengeance late in September bringing shifty, gusty winds and hot sun. So it was for the first race of the Southwest Regional Championship on Lake Keystone, Saturday October 3rd. Jack Hattendorf took the lead at the first mark and never lost it. Jack Kern, 1998 MC Masters Champ and former SW Chap Scott Slocum challenged Hattendorf all the way around the course, opening a large gap between themselves and the rest of the fleet.

A major wind direction shift began near the end of race one and prevailed for race two, from about 340 degrees to 150-180 degrees. Greg Gust put on an uncanny display of boat speed winning by 2-1/2 minutes over Drew Mize in second.

Wind direction held and gained speed up to 10 mph during the third race. Greg Gust won by a 1 minute 25 second margin. Kern nosed out Drew Mize for second by only 4 seconds.

The top five in order Saturday evening were: Greg Gust, Jack Hattendorf, Kenny Baggett, Scott Slocum and Drew Mize.

Strong storms returned to the area Saturday night but passed in time to start the fourth race as scheduled on Sunday. The race began in 14-17 mph winds and a lumpy lake surface left by the storms. All starters, 16 of 20 boats, made it around the windward buoy but downwind the gusts and waves began to take their toll: 12 boats finished. The top five were Drew Mize, Jack Kern, Greg Gust, Harvey Baker (a former winner of this event) and Justin Adams - who surprised everyone last year by winning the last race.

Thirteen boats started the fifth race in 13-18 mph winds, plus gusts. Ten finished. The numbers don't tell the story about the wind though. Gusts occurred sharply following the lulls and held on relentlessly to topple any boat exposing a bit of its bottom. Jack Kern won the last race with Greg Gust only 6 seconds behind.

Kenny Baggett suffered a severe cut by a bailer while righting his boat after capsize. This is the third known occurrence at Windycrest in the last few years, pointing out that this is an ongoing safety hazard. Ideas for eliminating this problem anyone?

						Races				
PI	Skipper	Div	Club	Boat	1	2	3	4	5	Pts
1	Greg Gust		RCYC/TX	1750	5	1	1	3	2	7
2		GM	RCYC/TX	1831	2	15	2	2	1	7
3	Drew Mize		AYC/TX	1743	13	2	3	1	3	9
4	Jack Hattendort		AYC/TX	1523	1	5	5	6	6	17
5	Scott Slocum		RCYC/TX	1166	3	7	7	DNF	4	21
6	Kenny Baggett		WSC/OK	1549	4	3	8	10	DNF	25
7			AYC/TX	590	8	6	11	7	5	26
8			WSC/OK	1321	6	4	9	8	DNF	27
9		M	WSC/OK	1268	9	11	4	4	DNF	28
10		GM	WSC/OK	1304	14	10	10	11	8	39
11	Justin Adams	J	WSC/OK	622	17	17	13	5	7	42
12	Burt Scot	GM	RCYC/TX	1398	10	8	15	DNF	9	42
13	Jack Marsee	MM	WSC/OK	1069	7	16	8	DNS	DNS	49
14	Gene Freund		AYC/TX	1288	15	13	18	12	10	50
15	John Kerr	GM	WSC/OK	1285	19	9	14	9	DNS	51
16	Bill Sydor		AYC/MO	1686	11	12	12	DNF	DNS	51
17	Rob Stout		WSC/OK	1445	16	14	166	DNF	DNS	62
18	Mark Long		AYC/TX	1191	18	18	17	DNS	DNS	71
19		MM	WSC/OK	548	12	DNS	DNS	DNS	DNS	72
20	Steve Goff	М	WSC/OK	625	20	DNS	DNS	DNMS	DNS	80

Fleet 53 Regatta

September 19-20, 1998 Arrowhead Yacht Club Lake Winnebago, MO

Report from David E. Brown
Our regatta started with a Friday night
welcoming cocktail party at our community center.

Saturday, with 18 MC'ers and winds 8-10 mph we had two great races with Jack Schindler winning the first and B.O.B. Bob Cantrell winning the second. Saturday night we enjoyed a prime rib dinner at our yacht club. Sunday provided us with a 8-15 southerly breeze with a course that kept all the boats close. Needless to say we all got well acquainted at the Marks. Schwindler didn't want to play with the rest of the fleet and broke free to have an impressive first.

Trophies were presented to the top three

finishers, Master and Grand Master. Schwindler presented a special to Doug Sydor who started our MC fleet but due to health problems was unable to sail this year. He'll be back. The keg ran freely all weekend, there was plenty of food, BS and sailing. Everyone had a great time. A special thanks goes to Bob Cooley (C-Scower) that ran our race committee.

Races

					A. A. Salanta and Market and Mark				
PI	Skipper	Div	Club	Boat	1	2	3	Pts	
1	Jack Schwindler	M	MYC/MO	1752	1	2	1	4	
2	Bob Cantrell		MYC/MO	15-7	2	1	5	8	
3	Glen Foulke		MYC/MO	818	3	3	2	8	
4	Dave Brown	M	AYC/MO	1585	5	4	3	12	
5	Bill Sydor		AYC/MO	1686	8	6	4	18	
6	Jim Goetz	M	MYC/MO	884	7	7	6	20	
7	Tom Nitz	M	AYC/MO	1692	4	11	12	27	
8	Randy Cooper		AYC/MO	1711	9	8	11	28	
9	Paulla Martin	M	MYC/MO	1504	10	9	9	28	
10	Barb Cooley	M	MYC/MO	838	11	10	7	28	
11	Greg Long	M	AYC/MO	1178	6	14	10	30	
12	Mark Long		AYC/MO	1191	12	5	13	30	
13	Terry Haug	M	MYC/MO	1799	13	13	8	34	
14	Jeff Sorensen		AYC/MO	1154	16	12	16	44	
15	Craig Freeksen	GM	AYC/MO	1236	15	16	14	45	
16		GM	AYC/MO	937	14	17	15	46	
17	Phil Wood		KS	1092	17	15	17	49	
18	Bob Rubin		MYC/MO	821	18	18	18	54	
19		M	AYC/MO	DNS	DNS	DNS			