## '98 Black Tie

April 17-18, 1998 Fleet 5 Rush Creek Yacht Club, Texas

## Report from Jack Kern

83 scows journeyed to RCYC in Dallas and true to form for the past few years the skies were clear, lots of sun, and a variety of wind. 2 races were sailed in 12-20 knot winds with most of the lead boats carrying crew, and 3 more races in 5-12 knots.

By the time the first race began pink cheeks and sunburns were in evidence. Buddy Melges impressed us all by arriving in the Melges truck, pulling two tripledeck trailers. Not bad for any age, let alone 70.

34 MCs competed, with the first 3 places hotly contested between Eric Hood, Gordy Bowers, and Greg Gust. The rest of us were close at times, but not close enough to threaten. This year we inaugurated the Dave Greene Single-Handed Trophy which was won by Jack Kern.

Lots of thanks to RCYC and the C fleet. They really put their best foot forward with the expanded restroom and shower facilities and the newly decorated club house.

|    |                   |         | Races       |    |    |     |    |    |       |
|----|-------------------|---------|-------------|----|----|-----|----|----|-------|
| PI | Skipper           | Club    | <b>Boat</b> | 1  | 2  | 3   | 4  | 5  | Pts   |
| 1  | Eric Hood-P       | MBW     | 1838        | 1  | 1  | . 1 | 10 | 2  | 19    |
| 2  | Gordy Bowers-P    | ISIs    | 1857        | 2  | 2  | 3   | 2  | 4  | 22.7  |
| 3  | Greg Gust         | RCYC/TX | 1750        | 4  | 4  | 2   | 1  | 3  | 24.7  |
| 4  | Scott Norby       | LMYC/MN | 1845        | 8  | 3  | 7   | 3  | 1  | 38.4  |
| 5  | Jack Kern-GM      | RCYC/TX | 1831        | 3  | 5  | 8   | 6  | 6  | 53.1  |
| 6  | Jeff Grinnan      | RCYC/TX | 1619        | 5  | 7  | 6   | 4  | 9  | 57.7  |
| 7  | Scott Slocum      |         | 1220        | 10 | 12 | 4   | 5  | 5  | 62    |
| 8  | Greg Gondran      | RCYC/TX | 1803        | 6  | 17 | 5   | 11 | 10 | 77.7  |
| .9 | Bob Sevey-GM      | LMYC/MN | 1844        | 9  | 8  | 15  | 7  | 12 | 81    |
| 10 | Drew Mize         | AYC/TX  | 1321        | 14 | 13 | 10  | 8  | 7  | 82    |
| 11 | Rick Tears-M      | RCYC/TX | 1415        | 7  | 19 | 9   | 13 | 11 | 89    |
| 12 | David Hamilton    | RCYC/TX | 1685        | 11 | 11 | 14  | 9  | 22 | 97    |
| 13 | Karen Alnes-W     | WBYC/MN | 1660        | 17 | 6  | 27  | 15 | 8  | 102.7 |
| 14 | Jack Hattendorf   | AYC/TX  | 1523        | 12 | 18 | 11  | 17 | 18 | 106   |
| 15 | Bill Jackson-M    | RCYC/TX | 1559        | 20 | 9  | 17  | 14 | 19 | 109   |
| 16 | Manning Grinnan-M | RCYC/TX | 1479        | 16 | 16 | 22  | 20 | 15 | 119   |
| 17 | Jason Bradley     | RCYC/TX | 1353        | 18 | 21 | 16  | 16 | 21 | 122   |
| 18 | Brian Tillema     | MYC/MO  | 1524        | 13 | 10 | 19  | 22 | 33 | 127   |
| 19 | Ralph Kelley-GM   | RCYC/TX | 1554        | 15 | 23 | 18  | 21 | 24 | 131   |
| 20 | Duke Lynch        | FRYC/CO | 1151        | 21 | 20 | 20  | 28 | 17 | 136   |
| 21 | Steve Stock       | FRYC/CO | 1350        | 28 | 25 | 25  | 29 | 14 | 141   |
| 22 | Suzi Reese-W      | LGYC/WI | 1788        | 33 | 34 | 12  | 18 | 16 | 143   |
| 23 | Gerry Dorsey      | FRYC/CO | 871         | 22 | 14 | 29  | 23 | 26 | 144   |
| 24 | Eric Protzman     | RCYC/TX | 1158        | 24 | 15 | 28  | 29 | 23 | 149   |
| 25 | Herman van Beek-M | RCYC/TX | 1521        | 23 | 24 | 26  | 24 | 25 | 152   |
| 26 | Wm Cantrell-GM    | RCYC/TX | 1539        | 26 | 22 | 31  | 30 | 13 | 152   |
| 27 | Burt Scott-GM     | RCYC/TX | 1398        | 25 | 29 | 23  | 27 | 20 | 154   |
| 28 | Christian Dupont  | RCYC/TX | 1540        | 33 | 34 | 13  | 12 | 33 | 155   |
| 29 | Gene Freund       | AYC/TX  | 1288        | 27 | 26 | 24  | 25 | 29 | 161   |
| 30 | Adam Mize         | AYC/TX  | 1128        | 29 | 28 | 21  | 26 | 27 | 161   |
| 31 | Brian Keathly     | AYC/TX  | 856         | 30 | 34 | 13  | 34 | 28 | 169   |
| 32 | John Woodruff     | FRYC/CO | 1133        | 32 | 27 | 30  | 21 | 32 | 182   |
| 33 | Tom Courtney-M    | FRYC/CO | 1201        | 31 | 34 | 33  | 33 | 30 | 191   |
| 34 | Steve Cole        | BCYC/TX | 1468        | 33 | 34 | 32  | 32 | 31 | 192   |



1998 BLACK TIE WINNERS:

Front Row (L to R) Heidi Lieber-crew, Scott Norby-4th, Diane Bowers

Back Row (L to R) Jack Kern-5th & Single-Handed Trophy, Patty Gondran-Crew, Eric Hood-1st, Richard Card-crew,
Gordy Bowers-2nd, Greg Gust-3rd, Karen Alnes-1st Woman