MC Blue Chip

September 19-21, 1997 Fleet 7 Spring Lake YC, Michigan

Results from Matt Young

Over 70 sailors qualified for this the 6th Annual MC Blue Chip. Of these, 39 were able to make the trip to Spring Lake and participate in one of the hottest Blue Chips yet.

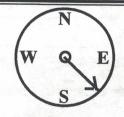
Friday the tornado scare chased everyone into the back room of the yacht club and led to the cancellation of the practice races. Fortunately that was the end of the bad weather for Saturday the wind came out of the north in fits and starts making judging the next shift very difficult. Some commented they had never sailed in such strong and shifty winds. Puffs seemed to explode on the yachts. Four windward-leeward courses were sailed and junior skipper Justin Hood polished off the day with three 1sts and a 3rd. Brett Hatton won the 4th race on Saturday

Unfortunately for Justin and several others, Sunday's southeast wind proved to be weak and full of holes over a 3-1/2 windward leeward course. This race was won by Curt Miller.

Charlie Harrett sailed consistently to the championship followed by Justin who won the Junior trophy in second place. Paul Eggert in 6th place garnered both the Masters and Grand Masters trophies. Katie Reese (Commodore of the ILYA) in 10th place won the women's division.

Saturday nights cocktails and dinner at the nearby Arboreal was a class act enjoyed by most if not all the skippers and their wives and friends.

			Boat				Races			
PI	Skipper	Club	No.	1	2	3	4	5	Pts	
1	Charlie Harrett	GRYC/MI	1757	6	7	8	2	4	27	
2	Justin Hood-J	LGYC/WI	1712	1	1	_ 1	3	35	41	
3	Scott Harestad	LLSC/GA	1708	17	2	7	5	11	42	
4	Peter Comfort	TLYC/MI	1732	12	10	2	11	7	42	
5	Ted Mortonson	LMYC/MN	1689	4	8	3	17	17	49	
6	Paul Eggert-GM	SLYC/MI	1806	10	17	6	7	12	52	
7	Todd Bosgraaf	SLYC/MI	1733	3	11	11	23	5	53	
8	Greg Fisher-P	NSIs	1569	11	13	13	20	3	60	
9	Glen Walborn	SLYC/MI	1789	14	18	19	8	2	61	
10	Katie Reese-W	LGYC/WI	1527	9	12	22	14	9	66	
11	Chris Eggert	SLYC/MI	1737	2	5	18	15	30	70	
12	Chad Hough-P	JBW	1796	5	4	9	19	DSQ	77	
13	John Bolling	SLYC/MI	1721	15	9	28	12	14	78	
14	Brett Hatton	SLYC/MI	1	20	36	10	1	23	90	
15	Brian McMurray	WLYC/MI	1802	18	16	25	10	25	94	
16	David Fox	SLYC/MI	1614	27	3	30	16	19	95	
17	Curt Miller-M	GRYC/MI	1701	37	22	12	25	1	97	
18	Gary Verplank-M	SLYC/MI	1777	29	26	16	6	20	97	
19	Suzi Reese-W	LGYC/MI	1788	16	14	20	26	21	97	
20	Kyle Verplank-J	SLYC/MI	1666	19	15	17	13	34	98	
21	Rick Wilfert-J	OLYC/WI	1596	8	25	5	22	DSQ	100	
22	John Murphy	OLYCMI	1782	13	21	15	36	16	101	
23	Jeff Solum	LMYC/MN	1570	31	6	4	29	32	102	
24	Eric Hood-P	LGYC/WI	11	7	31	38	4	31	111	
25	Karen Alnes-W	WBYC/MN	1660	30	23	29	18	15	115	
26	Lynn James-W	SLYC/MI	789	28	24	31	9	27	119	
27	Kevin Watrous	TLYC/MI	1758	21	DNF	14	31	13	119	
28	Tim Fredman-M	BLYC/WI	1774	22	30	26	33	10	121	
29	Tom Wurster-GM	DLYC/MI	1759	35	19	24	27	18	123	
30	Noel Neuman	LMYC/MN	1401	23	35	23	38	8	127	
31	Dave Bandstra	GRYC/MI	44	25	28	35	35	6	129	
32	Ted Keller	TLYC/MI	77	24	R*	36	24	28	140	
33	Bruce Gallagher	PNYC/WI	1417	33	20	32	30	29	144	
34	Amy Eggert-W	SLYC/MI	1780	34	33	21	21	DSQ	149	
35	Josh Rotonda-J	SLYC/MI	1771	26	32	34	28	33	153	
36	Duane Pierson-GM	MWLYC/MI	1605	32	27	27	34	36	156	
37	Robert Miller-GM	Beaufort,SC	890	39	29	39	32	24	163	
38	Curt Bradley-GM	GRYC/MI	1405	36	37	33	39	22	167	
39	Herman van Beek	-MRCYC/TX	1521	38	34	37	37	26	172	
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1997 Southeast Regional MC Scow Championship

December 6 & 7, 1997

Hosted by MC Fleet 4 & the Lake Eustis Sailing Club
Inquiries: Regatta Chairman David Beatson (MC657) 813 826-1863
Registration: Saturday, Dec. 6, 1997 9:00-11:00 AM
Skippers' Meeting: Saturday, Dec. 6, 1997 11:00 AM
5 race series, beer keg Saturday after racing
Entry fee \$15
Boat Storage available for Mid-Winters