

# 66th Annual Western Michigan Yachting Association Championship Regatta

August 9-12, 1995 White Lake Yacht Club, Whitehall, MI

This year's four-day regatta was most ably hosted by one of the oldest association members at their beautiful two-storied white pine club house. WMYC Commodore Dave Bedau, Resident Agent Midge Verplank, Regatta Chairman Bill LaNouette and their committees carried off this 175 boat event without a hitch. Congratulations to all of you for a great time. Classes include Es, Cs, MCs, Open Butterfly, and Junior Butterfly. A number of sailors competed in three classes!

This regatta is open to members of the 20 member clubs of the the WMYA. Clubs may join the WMYA by contacting Midge Verplank 616 842-1448.

Social events included a junior party, "Party at the Barn", Commodore's Ball, and a Hang-Out Party with band in conjunction with the trophy presentations. Incidentally this is one of the "best buys" in regatta participation. Visiting sailors especially appreciated the well organized launching and retrieving crew led by Allen Dake.

To give you an idea of the competition, each of the five MC races was won by a different skipper. I quizzed each race winner and got the following comments. Race one went to Paul Richards of the Grand Rapids YC. He got a good start, led most of the way only to be challenged by Andy Burdick towards the end of the race. Andy had a poor start but worked his way through the fleet to finish just 6" behind Paul. Dan Guidinger of JBW had a terrible start in the second race but found more breeze on the left and rounded the top mark 2nd to Doug McNeil who led most of the course. On the last leeward gate Dan took the left and Doug took the right gate and Dan found a bit more favorable wind to pull out the win.

In the third race Andy had a fair start. Dan Guidinger led most of the way. Katie Reese was 2nd at the top mark but had to do a circle as she hit the mark. Through the last leeward gate, Andy chose the right mark while Dan went around the left mark. The left side of the course gave Andy a 150 yard lead to take the win.

Doug McNeil got his win battling Brett Hatton most of the way around the windward-leeward course in the fourth race. Going to the south shore during the last downwind leg gave Doug the lead which he protected with a close cover of Brett. In the fifth race David Fox of Spring Lake got a clean start off the line, went to the port tack and played the shifts up the lake to round the top mark first. He then traded leads with Jerry Gill of White Lake on the downwind legs but David took the horn for the win.

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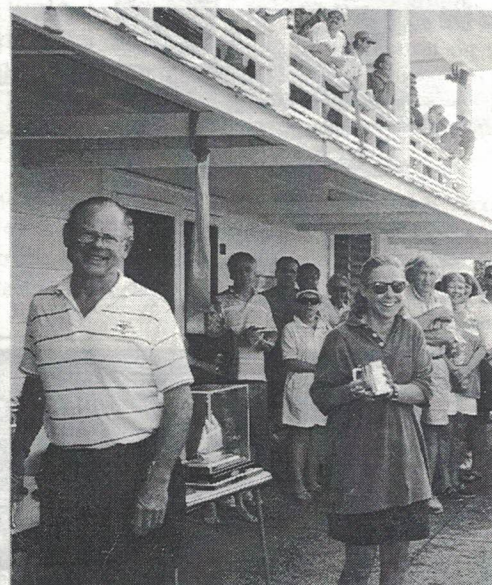
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Top honors went to Andy Burdick. First amateur was Doug McNeil and the next nine trophies went to Brett Hatton, Todd Bosgraaf, Chad Hough, Paul Richards, Dave Fox, Katie Reese (also top female), Glen Walborn, Jerry Gill, and John Bolling. Lynn James took the second place female trophy.

Tom Getz of White Lake nosed out Curt Bradley of Grand Rapids by one point to win the beautiful sterling schooner Grand Master trophy donated by Al Jacobson of Spring Lake. Masters trophies went to Gary Verplank, Paul Eggert, and Dave Hough all of Spring Lake.

Pl	Skipper	Boat		Races						Pts
		No.	Club	1	2	3	4	5		
1	Andy Burdick-P	1678	MBW	2	4	1	17	3		39.7
2	Doug McNeil	1466	WLYC/MI	7	2	10	1	9		47
3	Dan Guidinger-P	1663	JBW	12	1	2	23	5		60
4	Brett Hatton	1555	SLYC/MI	11	15	7	2	7		67
5	Todd Bosgraaf	1451	SLYC/MI	5	3	5	8	23		68.7
6	Chad Hough	1043	SLYC/MI	4	6	3	22	18		77.4
7	Paul Richards	1441	GRYC/MI	1	32	22	5	4		84
8	David Fox	1614	SLYC/MI	25	24	25	3	1		97.7
9	Katie Reese-F	1527	LGYC/WI	24	9	8	4	31		104
10	Glen Walborn	16	SLYC/MI	9	12	32	9	16		108
11	Jerry Gill II	1643	WLYC/MI	18	13	28	27	2		113
12	John Bolling	1041	SLYC/MI	6	17	23	14	25		114.7
13	Brien Fox	1672	SLYC/MI	8	33	117	11	19		118
14	Steve Field	1378	GRYC/MI	23	19	21	21	8		122
15	Justin Hood	1621	LGYC/WI	3	31	4	49	11		122.7
16	Thor Sorensen	1665	GRYC/MI	14	11	13	32	26		126
17	Rob Terry	1463	CLYC/MI	15	26	9	14	10		134
18	Chris Eggert	1580	SLYC/MI	16	10	15	19	52		142
19	Brian McMurray	1492	WLYC/MI	10	16	6	41	42		144.7
20	Tad Welch	1022	SLYC/MI	30	21	48	10	21		160
21	Jeff Cornetet	1286	SLYC/MI	40	27	19	15	40		171
22	Brian Wrase	1542	SLYC/MI	51	14	18	45	20		178
23	Brent Daily	1309	TYLC/MI	27	25	29	39	29		179
24	Gary Verplank-M	1666	SLYC/MI	22	37	46	13	34		182
25	Jay Lambiotte	1407	CLYC/MI	PMS	7	30	6	39		187.7
26	Peter Fox	1586	SLYC/MI	PMS	23	11	26	22		188
27	Paul Eggert-M	1605	SLYC/MI	38	36	27	30	32		193
28	Dale Purdy	1501	CLYC/IN	41	41	43	24	15		194
29	Curt Miller	1701	GRYC/MI	PMS	5	44	29	14		197

30	Lynn James-W	1452	SLYC/MI	45	22	39	34	27		197
31	Chris Craig	1509	LFYC/MI	PMS	20	14	35	28		203
32	Tom James	1662	SLYC/MI	20	45	45	46	17		203
33	Walker Wynkoop	1070	CLYC/MI	37	18	55	61	13		214
34	Jamie Duncan	873	WLYC/MI	55	29	51	18	13		216
35	Bob Milne	909	WLYC/MI	21	60	41	20	44		216
36	Amy Eggert-W	955	SLYC/MI	57	38	12	31	50		218
37	Tom Getz-GM	1311	WLYC/MI	17	64	26	28	55		220
38	Curt Bradley-GM	1405	GRYC/MI	42	34	36	42	36		221
39	Scott Harestad	1119	SLYC/MI	PMS	28	24	7	58		223
40	Dave Bandstra	441	GRYC/MI	29	39	31	DNF	24		228
41	Dave Hough-M	1044	SLYC/MI	32	55	33	38	41		229
42	Dick Marvil-M	1651	WLYC/MI	31	44	35	48	47		235
43	Bob Ward-M	1533	GRYC/MI	60	47	37	16	48		238
44	Duane Pierson-GM	500	WLYC/MI	26	42	34	57	51		240
45	Steve Fox	1292	SLYC/MI	49	8	DNF	37	43		243
46	Tom Wisnom-M	864	WLYC/MI	28	43	56	36	57		250
47	Dan McCormick	1413	WLYC/MI	13	49	57	43	61		253
48	Kyle Verplank	1530	SLYC/MI	35	68	20	55	46		254
49	Dave Fedewa	9731	WLYC/MI	DNF	48	40	25	37		256
50	Andy Molesta	860	GRYC/MI	DNF	53	16	12	DNF		258
51	Tom McMurray-GM	1425	WLYC/MI	50	50	38	PMS	12		259
52	Nils Reuterdaahl	158	SLYC/MI	33	35	58	54	53		263
53	Tom Wurster-M	1667	DLYC/MI	19	52	42	62	63		268
54	Skip Manny	930	WLYC/MI	47	61	49	50	35		272
55	Dave Bedau-M	1455	WLYC/MI	48	62	52	40	49		281
56	Mary Milne-W	1567	WLYC/MI	36	57	47	63	56		289
57	Mike Hirn	1222	LGYC/WI	PMS	DNF	DNF	33	6		296.7
58	Jim Bennett	1462	GRYC/MI	34	54	60	DNF	45		298
59	Brent Bedau	984	WLYC/MI	52	40	64	58	54		298
60	Gerald Gill-M	1579	WLYC/MI	42	51	63	52	65		303
61	Tom Cassady-GM	1607	ELYC/MI	58	30	50	59	DNF		303
62	Peter Sjoberg	901	SLYC/MI	54	46	62	PMS	38		305
63	Bob Miller-M	890	DLYC/MI	44	56	53	47	DNF		306
64	Steve Hirn	1495	LGYC/WI	39	67	59	51	60		306
65	Heather Milne-W	1164	WLYC/MI	59	59	66	PMS	30		319
66	Scott/Hand	1551	SLYC/MI	53	63	61	53	67		327
67	Steve Schaub	883	Maxincuckee	46	71	54	56	DNF		333
68	Karl Lanka	149	SLYC/MI	56	65	72	64	64		359
69	John Rotonda	931	SLYC/MI	64	73	65	65	62		359
70	Charlie Megan	1217		63	74	67	60	66		360
71	Kara Nordberg-W	1082	TYLC/MI	DNF	58	68	PMS	59		366
72	Warren Davy	1016	SLYC/MI	62	72	70	67	68		369
73	Greg Lanquette	841	WLYC/MI	DNF	66	69	66	69		376
74	Teasley Sibley-W	1543	WLYC/MI	65	69	71	68	DNF		379
75	Mike Meyer	1465	GRYC/MI	61	70	DNF	DNF	DNF		389



WMYA Champs L to R :Top Amateur Doug McNeil, Overall winner Andy Burdick, Top Master Gary Verplank, Top Grand Master Tom Getz, WMYA Executive Midge Verplank, Top Woman Katie Reese