

TENSION BEGINS: RACE # 1

by Dick Tennerstedt & Bud Dailey, Jr.

There seemed to be a little more tension in the air at this year's International Championships. As the racers arrived, they unloaded their boats, went through measurement and proceeded to get ready for race day. The practice race for Tuesday afternoon was replaced by a race for the pool in order to cool off. Wednesday morning brought cloudy skies, and a good breeze out of the west. Being protected by the hillside behind the club the true force of the breeze was yet to be felt.

After the welcome of all the sailors and crews, and the last minute measurements were done, we were all ready to go out and race. The three areas that sailors came from, Maryland, New York, and Chicago, hadn't sailed against each other for a year or more. Each area had its share of competition, Dick Tennerstedt and Sandy Rapp, John MacCausland and Bud Dailey, Larry Cole and the Blacks, but how would they stack up against the other regions?

As we sailed out of the harbor to the race area, the breeze began to get stronger, and by race time the breeze was a steady 15 knots with higher gusts, and a little shifty. We had two boats capsized before the first start. Race One was to be windward leeward two times around, finishing downwind. It seemed at the start that the pin end was favored, and right at the pin was Dick Tennerstedt and

DYING BREEZE IN RACE # 2

by John MacCausland

The second race of the '99 Internationals was sailed in 6 to 10 knots of wind. When we went out in the morning, the breeze was 10 to 15. But from the time we left the dock till the start of the second race, the breeze was dying.

We had a good start that let us sail the race like we would like. Using what we had learned in the first race, we protected the right side of the course. We led at the first mark with Dick Tennerstedt and Diane Hunt second. They did a good job on the first run and got closer to us by the leeward mark.

The second beat we again protected the right side of the course. But Dick and Diane came on really strong and we had to tack on them a number of times about 2/3 away up the beat and force them back.

We led at the second weather mark with Dick and Diane a comfortable distance back in second. During the race Bud and Sue Dailey were quietly making their way through the fleet. The race was finished on the second run.

Erin and I held on to win with Dick and Diane second and Bud and Sue Dailey third.

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FINAL RESULTS													INTL SERIES:			
Hosted by Centerport Yacht Club - Centerport, New York																
Sail #	Skipper	Crew	1	pts	2	pts	3	pts	4	pts	5	pts	6	pts	Pts/Place	
9571	Bud Dailey	Sue Dailey	6	0	3	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	8.0 1	
9660	John MacCausland	Erin MacCausland	2	2	1	1	3	3	8	0	2	2	2	2	10.0 2	
9707	Dick Tennerstedt	Diane Hunt	1	1	2	2	4	4	2	2	4	4	5	0	13.0 3	
9730	Sandy Rapp	Susan Buckley	4	4	6	0	1	1	4	4	3	3	3	3	15.0 4	
9630	Charles Krafft	Calrn Krafft	5	5	4	4	7	0	6	6	6	6	6	6	27.0 5	
9695	Catherine Kerr	Michaela Grasso	9	9	8	8	6	6	3	3	9	0	8	8	34.0 6	
5469	Kevin Majane	"Weights"	10	10	11	11	11	0	7	7	5	5	4	4	37.0 7	
9609	Larry Cole	Marion Black	11	11	10	10	5	5	12	0	7	7	7	7	40.0 8	
963	Kevin Keegan	Thomas Keegan	8	8	9	9	10	10	5	5	10	10	dnc	0	42.0 9	
7696	Robert Black	Mary Black	12	12	12	12	8	8	10	10	12	12	9	9	51.0 10	
8323	Mel Reid	Nick Nilsen	3	3	7	7	9	9	dnc	20	dnc	20	dnc	0	59.0 11	
9725	Mike Boyle	Jessica Black	13	13	14	14	12	12	13	13	8	8	dnc	0	60.0 12	
8803	Kathy Weber	Wendy Harrington	14	14	13	13	14	14	9	9	11	11	dnc	0	61.0 13	
9708	Ron Meissner	Carol Meissner	7	7	5	5	wdr	16	dnc	20	dnc	20	dnc	0	68.0 14	
3980	Chris Arleo	Alex Arleo	dnf	16	dnc	20	dnc	20	11	11	13	13	dnc	0	80.0 15	
5172	Neil Dethlefsen	Patrick Rogin	15	15	15	15	13	13	dnc	20	dnc	20	dnc	0	83.0 16	
7	Helen Black	Emily Verrelli	dns	18	dnc	20	dnc	20	15	15	14	14	dnc	0	87.0 17	
9607	Rob Dennis	Aaron Picozzi	dnc	20	dnc	20	dnc	20	14	14	dnc	20	dnc	0	94.0 18	
9140	George Kalfa	Mike Pluchino	dnc	20	dnc	20	dnc	20	dnc	20	dnc	20	dnc	0	100.0 19	
9380	Rick Griffiths	Brendan & Cassidy	dnc	20	dnc	20	dnc	20	dnc	20	dnc	20	dnc	0	100.0 20	

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INTERNATIONALS CLOSELY CONTESTED IN '99

by *Charlie Kraft*

The International Championship Regatta was a closely contested battle between Bud and Sue Dailey, John and Erin MacCausland, and Dick Tennerstedt and Diane Hunt, with Sandy Rapp and Susan Buckley just a breath behind. The Championship wasn't decided until the last race, with Bud Dailey taking top honors with an impressive string of three consecutive bullets.

The real story behind the Internationals was the hard work that former Class President and current Member-at-Large Larry Cole put in to make this regatta a success. Long before the event began, Larry was planning and working behind the scenes. Larry organized a special fund raising social event at the Centerport Yacht Club in April, raising money to help defray regatta expenses. The result of this was a very reasonable entry fee. Larry also found glass and ceramic penguin figurines, which he, with the aid of the Black's, crafted into handsome trophies on wooden bases. When we arrived at the event, the old-timers were getting ready to go out for a special race held in their honor. Larry was responsible for organizing this event, finding boats for the contestants to sail, and helping to run the race. Unfortunately, the wind didn't cooperate and the race was called at the windward mark, with Dick Tennerstedt taking top honors. Wednesday evening, Bob and Mary Black invited all of the regatta participants to their house for a welcoming party. Not only did they provide drinks and appetizers, but dinner as well. The next two nights, all the participants dined on the veranda in front of the club. The meals were included in the registration fee. Housing was provided to most of the out-of-town contestants. I know for us this was greatly appreciated.

Race committee chairman Steve Andrews did superb job of running the races. Wednesday afternoon we were able to get in three races. Thursday morning, an early starting time was adhered to, and the contestants made their way through the moored boats in the harbor out to

the starting line. We started in a weak northerly, which lasted until midway up the second beat of the windward leeward course, before giving up entirely. After the abandonment we waited a while before the next bit of wind appeared. Again, we started the race, only to have it abandoned on the first run after dying and filling in from the opposite direction before dying again. After a lunch break on the water, we tried again. This time we got in a shortened race. By this point we were starting to lose some of the competitors, as the heat and lack of wind were taking their toll. The next race was sailed in light and shifty winds. For the final race, the committee moved the starting area in anticipation of the southerly filling in, however the wind shifted back to the northeast moments before the start, making the starting line impossible to cross on starboard tack. On the final leg the southerly finally kicked in, just moments after the leaders finished. The sail back to the club was in the freshest breeze of the day. As with the previous days, most of the contestants were found in the club pool after the races discussing the days highlights.

Friday morning was hot and still, making the race committee's decision to get the races in on Thursday seem that much wiser. It also afforded us a chance to get off the Island before Friday evening traffic. All in all, it was a well-organized, well-run event. Although the Class is not as strong in the NY area right now, six of the NY contestants, who had been inactive, came out for the event. It is our hope that the success of this event will carry over and help spark the Class on Long Island.

Kevin Majane took top honors in the Classic boat division. Unfortunately, his classic boat was not treated so reverently on the Long Island Expressway, when an inattentive motorist failed to notice that traffic had stopped and plowed into Kevin's boat and trailer. Kevin was not hurt, except when he realized what happened to his boat. Reports are that the damage is severe but repairable.



Bud and Sue
Dailey

FIRST
PLACE

John and Erin
MacCausland

SECOND
PLACE

