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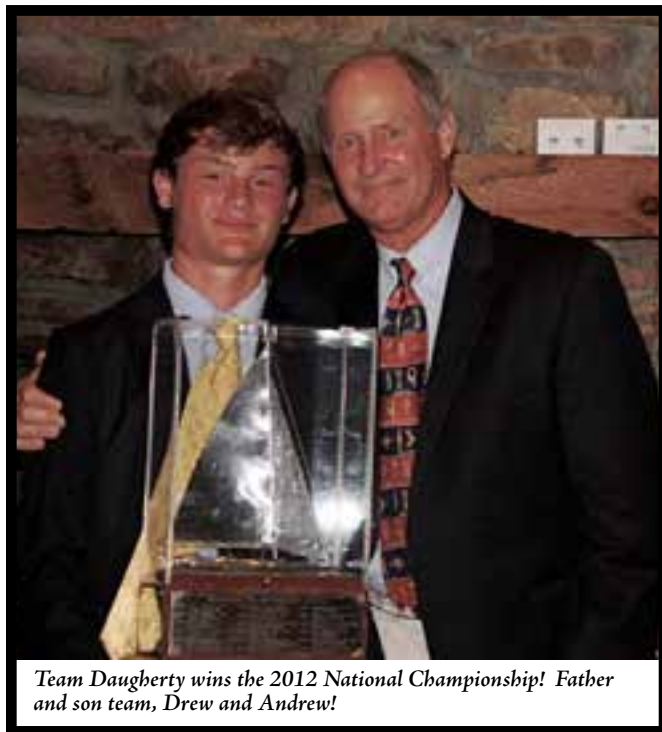
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2012 NATIONALS

By Anthony Passafiume III Y-2757

DAUGHERTY TAKES FIRST PLACE!



If you didn't make it to the Nationals at Harbor Island Yacht Club in Nashville, you missed out! I want to thank everyone who helped out!!!! When I said I would put on the Nationals, I really had no idea what I was getting myself into. I can say that I learned a lot really quick. Next time we have the Nationals in Nashville, it will be an even better event!!!

Here is a rundown of how I remember things....

Monday, we had two Junior boats on the starting line. Shelby Hatcher was at the helm with Mad Dog Madeline Totten crewing for her. They were up against Andrew Daugherty and local Sea Scout and jr. sailing counselor Tom O'Brien. Of course, the Juniors had the best wind of the week. Paul set a long windward-leeward, the wind was from the southwest at a consistent 12, with puffs to 18. Both of them did a good job handling the boats in the puffy air but Shelby's experience got her 2 bullets and we went in for lunch. After lunch we sent the juniors back out. Wind was from the same direction a tad bit lighter but not much. Andrew fought the good fight but Shelby sailed a near perfect race and took home the Championship. Since Shelby had 3 bullets the regatta was over but another race could technically be sailed. Mr. Ed Bigus and I were out on his boat watching the juniors duke it out. The conditions were awesome so Miss Hatcher and Mr.



Daughtery decided to have another race for fun. Andrew and Tom switched places on the boat and the Juniors decided to challenge Eddy and I for the 4th and final race. Well there was no winning situation for Eddy and I. If we lose we catch hell for losing to a Junior and if we win we catch hell for picking on teenagers. So what did we do....we cheated and won. I will let Nile finish this story as he tell the story the best.

Tuesday offered near perfect conditions. With no Junior sailing we had all day to play. We had two practice races in lots of wind and fun was had by all. HIYC has a very active Sea Scout program. Tuesday night they gilled burgers and dogs for the Y sailors and raised 100 bucks for their cause. Many thanks to those who donated.

Wednesday, the forecast did not look good. Two horns blew early and the red and white flew from the transom of the Committee boat. HIYC has an awesome air-conditioned club house. Everyone was chilling inside playing poker, reading books or swimming

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A FEW WORDS FROM EL PRESIDENTE



I'd like to talk about safety at regattas. Nothing can kill the fun at a regatta quicker than having a competitor get hurt. I started brainstorming all the way back to when I first got a Y-Flyer and came up with a list of injuries that I've seen.

- ✦ Slipped and fell on dock
- ✦ Slipped and fell between Y-Flyer and dock
- ✦ Slipped and fell while standing on deck of Y
- ✦ Hit in head by Y boom
- ✦ Hit in head by boom of a competitor's Y
- ✦ Stubbed toes inside Y cockpit
- ✦ Hair caught in block on boom
- ✦ Caught between a jibbing boom and a sidestay
- ✦ Skin cut by an open bailer on a capsized Y
- ✦ Finger caught while opening beer can
- ✦ Hand pinched by (insert any two things here)
- ✦ Tailbone injury from sitting down hard on a deck block
- ✦ Sore fingernail from ring ding
- ✦ Hand or finger cut by frayed sidestay
- ✦ Finger injury removing or inserting rudder in gudgeons
- ✦ Rib bruise from tiller extension jab to crew member



Currently available safety equipment such as toe protected footwear, flexible full finger gloves, uv protected sunglasses, strong sunscreen, zinc oxide paste on the nose and lips, and a comfortable lifejacket are very good protection for Y sailors. I can foresee a new lightweight well-vented helmet (similar in shape to a beaked batter's helmet) added to our safety options sometime in the future.

But until the new sailing helmet is perfected and until other new safety items come along I have found the sailor in the picture to be wearing proper sailing safety gear. Indeed, we participate in a dangerous sport!



Shberri Jo McLemore and Tracy Sykes win the 2012 Y Flyer Challenger Fleet Championship! Congrats to Tracy & Shberri Jo!

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off the swim deck and kicking back some coldies. The breeze picked up a bit and Paul fired the harbor gun around 2pm. Winds were streaky and shifty. Somehow, Paul was able to get off a fair windward-leeward. GMSC put on a clinic the first race with Drew winning, followed by Mark and Ben. After racing, we enjoyed a delicious lasagna dinner and partied the night away.

Thursday... same forecast... same plan. All the boats were in the water by 9am and we played the waiting game on the wind. I was really happy to see all the Y's in the water ready to race. Around 2, the wind picked up and Paul sent us out. Conditions were just like any other lake we sail. You had to pick a side and stay in the breeze!!! I thought the shore was favored and it seemed to work out. You had to get there at the right time and bug out at the right time. Shelby and Madeline won the 1st race on Thursday followed by Drew and Andrew. After Thursday's racing, Mark Barton was in the lead, with Drew and Tony nipping at his heels.

Friday, the wind was better than predicted and we got out on the water early. Shelby won the first race, her second of the regatta, followed by Drew, Tony and then, myself. Drew turned it on Friday with finishes of 2,1,3. He threw out an 8 and took the Championship by a land slide. Consistency in this tough fleet is a must to win. Looking at the scores, Drew and myself were the only ones with all top 10 finishes.

All in all, the regatta went great. We got very lucky on the wind, and had fair racing conditions. You don't have to take my word for it, but HIYC is a great place to sail. We sail on a bend in the river that is over a mile wide so we can always set a long weather leg. I had a blast and I am pretty sure everyone else did, too. Thanks to everyone who came. It made for a great regatta.



Mark Barton & Jill Barton Take 2nd Place Honors



Scott & Neydie Kingan sail to 3rd Place



David & Jan Irons take 4th Place Honors



Ben Guise and Mary Michaels finish 5th!



Shelby Hatcher and Madeline Totten Sail to 6th Place in Nationals after winning the Y Flyer Junior Nationals!



Nationals Regatta Chairman Anthony Passafiume and crew, Susan Hanfland win the 7th Place Trophy



Ed & Ellyn Bigus sail to 8th place in Nationals 2012! Ed's first Nationals trophy ever!



Mike Stewart and Robin Waterbury 9th Place Trophy Winners!



Charles Murphy & Katy Shoemaker take 10th Place honors

HATCHER COLLECTS A BOATLOAD OF SILVER FROM NATIONAL REGATTA

Harbor Island Yacht Club, on Old Hickory Lake in Nashville, played host to the 2012 Y-Flyer Junior and Senior National Championship Regattas. Twenty-three skippers representing ten states from New York to Kansas vied to compete for the championship titles.

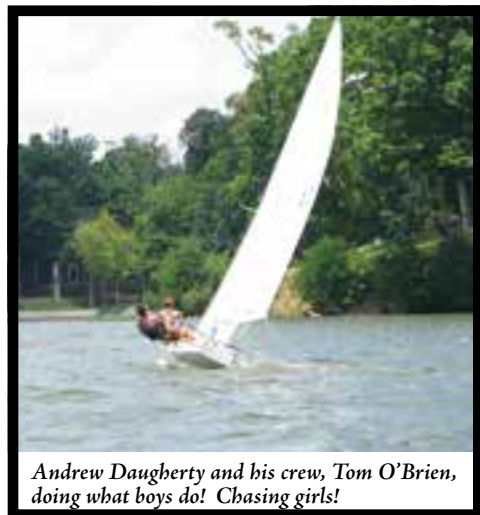
AYC was represented with two boats, both from the Hatcher clan, however only one brought home the silver. At the ripe old age of seventeen, Shelby managed to pull off a near perfect week of sailing winning five of nine races sailed. With her crew Madeline Totten of Effingham, Ill, Shelby started out the week winning the Junior National Championship with three out of three bullets sailing in breezes from eight to twelve with gusts to eighteen. This is Shelby's fourth consecutive AYPYRA Junior National Championship title and the second with Madeline as crew.

Because they wrapped up their junior title in one day, the girls rested and relaxed on Tuesday and began to gear-up for senior races starting on Wednesday. As Wednesday dawned, the wind was conspicuously absent, but started filling in by late afternoon. PRO Paul White blew the horn and out we went for race one with the girls managing a solid seventh place finish. The first race on Thursday saw the dynamic duo with their game faces on handily winning race two. Now keep in mind you have a seventeen and eighteen year old handily whipping up on a bunch of old men who have been doing this for thirty years. To say the girls were elated was an understatement. You could hear them sheik all the way down to the other end of the lake where some of us were still trying to sail to the finish. The third race they just couldn't quite break out of the middle of the pack managing an eleventh place finish.



Shelby Hatcher wins the Helen Hanley Trophy for the top placing Nationals Female Skipper! Nice to see a new name on the trophy! Congrats Shelby!

Then came Friday... the fleet left the harbor in the morning with a nice breeze, but really shifty. Shelby had a bad start but the fleet watched as she put her game face on and start sailing through the pack like a surgeon's scalpel. By the time they made their final gate rounding, it was a four boat race to the finish. Three of the boats went left to cover each other and duke it out, with Shelby slipping out to the right to get clear air and digging in hard. She made one tack to starboard and hit the lift with her sail trim looking like she had been doing this all her life. With the committee boat on station, ready with cameras as this was going to be a photo finish, Shelby managed to beat out the eventual national champion, Drew Daugherty, by less than a foot. This was the girls, did I mention two junior girls, second bullet of the senior regatta. Did I tell you about the shriek heard down the lake? This shriek was not even half as loud as the first. We were concerned about glass shattering damage around the lake.



Andrew Daugherty and his crew, Tom O'Brien, doing what boys do! Chasing girls!

After finishing the regatta and tallying up the scores, Shelby won the Women's National Championship title along with a

sixth place finish for the senior national regatta, only six points out of third. Talking to a lot of old timers, no one could ever remember a junior skipper winning two bullets in the senior division, especially with two juniors in the boat.

Shelby has one more year of eligibility in the juniors and plans on defending her title for the last time on her home turf, as AYC has been selected to host the 2013 Y-Flyer National Championship Regatta. In the words of the great Amanda Hodges who said when she heard the news, girls rule and boys drool! Thanks to all the great folks at AYC and the AYPYRA, you have helped create a sailing monster!



Shelby Hatcher and Madeline Totten take the Y Flyer Jr. Nationals



Shelby Hatcher wins the 2012 Y Flyer Junior National Championship for the 4th time! CONGRATS to Shelby and her crew, Madeline!

Y-FLYER NATIONALS 1,2,3,4,5, AND 6

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Brian Hayes; Interview with Drew Daugherty

**Drew, congratulations on winning another Y-Flyer National title.
Tell us a little bit about your team and how you prepared for the Nationals.**

Our team changed dramatically because my normal crew and nephew Evan couldn't make it, so my 15-year-old son, Andrew, filled in. We don't do a lot of high-level sailing together so to prepare we sailed in two regattas the month before, finishing first and fourth.

Did you prepare any differently for the new venue? How did you like sailing there?

We didn't prepare any differently because it's much like the venues we sail. We also sailed the Spring Open regatta there and won, so we felt comfortable with the water. I love HIYC and the people. It is a super club with open water and some of the friendliest people you will ever meet.

The conditions in Nashville were fairly light. Any tips on how you managed to stay so consistent?

We stayed focused. Sometimes I get a little too intense, so Andrew and I tried to balance out our intensity. We had to keep our heads out of the boat looking for wind, but really, I think what set us apart was how we adjusted so quickly to the changing conditions...shifting gears, jibing often, pole up/down a lot. We talked about the "moments" in races when you either win, or someone else wins. We nailed a few of those moments.

Did you and Andrew have any "scary" moments on the race course where you felt you might let the title slip away?

Yes, in the fourth race we got a bad start and out of phase trying to catch up. I am told that we were in 17th place around the last windward mark. We got a little luck and used some "puff cards" on the run to get back in the mix. The leeward gate rounding was a nightmare but we came out clean and finished a lucky 2nd.

Are you setting up your tuning any differently than the "standard" North tuning?

No, standard tuning. The only thing we did differently was I pinned my forestay very tight, allowing us to sag our jib halyard in the lights without sagging our rig back. That's a bad gamble if the wind comes up hard, but it didn't.

What's next for you?

Our club was selected to sail in the New York Yacht Club Invitational Cup Qualifying Series this fall and I am the skipper. After that, it's on to the Championship of Champions in C Scows. I will sail with my nephew in that event if selected.



First through Sixth Place finishing boats at Y-Flyer Nationals all crossed the line powered with North Sails

HODGES RULE AT THE AYC OPEN

By Nile Hatcher Y-2762

Clubhouse? We don't need no stinking clubhouse! As many of you know, AYC is rebuilding our clubhouse, so this year's regattas will be a little more interesting! But that didn't stop us from having a blowout party and some great racing at the AYC Open.

Travellers from all points on the compass came down to compete in a great regatta. Terry and Joann Fraser came down to bask in the sun of an early spring from Upstate New York. Scott and Becky Berner, from Enon, Ohio, came in style pulling their boat behind their new Taj Mahal on wheels. When we looked a little to the northwest, we spotted Dave Shearlock from Mattoon, IL, with his trusty crew Pat Passafiume from Louisville, KY, entering the club gate. (Pat evidently got a little grief from his Kentucky clan for not going to the Nashville regatta that was held in conflict with the AYC Open.) When we looked to the west, Mark Barton rolled in from Little Rock, with his crew, Jill. David and Amber Parshall, from Gilbert, SC rounded out the visitors from the southeast.



AYC Clubhouse was taken down and is under construction. Look for an updated photo of the rebuild in the next Flyer!



The "Lost and Later Found" Larsen Trophy. Awarded to Sam Hodges -- First Place Y-Flyers -and- "I beat my big brother" award

Before you could tie up your boat, a concoction of rum punch was being served on the dock to the sounds of a live steel drum band. A perfect end to a great day of racing. The steel drum band played through a jerk chicken dinner, and into the night for the limbo contest. A long day had some turning in early for another day of racing, but some managed to hang with the young folks down at the point for a much later evening of debauchery.

Sunday morning dawned with just a slight breeze, but we managed to sail one race with Mark Barton doing a sunset cruise on the rest of the fleet. With Saturday's leader coming in D.A.L. on Sunday, it was anybody's guess how the leader board would change again.

When final scores were posted, the Hodges clan had taken four of the top five slots with Mark Barton spoiling the sweep. Clint Hodges managed to hold on to win in a tie breaker with his younger brother Sammy. Mark Barton took third place honors with Carlin nipping Kate by a mere three points. It was truly a great time and next year, it will be in a brand new clubhouse.

The other AYC fleets were in awe of the Y-Flyers, not only the number of out-of-town boats, but for the number of miles travelled and the size of the rigs that were used to tow our little boats. Between the Berner mobile and Terry's cool trailer, they were green with envy.

Friday evening, Carlin Hodges set his plan to take the Y Fleet honors into motion as he hosted a welcome aboard party at his cabin to celebrate the start of another great season of racing. The Hodges had plans to be out in full force with four boats entered. It was going to be a classic intra-family duel not seen since the likes of the Passifume clan with three boats on the line.

On Saturday, the morning dawned with a little fog and a little breeze that built as the day went progressed. The wind direction was in typical Allatoona Lake fashion with bigger shifts than the stock market after an O'bummer jobs report. We sailed three hard races on Saturday with the leader board in flux all day.



Second Place Honors to Clint Hodges

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AYC OPEN

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Change can be a good thing. We volunteered our basement as storage space for all the club trophies during the renovation. As I was loading them up I happened to find an old Y-Flyer trophy that was awarded to the top Y-Flyer at the AYC Open. The trophy had not been awarded since 1971 as it appeared they had run out of engraving space on the silver bowl. Not to be deterred, my great wife, Lavon, had the bowl mounted on a base and the Larson Trophy had new life. The trophy was originally donated by Bill Berry who was an avid Y-Flyer sailor in the 1950's and 1960's. The trophy was named in honor of his mother. Randy Smith was the last winner of the trophy, so it was a little cool to get to award a trophy for the first time in 41 years to his grandson, Clint Hodges.

So make you plans now to join us next year for another in a series of great regattas brought to you by the fine folks of the Atlanta Yacht Club.



Third Place Honors to Mark Barton

Doug Kinzer, Y-2788, recently placed 3rd in the Force Five Midwest Regional Championships on Lake Lemon. It was his first Force Five regatta and only the third time in the boat. There were 13 boats in attendance, including sailors from Ohio and Michigan. The F5-ers are strong supporters of the Lake Lemon Regatta and recounted stories of partying with the Y-Flyers around the campfire.


Any fool can carry on, but a wise man knows how to shorten sail in time.

Joseph Conrad

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DAUGHERTY TAKES HAWG WILD

This year's Hawg was almost perfect. The weekend was highlighted by great food, fun fellowship, and incredible wind.

For those who haven't attended the Hawg in a while you have missed a great Friday night tradition, Greg Bradley's Cajun feast. Greg makes jambalaya and delicious Cajun white beans with hawg parts, along with everyone's favorite – boudin, which he brings from Baton Rouge. As an extra treat, while we feasted on good food there was an exhibition race pitting youngsters and old heads racing sunfish off the docks in front of the crowd. Plenty of advice was given as the old heads were severely beaten. I won't name any names, but Dan Haile needs to stick to Y-Flyers! The exhibition race was a big success and will surely become a staple of the event.

Saturday brought warm temps and beautiful winds in the 10 to 13 range. It also brought two sailors out with very different resumes. Shelby Hatcher, who is the obvious young up-and-comer, and Chet Hight, a 78-year-old past FD national champion who started sailing Y's in 1964, and raced against Shelby's grandfather, Jim. They both had their moments. Shelby started fast out of the gate leading the first race all the way until she was finally run down by an old dawg at the end. She really held her own with everyone. It didn't take Chet long to figure out the Y as he got it together and won the fourth race of the day. All in all it was extremely close racing in near perfect conditions. Just enough wind to challenge but not enough to scare with enough shifts to make it interesting. After four races, Drew finished Saturday in the lead with 8.5 points. Everyone retired to the clubhouse to eat some killer fried catfish with all the trimmings.

Sunday dawned another great day with the wind just a little stronger, maybe 12 to 15 in puffs. Tony and Vicky P zoomed out to a good lead and never relinquished. They were followed by Drew and the very consistent Markie Mark Barton. While Tony had a pretty good lead, everyone else was very close and many places were traded throughout the race. The last race gave us all some foreshadowing as Evan Daugherty sailed fast and won in his new woody, "Juggler" recently purchased from Chris Brooks. Watch out for him now.

Spirits were high as we all gathered that evening at Ben and Sherri Jo's for what has become a tradition of Benny's meat balls and spaghetti, cheeses and whatever is left over from Friday. Many drinks were drunk and lies told late into the evening leaving Monday to drive home.

Sure wish I had pictures to go here! Sure wish ya'll would send me stuff!
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In the end it was Drew, consistent Mark Barton, ever-fast Tony, and new kid Evan in the top four spots. Out of six races we had four race winners. Great racing, great friends, see you next year.

On Facebook, be sure to check out Lake Mattoon Sailing Association page. Jan and friends often post pictures! Don't miss out! Does your fleet have a Facebook page? Let me know so we can spread the word! <http://www.facebook.com/LakeMattoonSailing>



View of Drew Many Knew

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By Doug Kinzer Y2788



CLEAR THE GRAVEYARDS



The prevailing mythology surrounding Chicago politics of the early 1900s was the gaining of a majority of the votes by pandering to the dead. Poll workers went to the graveyards to find votes for their candidate. That's right. Dead people used to vote in the Windy City and they actually made quite a difference between winning and losing and making progress in the world of governance.

By now, you're probably asking : "Okay, Doug. Where the heck are you going with this?"

In these heady days of the 5-minute attention span, the desire for instant gratification and having the latest big thing, the promotion and sustainability of one design classes has become more challenging than ever. Despite the facts that sailing is still fun, regattas are always a great time to reunite with friends, the competition is as keen as ever and the quality of boats and equipment has never been higher, one design classes are seeing ever-dwindling numbers of active and committed sailors.

We are all familiar with the reasons for this trend. Life has more distractions than ever before. Obviously, the magic of technological devices (computers, iPads, eBooks, phones that are smarter than us) has opened a whole new world of interests for the younger generation. Sports have become a dominant force and a demanding time-consumer at all levels. Of course, there's that pesky economy that tells us every 2 minutes that we're rich or ruined because a number on a computer screen has gone up or down. With all of this, you ask, how in the heck can I get people to get into sailing?

I came to an idea as I've visited other sailing clubs over the years. One of my favorite activities at a regatta is to "walk the graveyards". Every sailing club on the planet has a parking lot full of unused boats that are ripe for the picking. Many of these boats appear to be junk and most casual sailors lack the skills to do anything about it. Others, like me, lack the financial resources for boat-buying but have the skills to do the fix-up. So these boats, many of which are more than fixable, just sit while their apathetic owners are off doing other things. And potential new owners have trouble with the availability of boats and the perception that sailing is too expensive for them and they could never afford it.

Perhaps it is time to seek voters...er...boaters in the graveyards. Assuming that you have potential sailors on your line and are reeling them in, perhaps they can be enticed by the prospect of a great deal on a good fixer-upper. Sure, that boat will need some work. There are plenty of people willing to help, whether by volunteering or as a business (Turner Marine, me, your local boat shop). Owners can be convinced to sell at a great price if they aren't using the thing. (The second best feeling in the world is selling a boat!). It can be a win-win-win. A win for the former owner who gets rid of an albatross. A win for the sailing club/local fleet/national class by losing an eyesore and gaining a member. And a win for the new owner who has a great new hobby that doesn't involve a couch and an internet connection.



Y-2214 rises up out of the graveyard

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There have been roughly 2700 Y-Flyers built. Where are they? Some have gone to the great beyond (I can safely say that two are buried in the Monroe County landfill). Several have burned on the pyre at Lake Mattoon. But there are lots of idle Y's in the parking lots of sailing clubs around the circuit. Walk through there and see what's sitting around. My bet is that you'll find boats with plenty of potential.

Time to resurrect the dead. Drag that corpse out of the weeds and see the possibilities. Get it involved in the process. Be realistic but don't be afraid to dream a little. Get that boat a new owner and get them out of the water. That's the Chicago way.

PS: A little info regarding pictures: This is Y-2214, built by McKinney, originally owned by Jerry Callahan. He won the 1972 Nationals and I believe won every regatta he sailed that year. The boat has been in Bloomington since about 1974 and early in 2011 was going to seed. Tim Roualet bought it. He requested my unvarnished honest opinion of the boat. I told him "I've cut up better Y's than this". In spite of that, he did some glass work, sanded and painted it the attractive colors you see in the pics and took it to a sign shop and got the dancing skeletons applied as well as the name "El Muerte Negro" (The Black Death).. He brought it out to the Lake Lemon regatta last fall, still smelling of fresh paint. He bought some good but cheap sails from Howard and I did a little rigging work on it this spring. And thus, a Y is reborn.



Detail of artwork on "El Muerte Negro" -- The Black Death



Erin Kinzer, daughter of Doug and Lauren, graduated from Bloomington North High School in May with honors as a Principal Scholar for completing 4 years of high school with a 4.0 or better GPA throughout.

She was a 4-year starter on the girls' basketball team, a 4-year scholar athlete, and a 2-time MVP (Jr. and Sr. years). She came within days of completing her last 6 years of public school with perfect attendance but for a pesky spring chest cold.

She plans to attend home-town Indiana University where she plans to major in Athletic Training. She is also continuing her association with the North girls' b-ball team as an "adjunct" assistant basketball coach. This summer, she found a job at the IU School of Education library which will morph into work study when school starts. Erin is excited about embarking on the next phase of her life journey.

The really exciting news is that Erin has promised her dad that she'll go sailing with him at some point this summer when the wind is good and the time permits. While not a big sailor, Erin loves the regatta scene and all the friendships she's developed around the circuit.



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For the first time in many years, there was not a storm cloud on the horizon for the 2012 Retro Riviera Regatta held June 9-10 by the Lake Mattoon Sailing Association. Joe Kingan, assisted by Carolyn Shearlock and Lee & Sue Douglass on the committee boat had WIND and set race courses that resulted in spirited competition and a lot of fun on the water. Regatta competitors downed vast quantities of the traditional ham & beans over the open fire for lunch in preparation for three races on Saturday afternoon. Despite being a bit tired, several competitors dressed in retro garb from the 1950's or 1960's and rocked the club during Scott Kingan's sock hop complete with Harvey Wallbanger cocktails. There was also a feast of ribeye steaks, baked potatoes and salad for dinner. After dinner everyone thoroughly enjoyed the impromptu Bigus family entertainment in front of the traditional giant bonfire – Jacob and Sam were especially entertaining ... not that Ed wasn't...

Sunday morning there was still wind and two more races followed before the regatta concluded. In keeping with the "Green" theme, trophy winners received "recycled" trophies including trophies from as far back as 1976. Those winning the coveted trophies included:

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| 1st Place: | Blue Fleet: | Chuck Lowell & Barb Hunter |
| Ahhhh Award: | | Ed & Sam Bigus |
| 5th Place: | | Doug & Lauren Kinzer |
| 4th Place: | | Drew & Andrew Daugherty |
| 3rd Place: | | Chet Turner & Zach Heinbaugh |
| 2nd Place: | | Scott & Neydie Kingan |
| 1st Place: | | David & Jan Irons |

We thought you might enjoy "listening in" on a "conversation" on the 1st Place boat during racing – David Irons has a chat with his own mind ...and his crew. 😊

A conversation between David Irons' subconscious, his crew and him just prior to and during the first race of this year's Retro Riviera Regatta at Lake Mattoon, Illinois.

Mind: "I don't feel like sailing, I just cooked beans and cleaned the bean pot."

David: "We have to go!"

Jan: "All the boats are already out there. Hurry! We'll be late to start!"

Mind: "You're too early to start, you'll be over the line!"

David: "I know it, but it'll be a recall."

Mind: "You're not moving on the restart."

Jan: "Get this boat moving. Do some of that sailing sh*%. Everyone's ahead of us."

David: OK

Mind: "Only Chet is in front of you, you can never get around HIM!"

David: "It's just like fleet racing, we will attack hard, he might make a mistake."

Mind: "He let you GO!!!"

David: "Good"

Jan: "Aren't we going to cover him?"

David: "No, we're in a lift."

Mind: "You didn't cover him. Now you need to lee bow him."

David: "I know"

Jan: "Uummm... the finish line is over there...."

David: "Durn! I thought we were going all the way to the weather mark."

David: "Good Chet tacked away, just go a little further now."

Mind: "Tack NOW!"

Jan: "We need a lift!"

David: "I know!"

Mind: "You got your lift"

David: "Chet's history!"

Jan: "WE WIN!!!" --

Mind: "Kisses! She likes to win."



Front Row, L to R: Barb Hunter, Neydie Kingan, Scott Kingan, Jan Irons, David Irons, Andrew Daugherty. Back Row: Chuck Lowell, Zach Heinbaugh, Chet Turner, Drew Daugherty, Doug and Lauren Kinzer.



Spirited racing in WIND at the Retro Rivi



Dave and Jan win! Must have been all that "self-talk"



Lightning Slim Dave Miller welcomes the Arkansas contingent to his "Hawg Barn" accommodations.

Shelby Lavon Hatcher was graduated from Roswell High School in May.

She will be attending Georgia College and State University in Milledgeville, Ga. where her focus of study will be criminal justice and psychology.

During her high school career, Shelby, an honors student, received several awards including the Tom Zachary Award for Outstanding Academic and Citizenship Achievement (4 years), Advanced Placement Scholar, Roswell Rotary Club Outstanding Student of the Month.. Shelby was also chosen as one of four Girls State Representatives for Roswell High School, and served as the Roswell High School Chapter President of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA). In addition to her sailing accomplishments, she also played travel softball.



Shelby Hatcher and proud dad, Nile

Thank You - Thank You - Thank You

Brad and Daphne Wagon, Lightning sailors from Lake Wawasee, IN. They volunteered to come to Nashville to run the Safety Boat for our National Regatta. Without their help, we would not have had adequate race management



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