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NATIONALS!

The 2016 Y-Flyer National Championship Regatta was held at the Grande Maumelle Sailing Club outside of Little Rock, Arkansas, the week of June 19. Junior competition was scheduled to begin on Tuesday, June 21, but there were no junior competitors.

In the practice race held Wednesday afternoon, Doug and Lauren Kinzer would have won the race, but choosing not to cross the finish line allowed Drew and Andrew Daugherty to win the Practice Race.



The Winners - Paul Abdulla and his lovely wife & crew, Maire

The Senior and Challenger competition began on Thursday, June 23, sailing 2 races, breaking for lunch, then sailing 2 more races. Mariah, the goddess of wind, forgot to visit on Friday and no racing was accomplished. Saturday morning found the wind initially calm, then squirrely, then finely filling in from the forecasted direction and provided very acceptable racing for 3 more races.

Paul and Marie Abdullah accumulated race scores of 1, 2, 1, 1, 1, 2, 1 and walked off with the 2016 National Regatta honors. Drew and Andrew Daugherty finished second with Doug and Lauren Kinzer finishing third. John and Nick Easby-Smith won the Challenger competition. There were 27 skipper and crew

competitors in the regatta. The weather was HOT! with day temperatures in the mid 90's.

Tracy Sykes and all of Fleet 30 are to be commended for conducting a fine National Regatta. A full listing of the race results can be found on page 4.

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Top Sailors



Bob and Dane Turner

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PREZ-IDENTIALLY SPEAKING

Congratulations to our National Champion, Paul Abdullah and his wife/crew Marie! And thank you to GMSC for all the work you did to make it happen.

There were no juniors competing again this year. There are several reasons this is happening. The members in our class are aging and most members do not have young children of the correct age to compete. Those that do have many other things competing for their time. As our children become adults, they do not seem to stick with sailing as a sport and if they do, many are choosing another class boat to sail.

I don't know the answer to this problem. If you do, tell us please. I'm sure there are many things that need to change in order to improve our prospects for the future of the Y class. How do we interest younger people in sailing and/or racing? How do we compete with Jet Skis? How do we change misconceptions that sailing is expensive and only snobbish people sail? These are just a few of our obstacles and we have been trying to address them for years. Others classes are facing the same problem. US Sailing is trying to address it. It just isn't being solved.

That's enough doom and gloom. I hope everyone had a great time at Nationals. If you didn't come, I'm sure you missed a really good time both on and off the water.

Dan Haile

FROM THE OUTSIDE, LOOKING IN...

If you want to build the class, then you have to fill it with students.

Start dragging some kids to regattas with you when you travel. Yes, you will have to give up your regular sailing partner. Yes, you might have to drag along another chaperone and set up another tent... possibly buy a few extra meals.

But think about this -- asking a kid to sail in Nationals if they are not already used to traveling, and already comfy with the folks who go to regattas, do you really think they will be brave enough to travel to Nationals to compete? That would be pretty scary for a teen to do.

Last year, two AYC junior sailors traveled to Indy and sailed in the Juniors and then were the crew for two Hodges boats.

Fantastic, right?

But consider this? What if the kids sailed in the senior races as crew all week, and then, wait for it! The Junior regatta was at the END of the racing week, after they had had three days on the boat, learning and getting a feel for things? And the senior skipper had had time to talk to them all week about why and when and how?

Please start bringing junior sailors with you so that they get accustomed to sailing outside their own club, and learn to love not just sailing, but enjoying the sailing circuit.

If you want to build the class, then you have to fill it with students.

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This year, we had five Ys come out to sail with the Browns Creek Sailing Association in their annual event. But more important than five boats, is WHO was on those boats! Three of the boats had junior sailors on board, learning the ropes and getting their sea legs.

Next year, bring a kid with you to sail!



Lavon sailed; second time in a calendar year!



Chloe racing with her dad, Zack



Two BIG kids, Jake and Ray, holding it down in the big wind.



Four of five boats made the start. Josh, who had his two nephews out on their first sailboat ride, had to retire because of the intense wind.



Sometimes the kids get to learn new things, like how to climb up and out onto the hull.

2016 Y-FLYER NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA

RANK	BOAT	SKIPPER & CREW	FLEET	CLASS	R 1	R 2	R 3	R 4	R 5	R 6	R 7	TOTAL	RANK	BOAT
1	2684	Paul & Marie Abdullah	1	GOLD	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	5.75	1	2684
2	2798	Drew & Andrew Daugherty	30	GOLD	2	4	9	6	11	2	4	27	2	2798
3	2772	Doug & Luren Kinzer	13	GOLD	6	3	4	10	5	3	9	30	3	2772
4	2802	David Irons & Madeline Totten	39	GOLD	16	1	5	8	9	4	5	31.75	4	2802
5	2711	Walt Bryde & Caroline Martin	30	GOLD	10	5	3	7	8	6	13	39	5	2711
6	2716	Carlin Hodges & Neecee Coryell	1	GOLD	4	15	6	5	12	5	8	40	6	2716
7	2670	Tony & Vicky Passafiume	12	GOLD	8	8	15	2	20	9	1	42.75	7	2670
8	2660	Amanda Hodges & Tara Whitworth	1	GOLD	3	7	18	4	13	14	6	47	8	2660
9	2791	Jeff Rodgers & Eli Guise	30	GOLD	14	19	8	3	7	19	3	54	9	2791
10	2688	Mark Barton & Jill Barton	30	GOLD	5	9	13	11	6	10	21	54	10	2688
11	2787	Ben Guise & Mary Michaels	30	GOLD	23	13	21	9	2	8	10	63	11	2787
12	2741	John & Nick Easby-Smith	30	CHALLENGER	15	10	14	12	4	16	14	69	12	2741
13	2752	Kevin & Wanda Black	8	GOLD	13	6	16	14	3	18	18	70	13	2752
14	2639	Bob & Dane Turner	10	CHALLENGER	7	18	12	15	14	11	12	71	14	2639
15	2788	Evan Daugherty & Yates Phillips	30	GOLD	12	16	2	20	19	7	17	73	15	2788
16	2792	Bill & Felica Totten	39	GOLD	9	14	11	19	17	13	16	80	16	2792
17	2775	Tracy Sykes & Sherri Jo McLemore	30	GOLD	20	11	7	17	15	12	19	81	17	2775
18	2683	Stuart Stough & Lisa Parker	30	CHALLENGER	18	12	17	13	24	17	7	84	18	2683
19	2623	Mike Stewart & Robin Weiler	8	GOLD	11	20	10	26	21	15	23	100	19	2623
20	2783	Chet Hight & Dianna Plunkett	30	GOLD	26	26	23	21	10	20	11	111	20	2783
21	2757	Anthony Passafiume & Elizabeth Eckert	62	GOLD	21	17	24	18	18	OCS	20	118	21	2757
22	2806	Terry & Joann Fraser	63	GOLD	19	22	22	24	16	22	DNC	125	22	2806
23	2678	Jack Mulhollan & Blake Jackson	30	CHALLENGER	22	24	20	16	22	23	25	127	23	2678
24	2610	Pamela & Butler Jackson	30	CHALLENGER	25	21	DNC	23	25	24	15	133	24	2610
25	2784	Dan Haile & Joseph Stacy	56	GOLD	27	23	19	22	26	21	24	135	25	2784
26	2695	Josh Trimble & Zach Lawson	31	CHALLENGER	17	27	25	25	23	25	22	137	26	2695
27	2762	Nile & Savannah Hatcher	1	GOLD	24	25	26	27	DNC	DNC	DNC	156	27	2762

DNC Did Not Compete
OCS On Course Side

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2016 Y-FLYER NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA CHALLENGER RESULTS

RANK	BOAT	SKIPPER & CREW	FLEET	CLASS	R 1	R 2	R 3	R 4	R 5	R 6	R 7	TOTAL	RANK	BOAT
1	2741	John & Nick Easby-Smith	30	CHALLENGER	2	1	2	1	1	2	3	8.25	1	2741
2	2639	Bob & Dane Turner	10	CHALLENGER	1	3	1	3	2	1	2	9.25	2	2639
3	2683	Stuart Stough & Lisa Parker	30	CHALLENGER	4	2	3	2	5	3	1	14.75	3	2683
4	2678	Jack Mulhollan & Blake Jackson	30	CHALLENGER	5	5	4	4	3	4	6	25	4	2678
5	2695	Josh Trimble & Zach Lawson	31	CHALLENGER	3	6	5	6	4	6	5	29	5	2695
6	2610	Pamela & Butler Jackson	30	CHALLENGER	6	4	DNC	5	6	5	4	30	6	2610

DNC Did Not Compete

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Drew Daugherty & Diana Plunkett	2798	3	11	2	5	2	23	11	12	1
Tracy Sykes & Sherri Jo McLeMore	2775	6	2	15	3	3	29	15	14	2
Doug Kinzer & Lisa Parker	2786	4	5	3	4	4	20	5	15	3
Tony & Vicky Passafiume	2670	1	10	1	9	5	26	10	16	4
Jeff Rodgers & JayBoyle	2791	8	1	7	1	10	27	10	17	5
Mark Barton & Jill Barton	2809	7	7	8	2	1	25	8	17	6
John Easby Smith & Caroline Martin	2741	5	3	12	6	9	35	12	23	7
David Nigus & Jonathan Nigus	2719	2	9	11	7	12	41	12	29	8
Ben Guise & Clif Causey	2787	14	12	5	8	7	46	14	32	9
Garry Roberts & Tyler Bayles	2688	9	4	9	14	16	52	16	36	10
Evan Daugherty & Yates Phillips	2788	15	8	4	12	15	54	15	39	11
Stuart & Morgen Stough	2651	10	15	13	11	6	55	15	40	12
Jack Mulhollan & Blake Jackson	27981	12	14	6	13	13	58	14	44	13
Pam Jackson & Lee Butler Jackson	2610	17	17	14	10	8	66	17	49	14
Dave Miller & Susan Hanfland	2755	11	6	17	18	18	70	18	52	15
Blake Byrd & Anthony Jacuzzi/Caroline Martin	2756	13	16	10	18	14	71	18	53	16
Ray Marley & Jesse Barton	2606	16	13	16	15	11	71	16	55	17
OCS = 18					2755 = DNF	2755 = DNF				
DNF = 18					2756 = OCS					

CREW-ZING

Colin King

After crewing on Y-Flyers for over 12 years, I think it's safe to say that I've figured some of the basics.

To be a strong crew in a Y, you need to be able to navigate around the front of the boat with, essentially, your eyes closed. This can be difficult when the boom vang is cranked on. Key areas that I know to avoid at all costs are the centerboard trunk and the central jib cleat mount – smashing your legs on these is something I wish upon no one.

Something I learned over time is if your skipper is looking for answers such as where to go on the race course, you should already have an answer before the question is asked. When I was starting out I would ask as many questions as I could think of related to tactics, and I would also think about why we did poorly in once race versus another. As I became more experienced and stronger, (meaning I could play the jib on my own in high winds), I started adjusting more and more settings. Later on, I was told that I was in control of the boat, and it took a while for me to understand that. What was mind-boggling was the fact that I wasn't holding the tiller or controlling the main...so how was I in control? Now I understand.

The crew's job is to make the boat go fast and the skipper points us in the right direction (others may argue that point). When the skipper feels that the boat is relatively slow, think of what the current conditions are like, how the boat was set up on land initially and keeping in mind the major onshore adjustment such as mast rake and rig tension. Tuning the boat on shore with my skipper helps me to understand how I can adjust the rig when conditions changed out on the water.

I call the shots. Yes, I say when to tack and when to gybe. The reason for this is so my skipper can watch the luff of the main and jib and keep the boat at the optimum upwind or downwind angle (reaching is vastly different) while I watch out for other boats and scout for puffs and shifts.

The other reason for me to call the shots on the Y is that we use the trapeze on a regular basis. At first, the skipper would count down the time from 3 to tack, but that proved to be inefficient. So, I took over the role of tactician and would stay out on the trapeze, call the tack and then come into the boat. This system worked, so I used this system in all conditions with my long-time skipper-dad, Richard King.

Recently, I picked up my own Y-Flyer (Y-2698 – see it at Internationals!). This is when I really started skippering Ys in regattas. Skippering a Y has actually made a better crew. It has allowed me to understand the skipper's fell of the boat, and shows me what the skipper really looks for. My dad and I race at our club twice a week throughout the season. We switch positions every race night, giving us equal time in both jobs.

Other things that I do as crew aren't at all related to tactics. For the skipper, I'm the splash guard in large waves, and the entertainment system. If you ever had a face full of water on a Y, you were probably in the crew spot. The entertainment part varies with the wind conditions. In light air, I'll talk about funny articles I've read or stunts I found on YouTube. In heavy air, it's all about pumping up the adrenaline and when we bear off into the reach, I'll say something simple like, "Prepare for take off!" Or, perhaps, "Launching!." I find that gets us in a better mood and that helps with our performance.

That's all I am allowed to share. The rest is our racing secrets!

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By Doug Kinzer Y-2788



2016 is proving to be the busiest regatta season of my long sailing life. I've been to 6 regattas so far this year, with five more in the next six weeks. Still, the Nationals at Grande Maumelle Sailing Club was the best. (Okay, the Force 5 Midwinters in Key Largo was pretty great in February). (*Editor's Note: Hello? MidWynthers in Atlanta??*)

Despite the hot weather and lack of ability to swim in the lake, this was a really great event. For those who didn't make it, "Well, sucks to be you!"

One notable characteristic of this year's Nationals was the change in schedule. Everything was a day later than has been the tradition. The reason still escapes me, but some of those who advocated such a change were not there. For me, I didn't like it simply because I missed the usual opportunity to come home on Saturday and have a day off on Sunday to chill and prepare for the resumption of work. If a poll is soon to happen, put me down as a "nay" on the new schedule thing.

There wasn't a junior championship this year. While I don't favor a population explosion, the Y class needs young people to come to the class. I certainly wish Erin had taken up the sport. She'd be out there kicking our collective butts because she has the prerequisite personal traits that make good sailors. But her passions led her toward basketball. They didn't lead her to iPads and Smartphones and air conditioning. And now, real life and jobs and car payments are her mojo. We should have a solutions-based conversation about this very soon. There was a "blame society/parents/schools/everything else" conversation at one point during the Nationals.....but nothing more than that. Hopefully, we can find ways to solve this dilemma.

There were 28 boats at this year's event. Not bad. Things seemed crowded enough when we were racing. It would be great to hit 30-35 next year even if the Charleston rumors come true. My new adage this year is: "If you have time to fish or golf, you have time to sail". [By the way.....we golfed on Tuesday when there was no sailing and Dane Turner caught a big catfish by the seawall on Saturday once the regatta was over. So one can do both...or all three].

No matter how I try to stay out of measuring, there's always something. Thankfully, it only took about 15 minutes and then the measuring crew was on their way. There were no controversies of note.

It's becoming a tradition that Lauren and I have to stop at WalMart for barbell weights. Our most recent Y-2786 was 5.5 lbs light. Certainly a possibility.....except that our former Y-2788, now Evan Daugherty's boat, was 14 pounds heavy...which is not possible. Sounds like the class scale was being as fickle as the Grande Maumelle winds.

Jeff Rodgers was the trooper of the regatta. He was in charge of the weighing and boat measuring. He spent the better part of 3 days in the "over 105 degrees heat index" conditions getting everyone ready for the racing. If you've never seen Jeff with so much as a moderately cranky look on his face, this would have been your opportunity. It was just hot and Jeff toughed it out. Big thanks to Jeff and his assistants!

I played golf with the guys on Tuesday. I hadn't golfed in almost 3 years and I've never been any good at it. But I enjoy it, nonetheless. We all had a great time. My highlights were: I lost about a dozen balls in 18 holes; and in the scramble format, my team used all of my shots on a Par 3. Plus, I never got pissed, which golf is good at making people do. So there ya go.

I got to do a little business during the week. I helped splice a couple of lower sidestays and bolt in some weights and lend a little silicone sealant to a centerboard project. Got a little money from some....and a lot of beer from Jack Mulholland. Hey...business is business. 😊

Lauren and I put out new Pelican cooler to the test. We had considered a Yeti, but the Pelican was a better deal. Even in the heat, we only added a bit of ice each day since the thing was in the back of the truck all week under a black camper shell and, apparently, Satan was vacationing in Little Rock at the same time as the regatta. Our beer was always cold and we didn't drain much water. Thus, our ice savings is well on the way to paying off a \$330 cooler. Yes, \$330. Only in America.

I won't go into the nitty-gritty of the racing because I'm sure that Lavon is flooded with fascinating and spell-binding articles about that. But here's what I deduced from sailing 7 races in decent breeze on Grande Maumelle Reservoir:

This lake is like dealing with a toddler. It appears harmless when looking at it from afar. I even dare say that it is good looking. But up close is a whole different story. I think the lake is Mom and Dad and the wind is the child. Mom and Dad are trying to guide the child with a smooth, steady and predictable precision. The child wants to do its own thing.

Child: "I want to go over here!"

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Mom and Dad: "No, no, you need to be here in the middle."

Child: "Oh yeah? Well now I'm going to go over here!" (Runs over to the other side).

Mom and Dad (in a much harsher voice): NO! You will stay in the middle and you'll like it!"

Child: (Commences the stomping of feet and pounding of fists)

[The last part represents those little unexplainable wind screws.]

As the regatta wore on, Lauren and I would comment: "Oh no! The toddler is BACK!"

Now I'm sure everyone is thinking "Well, Lake Lemon isn't much better." Maybe. But Lake Lemon is also about 1/20th the size of Maumelle, if that. Fickle, stupid winds are expected at Lake Lemon. Small lake sailing on a big lake is just weird. So maybe for a little revenge, we'll have a Nationals on Lake Lemon someday. We'll show you screwy!

The sailing was pretty uneventful for the most part. I kept my wits about me most of the time, but a few times, I had to vent. See, I'm like one of those old steam engines pulling a train. Every once in a while, I have to blow the whistle to let off a little steam so the whole thing doesn't explode. At one mark rounding, the inside boat got mark-room on me, which was fine...except then, they took their sweet time going around the mark. Needless to say, I let my opinion of such a strategy be known. Mark Barton was on the outside of me, yelling at me to go around the mark. Yes...Mark yells. His yell sounds like my normal voice. My yell sounds like Bob Knight. Well, things finally sorted themselves out and justice was done at the finish, which is where all debts are paid. So there.

When the wind was good, the wind was really good. The chop was fairly predictable and the sailing was great. Who'da thunk we'd have a 7-race Nationals with the weather that was predicted? We got really lucky and it was all good. That said...

I could have lived without that 7th race. Just sayin'.

The awards banquet was wonderful. Anytime there is a seafood buffet, I'm a happy man. There was a cash bar with a friendly bartender. The room wasn't cavernous, so you had a chance to come across almost everyone and visit. It was a great time and we didn't get home too late. Thus, we got a good night's sleep before journeying home on Sunday so we could go right back to work on Monday. [Did I mention my opinion on the schedule thing? I think I did. Just trying to set the nails on the coffin of that idea.]

Note to Bob Turner: Hope you can make it happen next year. Lauren and I would LOVE to come to Charleston. It makes for a great vacation and for us, the regatta season won't be quite so busy. Everyone else should plan for it now. It's a great place to vacation and sail.

Big kudos to Tracy and Leland Sykes and the whole crew at GMSC for a really great Nationals. I mean, really great. It could have been so much different during the third week of June. The wind gods were on our side. There was still plenty of opportunity to visit with friends, have nice meals at local restaurants and sleep well at local friends' houses. I look forward to returning in a few years and hope that the luck holds on.



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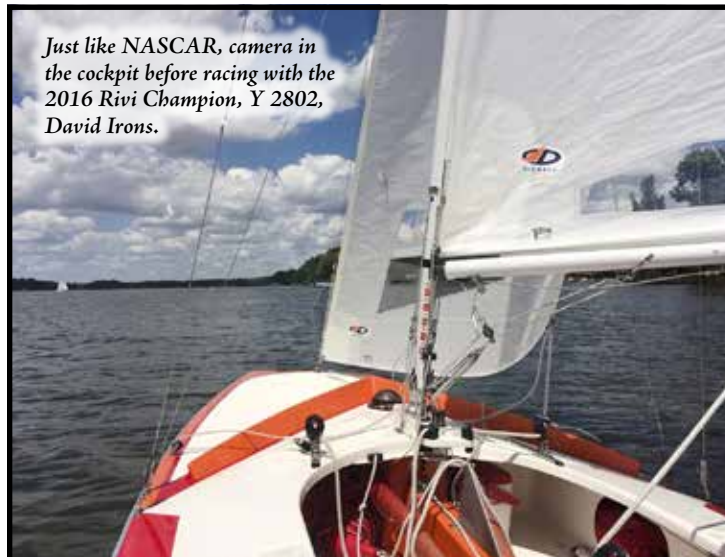

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52ND RIVIERA REGATTA TRADITION REIGNS AT LAKE MATTOON

Eighteen Y Flyer sailboats from 8 states, Kansas, Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana and Georgia enjoyed the traditions of the 52nd Annual Riviera Regatta held on Lake Mattoon, Saturday and Sunday, June 11-12, 2016.

In fluky medium to light winds and despite several general recalls, intense competition allowed 3 races, each almost an hour in duration. Thanks to Paul White, Lee & Sue Douglas and Dorita Roeschlein for their dedication in getting races set and completed with challenging conditions!

Final scores were highly competitive across the entire fleet. Fleet 39's David & Jan Irons brought the Riviera Silver Cup traveling trophy back home, scoring two bullets and a 7th place. Second place was a tie won by Little Rock's Jeff Rodgers and closely followed by Fleet 39's "Lightning Slim" Dave Miller.



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| 1. David & Jan Irons | 8.5 points |
| 2. Jeff Rogers & Lisa Parker | 15 points |
| 3. Dave Miller & Susan Hanfland | 15 points |
| 4. Pat Passafume & Nile Hatcher | 18 points |
| 5. Doug & Lauren Kinzer | 18.75 points |
| AAAWWW: Mark Barton & Angel Crowe | 19 points |

Tradition reigned as always despite the oppressive heat. "Beans" Irons slaved away over the open fire to cook the ham n beans for lunch Saturday. Racing cooled us off a bit and then dinner with Jim's superb pork roast received high accolades. After dinner, the



3 story high bonfire to beat all bonfires heated up the competition – as if it wasn't hot enough. We were treated with music live from Nashville, TN, the Y Fleet's own Elizabeth Eckert singing "Let's Have A Drink" and Ed Bigus led a sing-along traditional rendition of "Pizza Face". (If anyone's interested, you can pre-order Elizabeth's new album – with more great songs at this link: <http://pledgemusic.com/projects/EEckertMusic>.)

For those boats that didn't join us from Chippewa – we did NOT burn a wooden Y Flyer and we pledge not to burn yours if you join us next year.

Sunday morning's light air still allowed for a full Figure 8 course with winds from the West – despite the forecast for NE 7, which would have been directly up the lake and a much better race course.

Congratulations to Angel (Passafume) Crowe for purchasing her first Y Flyer, Y2650!

All of us in Fleet 39 hope you enjoy the boat as much as we've enjoyed having it on Lake Mattoon! Cheers!

All in all, everyone enjoyed the Riviera Regatta's annual tradition and competitive racing despite the heat. See you next year! Same place, same weekend – Memorial Day, skip one weekend and then the RIVI!!!!



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EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE CALL

Tuesday June 14, 2016 • 8:33 PM – 9:06PM

MINUTES

Attendees:
President Dan Haile Secretary Paul White
Area Vice Presidents
Shelby Hatcher Bill Totten
Kevin Black John Smith
Mark Barton
National Regatta Chair
Tracy Sykes

Fleet 30 at the Grande Maumelle Sailing Club has previously agreed to host the Mid Winter Regatta in 2017. Fleet 1 at the Atlanta Yacht Club in March 2016 hosted a very successful 24 boat competitor regatta and has offered to host the 2017 Mid Winter Regatta if Fleet 30 should change their minds. Mark Barton related that with Fleet 30 hosting the 2016 National Regatta, and Little Rock not being as centrally located as Atlanta, Fleet 30 has no objection to Fleet 1 hosting the 2017 Mid Winter Regatta. There were no objections from the Executive Committee that Fleet 1 host the 2017 Mid Winter Regatta.

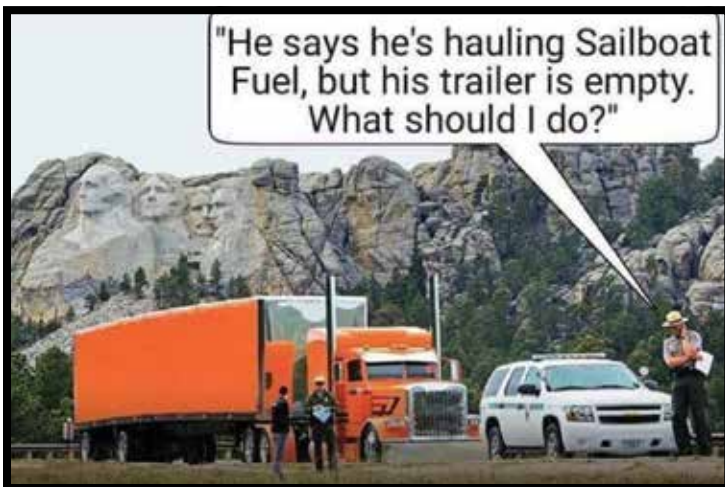
Secretary Paul White related that there is no invite from any Fleet to host the 2017 National Regatta. There had been interest from Briggs Monteith at the James Island Yacht Club at Charleston, SC and Paul thought that an invite would be made. However, Briggs related that the staff at the James Island Yacht Club indicated that other events in 2017 would not allow an invite to be made, maybe in 2018. Bill Totten related that there has been discussion between the members of Fleet 39 at the Lake Mattoon Sailing Club. There were members wanting to host the Regatta and members feeling that Fleet 39 did not have the resources to host the Regatta and an invite has not been made. Kevin Black related that he had discussions with different Fleet 39 members while he was at the Riviera Regatta and said there were people at Indianapolis, Bloomington, and Little Rock who would be available to help Fleet 30 before and during the regatta. Bill Totten related that there will be more discussions between the Fleet 39 members before a final position will be made. Secretary White indicated that the 2017 National Regatta venue will continue to be pursued by the Executive Committee.

Tracy Sykes, 2016 National Regatta Chair, related that Fleet 30 has all plans on schedule for the 2016 National Regatta at the Grande Maumelle Sailing Club. She said that so far, there are no competitors for the scheduled Junior National Regatta beginning Tuesday June 21. All regatta registration, including weighing and measuring, will begin on Monday June 20, the Golf Outing will be on Tuesday June 21, and the Senior Practice Race will be on Wednesday. The Senior Competition will begin on Thursday June 23 with the last day of competition and the awards banquet on Saturday June 25. This schedule is posted in the Notice of Race.

Secretary/Treasure Paul White indicated that presently the Class has 141 members who have paid their 2016 Dues. This includes 81 Boat, 7 Associate, 5 Junior, 41 Crew, 6 Life, and 1 First Year Free. 22 Boat, 2 Boat first year Free, 1 Associate, 1 Junior, and 12 Crew members for a total of 38 members in 2015 have not paid 2016 Dues. This is in comparison to an average of 26 Boat and a total of 52 total non returning members of the last 6 years. Kevin Black requested that a list of the non returning members be made available for the area Vice Presidents at the 2016 National Regatta. Paul White related that the 2016 Roster that has been mailed also lists the 2015 members who have not paid 2016 Dues. He indicated that he can make the lists of those not returning as far back as 2013 available at the National Regatta. The Secretary indicated that FY 2016 Income exceeds Expenses by \$689 and should end the FY, September 30, in the black. The Class has received \$1,315 of Donations from 15 members.

Being no further business, the Executive Conference Call was ended.

Paul White
Secretary



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CLASS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

6-23-2016

Meeting called to order by President Dan Haile at 7:30 pm.

Motion by Terry Fraser, seconded by David Irons, not to call a roll of the Class members. Motion carried. Secretary White declared that there was a quorum, more than 10%, of members present.

Motion by Kevin Black, seconded by Anthony Passafiume, that the minutes of the General Meeting of June 2015 be accepted as were printed in the Flyer. Motion carried.

Area, Fleet, and Officer, reports:

Area 1 – IL, KS, MO, WI Bill Totten related that Fleet 39 at Lake Mattoon is the most active Fleet in Illinois and had a very successful Riviera regatta with 18 boats. There will be the Beer & Boats Regatta at Lake Carlyle August 13 & 14. It will be a Bring Your Own regatta with Ted Beier being the Principle Race Officer. Dan Haile is the only active Y sailor at Carlyle, Fleet 56.

Area 2 - KY, TN Anthony Passafiume reported Fleet 62 at Harbor Island Yacht Club in Nashville TN desires to host the 2018 National Regatta.

Area 3- NC, SC Bob Turner related that Briggs Monteith is again working with the staff at James Island Yacht Club at Charleston, SC to host the 2017 Y National Regatta. JIYC is trying to include the regatta between other regattas and most likely if hosted, will be the week of June 11, the second week of June, 2017. (This planning information is subsequent to the Executive conference call of June 14 held prior to this National Regatta General meeting).

Area 4 - IN, MI, OH Kevin Black reported that Fleet 4 at Lake Chippewa has 6 – 10 boats on the starting line weekly, but they do not travel. The Chippewa Mid Summer Madness Regatta is scheduled for July 16 & 17. Fleet 8 at Indianapolis has 6 active sailors. Fleet 13 at Lake Lemmon has 2 active sailors. The Lake Lemmon Regatta is scheduled for September 24 & 25. Fleet 25 at Hueston Woods State Park Ohio has 7 Y sailors but only 2 join the Class and all do not travel.

Area 5 – AR, LA, OK, TX Evan Daugherty reported increased growth at Grand Maumelle with 12 - 14 active racing sailors. Greg Bradley comes from Fleet 7 at Shreveport and sails at Little Rock for the Hawg Wild Regatta. Evan stated that Fleet 30 is not struggling like other Fleets

Area 6 - MA, NY, VA, PA Terry Fraser reported that Fleet 63 at Saratoga Springs will have their Thoroughbred Regatta on July 9 & 10. It will be the beginning of a 3 regatta series, Saratoga Springs, the Y International Regatta at Lake Belwood in Ontario, Canada July 12 - 14, and then the Mid Summer Madness regatta at Lake Chippewa, OH, Fleet 4 on June 16 - 17.

Area 7 – AL, FL, GA Nile Hatcher reported 2 Y-Flyers in Alabama, Zack Lawson Y-2397 and Josh Trimble Y-2695, and 15 at Fleet 1 in Atlanta. Fleet 1 will host the Beers Regatta on October 8 & 9. Guntersville, AL will have a multi boat regatta May 20 & 21, 2017. This regatta was first held this year with 5 Ys competing. They are expecting 10 - 5 next year.

Secretary / Treasurer - Secretary White reported that as of June 15, the Class membership count was about the same as that in 2015, but less than the average of the last 5 and last 15 years. Fiscal Year 2016 Expenses are estimated to be about \$300 more than Income. The Class has received \$1,315 of donations from 15 members.

	2015	2016	Ave 11 - 15	Not Rejoin 2016
Active (Boat)	89	82	101	22
First Time Free	2	1	3	1
Associate	6	7	10	1
Junior	1	5	6	1
Crew	40	41	49	12
Life	6	5	6	6
TOTAL	139	141	175	43

Dan Haile related that Fleet 56 at Carlyle, IL will match donations to the Class from a summation of donations from other Fleets (not individuals) up to a total not greater than \$500 for the 2017 Dues year.

New Business – Kevin Black made a motion to change the Class By Laws to permit the use of VHF radios for safety and RC communications to the competitors. Motion seconded by Paul Abdullah. Kevin gave 2 examples where the VHF radio was used to get safety help to a sailor on the water who had suffered a heart attack and get that sailor to shore where medical help was waiting. In both cases, the sailor's life was not lost. Paul Abdullah discussed the positive use of VHF radios in other Classes and how they also are very useful in the RC communication (Over Early, General Recall, storm abandonment) to the competitors. Class discussion that followed

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was both for and against the use of VHF radios. Those against related that some VHF radios can be used to assist competitor navigation if the radio contains GPS capability. Motion passed. Secretary White related that the use of electronics on the boat during racing is prohibited by By-Law 19. With the General Meeting approving this proposed change, a MAIL vote to the Class with the proposed By Law change will be included with the mailing of the 2017 Dues in December 2016. The specific wording of the change to the By-Laws has yet to be written and will be detailed in the information with the mail vote. The mail vote response has to approve the issue for it to be incorporated into the By-Laws.

Bill Totten read the list of nominations for Class Officers for Fiscal Year 2017 beginning October 1, 2016. These nominations were accepted unanimously.

- President Dan Haile
- Secretary/Treasurer Paul White
- Area Vice Presidents
 - Area 1 – IL, KS, MO, WI – Bill Totten
 - Area 2 – KY, TN – Pat Passafiume
 - Area 3 – NC, SC – Bob Turner
 - Area 4 – IN, MI, OH – Kevin Black
 - Area 5 – AR, LA, OK, TX – Evan Daugherty
 - Area 6 – MA, NY, VA, PA – John Smith
 - Area 7 – AL, FL, GA – Neecee Coryell



Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Paul C. White
Secretary

