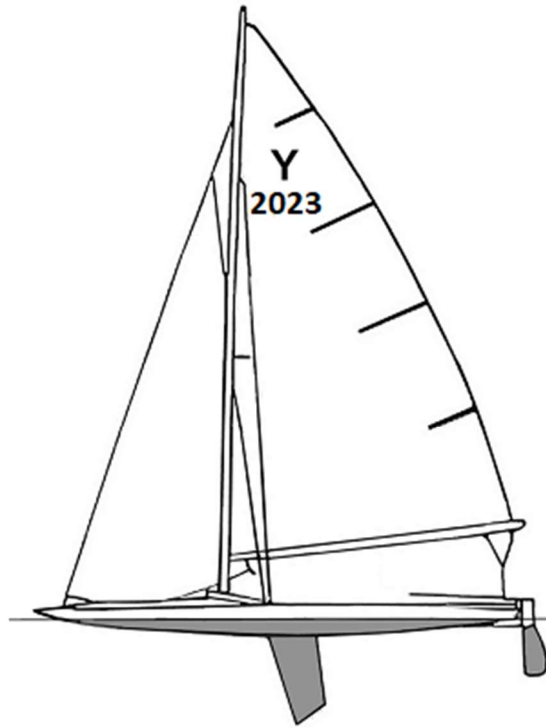


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The 2023 Midwinter Championships at the Atlanta Yacht Club

2023 Y-FLYER MIDWYNTERS



Y-Flyer MidwYnter Championship

Hosted by the Atlanta Yacht Club and Fleet #1

Friday, March 17

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Registration and welcome at the clubhouse

Saturday, March 18

8:45 a.m.- Late registration at clubhouse

7:45- 8:30 a.m.- Breakfast at clubhouse

9:15 a.m.- Competitors meeting at pavilion

10:25 a.m.- Warning signal for race 1 with subsequent races to follow ASAP

6:30 p.m. or after racing- Dinner

Sunday, March 19

8:30 a.m.- Breakfast at clubhouse

9:25 a.m.= First warning signal of the day with subsequent races to follow ASAP. No Race will start after 12:00 p.m.

After Racing – Lunch and awards at the clubhouse

2023 Y-Flyer			Regatta	Schedule				
Dates	Regatta Name	confirmed?	Club	Lake	Location	State/Province	Type of Event	
Confirmed								
March	18th-19th	MidWinters	Confirmed	Atlanta YC	Allatoona	Acworth	Georgia	Y-Flyer Only
April	22nd -23rd	AYC Open	confirmed	Atlanta YA	Allatoona	Acworth	Georgia	Open and/or Invitational
	29th-30th	Schultz Hospice	confirmed	Harbor Island YC	Old Hickory		Tennessee	Open and/or Invitational
	29th-30th	Spring Dinghyfest	confirmed	Rush Creek YC	Ray Hubbard	Rockwall	Texas	Open and/or Invitational
May	6th-7th	Keowee Cup	confirmed	Keowee SC	Keowee	Seneca	South Carolina	Open and/or Invitational
		Animal Cracker		Browns Creek SA	Guntersville	Guntersville	Alabama	Open and/or Invitational
	27th-28th	Hawg Wild	confirmed	Grande Maumelle SA	Maumelle	Little Rock	Arkansas	Open and/or Invitational
June		Greater Richmond		Greater Richmond SA	Swift Creek	Midlothian	Virginia	Open and/or Invitational
	3rd-4th	Riviera	confirmed	Lake Mattoon SA	Mattoon	Neoga	Illinois	Y-Flyer Only
	12th-16th	Nationals	confirmed	Augusta SC	Clark Hill	Appling	Georgia	Y-Flyer Only
	23rd-24th	Low Country	confirmed	Beaufort Sail & YC	Beaufort River	Beaufort	South Carolina	Open and/or Invitational
July	8th -9th	Thoroughbred	confirmed	Saratoga Lake SC	Saratoga Lake	Ballston Spa	New York	Y-Flyer Only
	8th -9th	Hobcaw		Hobcaw YC	Wando River	Mt Pleasant	South Carolina	Open and/or Invitational
	22-23rd	Firecracker	confirmed			Savannah	Georgia	Open and/or Invitational
August	5th-6th	Rockville	confirmed	Sea Island YC	Bohicket Creek	Rockville	South Carolina	Open and/or Invitational
	5th-6th	SAYRA Open	confirmed	Carolina YC (NC)	Banks Channel	Wrightsville Beach	North Carolina	Open and/or Invitational
	26th-27th	Indy Outty	confirmed	Indianapolis SC	Geist Reservoir	Indianapolis	Indiana	Y-Flyer Only
September	3rd-4th	Y-Flyer Bourbon	confirmed	Louisville YC	Ohio River	Louisville	Kentucky	Y-Flyer Only
	16th-17th	Whale of a Sail	confirmed	Carlyle SA	Carlyle Lake	Carlyle	Illinois	Open and/or Invitational
	23rd-24th	Lake Lemon	confirmed	Bloomington YC	Lake Lemon	Bloomington	Indiana	Open and/or Invitational
		Noah B Memorial		James Island YC	Charleston Harbor	James Island	South Carolina	Y-Flyer Only
October	6th-8th	Halloween	confirmed	Augusta SC	Clark Hill	Appling	Georgia	Open and/or Invitational
	7th-8th	McDougal	confirmed	Harbor Island YC	Old Hickory	Nashville	Tennessee	Open and/or Invitational
	13th-15th	Hospice	confirmed	Western Carolina YC	Hartwell	Anderson	South Carolina	Open and/or Invitational
	14th-15th	Beers Memorial	confirmed	Atlanta YC	Allatoona	Acworth	Georgia	Y-Flyer Only
November	4th-5th	Midlands	confirmed	Columbia SC	Lake Murray	Columbia SC	South Carolina	Open and/or Invitational

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2023 Nationals



Augusta Sailing Club

Y Flyer Nationals

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June 12-16, 2023

Details Coming Soon

Event Chairs- Ed Durant, Chris Norman, and Donna Norman

PRO- Bob Harkrider

When: Monday, June 12, 2023, 8:00 AM until Friday, June 16, 2023, 5:00 PM

Where: Augusta Sailing Club
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Category: Regatta/Series Racing

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Y Fleet 1 Starting Big in 2023

Due to circumstances beyond my control, I couldn't get the Woody Orrell Season trophy to the January meeting for presentation. So, at our February meeting we were able to present our ex-commodore, Winky Williams, with the 2022 Season trophy for Fleet #1. Fleet Captain Shelby (Hatcher) Gosnell presented the trophy. (Pictured below)



The February meeting is our traditional "We love our Y" Valentine meeting hosted by Amy Kuznicki and Amanda Hodges. As usual, if Amy is involved, there were games. We played 'Finish the Valentine phrase' and 'Valentine Pictionary' while sipping red wine and dunking marshmallows and strawberries in the chocolate fountain. It was great to have Heather's sister, Meredith Hall, join us again while she is in Georgia.

Our hearts are heavy as we said good-bye on January 28 to long-time Y sailor, Gordon Thompson. He is father to Y sailors Alan (Brenda) Thompson and Judy (Mike) Ross. He spent over 40 years sailing and supporting Y Flyer sailing.

The MidWinter Regatta will, again, be chaired by the ever-industrious Hatchers. We may not have a big lake or an offshore breeze, but we know how to host a regatta. As of this writing, with 3 weeks still to go, we have 16 out of town boats traveling to Acworth, GA March 17-19. And two of those traveling sailors are from Canada. If you don't have a Y to sail, do come join us for a special Y regatta experience by contacting Nile about getting some meals and watching first class racing on Saturday and Sunday.

The weekend after MidWinters will be our AYC Commissioning and the start to our club racing season. Everyone should be tuned up for the sailing season after MidWinters, so no excuses for not showing up March 26 for the first day of fleet racing. April will offer fleet racing, the AYC Open and the Hospice Regatta in Nashville. Go to the Y Flyer national website at yflyer.org to see the racing schedule for 2023. Let's get some trailer tires pumped up and travel covers shaken out and plan on some regattas this year. I'm sure you can fit one or two in somewhere.



Shown above, is Kathy Williams with her prize candy after being on the winning Valentine Pictionary team. Who knew..... her favorite candy was Blow Pops?

Amanda Hodges
Y 2660



Saratoga Fleet Report

Y-Flyer Fleet 63 will host their annual Kentucky Derby Party the first Saturday of May again this year and all club members are invited to enjoy snacks, mint juleps as well as watch the race on our big screen in the clubhouse.

The Annual Thoroughbred Regatta will be held on the 8th and 9th of July. The NOR will be posted soon.

Fleet officers for 2023 are: Fleet Captain: John Smith,
Measurer: Suzanna Randall
Treasurer: Joanne Fraser
Secretary: Pat King

Y-Fleet member, Charlotte Osborne is the 2023-24 Saratoga Lake Sailing Club Commodore!

From the President

Amanda Smith Hodges

Three weeks until MidWinter Regatta and we are hitting 80 degrees today here in Georgia!

As long as our regatta name identifies the calendar date for the regatta and not the weather/temperature at AYC, we are fine. Hitting 80 degrees in February is so unexpected. Working in the yard in a T-shirt - great. Not getting the cold nights for our peaches - not so great.

But the warmth has me gearing up for what looks to be a great start to our sailing season. The current number of registered Y sailors willing to travel to Lake Allatoona in March is high compared to recent years. AND...Canada is coming! Thank you, Kings, for making the loong trip down south.

And, thinking of warm sailing weather... I appreciate that Ed Durant has taken the reins (or should I say 'tiller') for the 2023 Nationals to be held June 12-16 at Augusta Sailing Club. His enthusiasm and energy are so evident in his planning and coordinating what should be an epic event. He has a jam up team for the racing on the water and has brain-stormed fun activities for both sailors and their families when on shore that week. You don't want to miss the kind of hospitality that ASC is going to dish up.

Our Executive Committee is grinding away at the final agreement with Beacon Composites to have them build boats for us. We are so excited to have a boat builder wanting to be a part of our Class and providing affordable Y Flyers to the ever-increasing demand for boats for sale. Stay tuned on timelines for this new era for our Class.

Stay connected and in the know about upcoming news and information about what's happening in the class either through the Facebook page or the class website. I don't want you to miss out on a single bit of fun.

Your Sailing Siren,
Amanda Hodges Y 2660

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