

STARBOARD

NEWSLETTER

WINDSOR MODEL YACHT CLUB



Terry Desjardins-4th Greg Pare-3rd Ken Miller Doug Diet Ken Peltier-5th

Ken Miller Wins 16th Annual Maurice Diet Memorial Regatta for all CRYA sanctioned One Meter yachts held August 28 at Tecumseh Waterfront Park



2010 Late Summer Edition

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COMMODORE'S REPORT

Well this has certainly been one warm summer for sailing. Much of our scheduled racing has been postponed due to lack of acceptable level of winds and moved to other open times. But as it stands right now, we are almost caught up and back on track. Thanks to all class leaders for the cooperation to get this done.

For everyone's info, we have now reclaimed the famed Maurice Diet trophy back to the WMYC thanks to the skills of skipper Ken Miller. In fact, even against three entries from the Detroit area clubs, along with one from London and another from Toronto, four out of the top five awards were won by our club members. This achievement can attest to the model sailboat racing skills of our members. Our club secretary has the standings photo available on the WMYC web page to view.

Additionally, volunteer skippers from our club headed out to the campground this summer supporting the "Kids Day" event hosted by Joost Gragtmans and his team of managers from the campground. Not only the kids had a great time but all participating skippers commented as to how much they enjoyed teaching these kids how to handle the sails and rudder, and a bit about sailing strategy as well. The free donuts and refreshments were appreciated by all.

It's been a busy summer of racing with five classes to manage and we are quickly coming to the end of our schedule. Soon there will be a membership meeting scheduled at the Sportsman's club on Riverside Drive to discuss next year's objectives and elect a new round of officers. Keep your eyes peeled to the web site and your email in-basket for more info on this as well as our year end award banquet.

My heartfelt thanks goes to the current officers for their untiring support!

WMYC Commodore 2010 - Terry Desjardins



FLEET CAPTAIN REPORTS



Soling

The soling season is all most complete, and except for a few no wind “I can’t believe we are drifting again” nights the season has been great. The standings show how much the skippers have improved not only in the racing end of it like tactics, but in setting up their boats for the conditions on the pond. This is a very competitive club at times. But let’s not forget it is all about getting out and having fun. Let’s all work together and try and help the other Soling sailors that don’t or can’t come out due to other commitments get out and join us. As of this newsletter there is only one Soling race left, so let’s all try and make it and good sailing!

Greg Pare- Soling Fleet Captain



EC12

The EC fleet has had approximately 5-6 boats out for each counter, and during the last outing the winds were very favourable at 8- 10 knots... We have had pretty good weather for all the races so far, and we have just one more counter -a make up race on Sept..

14th.. Hope to see everyone there.

Paul Delaney- EC12 Fleet Captain



US 1M

We have completed nine races and have three left in the season. The results are still very much up in the air (pun intended). To you skippers who have not been able to get out as often as you would have liked remember this year we have four throw outs so maybe you can still have a very good showing for the year.

Even if you have missed too many races it would be nice to have a large fleet for the final races and make the racing much more challenging for those racing for the top three.

We have a couple of new boats in the fleet this year and I hope we can pick up a few more next year with some new skippers.

Remember to let people know about the club and let’s try to drum up some new interest in the WMYC.

Mike Gillis- US1M Fleet Captain

FLEET CAPTAIN REPORTS

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**Footy**

This year the summer has brought hot days and a variety of winds from extreme light to heavy gusts. This has caused our Footy group to do make up races to complete our season schedule.

Our fleet numbers are down a little do to members with health problems, mechanical glitches and other commitments. Ken Fields is one of the newest competitors that started late but has been very competitive and is keeping us in his sights. John Helmer introduced his new Razor 3 which is a rule beater “cheater” boat that fits in the 12 inch box diagonally. His new boat will not be the only rule beater next year. That being said the fun continues as our season comes to an end all I can say we all have a good time. Lets hope next year will bring out more participants and better health to all. Keep the keel side down and race One Foot at a time

Ken Peltier- Footy Fleet Captain

RG65

The inaugural season for our newest class has seen a variety of conditions with more than our fair share of strong winds. We have had some exciting racing, which has included holed hulls, knockdowns, pitch poles, swamped boats, drowned receivers, fried servos, and the like.

But with all the misfortune I think to it safe to say a lot of fun has been had and these boats have proven to be amazingly seaworthy. Nine races have been completed with four different winners which reflects how competitive these boats are given the standard design in use.

In keeping with the spirit of our Wednesday afternoon racing series the emphasis is on sharing and fun. I would encourage those of you who have not completed their boats to do so and join us on the water .

John Helmer- RG65 Fleet Captain



MAURICE DIET MEMORIAL REGATTA



The Winner- Ken Miller returned the trophy to the WMYC after a six year absence. Great work Ken!

This year's edition of the Maurice Diet Regatta, the 16th of such, saw a venue change to Tecumseh's Waterfront Park, at the location of the old Lakewood Golf Clubhouse. It was the sixth different location that we have held this regatta at and despite some weed problems, holds promise for better sailing earlier in the year.

The venue saw clear skies, a great atmosphere and 16 skippers coming from Detroit, Toronto, London, Chatham and Windsor. So I have been asked why the venue change? "If it ain't broke don't fix it."

It is true Windsor Campground is a great venue and weed free for our club nights, but this regatta is a once a year opportunity where resources like the rescue boat, marks, porta-potty, and such can be used off site with less hassle.

I would not want to try this every Tuesday or Thursday, but for once a year, we can experiment and give our club a little more outside the fence exposure, at no cost to spectators.

I apologize for the frustration that many had with the weeds and hope many will return next year in what we hope will be a 17th Annual regatta in the Spring.

Doug Diet

16th Annual Maurice Diet Regatta - August 28, 2010

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Total
1 Miller	t17	t17	1	3	2	t10	2	7	3	1	1	2	1	23
2 Dagenais	t11	2	t8	1	1	6	6	4	1	4	3	1	t17	29
3 Pare	t6	3	4	5	4	2	t8	1	6	4	t9	6	3	38
4 Dejardins	2	t8	3	t8	6	4	4	t10	5	7	2	5	4	42
5 Peltier	3	4	t7	7	t11	5	3	5	t9	5	6	3	2	43
6 Meakin	t9	t7	t11	4	5	7	5	3	4	3	4	7	7	49
7 Harle	t17	t17	6	t12	3	8	10	2	8	6	5	8	5	61
8 Fenoseff	7	5	t12	9	t10	3	7	9	t10	8	7	9	8	72
9 Vella	12	6	2	5	8	1	9	6	7	t17	t17	t17	17	73
10 Pepin	17	17	t17	t17	t17	9	1	8	2	2	8	4	6	74
11 Flack	1	2	5	2	9	t17	t17	t17	17	17	17	17	17	104
12 Helmer	8	11	10	10	7	11	t17	t17	t17	17	17	17	17	125
13 Balsdon	5	9	9	12	17	17	t17	t17	t17	17	17	17	17	137
14 Delaney	10	10	13	17	17	17	t17	t17	t17	17	17	17	17	152
15 Gillis	4	17	17	17	17	17	t17	t17	t17	17	17	17	17	157
16 McCorkell	17	17	17	17	17	17	t17	t17	t17	17	17	17	17	170

Score with 3 throwouts.

Dagenais was given redress in Race 10 - average(R1-R9) = 4

Note - Leaders do not change position with 2 or 3 throwouts.



Ray Dagenais- 2nd place & six time defending Champion was the only competitor to finish the Regatta sailing a USIM.



OTHER CLUB NEWS

Kid's Day

Our first Kid's day at the Campground was a great success and the rainy weather did not dampen anyone's spirits!

Thank you to all our members who participated and offered their time and their boats so that all kids could learn more about model boat sailing. Many children, parents and campers have been commenting in the last few days to Ed and others how great a time they had out on the pond. We may want to consider this as an annual event!(!?)

Please visit the windsorcampground.ca site for videos of the event.

See you out on the pond, Joost.

Joost Gragtmans, Vice Commodore

Polar Bear Race

-our annual season closing event to be held November 13,2010. Details to follow.

2010 Club Objectives

-please review the club goals and objectives for this year from the link on the WMYC website

Important Reminders

-always wear the PFD when in the club rescue boat.

-observe the Campground speed limit of 10 kph .

Meeting & Election of Officers

Date & venue to be announced shortly

Riverside Sportsmen Club Lunch

-a reminder that you can usually find a group of club members at lunch most Wednesdays. Come out and enjoy the fellowship from 11:45AM.

Future Issues

-please submit ideas, etc for future issues to Starboard Editor John Helmer. john_helmer@sympatico.ca