

race results

S.O.C.K.S

May 18th and 19th, 2003

Seattle Yacht Club, Shilshole Bay

Place	Skipper/Crew	Boat #	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3	Race 4	Race 5	Race 6	Race 7	Race 8	Total
1	Lisa & Jay Renehan	2698	1	1	3	2	4	3	1	8	15
2	Scott & Penny Davis	2684	2	3	1	6	1	2	2	5	16
3	Thilo Giese/Ashley Baker	2683	5	5	2	4	2	5	3	10	26
4	Brendan Fahey/Alex Jones	2599	8	2	4	15	9	7	5	1	36
5	Fritz & Tina Lanzinger	2690	7	4	8	3	12	4	8	9	43
6	Andy & Jaime Mack	492	4	9	5	1	8	14	9	14	50
7	Frank Flannery/Gretchen Kaiser	2397	9	17	12	11	17	8	6	2	65
8	Bruce & Indra Gage	2397	12	8	9	14	7	12	12	16	74
9	Michael & John Schalka	2265	16	16	10	9	10	1	13	20	75
10	Michael Karas/Jill Dunstan	2272	18	13	7	21	11	13	10	4	76
11	Carol & Carl Buchan	566	DNE	DNC	DNC	5	3	6	4	11	81
12	Jason Salvo /Katie Pacotti	1	11	15	13	16	5	18	19	3	81
13	Kent Powley/Cathy Sherwood	2392	3	6	6	8	6	DNE	DNC	DNC	81
14	Mike & Rosemary Cannon	582	20	10	11	19	13	9	15	13	90
15	Herb Cole & Alison Parker	2689	15	7	15	12	20	16	21	6	91
16	Allan & Sharon Johnson	2687	10	19	17	7	DNF	11	16	12	92
17	Marlan Crosier/Katrina Gilman	2399	6	14	20	22	14	10	7	23	93
18	Andy Schmidt/Justin Cross	2678	14	11	14	13	16	17	20	19	104
19	Garey Harr/Kathryn Meyer	8279	19	12	19	17	DNF	22	11	7	107
20	Jeff Oaklief/Wendy Robards	818	13	20	16	10	19	20	14	17	109
21	Charles Griffes/Jeff	2682	21	18	23	23	15	21	18	15	131
22	Jeff Castleberry/Stacy Wenger	1621	23	22	18	24	18	15	17	21	134
23	Tony Norris/Shelly Fluter	541	17	23	22	20	21	23	23	18	144
24	Erik Marks/Erica	80	22	21	21	18	DNF	19	22	22	145
25	Jeff Browning	823	DNE	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	182

It was great to see such a large turnout (25 boats) and so many new faces in the Seattle fleet. This may have been the biggest fleet at a North American regatta since the 1996 Gorge Worlds!

There were 5 races on Saturday, 3 in a dying southerly and 2 in a strong northerly that quickly faded to nothing near the finish of the last race of the day. The tide was ebbing for the majority of the day thus favoring the left in the southerly breeze but it was tricky picking a side because odd puffs were rolling in from the right. For us, it seemed to work by starting towards the right hand end of the line and working towards the left near the top of the beat. When the dark thundercloud dragged the wind to the north, it increased in strength quite quickly. It was also quite shifty, thus allowing numerous passing lanes, both upwind and downwind. Andy and Jamie showed good pace to win the first breezy race in the northerly. Kent and Cathy schooled us in how to port tack the fleet in the last race of the day only to arrive at the weather mark and keep sailing.....and then returning to the weather mark a second time to clear all the weeds out of the way for the rest of us.....thanks!

What happened in the first race on Sunday was a thing of beauty!!!! Michael Schalka must have had a good nights sleep and eaten his Wheatties because he came out with guns blazing in the first race. He and dad started near the boat end of the line and never looked back, leading from wire to wire. We couldn't tell who was happiest when they crossed the finish line in first, Michael, John or the rest of the fleet. Good work!

The other 2 races on Sunday were also sailed in a light southerly that died to zero near the end of the last race. Again, it generally paid to start near the committee boat end of the start line and lane to the left. Quite often there were small right hand puffs

and it seemed to pay to use those puffs to get your bow across the boats on the left and come into the weather mark on the left layline.

For a light air event, the race committee did a great job to get in 8 quality races. Jay and Lisa sailed a great series and were consistently near the front with some impressive come from behind wins.

We had a great time and look forward to seeing everyone at Jericho on May 31- June 1. **-Scott and Penny**



Minus low tides made for challenging launching

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