



Bullseye Class Association

2013 Bullseye Class Nationals at Saunderstown

The morning of September 6th saw lots of activity as the Saunderstown Yacht Club volunteers for the 52 Annual National Championship began their assigned tasks. Most wore a bright red shirt to identify them as members of the SYC ready to assist in any way possible. Several headed towards the Dutch Harbor Boat yard to help get boats rigged, off of trailers, and into the water. Others set up the registration table and got the big tent ready for that night's dinner.

A total of seventeen boats were entered for this year's event September 6-8. The Beverly Yacht Club in Marion sent a total of five competitors, Sandy Bay of Rockport and Fishers Island Yacht Clubs were each represented by two boats. The host Saunderstown Yacht club was able to send six boats to the starting line, and one lone entry each came from the University of Michigan and Herreshoff Martime Museum in Bristol RI.

By the Sunday awards lunch, Richard and Mary Feeny from HMM had won the E.F. Goodwin perpetual as well as the Rockport Trophy with finishes of 2-1-(4)-2-4-1-2. In second place was the Collins family of the Saunderstown Yacht Club consisting of Tim, Liz and Henry (10 years old) with finishes of 5-(8)-6-1-1-3-1. The Collins family was awarded the Card Sound Sailing Club Filial trophy for the first boat sailing with multiple generations. They were followed in third place by the team of Niko Kotsatos, Carolyn Marsh, and Heather Parson of The Beverly Yacht Club with finishes of (9)-4-2-3-3-9-3. The Beverly Yacht Club trophy went, once



photo by Cate Brown

again, to Fishers Island Yacht Club's Dave Burnham for most improved from the previous Nationals. Complete results are listed at the end of the article.

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Saturday was a beautiful day with clear skies, no clouds, and an unusually shifty wind from the west southwest at about 10 knots. The Race Committee, under the leadership of Matt Hill, US Sailing Director of Race Administration, headed across the bay for Jamestown (Conanicut) Island to give the competitors a 0.7NM course and to keep them away from the North Kingstown shore and its affect on the wind velocity and direction. The course was set at 4 legs with a gate at the end of leg 2. The ebb tide was just beginning to run. Dave Burnham's QUERIDA got a clean start and lead the whole way. He was followed by The Feenys in SMOKE and ESSEX, skippered by Al Maybach.

The second race of the day used the same marks and course, but the ebb tide was getting stronger and would begin to make its presence known. Once again the Feenys got a clean start and were able to lead the whole way. Dave Burnham was second with Wendy Goodwin in RED ALL OVER, showing that she had not lost her touch, came in 3rd. She was followed by BONA PETITE and SEA GLASS skippered by Blue Wheeler.

By now the wind was increasing in strength and continue to shift in direction. After a clean start ESSEX was able to get to the windward mark in first place. After a challenging spinnaker leg with the wind backing towards the southwest, the Race Committee moved the weather mark east to compensate for the wind shift. The ebbing tide was more in opposition to the wind with this new direction, and sea conditions changed from smooth to "Buzzard Bay" style with lots of waves. Once again ESSEX was first to the new mark followed closely by SEA GLASS and BONA PETITE. The 3 boats surfed towards the finish at hull speed and with Al Maybach winning followed by Niko Kotsatos and Blue Wheeler.

The Race Committee moved the starting line west of the north end of Dutch Island and into the ebbing current. Once again the course was 0.65 NMs and twice around. The Collins family in YEHUDI was able to get a clean start and lead



all the way. They were closely followed by SMOKE with Richard Feeny steering and BONA PETITE. Many competitors seem to forget about the ebbing tide and over stood the windward mark the first time by five plus boat lengths. Interesting to see boats reaching to the windward mark. The center of the course seem to be the place to be as those who went left or right too far lost out. photo by Susie Kinder

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The final race of the day was a 3 legged course with the finish near the North Kingstown shore. Once again the fleet was lead to the mark by YEHUDI, as Tim Collins played the shifts just right in the middle if the course. He lead at all marks and was closely followed by SEA GLASS and BONA PETITE. The ebb tide was just about finished for the day, yet the middle paid off once again.

After a hard and challenging day of racing the competitors gathered for Happy Hour followed by a nicely prepared dinner under the tent. The photographer set up a slide show of the races for all to enjoy. As a special item, a Bullseye Class flag was place next to the computer and all competitors were asked to sign the flag and show their sail number. The flag will be framed and presented to the SYC at Opening Day 2014 as a memento of the Nationals.

Sunday dawned just like Saturday with an unusual wind of west northwest. The wind strength was 5-12 and was shifting left and right. The ebb current was just starting to run. The Race Committee headed once again towards Jamestown, but moved further north of Dutch Island. After an adjustment to the pin, race 6 began. The course was the familiar windward leeward, twice around with a gate at the end of Leg 2. The distance for each leg of this race was only 0.5 NMs to keep the racers away from the North Kingstown shore. One of the first off the starting line in clear air was SMOKE who led all the way. The Feenys were followed by Wendy Goodwin in RED ALL OVER and the very steady BONA PETITE. Extra excitement was provided when three boats decided to cross the bow of an oil tanker with little room to spare.

The last race of the championship started with the same course and shifty wind. This race saw the lead change between SMOKE and YEHUDI, as the 2 skippers seemed to swap the lead with each crossing. The wind began to veer as the fleet



was on leg 2; for leg 3, the weather mark was moved north and east as the wind went into to the northwest. Meanwhile the ebb current had picked up strength as skippers found the making the weather mark could be challenging as well as frustrating. The first boat to finish was YEHUDI followed by SMOKE and the ever present BONA PETITE.

Richard and Mary Feeney receive the E.L. Goodwin Nationals Trophy and the Rockport Trophy from SYC Rear Commodore Locke Webster photograph by Cate Brown

All hands gathered under the tent for a cookout followed by the prize presentation. Prizes were awarded to First through Fifth place and to the winners of each race, along with the four perpetual trophies.

Complete results are below and at www.bullseyeclass.org/10ties.htm . Many photographs are on line at www.bullseyeclass.org/2013.htm.

Dreamscape of Bullseyes in SW Harbor

Bullseyes are racing in a dream-like sky in a watercolor done by Bullseye sailor Sharon Stanger of West Tremont, Maine. The painting, entitled "Moonlight Regatta", was on display last March in the Southwest Harbor Public Library. The sketch featured four Bullseyes, #499 owned by G. Young & E. Beck, a neighbor in Seal Cove, Maine; #916, "Shanti", owned by D. McInnis, Tokyo, Japan and Island Falls, Maine; #921 Sharon's boat, "Rosebud"; and #790 Wendy Goodwin's "Red All Over".

Sharon sails on Blue Hill Bay, a few miles from Southwest Harbor. She reports that she sees the oldest "living" Bullseye, hull #3, in Southwest Harbor as well as hull # 31 in Blue Hill Bay.



What Do Your Local Bullseyes Do for Fun (other than regular races)?

Hold a Long Distance Race

Saunderstown Yacht Club, on the western shore of Narragansett Bay, RI, holds an annual distance race open to all boats that are of a recognized design and are 12-1/2 feet on the water line. At SYC this includes a Herreshoff 12-1/2, a Haven 12-1/2 and Bullseyes. Last year's race was cancelled because of a lack of wind, but this was not the case this year. A steady 15-18 kt. south southwest breeze was blowing the afternoon of August 11.

The course was from SYC south to the green can of Bonnet Shores, thence east across the western passage to the bell at Beaver Tail, which is the southern most tip of Jamestown, the big island in the middle of Narragansett Bay. Then the course turned north passing Dutch Island to port, then through the center span of the Jamestown Bridge, west around Plum Beach Lighthouse, back through the center span of the bridge, and south back to SYC. The total chart distance is about eleven miles, but of course the actual distance is greater.

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This year the tidal current was flowing south which made for some tough sailing to windward but lots of surfing down wind for the three boats answering the starting horn. After three hours of sailing, the winner was ESSEX skippered by Al Maybach. He was followed Shel Sheldon sailing a Quetenis, a Haven 12-1/2, and lastly by BLUENOSE, a Bullseye skippered by Bob Holmes, a new SYC member. The awards ceremony for this is unique. The "Twelve and One Half Trophy" is a ship's decanter, containing some Black Seal Rum. This is mixed with ginger beer to make the official beverage of the event : A Dark and Stormy. In addition, the "Emergency Spinnaker" which is a Japanese Parasol approximately 2 feet in diameter, is awarded.

Have a Raft -up

Bullseyes in the Sandy Bay YC fleet in Rockport, MA hold as annual raft-up. Somehow, we always have more than enough food. this year we sailed out to the beautiful Straitsmouth Island and tied up at a buoy placed there for the crews that are restoring the lighthouse



and keeper's house. The island is jointly owned by Mass Audubon Society and the Town of Rockport. Too often we don't notice the beauty of the island in a race, but we were close enough to enjoy the crystal clear water and displays of different seaweed of its many inlets. Not to mention the food.

All Bullseye Sailors:

We would love to have stories about your adventures. Just contact our secretary, and she will either gather your information or help you to write up a short piece for this newsletter.

2013 Bullseye Nationals Results Saunderstown Yacht Club September 8,

Prizes

Category	Competitor
E.L. Goodwin Bullseye National Trophy	701 Smoke, Richard Feeney
Rockport Trophy: Highest finisher not from host fleet	701 Smoke, Richard Feeney
Card Sound Filial Trophy: boat with multiple related generations	222 Yehudi, Tim Collins
Beverly "Most Improved" Trophy	80 Querida, Dave Burnham

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Detailed Results

Sailed: 7, Discards: 1, To count: 6, Entries: 17, Scoring system: Appendix A

Rank	Sail No.	Boat	Helm Name	Club	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	Total	Net
1	701	Smoke	Richard Feeney	HMM, Bristol	2	1	(4)	2	4	1	2	16	12
2	222	Yehudi	Tim Collins	SYC	5	(8)	6	1	1	3	1	25	17
3	845	Bona Petite	Nicholas Kotsatos	Beverly YC	(9)	4	2	3	3	9	3	33	24
4	80	Querida	Dave Burnham	Fishers Island	1	2	(9)	8	5	4	5	34	25
5	859	Seaglass	Blue wheeler	SYC	(10)	5	3	4	2	8	4	36	26
6	790	Red All Over	Wendy Goodwin	Beverly YC	4	3	(8)	6	7	2	6	36	28
7	766	Puff	Chris Collings	Beverly YC	(11)	9	5	5	6	6	8	50	39
8	747	Essex	Al Maybach	SYC	3	6	1	(12)	10	11	11	54	42
9	512	Cove Girl	Joan Tiffany	Beverly YC	7	7	7	9	8	5	(10)	53	43
10	891	Noble	Chris Verni	Beverly YC	6	10	10	(18 OCS)	11	10	9	74	56
11	670	Beaver II	Laura Hallowell	SBYC Rockport	12	12	13	7	9	7	(14)	74	60
12	521	Swallow	Jeremy collie	SYC	8	11	14	13	14	(16)	7	83	67
13	291	Whisper II	Conrad Lavigne	SBYC Rockport	(17)	13	11	11	12	14	15	93	76
14	289	Ade	Michael Barr	TBM, La Salle MI	15	14	12	15	(16)	13	13	98	82
15	7.01	BIB	John Glendon	Fishers Island	13	(16)	16	10	13	15	16	99	83
16	292	Hanalei	Conrad Streuli	SYC	14	15	15	16	15	12	(18 DN F)	105	87
17	404	Bluenose	Bob Holmes	SYC	16	17	17	14	(18 DN F)	17	12	111	93

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Boats for Sale

Asking \$4,500. Owner: Ron Rose, Bradford CT 06405 Phone: H 203-483-5996 W 203-401-6362 E-mail: adrosemd@comcast.net Boat location: Branford, CT Sail #210 Boat Name: Maya Color: Deck, Gray Topside, White Hull, Blue Date Mfg. 1958 Sails: Sail maker Kappa Sails; Main: in good condition Genoa: in excellent condition Working Jib: in good condition. Gear: Spinnaker Pole, Boom Vang, Jib Club, Anchor, Boom Rest, Cockpit Cover, Outboard Bracket, Wood seats varnished Outboard Motor: 4 HP, Torqueedo Electric, year 2009, in good condition.

Remarks: Loved Bullseye in family since 1962. All sails, Tiller, Mast, Cockpit cover replaced within the past five years. Electric outboard optional.

Asking \$4,900. Owner: Beverly Hodder, Address: Brandon, FL 33511, Cell phone: 1-617-549-1601. E-mail: bhodder@me.com, Boat location: Rockport, MA, Sail # 255; Boat name: Lady Slipper, Deck color: Blue, Hull number 5859; Date of Mfg. 1959, Sails: 1 main, 1 genoa, 1 working jib, 1 spinnaker. Also include a set of North racing sails with very light use. Gear: Spinnaker pole, genoa tracks, compass, jib club, anchor, boom rest, pump, wood seats varnished. Trailer: 1959, custom made. Remarks: Well maintained, attractive finish.

Asking \$3,000. Owner: Julie Hanrahan, Address: Miami, FL 33133, Phone: H 305-665-3854, C 781-307-6858, E-mail: hanrafam@aol.com Boat location: Weymouth, MA Sail #767; Boat name: North Star; Date mfg. 1959. Color: Deck White; Topside White; Hull Blue. Gear: Jib club, boom rest, outboard bracket, wood seats. Trailer in good condition. Remarks: Hull is in excellent shape. Varnished mahogany seats, tiller, toe rail, bulkhead doors. Must sell due to move to Miami. Will consider any offer.

Asking \$3,400. Owner: Mark Meyerand, Address: Grosse Pointe Farms, MI, Phone: C 248-288-0921, E-mail: mpmeyerand@gmail.com Boat location: Grosse Pointe Farms, MI Sail #105. Hull Number: 56-4; Date mfg. 1956 Color: Deck Blue; Topside: White; Boot Top: Red; Hull: Blue Sails: 2 main, 1 genoa, 2 working jib one in fair condition all other sails are in excellent condition. Gear: genoa tracks, anchor, cockpit cover, outboard bracket, pump, varnished wood seats. Outboard Motor: 3 HP, make: Electric Tourqueedo, year 2013, in excellent condition. Trailer: 1982 Yarbrough in excellent condition. Remarks: A very original boat. Used sparingly for last 30 years.

Jib Wanted

Wanted: a working jib for recreational sailing (not racing)- a modern cut that has some life left. I am happy to pay upwards of half the cost of a new sail. If you have one you are willing to part with, regardless of its condition, let's talk. Please contact: nat_corwin@yahoo.com or call 518-439-0643.