

2012-13 FS Web Page Announcements Archive

2012-13 Collene Series - Week 6 - Finals - Monday, May 20, 2013

Two races on Saturday, and two on Sunday, completed the Collene Series, and the regular sailing season for this year. There were six boats on the line Saturday, and three on Sunday. Rich brought four guests on Saturday, each of whom tried their hand at various jobs on the course. Cynthia sailed with Francois, on Last Boat III, Joe was Gus' crew, on August Moons, Kathy helped the race committee, and Paul crewed on the safety boat. Thanks for the help, guys, and we hope you enjoyed yourselves! Kathy liked it so much she came back on Sunday and crewed for Francois. New trial member, Sherry, had an ace crew in Tom, who normally beats us all on his boat, Sweet Pea, and potential member, Laurie, sailed as crew with Henry, on Rita Sharo.

The Saturday series was won by Francois, on Last Boat III. Congratulations, Francois! He beat Henry, on Rita Sharo, out by one point! Gus, on August Moons came in 3rd. Last Boat III was the only boat that sailed all eleven races in the Saturday series. Henry only missed one race, and Gus and Pirate Dave each missed three.

In the Sunday series, Joe & Dean, on ED, squeaked by Gus, on August Moons, by only seven tenths of a point to take the series! Talk about a close competition! Francois, on Last Boat III, came in 3rd. ED sailed eleven of the twelve races, and August Moons and Last Boat III each sailed nine of twelve. Both of those skippers were on the water for the other three races taking their turns as safety boat crews.

For complete results, click on the Collene links, to the right. The year's final standings will be out soon.

The last sailing event of the regular season is this coming weekend, 5/25-26. It is the Memorial Weekend Regatta - fun races and good food! Everyone should try to make it.

2012-13 Collene Series - Week 5 - Monday, May 06, 2013

It was a mixed bag for this sailing weekend. Saturday's forecast was for 10, but we got nothin'. Racing was abandoned for the day. On Sunday, the forecast rang true, with 14-18 out on the water, and gusts a little higher. Only three Flying Scots ventured out for the three races held, and some awesome racing. All the boats took an extra crew. Tom, on Sweet Pea, with his pick-up crew of new member, Sherry, and George, took honors in all three races. Good job on a tough day, guys! The number two boat in all three races was Joe and Dean, with Rich as a third. ED gave Sweet Pea a run for her money in two of the races. The top two boats had some great spinnaker runs! Gus, on August Moons, came in third, but did very well in the conditions. August Moons had newcomer, Laurie and her thirteen year old son, Dylan, (who had never sailed before!), as crew. Gus did a great job keeping up, with a fledgling crew, and not using his spinnaker. We apparently didn't scare Dylan away because he said, with soaking wet clothes, that he would definitely do it again.

Dave & Jay have returned to the Flying Scot fleet after purchasing Chris's boat, Wild Rumpus. They have been without since selling their boat to Larry earlier this year.

There is only one more weekend, May 18-19, in the Collene Series, to wrap up the regular sailing season series. The weekend after that is the Memorial Weekend Regatta. And that, folks, will wrap it up for 2012-13.

Click on the Collene Series Sunday link, to the right, to see the updated standings.

2012-13 Collene Series - Week 4 - Monday, April 29, 2013



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2013 George Washington's Birthday Regatta - Wednesday, February 20, 2013



The 2013 43rd Annual George Washington's Birthday Regatta was held on Lake Eustis this past weekend. It was also the fifth regatta, out of six, for the Flying Scot Florida District point series. 29 Flying Scots were registered to compete. Lake Eustis responded by throwing its best, (or worst!), at the sailors.

Saturday's winds started out light in the early hours, then built quickly, through the teens and into the twenties. Various measurements put them between 14 and 20+ mph. Gusts aplenty were clocked anywhere from the low to high twenties. The Race Committee prudently abandoned the official racing for the day.

Sunday morning brought sunny skies and more moderate winds - only in the teens - but *COLD!* Temperatures at the start of racing were in the high 30s, and only got up to the high 40s by the end of the day's races. Three races were held, and though the wind dropped some by the 3rd race, there were plenty of gusts to keep sailors on their toes. Attrition was high. Of the 29 boats registered, only 26 opted to race on Sunday (*COLD!*), and of those, only 15 boats finished all three races. Dropouts were mainly from the cold and wet, but there was equipment failure too, a blown spinnaker and one case of a deck that was apparently too slippery!

Jeff & Amy Linton, from Davis Island and true to form, finished 1st, followed by Steve Shaw, from Lake Norman. Zeke Harowitz finished 3rd. LESC sailors were well represented, with twelve boats entered. Of the twelve, seven boats finished all three races. Dave Chapin and son Jon finished 4th overall, and were at the top of the club boats. Tom McNally and crew, Mike Tighe, on Sweet Pea, finished 8th, Charley Jensen & Dean Grimes, on ED, finished 9th, and Dave Moring & Randy Boekema, sailing Dream, finished 11th. Rounding out the Lake Eustis sailors, Gus Chennells & Mikey Baldacchino, on August Moons, finished 13th, Scott Tillema & Bob McCorkle, on SNAFU, finished 14th and got "Middle of the Fleet" honors, and Henry Picco & Rich Garwood, sailing Rita Sharo, placed 15th, out of 29 entered.

It has been said that this may be one of the windiest and coldest regattas our club has ever hosted. Maybe, maybe not, but it will be memorable to those who sailed it! Photos from Sunday's racing, by John Cole, are posted on the club website. To see them, go to the blue pull-down menus at the top of the page and click on Racing >>Regattas>>George Washington Birthday. There is also a write-up by the former Florida District governor, Dave Thinel, on his blog, *Flying Scots & the Florida District Blog*. You can find a link to that under Flying Scot Links, in the left column of this page.

Use this link to see the Flying Scot results;

[2013 GWBR Flying Scot Results.pdf](#)

2012-13 Norton Series - Week 3 - Monday, February 11, 2013

The Norton Series continued this past weekend, with the best turnout of the season on Saturday. There were eleven boats on the starting line! Ruby continues to dominate the Saturday series. Great sailing, Larry and Dave! Sunday brought the highest winds of the season, so far. The race committee measured winds at 13 to 16 mph, with gusts to 23. A few Scot sailors opted out for the day, or added rail meat to another boat. Seven Scots sailed, and the competition was exciting. The first couple of downwinds were exhilarating! The winds moderated by the third race, to a more sedate 9-11. New member, Bob McCorkle, on SNAFU, did quite well, getting a bullet in the last race of the day. Both SNAFU and Dream were sailing with MC Scow ringers, as they were practicing for the George Washington's Birthday Regatta, which is coming up this weekend (Feb. 16-17).

The Norton Series continues the weekend after the George Washington Regatta. That will be week 4, and final weekend of the series.

For complete results of the weekend's racing, click on the links to the right.

2012-13 Norton Series - Week 2 - Thursday, January 24, 2013

Week 2 of the Norton Series brought good winds on Saturday, and shifty winds on Sunday. There was a great turnout, with eight boats on the line each day. The race committee did a near-perfect job setting courses both days. Larry Klick and Dave Asaibene, on Ruby FS5690, took two out of three on Saturday, and Tom McNally and Rich Garwood, on Sweet Pea FS5179, swept all three races on Sunday.

The FS Florida District Series regatta #4 was held at the Charlotte Harbor Yacht Club two weekends ago. Two members of our fleet attended. Tom McNally and his brother, John, took 10th place out of 21. Henry Picco, crewing for Steve Shaw from Lake Norman Yacht Club, came in 12th.

We have two new members that have joined us sailing. Dick Schultz, on FS1885 - Ghost, with his regular crew, Larry Stephans, did pretty well for the first time out. By Sunday, they seemed to be in the groove, and took 4th for the day. The other new member, Bob McCorkle, crewed for Randy Boekema this weekend, on Dream. He will, hopefully, have his boat in the water soon!

For the complete race results, click on the Norton Series links, to the right.

Another Weather Forecast Site - Friday, January 18, 2013

I recently saw in the February issue of *SAIL* magazine a new, at least to me, weather site. It's called PredictWind. Supposedly endorsed by the big guns from the Americas Cup & Volvo Ocean Race, it has levels of subscription, the lowest of which is free. What is interesting about it is that it gives predictions from both NOAA and the Canadian Meteorological Centre. The thinking is that the closer the two predictions are to each other, the more likely the predicted outcome. Tomorrow is a good example. Earlier today both showed middle teens for wind, with only a mile or two difference. As of this evening, the Canadian forecast has changed to 5-6 for our sailing time, while NOAA shows 9-11. It will be interesting to see how things play out!

I will put the link to the home page in the weather links, to the left, for now. If it proves to be accurate, I'll

leave it. Check it out!

2012-13 Norton Series - Week 1 - Friday, January 11, 2013

The Norton Series began this past weekend, with racing only on Saturday. Five Scots turned out. Larry K. and Dave A., on Ruby, took two out of three races, to win the day. Sunday brought no wind, and racing was abandoned for the day.

Saturday's results can be seen by clicking on the link to the right.

Last/First Sail 2012-13 - Wednesday, January 02, 2013



The Last/First Sail over New Years was fun sailing, though lightly attended. Monday was beautiful, with light winds. Two Flying Scots were on the water - Wazoo with Charley and Mary Jensen, and ED with Dean And Nancy. Sam represented the Laser fleet. We sailed until sunset.

Tuesday ended up with four Scots on the water - Francois had a boat-full, with Sherry Magno, Laurie Zink, and friend. Craig Yates took the club Scot out for some Junior rides. Charley & Mary and Dean & Nancy piled onto ED. Pirate Dave and Sally H. came out with Walter Gordon, and Dennis O. got out his MC and joined the group. Dave was seen switching with Dennis and giving the MC a try. Sam and his Laser sailed earlier in the day. A fun day was had by all! Both days ended up with drop-dead gorgeous sunsets.

The Norton Series begins with the club racing this coming weekend.

- - Wednesday, January 02, 2013



Hartge Series Final - Monday, December 17, 2012

The Hartge Series ended this past weekend. There was a good turnout in Saturday's light winds, with nine Scots. The final Saturday series results had Ruby and ED tied on points, with Ruby winning the tie-breaker.

Sunday's winds were better, but shifting. Six boats turned out for a beautiful sailing day. The Sunday series final had Ruby sitting on top. Congrats to Larry and Dave for sailing well in the Hartge. A round of applause from the race committee should go to Joe and Dean, on ED, for Sunday's on-water entertainment!

To see the complete Hartge Series final results, click on the Hartge links, to the right.

The Norton Series begins with the new year, on Jan. 5 & 6. Have a great holiday, everyone!

Hiking Positions Clarified by the FSSA - Thursday, December 06, 2012

The question of what is legal and not legal in regard to hiking body position has come up on several occasions this year. The FSSA handbook's CMRs (Chief Measurer's Rulings) deal mostly with equipment and what is allowed or not allowed. We sent a request to the FSSA, asking for clarification, using several positions as examples. Bob Neff, the Association's Chief Measurer, responded. His response can be read at the following link;

[Hiking Clarification from FSSA CM, Bob Neff 12-5-12.pdf](#)

The big surprise here, for me at least, was that standing rigging is not currently allowed as a hiking aid. That means our friend Mr. Shroud, that we all hang on to for dear life, boys and girls. I think this doesn't say that crew can't hold on to the shroud while they are sitting on the rail, but as soon as they lean back, they are hiking, and it is not allowed. The choices are then the jib sheet and/or the hiking rope. I got the impression from Mr. Neff's response that it is possible this rule may change at some point.

So, there you have it, straight from the top.

Hartge Series - Week 3 - Thursday, December 06, 2012

A decent turnout of six boats and good wind made for some fun racing on Saturday. Larry & Dave, on Ruby, took two firsts out of three races. Sunday's wind was up and down . . . and shifty! Two races were held, and Ruby continued its winning streak with two more firsts. Complete race results are to the right, under Hartge Series.

Next races are Dec. 15/16. That will wrap up the Hartge Series and the first half of the season. The Norton Series is next, beginning in January.

Also this past weekend was district meet #3, at the Jacksonville Rudder Club's Gator Challenge Regatta. LESC was represented by Henry Picco, crewing for Steve Shaw of Lake Norman, and by Tom McNally, on Sweet Pea. I hear it was mostly a "drifter". Henry and Shaw placed 6th overall, and Tom, with his brother as crew, placed 10th, out of 16 boats.

Hartge Series - Week 2 - Monday, November 19, 2012

Winds in the low to mid teens this weekend made for some great sailing! Saturday had eight Flying Scots out racing! Two bullets that day gives Henry Picco, on Rita Sharo, the Hartge Saturday Series lead, after five races. Sunday's predicted higher winds and Sunday activities brought only three boats to the line. The race committee

measured 14 to 17 mph winds on the course, and that made for some fine spinnaker rides!

Other news around the fleet - Larry Klick has joined LESC, and is the proud new owner of Ruby, FS 5690. Welcome, Larry. Also, Francois Has traded in Ketchup, FS 3362, for a younger Flying Scot.

For the current Hartge standings, click on the links to the right.

Hartge Series - Week 1 - Wednesday, November 07, 2012

On Saturday, no wind brought postponement until after noon. When a bit of wind did fill in, the race committee managed to get in two races. With six Flying Scots on the line, Joe and Dean, on ED, took the first race. Randy Boekema, sailing alone on Dream, took honors in the second race.

On Sunday, again no wind in the morning. After the club official starting time limit, some wind finally appeared, and Mike Baldacchino set up an impromptu course for the diehards still waiting to go sailing. Three fun races were held, with a few Scots and MCs each, all starting at the same time. No scores were kept. It turned into a great afternoon of sailing!

At the second district regatta, held in Sarasota the same weekend, Tom McNally on Sweet Pea, the sole LESC representative, came in 13th in a fleet of 24.

For Saturday's results, click on the Hartge Series link to the right.

Keenan Series Final Results - Week 4 - Monday, October 22, 2012

The Keenan Series wound up its races with another perfect sailing weekend. August Moons took the Saturday Series, and ED was on top for the Sunday Series. For the complete Keenan Series final results, click on the Keenan links, to the right.

The Hartge Series begins on the next club racing weekend, Nov. 3 & 4. Also, the 2nd Flying Scot District regatta will be held at the Sarasota Sailing Squadron that weekend.

Keenan Series - Week 3 - Monday, October 15, 2012

Lake Eustis saw the first decent winds of the series this past weekend. Saturday's 12 to 16, with at least one gust up to 22 mph, had all four boats with three crew. August Moons took two firsts, out of three, winning the day. Sunday's winds were slightly less, with around 8 to 12 mph. It was ED's turn to get the two firsts, out of three races. Both days were beautiful sailing days, and everyone had a great time!

We have two club race weekends in a row this month, due to a Youth Foundation regatta at the end of the month. We race again this weekend (Oct. 20-21), for the final races of the Keenan Series.

For complete results, click the Keenan Series links, to the right.

Keenan Series Continues with Week 2 - Monday, October 01, 2012

Light air plagued the second week of the Keenan series this past weekend. No races were held on Saturday. On Sunday, after a long postponement, the race committee set up a short course close to the LESC dock. Four Scots participated in two one-lap races. Charley Jensen, who was still filling in for Joe Lobato, took ED (FS3360) to two first place finishes for the day.

For complete results for the weekend, click on the Keenan Series links to the right, under Fleet 150 Racing Results 2012-13.

Regular Season Starts with the Keenan Series - Monday, September 17, 2012

The Flying Scot Keenan Series started the year with decent wind and great weather this past weekend. Five Scots competed in three races on Saturday, with a different winner in each race. Charlie Jensen filled in for Joe Lobato on ED (FS3360), who is sitting out for a few weeks while he gets his eyeballs fixed. Henry Picco (FS5636) took the first race, Gus Chennells on August Moons (FS3059) took the second, and ED followed up with the third race.

On Sunday, the winds were a bit lighter, and two races were held with four boats. Gus got his second bullet of the weekend in the first race, while single-handing. Tom McNally and his son, always sailing well on Sweet Pea (FS77), took the second race. ED chose to take three crew so that Charlie's granddaughter and Youth Foundation Club 420 sailor, Kaitlyn Jensen, could try her hand at the "big boats". She showed herself to be a talented and very promising sailor, handling the jib upwind and trimming the spinnaker downwind. Dean was relegated to rail meat . . . and loving it!

Click on the links to the right, under 2012-13 Race Results, to see the full results for the weekend.

LESC 2012-2013 season begins with the labor Day Regatta - Sunday, September 02, 2012

Lake Eustis Sailing Club's 2012-2013 season started out with ho-hum winds on Saturday, and essentially no winds on Sunday. Saturday's winds allowed two races to be completed, with last year's club champ, Ray Laguna, winning both races. Guest racers, and hopefully future members, Sherry Magno and Laurie Zink, sailing Anne Ireland's 5366, stayed the course in light air to round out the day. See the full results under the 2012-2013 Race Results, to the right.