



The Pennant

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Newsletter of the Cayuga Lake Cruising Fleet

We boatsed

There were a bunch of boats and several starts. Crew members were on the boats. We had weather and sail changes. The one boat was going along pretty fast and then this other boat passed them. Oh. And one boat stopped. And there were fewer boats and another couple of starts and more racing only this time there was different weather. And different boats kind of at least not the same boats. And that one boat with that one sail just kind of left everyone like they had decided to go on a picnic and they were really hungry or something but boy were they gone quickly. I don't know who won but it sure felt like everybody because we all got to sail and isn't sailing great? And then we gathered (in a socially-together-but-distant-and-all-fully-vaccinated-anyway-so-who-cares? kind of way) and libated (hic). We got to talk about sailing and not sailing and things that work, worked and will work and things that don't work, didn't work and can't work.

Results

We haven't quite gotten to the point where we publish results online but that should happen soon and we should have a reference copy there. For right now you're going to get them in Pennants. After a week results are considered final so please let Lauren know ASAP if you don't agree with your times! Reminder: report your finish in GPS time! For right now it looks like Scoring (Lauren!) is getting big-boat and little-boat elapsed times to match by subtracting 5 minutes from big-boat finish times so when you look at the results you'll see this. Please do not correct your times yourselves! Report your accurate finish time and position relative to other boats!

Spring 1

Start: Spring 1, Finish time, Time: 13:30, Course: FNW, Wind dir: NNW, Ave wind: 7

Rank	Boat	PHRFTOT	Finish	Elapsed	Corrected	Points
1	<i>Mehitabel</i>	168	14:39:34	1:09:34	1:02:59	1.0
2	<i>Snitch</i>	168	14:40:52	1:10:52	1:04:09	2.0
3	<i>Mojito</i>	69	Mojito!	1:02:59	1:06:08	3.0
4	<i>Viento</i>	90	14:36:27	1:06:27	1:07:29	4.0
5	<i>Grey Owl</i>	84	14:35:50	1:05:50	1:07:30	5.0
6	<i>Fantasy</i>	204	14:54:45	1:24:45	1:13:04	6.0
7	<i>Adelante</i>	168	14:59:45	1:29:45	1:21:15	7.0

Of note... *Grey Owl* has suffered a bit of a PHRF adjustment to better match the actual boat (alas!) and is now rated 6 points lower. And then when *Viento* actually gives ratings (David) her PHRF-NE certificate (rather than her as-raced-in-regattas PHRF) her PHRF will probably also go down (but only by 3!). But, ha ha, the funny thing is that right now *Viento* can't actually locate that cert and it's not like they're winning every race anyway so it should all be good, right?

Winds were light and steady enough in pressure for the first race but the direction had a wicked oscillation to it – with the second upwind leg punctuated by 45 degree wind shifts every 3 minutes. It wasn't warm but with the light winds it felt better out than last week.

Spring 2

Time: 15:10, Course: FEW, Wind dir: N, Ave wind: 2-8

Rank	Boat	PHRFTOT	Finish	Elapsed	Corrected	Points
1	<i>Grey Owl</i>	84	16:20:25	1:10:25	1:12:12	1.0
2	<i>Viento</i>	90	16:24:21	1:14:21	1:15:31	2.0
3	<i>Mehitabel</i>	168	16:35:28	1:25:28	1:17:22	3.0
4	<i>Fantasy</i>	204	16:41:30	1:31:30	1:18:53	4.0
5	<i>Mojito</i>	69	16:27:49	1:17:49	1:21:43	5.0
6	<i>Adelante</i>	168	17:01:54	1:51:54	1:41:18	6.0

Grey Owl's new PHRF did not stop them from crawling away from the rest of the fleet on the first "downwind" leg of the second race. It turned out that the **F** to **E** leg was on the beam-reach side of downwind and as the leaders were nearing **E**ast the wind was gradually dropping to nearly nothing. Even with the beam-to-close reach *Mehitabel* had the right sail up with her chute (owing to the light winds) but with her tall rig and giant chute *Grey Owl* inched past *Mehitabel* to leeward (almost not noticing her wind shadow). *Grey Owl* was then able to sail the same chute just deep enough to make the next mark – all the while pulling away from the rest of us. This gave them an easy finish – minutes before anyone else.

Snitch had a problematic spin halyard sheave and spent the time of this race dropping her mast and beginning to effectuate repairs.

Spring standings

Rank	Boat	PHRFTOT	R1	R2	Total	Nett
1st	<i>Mehitabel</i>	168	1.0	3.0	4.0	4.0
2nd	<i>Grey Owl</i>	84	5.0	1.0	6.0	6.0
3rd	<i>Viento</i>	90	4.0	2.0	6.0	6.0
4th	<i>Mojito</i>	69	3.0	5.0	8.0	8.0
5th	<i>Snitch</i>	168	2.0	8.0 DNC	10.0	10.0
6th	<i>Fantasy</i>	204	6.0	4.0	10.0	10.0
7th	<i>Adelante</i>	168	7.0	6.0	13.0	13.0

Spring 3&4 next Sunday! Plus general upcoming

Go to our online calendar at the Ithaca Yacht Club (follow links to Events-Sailing Calendar or Sailing-Cayuga Lake Cruising Fleet) to see what's up!

<https://ithacayc.org/IYC-Sailing-Calendar>

For the next five weeks the schedule is pretty simple -> show up on Sunday to race!

Sundays May 16 through June 13: two races a day! Competitors' meetings at 12:45 first start at 1:30. If you're looking for a boat to crew on maybe you should come by closer to noon! Shoot an email to Liz (CayugaLakeCruisingFleet@gmail.com) ahead of time so that she can try to hook you up with people!

Saturday May 22: Ithaca Yacht Club Wine Keg Laser Regatta. They will be asking for volunteers to run race committee and to generally help out! Or you can participate if you have a Laser!

Register early, register often!

Registration is attached again! Skippers: please encourage your crew to register!!! The Treasurer is pressuring me to pressure you to pressure them!

Important addresses

CLCF Crew@gmail.com – surely the most important address -> it's the secretary!

CayugaLakeCruisingFleet@gmail.com – Liz! The Fleet Captain!

LaurenCranidiotis@gmail.com – Lauren! Scoring! Get your finish times to her ASAP after races and in GPS time!

<https://ithacayc.org/Cayuga-Lake-Cruising-Fleet> Our pages on the Ithaca Yacht Club website.

<http://www.cruisingfleet.org/> Our out-of-date website (the link will eventually point to the page on IYC's site).

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/CayugaLakeCF/> Our FaceBook group – just ask to join! If you fill out the survey questions you'll get added in automatically.

<https://www.instagram.com/cayugalakecruisingfleet/> Instagram

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