



# The Pennant

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Newsletter of the Cayuga Lake Cruising Fleet

## The normal seasons are overs!

We had a fine day of racing, this past weekend, to close out the fall series, and then some fine food cooked up by Bill Schweizer – the only one who to stick with the theme of our fetch – and Ranjit – who we will sorely miss in the role of chief griller person when he's no longer chief griller person! Bill, honestly, thank you for the eggs! And Ranjit, yes, yes, thank you for cooking delicious stuff for us all year (and last year, too! We do all really appreciate it! A lot!).

We'll get to a report and results in a bit. First we have some important business to attend to...

## Racing and fetch next weekend!

Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup> we're going to hold a Frostbite Regatta! As usual and per our standard club rules each race will count double in the boat-of-the-year standings and any boat to have won a series this year will have an additional 102 points of handicap added per series won.

The FC herself tells me it will go down something like this:

- Skippers meeting 10:15
- First start 11am
- Try get in at least four races
- Finishing around 3-4pm.
- I'm hoping to get some inflatables out so skippers meeting might be on the water
- I'll have a course and SI printed out at the South Pavilion for skippers
- BBQ/fetch after! (Fleet provides grillables and beverages, you come with a dish to pass, please!)

I guess... If you need a boat to sail on or need crew then Liz is probably the one to talk to but I'm always willing to help as I can! I just pass names around and put folks in touch with one another (as fairly and transparently as possible)!

## Fall 11 and 12!

Like I wrote last week, do you even really need to see these? *Snitch* or *Mojito* (or someone else, as happened last week) wins and others do however they do. AIROW (am I right or what)?

Well, we did still have to race the races for someone or other to win one or the other of these. And we had fine conditions in which to do so. It was pleasantly uncold and unrainy and breezy – seeing 10-12 gusting maybe 18 early on quieting to around 8 gusting perhaps 12

for the second race. All of that was from some southerly quarter that was then funneled into whatever the hills around the lake do to those things. There was just enough variability in direction that there wasn't a consistently favored side to the lake. It was good and strong sailing.

The first course was for, um. Hmm. Points unknown? There had to have been a South point and a North point, at least. Well, perhaps it was **West Shore to Ladoga**. I do recall having raced to **Ladoga**. It feels like that was surely the first race... So let's go with that. That makes the course **WL** (right Janie?).

Again, it was a little breezier and a little punchier this race than the other. Still, windy and punchy or not, the leg from **West Shore to Ladoga** is still 2.6NM long and it still takes a fair bit of time to go that far. Then you have the 2.2NM final upwind leg which surely takes longer still to complete.

Well, boats still managed to do a good job of being at/near marks at the same time as when the three PHRF-LOW boats clustered around **Ladoga** after the downwind leg – just to keep things interesting.

Still, despite their generally superior speeds on downwind legs they did round after both *Snitch* and *Mehitabel*. Yes, of course, they started 5 minutes later but still, on a long run downwind they are supposed to overtake the boats that don't sail as quickly on that heading, aren't they? Well, this race went to *Snitch* (ha! As was foretold!) and *Mehitabel* with the others behind.

Fall 11	Course: WL		Wind 12-18S			
Place	Boat Name	PHRF	Start time	Finish time	Elapsed	Corrected
1	<i>Snitch</i>	168	13:30	14:44:08	1:14:08	1:07:07
2	<i>Mehitabel</i>	168	13:30	14:45:17	1:15:17	1:08:09
3	<i>Mojito</i>	69	13:35:00	14:40:01	1:05:01	1:08:16
4	<i>Grey Owl</i>	87	13:35:00	14:43:00	1:08:00	1:09:23
5	<i>Viento</i>	87	13:35:00	14:49:18	1:14:18	1:15:49
6	<i>Adelente</i>	168	13:30:00	14:55:57	1:25:57	1:17:49

The second course was a little shorter but that was surely fortunate given the slightly lower winds and the impending fetch. FWIW the first course was 5.2NM in length. The second was to **Sycamore** then **Far Maplewood** and as such was nominally 4NM (it's more like 3.8 in reality but the theory is close enough!). Those who had put in reefs (all one of us) had shaken all of that by this time. The race (at least the second start) began quite heated – with all three boats right on the line right on time. Well, *Mojito* was around three seconds early and did a quick circle below the line in order not to cross early but she was back with the others approximately 10 seconds later (nice 270, guys. Dang).

And we screamed down to **Sycamore** and popped chutes and screamed back up the lake. This go 'round things worked out more like they should with the PHRF-LOW boats making better ground on the PHRF-HIGH boats on the downwind leg and thus allowing *Mojito* to

take not only line but also the race (again, as foretold) despite her 10 seconds lost at the start!

Fall 12	Course: SF	Wind	7-12S			
Place	Boat Name	PHRF	Start time	Finish time	Time Elapsed	Corrected Time
1	<i>Mojito</i>	69	15:10:00	15:51:13	0:41:13	0:43:17
2	<i>Snitch</i>	168	15:05	15:53:06	0:48:06	0:43:33
3	<i>Grey Owl</i>	87	15:10:00	15:53:26	0:43:26	0:44:19
4	<i>Viento</i>	87	15:10:00	15:53:46	0:43:46	0:44:40
5	<i>Mehitabel</i>	168	15:05:00	15:54:53	0:49:53	0:45:10
6	<i>Adelente</i>	168	15:05:00	15:59:27	0:54:27	0:49:18

## Fall Series Final Results!

And, of course, that does bring us to results on the season. Please, join me in congratulating David and his remarkable crew (especially Bill and his devilled eggs) on another series win! I suppose this calls for three cheers, doesn't it? Well, hip, hip, hoorah! Hip, hip, hoorah! Hip, hip, hoorah! Way to go!

	F1	F2	F3	F4	F5	F6	F7	F8	F9	F10	F11	F12	Total	Net
<i>Snitch</i>	[4]	2	1	2	1	1	1	2	[3]	3	1	2	23	16
<i>mehitabel</i>	2	1	2	1	3	2	2	3	1	[4]	2	[5]	28	19
<i>Mojito</i>	1	4	[6]	[6]	5	3	3	1	2	1	3	1	36	24
<i>Grew Owl</i>	3	3	[5]	3	2	[9]	4	4	4	2	4	3	46	32
<i>Viento</i>	5	5	7	7	4	4	5	5	[9 (DNC)]	[9 (DNC)]	5	4	69	51
<i>Adelante</i>	6	6	4	4	6	5	6	6	6	5	[6]	[6]	66	54
<i>Fantasy</i>	7	7	9 (DNC)	9 (DNC)	7	9 (DNC)	9 (DNC)	9 (DNC)	5	6	[9 (DNC)]	[9 (DNC)]	95	77
<i>Wild Guinea Pig</i>	9 (DNC)	9 (DNC)	3	5	9 (DNC)	9 (DNC)	9 (DNC)	9 (DNC)	9 (DNC)	9 (DNC)	[9 (DNC)]	[9 (DNC)]	98	80

## Upcoming!

Oh, all kinds of stuff, right? I mean, it's plenty warm out and that's what matters! So, sailing for weeks and weeks and weeks. Only, there is only one more week of official racing. And then we'll have to get the marks out of the water and we'll have to hold an awards party of some sort. Well, we'll be asking you about some of these things next week and we'll just be scheduling others of them to happen and hope that you'll find it in your hearts to participate. Gets the marks out, cleaned and appropriately inventoried is never quick, simple and clean but it is definitely important to the running of things!

So... We'll see you on the water one more time, at least, right? Sunday. 10AMish. Right?

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