



Star Class Newsletter for the 1st, 2nd and 12th Districts

DECEMBER REGATTA SCHEDULE

5th District
Dec. 13-14 Kriss Kringle (SDYC)

20th District
Dec. 6-7 Commodore's Cup

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PLEASE VOTE!

Your Star Class ballot is due in the Central Office by December 10th. The Star Class is democratically run but can only be so if you exercise your democratic rights. For the resolutions which are on the ballot see pages 5-6.

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2003 NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP

October 18-21, 2003
St. Francis Yacht Club
By Paul Cayard



Paul Cayard and Phil Trinter
Winners of the 2003 North American Championship

Day 1, Race 1: We started out the Star North American Championship with a bang...a gun actually. We won the first race which was held on the Berkeley Circle Race course in 12-16 knots of wind. 40 Stars were on the line for the only race of the day which got under way about 14:45. The wind was fairly steady in direction with some small oscillations and velocity differences that had to be played in order to gain some advantage. Leading at the first mark was George Szabo with Howie Shiebler in a close second. We were third, Marazzi of Switzerland fourth and Reynolds / Liljedahl were fifth. The wind lighted considerably on the first run but not much changed in the positions. Reynolds made a nice move by getting onto port right away to begin the second windward leg and took over the lead. We battled with Shiebler and finally Reynolds at the top of the second beat and took the lead at the second windward mark. We held it from there to the finish although there was some gains and losses. Shiebler was second, Reynolds third, MacCausland fourth, Marazzi (SUI) fifth, Hutchinson 6th, Eric Doyle 7th, and Freddy Loof from Sweden 8th.

Day 2, Race 2: Tough day for sailing on San Francisco Bay. The wind did not cooperate for until about 1400 today and then was on the light side. However, this coupled with a relatively weak current made for the most "open course" racing that you can have on San Francisco Bay. Normally, racing on San Francisco Bay, especially along the city front, is a one-way street. He who wins the start and gets control of the race rarely loses as the others have to follow his track. This was not the case today. With the starting line just west of Alcatraz and the windward mark just north of Presidio Shoals, the shoreline was not a factor. The wind shifted back and forth and the pressure was also inconsistent. So it was a "heads out of the boat" race. We had a great start at the leeward end but that wasn't good enough to get us the lead up the first beat. We rounded the first mark about 4th and passed one boat on the run. Unfortunately, we set up to go toward the shore and there was much more pressure out in the middle of the bay. Shiebler and Hutchinson made the most of that. There were a few more shifts up the beat that we did not make

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Pl.	Sail #	Boat Name	Skipper	Crew	Fleet	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Tot.
1	8159		Paul Cayard	Phil Trinter	WSFB	1	6	4	1	4	2	12
2	7997	SEB	Frederik Lööf	Anders Ekstrom	Bk	8	3	3	3	3	dnf	20
3	8077	Cindy	Howie Shiebler	Will Stout	WSFB	2	1	11	6	1	15	21
4	8129	Nautica	Mark Reynolds	Magnus Liljedahl	SDB	3	4	12	11	6	4	28
5	8163		Eric Doyle	Rodrigo Meireles	SDB	7	5	1	13	10	7	30
6	8085	Ali Baba	Flavio Marazzi	Enrico De Maria	TB	5	10	8	2	12	5	30
7	8177		Terry Hutchinson	Andrew Scott	AN	6	2	10	5	8	14	31
8	7995		George Szabo	Mark Strube	SDB	11	7	9	4	11	3	34
9	8113	Erin	John MacCausland	Bard Nichol	CR	4	19	6	21	7	9	45
10	8131		Doug Schofield	Robert Schofield	AN	12	11	2	8	19	13	46
11	7405	Frolic	Carl Buchan	Hugo Schreiner	PS	17	12	15	dnf	2	1	47
12	7862	ISM	John Virtue	Austin Sperry	NH	14	21	31	9	9	10	63
13	8140		Iain Murray	Andrew Palfrey	LMac	ocs	13	14	12	17	8	64
14	8082	Max	Rick Merriman	Bill Bennett	SDB	23	24	5	15	13	11	67
15	8059		Peter Vessella	Brian Fatih	WSFB	10	15	20	24	5	19	69
16	8168	TBA	Ross Macdonald	Kai Bjorn	EB	16	18	26	7	23	6	70
17	7986		Bill Allen	Brad Lichter	WH	15	8	25	10	24	20	77
18	7844	Miller Time	Foss Miller	Greg Newhall	PS	13	20	7	23	22	21	83
19	8072		Doug Smith	Jon Rogers	SBC	22	9	24	17	27	12	84
20	8041		Jim Buckingham	Rick Peters	NH	21	33	16	16	14	17	84
21	7996	Larry Whipple	Bill Buchan	Mark Brink	PS	9	29	29	14	16	dnf	97
22	8111		Paul Sustronk	Mike Wolfs	LOC	18	17	28	26	21	18	100
23	7640		Arthur Anosov	Peter Carson	TaB	28	22	32	22	15	16	103
24	7631	Elysium	Erik Lidecis	Dan Roehl	NH	26	16	23	20	18	dnf	103
25	7042	Alice	Steve Brown	Mike Marzahl	NH	19	27	13	31	30	25	114
26	7775		Bill Abbott	Brad Boston	CAN	29	25	18	30	20	dnf	122
27	7784	Rachel	Andrew Macdonald	Darryl Hiatt	NH	24	23	34	18	26	dnf	125
28	8006	Pegasus	Philippe Kahn	Mark Christensen	HI	20	31	dsq	27	29	23	130
29	7612		Steve Gould	Bill Kreysler	WSFB	ocs	14	17	19	dnf	dnf	132
30	7793	Remarc	Brian Cramer	Len Delicaat	LOC	dnf	34	19	29	32	22	136
31	8087		Kevin McNeil	Seth Mininger	AN	33	30	22	32	25	dnf	142
32	7465	Zeus	Fotis Boliakis	Keith Gardner	CLIS	31	35	27	28	33	24	143
33	7663	Alinghi	Marc Skipwith	Jeep Heckman	SMB	27	36	30	25	28	ocs	146
34	7985	Amante	Barton Beek	Chris Roberts	NH	30	37	33	33	31	26	153
35	7437		Nedko Vassilev	Roberto Giramonti	BUL	25	32	21	dnf	dns	dns	160
36	7451	Shorebreak	Dennis Burgess	Dave Kershaw	EB	32	26	35	dnf	dns	dns	175
37	7838	Babe	Doug Steele	Craig Steele	LB	34	28	dsq	34	dns	dns	178
38	7710		Jorg Westerheide	Eric Monroe	NH	35	38	36	35	dnf	dns	185
39	4103	Skip	Scot Merrick	Don Taylor	WSFB	36	39	37	36	dns	dns	189
40	7254		Dale Hoffman	Robert Ferro	WSFB	dnf	dnf	dns	dns	dns	dns	205

the most of but we still rounded the windward mark 5th. Eric Doyle had a big move at the end of the second windward leg to round fourth. Down the last run, we paid too much attention to the current and not enough to the pressure and lost Mark Reynolds and finished 6th. Howard Shiebler won the race so he has a handy lead in the regatta with a 1,2. Terry Hutchinson finished second, Freddy Lööf third.

Day 3, Race 3: The wind was late in arriving again today but we got race number 3 off around 13:30 in 14 knots of wind. The current was ebbing so this kept the racecourse

as open as it can be on the City front. We had a great start at the pin again but the guys just up the line, the boats had a bit more pressure and a bit more right shifted wind. We got around the top mark 4th but lost a bit to the boats who gybed out early. Eric Doyle and his crew Rodrigo Meireles made a big move there. There was more pressure out and even though the shore was favored from a current standpoint, Eric moved into the lead there and held it for the rest of the race. We rounded the second windward mark 3rd but lost Freddy Lööf on the run to the finish so we finished fourth. Doug Schofield and his brother Robert

sailed a great race to finish second. Shiebler / Stout and Reynolds / Liljedahl, our main competitors from yesterday were behind us so we were moving up. At that point, Eric Doyle was winning the regatta.

Day 3, Race 4: The second race started in much the same conditions, 14 knots of wind but the current was starting to slacken from the maximum ebb situation we had in the first race. We started right at the pin again but were called over early. We rounded the pin quickly and headed off on port in a clear lane. We worked the shifts nicely and round the top mark about 10th. Down the run we were one of the first to gybe out. Again, this was "bad" from a current standpoint but good from a wind pressure standpoint. In the end, the wind pressure was more valuable than the current and we gained. We rounded the leeward mark 3rd. Up the second windward leg we passed one boat and down the final run we passed the leader. We actually got very lucky here. A ferryboat went by and we surfed its wake. We went from being in second by 100 meters to being in first. From there we just hung on and got the bullet.

Day 4, Race 5: Today, we were greeted with more typical San Francisco Bay conditions. Windy, cold, foggy and big current. Both races today were decided by a big move on the first run. In the first race of the day, Howie Shiebler and his crew Will Stout hung it out into the middle of the bay and got that last of the flood to win the race. We

finished fourth in that one and with Freddy Lööf finishing third we went into the last race tied with Shiebler and 2 points ahead of Lööf / Eckstrom.

Day 4, Race 6: We had a good start in the last race just to leeward of Shiebler / Stout. We could not pinch them off so we drag raced out to the left side. We had to tack first and duck Shiebler and this put him in control of the race and the regatta. However, he got caught up in some traffic and we sprung free of him to round the first mark right on his heels. He gybed out to the middle, a move which won him the first race, and we continued straight along the city front. It was a regatta-winning move for us this time as Shiebler and all those who gybed immediately lost several hundred yards when we converged down at the leeward mark off Alcatraz. 1992 World Champions Carl Buchan and Hugo Schreiner led at the leeward mark and won the race. Once we rounded the leeward mark it is a matter of not making any big mistakes for the rest of the race. We finished second and won the regatta with 12 points. Both Lööf and Shiebler sailed their worst races of the regatta and that meant that Lööf / Eckstrom beat Shiebler / Stout by one point, 20 to 21. Mark Reynolds and Magnus Liljedahl moved up to 4th overall with a 6, 4 for the day and Eric Doyle and Rodrigo Meireles finished fifth.

2004 SPRING CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE

Monday, April 12th 2004 through Sunday, April 18th 2004

Host Club: Southern Yacht Club
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Regatta Chairman: Guy Brierre
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Entry deadline: 25 March 2004

Schedule

Sunday, April 11	Easter Sunday
Monday, April 12	Early Registration and Measurement for Jahnke Participants
Tuesday, April 13	Morning, continued Registration and measurement Afternoon - Jahnke Series Races 1-3
Wednesday, April 14	Jahnke Series Races 4&5 Registration & Measurement for non-Jahnke Participants
Thursday, April 15	Spring Series Race 1
Friday, April 16	Spring Series Races 2&3
Saturday, April 17	Spring Series Race 4&5
Sunday, April 18	Spring Series Race 6 followed by Awards Banquet

2003 SCHOONMAKER CUP

November 15-16, 2003

Coral Reef Yacht Club

By Mark Reynolds

We had a record turnout of 34 boats for the Schoonmaker Cup held on November 15-16. With the Olympics and US trails coming up quite a few top American and some foreign teams were also in attendance. In fact many boats were seen out the previous week out training and getting ready for a great winter season. The weather was beautiful as usual and 3 races were held on Saturday with an oscillating 10 knot easterly.

On Sunday we had 2 more races in a slightly windier southeasterly. The Coral Reef YC race committee did an awesome job running course 4 for each race. Peter Bromby with Lee White and Martin Siese sharing crewing duty led the whole regatta. Howie Shiebler and Will Stout were close behind almost getting the Bermudians in the final race.

2003 SCHOONMAKER CUP

Coral Reef Yacht Club

November 15-16, 2003

Pl	Sail	Skipper	Crew	Fleet	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	Tot
1	7988	Peter Bromby	Lee White	BER	1	1	2	3	bfd	7
2	8077	Howie Schiebler	Will Stout	WSFB	2	2	1	7	4	9
3	8028	Mark Neeleman	Peter Niekerk	Med	8	3	3	2	6	14
4	8140	Marc Pickel	Tony Colb	Brm	5	4	5	1	8	15
5	8129	Mark Reynolds	Andy Lovell	SDB	ocs	6	9	4	1	20
6	8159	Paul Cayard	Phil Trinter	WSFB	4	5	14	5	bfd	28
7	8131	Doug Schofield	Bob Schofield	AN	7	8	7	6	bfd	28
8	8162	Andy Macdonald	Austin Sperry	NH	10	9	4	8	12	31
9	8176	Steven Kelly	Bill Holowesko	N	6	14	11	14	2	33
10	7996	Tony Rey	Doug Brophy	NB	3	15	15	ocs	3	36
11	8181	Larry Whipple	Mark Strube	PS	18	13	6	12	5	36
12	8045	Augie Diaz	Mike Dorgan	BisB	15	11	10	9	7	37
13	7986	Bill Allen	Bruce Hatfield	WH	17	10	13	22	9	49
14	7952	Ben Cesare	Brian Sharp	Mid	26	ocs	8	10	10	54
15	7640	Arthur Anasov	Chris Roger	TaB	16	17	12	17	11	56
16	8072	Doug Smith	Jonathan Rogers	SBC	12	21	16	13	17	58
17	7876	Andy Horton	Bill Fastiggi	AN	19	7	20	18	bfd	64
18	7465	Fotis Boliakis	Darrell Hiatt	CLIS	14	21	27	16	15	66
19	7659	Rick Peter	Rick Burgess	SMB	11	16	21	19	bfd	67
20	7793	Brian Crammer	Brie Monroe	LOC	9	18	25	20	23	70
21	8158	Max Treacy	Anthony Shank	IRL	12	dnf	dnf	11	13	71
22	7614	Karl Anderson	Ezra Culver	BH	13	22	23	25	16	74
23	8087	Kevin McNeil	Dave Decker	AN	20	19	17	23	19	75
24	7936	Steve Rubinkam	Guy Avelon	WLM	31	28	19	15	14	76
25	7802	James Freeman	Matt Freeman	SL	20	24	18	24	20	82
26	8024	Bill Culberson	Chris Frost	MoB	25	30	24	26	18	93
27	8080	Nelson Stephenson	David Chard	CLIS	27	23	22	21	bfd	93
28	7521	Robert Van Wagnen	Eric Beckwith	BisB	23	25	dnf	27	22	97
29	7964	Ch. Kohlermann IV	Ch. Kohlermann III	NCB	22	24	29	31	25	100
30	7999	Tiani Hansen	Bruno Miranda	BisB	29	26	28	ocs	24	107
31	7911	John Fox	Nancy Fox	BisB	32	29	26	29	26	110
32	8113	Gunti Weisenberger	Richard Plunckett	NCB	28	27	30	30	27	112
33	7934	Karl von Schwarz	Rich Wharton	CB	30	31	31	28	28	117
34	7471	John Bainton	Will Christenson	NB	ocs	dnf	dnf	ocs	21	126



Helen and Melville Grosvenor Aboard Chesapeake Bay Fleet
Champion, *Escape*

MELVILLE & HELEN GROSVENOR

In the 1940 Star Class Log there is a photo of Helen and Melville Grosvenor sailing a Star boat on Chesapeake Bay. Melville Bell Grosvenor (1901-1982) was the son of National Geographic Society's founder Gilbert Hovey Grosvenor and for many years was part of the National Geographic staff, including the posts of Chief Illustrations Editor (1930's), Assistant Chief Editor (1940's and 1950's) and Chairman of the Board and Editor-in-Chief (1970's).

The boat Helen and Melville are sailing is Star # 1444, *Escape*, which the Grosvenors purchased new from the builder C. Lowndes Johnson in 1937. As stated in the caption of the photo, the Grosvenors were fleet champions of the Chesapeake Bay Fleet for the year 1939. That year they also won other events in their fleet, including the J. Rulon Miller Jr. Memorial Series and the Thomas Point Long Distance Race. The Grosvenors were also fleet champions in 1937 and 1938, and in 1937 participated in the Star Class World Championship which was held that year on Long Island Sound off Port Washington, N.Y. They place 25th out of 36 boats.

The Star Class records show that the Grosvenors continued to own the boat until 1947.

2003 RESOLUTIONS FOR 2004

Here are the resolutions which are on the ballot:

#10 - 2003 – submitted by the Pater Noster Star Fleet
To amend Rule 31.1.3 Personnel (Weight Rule) as follows:
In the weight formula, delete the following sentence:

In pounds: $C = ((220 - S) / 2) + 220$

REASON: In all other aspects of the Star Class Rule and Specifications, the metric system is used. It can easily be converted into other systems, like inches or pounds, for those who use it. This change will also eliminate the calculation difference that now exists between kilograms and pounds in the formula.

#11 - 2003 – submitted by the Gluecksburg Star Fleet
To amend Rule 31.2.3 (b) (3) as follows:

In paragraph 2, delete the following sentences:

In all of the above, where the hiking pennant attaches to the vest a quick release snap shackle such as a common spinnaker sheet snap shackle must attach the pennant to the vest. It must be capable of being released at any instant by one hand with the crew in full hiking position.

REASON: Rule 31.2.3 (b) already determines that the vest must be attached to the hull by means of a quick release. The Technical Committee has approved three attachment

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REGATTA SCHEDULES

1st District (2004 preliminary schedule. More information will be posted as it becomes available.)

- June 19-20 Arms-White (Mid)
- July 16-18 1st District Championship (HB)
- Aug. 21-26 North American Championship (BH)
- Sept. 11-12 Bedford Pitcher (CLIS)
- Sept. 18-19 Nutmeg Regatta (Mid)
- Oct. 9-10 Larchmont Columbus Day Regatta

2nd District (2004 preliminary schedule)

- Sept. 25-26 Oxford Fall Wind-Up

5th District

- Dec. 13-14 Kriss Kringle (SDYC)

12th District (2004 preliminary schedule)

- July 31-Aug. 1 Lake Sunapee Open (Sun)

20th District

- Dec. 6-7 Commodore's Cup
- Jan. 10-11 Levin Memorial
- Jan. 24-25 Biscayne Trophy
- Jan. 26-30 Olympic Classes Regatta
- Feb. 21-22 Masters Regatta
- Mar. 6-12 Bacardi Cup
- Mar. 18-28 Olympic Trials

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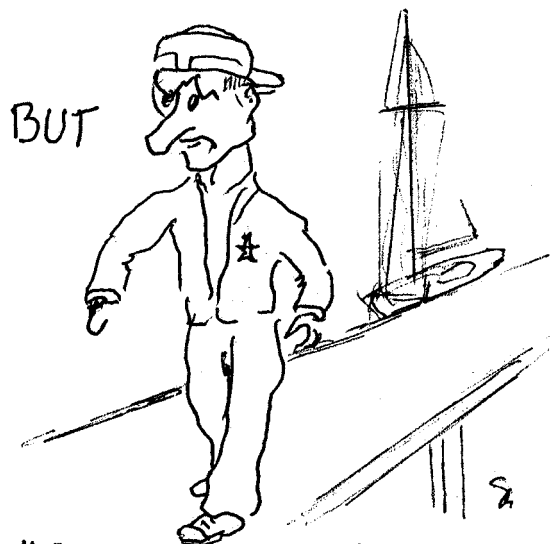
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WE NEVER LOST AN ARGUMENT OR A PROTEST.

Cartoon by Emil Karlovsky

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 Place/ Boat #/ Skipper/ Crew/ Fleet/ Daily positions/ Score
 Please contact the editor about any corrections to race results, especially concerning names and fleet designations. While this cannot undo what has already been printed, it would be helpful in avoiding errors in the future.

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