

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

NOVEMBER REGATTA SCHEDULE

20th District Nov 16-17Schoonmaker Cup

SPLITTING THE FLEET AT THE STAR CLASS WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP

by John MacCausland Sr.

In reply to the question of whether under the present Star Class rules can we split the fleet and have an elimination round at the World's, I refer you to Star Class Judicial Board ruling # 1-1979 (Starlights - June 1979; see below). The Judicial Board's unanimous opinion was that under the existing rules of the Star Class the scheduling of additional rounds of eliminations prior to the World's Championship was not allowed. The problem of 100 boat fleets has to be addressed by the Class, but for the time being until our by-laws are changed if we want to call an event the Star Class World's Championship we must abide by our by-laws as shown in the 2002 Log.

This is my understanding of our by-laws and I would be interested in hearing from interested Star Class members on the above subject.

JUDICIARY BOARD INTERPRETATION No. 1-1979 (from Starlights, June, 1979)

The Administrative Committee has requested an interpretation from the Judiciary Board concerning the legality of holding an elimination round (of perhaps 3 races) just prior to the World's Championship, followed by a final actual World's Championship in which only a certain number of qualifying through the elimination round could participate.

The World's Championship is explicitly defined as consisting of "six races, ... etc. ..." in Rules Governing the World's Championship, Art. VIII, Sec. 1. In Article IV, Rules Governing the World's Championship, Section 1 states that "Entries to the World's Championship shall be determined ... on the following basis." Section 3 states that "Any fleet having 8 or more active boats is entitled to send one entry ... directly to the World's Championship ..."

The Judiciary Board is therefore of the unanimous

opinion that the existing rules of the Class do not permit scheduling an additional round of eliminations prior to the World's Championship.

C. Stanley Ogilvy, Chairman

WANTED: STAR CLASS MEMORABILIA

The Mystic Seaport Museum is making progress on setting up the Star Class Exhibit. If you have anything which you think would be of interest and would like to either loan or donate the item to Mystic please contact one of the following people and let them know what you have:

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NUTMEG REGATTA

September 21-22, 2002 Milford, CT. By John "Little Mac" MacCausland

Maybe it is me but I thought it was supposed to be cool this time of the year. Not this year, it was more like summer time than fall. We spent the first two and one half hours on the water waiting for the wind. It was eighty to eighty-five degrees. So many crews took the opportunity to take one last dip in Long Island Sound before the arrival of colder weather.

By about 1:30 we started to see some wind coming from the southeast. The committee sprang to action setting the course and getting ready to start the first race. The wind was still light when we started the race. By the time the first boats reached the first mark there was very little wind and an adverse current. The boats that got around the mark opened up nicely on the boats that were still going to weather. The first weather leg almost took one hour and it was only 1.25 miles long. By the time we reached the leeward mark the committee chose to shorten the race and finish us at the leeward mark. Dave and Geoff Chittick won the race with Carol Gracco and Peter Costa second, John MacCausland and Sean Delaney hung on for third.

The breeze finally filled in and we were able to start the

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race in 8 to 10 MPH. It felt great to be able to hike for a whole race. John MacCausland led at each mark to win the race. John Lombard and Kip Gardner were second at the first mark with Ben Cesare and Mike Whitford third. On the first run Ben passed John Lombard and that is the way the race finished.

Sunday was one more day of summer, warm with light breeze. By the time we started the wind was very light. At the first mark John Bainton and Will Christensen led with Ben Cesare close on their heels. On the first run Ben was able to pass John and open up a huge lead by the leeward mark. Ben was over twenty minutes ahead. On the next leg the wind was light and right. Ben protected the right side of the course which at the time was the right thing to do. John Lombard rounded the leeward mark in tenth place. He and Kip worked towards the left. By the time we neared the second weather mark the committee chose to shorten the course. The three legs that we sailed had taken the leaders nearly three hours. Near the finish the wind on the right had all but died. Here came John Lombard from the left in the best breeze on the course. John & Kip came within a boat length of winning the race. Remember John had to be twenty-five minutes behind Ben at the last mark. John MacCausland and Sean Delaney hung on for third. With this finish MacCausland and Delaney sealed the overall victory. Thanks again to the Mid-Connecticut Star Fleet and Milford Yacht Club for putting on another great event. Remember Milford Yacht Club puts on two events each year; we all appreciate what they do for Star sailing in the Northeast, thanks.

			NUTMEG R	EGATT	`A				
Pl	Sail	Skipper	Crew	Fleet	Boat Name	R1	R2	R3	Pts
1	8068	John MacCausland	Sean Delaney	CR	Erin	3	1	3	7
2	7728	John Lombard	Kip Gardner	Mid	Hayaku	4	3	2	9
3	7732	Gary Macdonald	Serge Leonidov	BH		8	6	5	19
4	7465	Ben Cesare	Michael Whitford	Mid	Kimmar	18	2	1	21
5	7565	Jack Button	Chris Batchelor	Mid	Telluride	5	7	11	23
6	7951	David Chittick	Geoff Chittick	Mid	Jane's Bane IV	1	9	15	25
7	7595	Carol Gracco	Peter Costa	Mid	Le Vent	2	19	6	27
8	7555	Ed Desmarais	Brian Ellis	CA	Spunk	9	15	4	28
9	7604	Rich Gordon	Desmond Welsh	CLIS	Ingrid Ekholm	6	13	10	29
10	7386	Jim Kubik	Mason Browne	CA	Connection	12	14	7	33
11	8052	Steve Braverman	Greg Reuter	BH	Don't Look Back	7	10	19	36
12	7471	John Bainton	William Christensen	NB	Humility	20	4	16	40
13	7993	Joe Bainton	Todd Raynor	NB	Junk Yard Dog	21	5	14	40
14	8035	David Bolles	Alejandra Bolles	Mid	Impromptu	16	17	8	41
15	7371	Rob Smith	Erik Rosanes	HB	Sirene Again	11	21	12	44
16	6685	Michael Saari	Wayne Pierce	CLIS	Fly Bye	15	22	9	46
17	6731	John Courtney	Bob Carlson	Mid	Morning Star	14	8	dnc	48
18	7911	John Fox	Nancy Fox	BH	Foxy	13	18	18	49
19	7724	Joe Giunti	Doug DePhillips	Mid	Bittersweet	17	20	13	50
20	7554	Emil Karlovsky	Don Cronan	Mid	Trojka	22	16	17	55
21	7614	Ted Lavery	John Carney	BH	Namaycush	19	11	dnc	56
22	7411	Jay O"Malley	Pat Lushna	CA	Ding Dong	10	dns	dnc	62
23	7101	Kenneth Luczynski	Warren Trafton	BH	Trust	dnf	12	dnf	64
24	7474	Charles Correll	Ed Linke	Mid	Robbie II	23	23	20	66
25	799	Marvin Pozefsky	Tim Kuhl	Mid	Found Goods	24	24	21	69

September 28-29, 2002 Oxford, MD. 19 Boats by John "Little Mac" MacCausland

Fall weather at its best! Saturday we had very strong winds 25 to 35 MPH sustained. The committee postponed until 3:15 pm. By this time the breeze started to soften up. The committee set up a three-lap triangle course to starboard in the small bay right in front of the club. At the start three boats were over early – Burt Collins, Trapper Lippincott and John MacCausland. The rest of the fleet was off to the races. At the first mark Rob Maine and Kevin McNeil led with Doug and Bob Schofield in second. These two boats had a good lead on the rest of the fleet. Round and round we went for three laps. Rob Maine and Kevin Murphy lead at every mark to win with Doug and Bob Schofield second. John MacCausland and Burt Collins came a long way back to end up third and fifth respectfully.

Back on shore we all enjoyed a great meal prepared by the staff at the Tred Avon Yacht Club. John Sherwood gave a wonderful presentation about the history of the Fall Wind-Up. This was the 51st running of the Wind-Up.

Sunday dawned beautiful with light northeast wind. By the time we all arrived at the race course the wind started to get lighter, and by the time we were half way up the first boat the wind was very light and shifty. The right seemed to be paying. Pickall and Branford lead coming from the right. Jim and Matt Freeman came from the left to round second. The run was pretty uneventful. The big mover on

this leg was Rob Maine and Kevin Murphy coming from 6 or 7th to round second. The second weather leg was very difficult. By now the breeze was really dying. The first group of boats went right and a few boats went left. About half way up the leg the breeze all but quit. Once the breeze started to fill back in it came from the left leaving the leaders on the right hanging. John MacCausland and Burt Collins gained the most from the left rounding first and second at the mark. The run to the finish turned into a reach which kept passing to a minimum.

At the finish it was MacCausland, Collins and Lippincott for the top three.

We all had a great weekend, thanks again to Richard Lippincott and the Tred Avon Yacht Club.

	OXFORD FALL WIND-UP							
Pl	Sail	Boat Name	Skipper	Crew	Fleet	R1	R2	Pts
1	8068	Erin	John Maccausland	Arnis Baltins	CR	3	1	4
2	7726	Fat Heads	Rob Maine	Kevin Murphy	WH	1	5	6
3	8063		Bert Collins	Guy Avellon	AN	5	2	7
4	7876	Betsy Ross	Doug Schofield	Bob Schofield	AN	2	8	10
5	7939	Alexia	Elliott Oldak	Angelo Buscemi	AN	6	4	10
6	7802	Mongoose	Jim Freeman	Matt Freeman	SL	4	6	10
7	7424	Ice Blue	Trapper Lippincott	Barbara Vosbury	AN	10	3	13
8	8038		John Vanderhoff	Rowan Perkins	NCB	7	7	14
9	7090	L'il White Lie	Roger Pickall	Bob Bradford	MES	13	9	22
10	7307	Jade	John Jenkins	Ebbie Dupont	MES	8	15	23
11	7530	Gessy	Bob Flower	Greenlee		12	13	25
12	6790	Popeye	Joe Balderson	Borchard	MES	17	11	28
13	7786	Second Mouse	Karen Alt	Walsh	MES	16	12	28
14	7370		Rob Emmet	Voeltner	AN	9	dnf	29
15	7793	Remarc	Cramer	Carson	LOC	11	18	29
16	7054	Donnybrook	Thomas	Brohawn	MES	dnc	10	30
17	7102	Lucky	Will Murdoch	Penwell	MES	14	17	31
18	7785	Elusive	Chuck Wiley			15	16	31
19	7182	Mary Jane	Sam Hopkins	Bart Kaplan		dnc	14	34

THE NASH TROPHY

The Nash Trophy is awarded to the skipper with the highest total points in the Long Island Sound Fall Circuit. This year two regattas made up this series: the Bedford Pitcher and the Nutmeg Regatta. John "Little Mac" MacCausland won the trophy by one point over John Lombard of the Mid-Conn fleet.



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Committee

Dierk Thomsen: Group B Harry Adler: Review Board Carlo Rolandi: Review Board Hal Haenel: Events Committee Alberto Zanetti: Events Committee

Riccardo Simoneschi: ISAF Classes Committee.

Sailing Committee

If you know of other names which should be on this list please let the editor know. It would be also helpful to know the names of Star Class members serving in positions in the various

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2	7728	Hayaku	John Lombard	Mid	19	4	5	4	3	2	37
3	7565	Telluride	Jack Button	Mid	4	5	dsq	5	7	11	53
4	7951	Jane's Bane IV	David Chittick	Mid	7	dsq	8	1	9	15	61
5	7471	Humility	John Bainton	NB	16	3	7	20	4	16	66
6	8052	Don't Look Back	Steve Braverman	BH	13	10	13	7	10	19	72
7	7993	Junk Yard Dog	Joe Bainton	NB	dns	11	11	21	5	14	83
8	7604	Ingrid Ekholm	Rich Gordon	CLIS	18	18	19	6	13	10	84
9	7411	Ding Dong	Jay O"Malley	CA	11	12	4	10	26	dnc	89
10	7911	Foxy	John Fox	BH	15	17	17	13	18	18	98

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Place/ Boat #/ Skipper/ Crew/ Fleet/ Daily positions/ Score

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REGATTA SCHEDULES

5th District

Dec. 14-15 Kriss Kringle Regatta, SDYC

20th District

Nov 16-17Schoonmaker Cup Dec 7-8 Commodore's Cup

Jan 4-5 Levin Memorial Jan 25-26 Biscayne Trophy

Jan 28-Feb 1 Olympic Classes Regatta

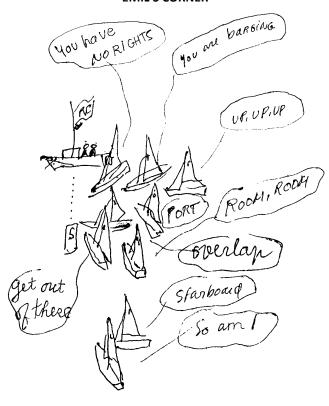
Feb 15-16 Master's Regatta Mar 2-7 Bacardi Cup

Apr tba 20th District Championship

George & Juanita Elder in ISCYRA VI in 1941

George Elder, the founder of the "International Star Class Yacht Racing Association", bought his first Star Zete, #36, in 1914. He later owned a succession of boats named ISCYRA. Pictured below is ISCYRA VI, # 2043, at the Marblehead Race Week. Items of note: massive mast; mechanical mast partners; roller reefing with "claws"; fixed gooseneck; below-deck halyard cleating; single jib fairlead loop; long chainplates; snubbing winch.

EMIL'S CORNER



Cartoon by Emil Karlovsky

