



**NOVEMBER REGATTA SCHEDULE**

5<sup>th</sup> District

Nov. 1-2 Ash Bown/ Octoberfest (SDYC)

20<sup>th</sup> District

Nov. 15-16 Schoonmaker Cup.

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**6<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP**

September 13-14, 2003

Shilshole Bay, Seattle, WA

The District 6 Championship was hosted by CYC in Seattle and sailed in Puget Sound out of Shilshole. Winds were predominately Northerly 3-8 knots on Saturday but shifts from the Northwest and East were also to be found mixed in with the occasional hole. Carl Buchan was always into the new breeze first or on the smart side of shifts and strung up 3 bullets on Saturday. CYC hosted a great dinner Saturday night. Racing didn't look promising on Sunday morning, until a solid 8 knot North / Northwesterly filled in around noon and the fleet got the last race off in perfect flat water conditions. Carl Buchan won the Blue Star, Bill Buchan was 2nd and Dave Watt was 3rd. The Masters was won by Bill Buchan and the Green Star by Craig Wilshire.

Pl.	Boat#	Skipper	Crew	Flt	R1	R2	R3	R4	Tot.
1	7405	Carl Buchan	Hugo Schreiner	PS	1	1	1	1	3
2	7996	Bill Buchan	Mark Brink	PS	3	2	2	2	6
3	7462	Dave Watt	Reid	PS	2	3	4	3	8
4	6560	Jed Miller	Frost	PS	4	8	3	7	14
5	7844	Foss Miller	Greg Newhall	PS	7	4	7	4	15
6	7014	Craig Wilshire	Hansen	EB	5	5	5	5	15
7	7617	Jonathan Turvey	Verhaan	PS	8	7	6	6	19
8	7492	Dennis Burgess	Fischer	EB	6	6	8	8	20

**2003 OXFORD FALL WIND-UP**

September 27-28, 2003

Oxford, MD

By John MacCausland

I arrived in Oxford at eleven am Friday morning hoping to get some sailing in before the regatta. Most of the time I am the first person on site, but when I arrived there were at least five other boats with the same idea. There seemed to be a lot of interest in this regatta, the weather report

seemed good and Oxford is a great place to go this time of the year. To bad the weather on Friday did not cooperate: lots of sun and not much wind. So the day was spent rigging and preparing for the racing.

Oxford was hit pretty hard by hurricane Isabel. Most of the damage came from flooding. The yacht club was sparred from the flooding. The water was within inches of the front door of the club. The club staff did a great job in cleaning up the club grounds and making everything ready for the regatta.

Twenty-eight boats from places as far away as Florida, Chicago, Boston, Toronto were on site to start the 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Oxford Fall Wind-Up. Out on the race course things looked good to get started right away. But the preverbal black cloud came over the course and slowed things down. After a short postponement we were able to start the first race. By the first mark it was Ben Cesare with Brian Sharp in the lead with the fleet in close pursuit. The breeze was on its way down on the first run and by the leeward mark it had become very light. The next beat featured a ninety degree left shift that shook up the fleet but Ben Cesare and Tom Price who were first and second at the leeward mark survived and were still in the top two spots at the second weather mark. The run to the finish was a parade with very little change in position.

Race two was sailed in very nice conditions. Again the racing was very close. In the end it was Arthur Anosov with Peter Carson taking the gun. By the end of the day Tom Price and Will Wagner were leading with a 2-5. Next was John MacCausland and Brad Nichol with a 6-2. Rounding out the top three was Ben Cesare and Brian Sharp with a 1-10.

One race was scheduled for Sunday the forecast did not look great but by the time we all left the dock and arrived at the race course things did not look too bad. Fifteen to eighteen knot of wind from the Northwest and blue sky coming. By the first mark John MacCausland and Brad Nichol were in the lead with Ben Cesare in close pursuit and regatta leader tom Price in fifth place. We were sailing a triangular course and on the first reach MacCausland and Cesare got a puff that the rest of the fleet did not get. The pair was able to open up a good lead on the fleet. As the race went on the top two positions did not change. Tom Price did a nice job to get back to third in the race.

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Tred Avon Y.C.									
Pl	Sail	Boat Name	Skipper	Crew	Fleet	R1	R2	R3	Tot.
1	8113	Erin	John MacCausland	Brad Nichol	CR	6	2	1	9
2	7313	Bop	Tom Price	Will Wagner	CB	2	5	3	10
3	7952	Kimmar	Ben Cesare	Brian Sharp	Mid	1	10	2	13
4	7640		Arthur Anosov	Peter Carson	TaB	11	1	6	18
5	7225		Hyde Perce	Chuck Nevel	WH	10	4	5	19
6	8063		Bert Collins	Guy Avelon	AN	8	6	8	22
7	7890	Mongrel	Guy Gurney	Serge Leonidov	CLIS	16	7	4	27
8	7370		Rob Emmet	Arnis Baltins	AN	5	15	11	31
9	7732	Night Light	Gary MacDonald	Ted Lavery	BH	4	11	17	32
10	7425	Ice Blue	Trapper Lippincott	Tim McAteer	AN	9	12	12	33
11	7939	Alexia	Elliot Oldak	John Henry	AN	3	16	15	34
12	8038		John Vanderhoff	Rowan Perkins	NCB	21	8	7	36
13	7530	Gessy	Bob Flower	Bob Greenley	MES	24	9	10	43
14	7307	Jade	John Jenkins	Ebby DuPont	MES	14	17	13	44
15	7793	Remarc	Brian Cramer		LOC	15	14	16	45
16	7465	Zeus	Fotis Boliakis	Kip Gardner	CLIS	13	19	14	46
17	7089	Madd Jack	Bill Vickers	Brad Lichter	AN	26	13	9	48
18	7786	Second Mouse	Karen Wiley Alt	Chris Hardin	MES	7	22	23	52
19	7162	Hurrying Angel	Dan North	Jeep Jallott	MES	12	24	18	54
20	8087		Kevin McNeil	Seth Mininger	AN	23	3	ocs	55
21	7090	Lil' White Lie	Bob Bradford	Roger Pickall	MES	17	23	21	61
22	7688	Aire Puppy	Larry Parrota	Robert Marley	NCB	20	20	22	62
23	7512		Joe Balderson	Peter Borchartd	MES	27	18	20	65
24	7568	Starstruckagain	Donald Elliott	Doug Campbell	MES	25	21	19	65
25	7497		Kris Wilson	Bud Elsaesser	AN	19	27	25	71
26	7054	Rebel Yell	David Thomas	Jamie Brohawn	MES	18	25	ocs	72
27	7102	Lucky	Will Murdoch	Carl Langhammerer	MES	22	26	24	72
28	7970	Mary Jane	Sam Hopkins	Carol Boykin	AN	28	28	26	82

With their win MacCausland and Nichol sealed the overall win. Tom Price and Will Wagner sailed a very good series to finish second and rounding out the top three was Ben Cesare and Brian Sharp. We had a great turnout this year. Let's all try next year to bring one more boat with us and we can have an unbelievable regatta. Thanks again to Richard Lippincott and the staff at the Tred Avon Yacht Club for putting on such a great event.

By virtue of winning each of the regattas the clear winner of the trophy is John MacCausland, Jr. Brad Nichol crewed for John in all three events. Little Mac and Brad received a case of Sierra Nevada Pale Ale and a bottle of Bacardi 8 respectively for 1st place overall. Peter Cusick received a bottle of Gosling's for 2d overall. There is a bottle of Mount Gay Extra Old for Jim Kubik as 1st Master.

**TRI-DISTRICT TROPHY**

This year the dream of instituting a Tri-District Trophy came to fruition. The idea is to select a representative regatta from each of the districts in the Tri-District area and award the trophy to the top skipper. This year the Sunapee Open, the Nutmeg Regatta and the Oxford Fall Wind-Up were chosen as the regattas which counted towards this trophy. Seven skippers qualified for the trophy. Scoring for the Tri-District Trophy is calculated by taking the average race score (of all races) for each event, and totaling the best two sailed events.

Skipper	Mstr	Sun	Nutmeg	Oxford	Best 2
John MacCausland		2.33	1.67	3.00	4.00
Peter Cusick		8.33	3.00	0.00	11.33
Ben Cesare		0.00	7.67	4.33	12.00
Erik Johnson		9.00	6.33	0.00	15.33
Fotis Boliakis		18.00	10.00	15.33	25.33
Jim Kubik	GM	14.00	13.00	0.00	27.00
John Chiarella	GM	11.67	16.67	0.00	28.34

**NEW ENGLAND INTERCOLLEGIATE  
SLOOP CHAMPIONSHIP**

47th White Trophy Regatta  
Hosted by MIT at Cottage Park YC. Winthrop, MA  
October 11-12, 2003  
by Mike Kailin, MIT

Twelve teams competed in the venerable Olympic Star boat for the White Trophy and the two berths allocated to New England for the North American Sloop Championships at SUNY Maritime in November.

On Saturday, day one, three races were sailed in a beautiful 8-12 knot northeasterly under partly sunny/foggy skies with temperatures in the low 60s. All sailors showed impressive boat-handling and sail tuning techniques and everyone had a blast sailing the 22'8" beasts. The racing was very tight around the one nautical mile beats (courses were windward – leeward twice around).

Day two, Sunday, saw a puffy 10-15 knot northeast wind with extremely tight mark roundings, despite the one nautical mile first beats. Harvard's team of Vince Porter and John Mulcahy had great pin-end starts, awesome boat speed and used their hiking power to dominate the five race series, as the duo took both races. (Note: Mulcahy crewed for Dan Litchfield in the same event two years ago, also using Stars, to claim the Pine Trophy for Harvard.) Dartmouth was very consistent throughout the series and had great downwind speed to beat Tufts by two points for the second qualifying spot. All the teams improved throughout the series and handled the 15 knot puffs with ease. The weather was ridiculously awful.

A special thanks to Fran Charles for working tirelessly to put on this event for the competitors. Also, thanks to all the boat owners from all over New England who entrusted the young collegiate sailors with their prized possessions. (All boats were loaned from private owners.) The Cottage Park YC was wonderful and friendly in opening up their club to the regatta and made everyone feel welcome -- thanks!!!

Pl.	Sail#	Boat	Skipper	Crew	Tot.
1	7468	Harvard	Porter	Mulcahy	10
2	7620	Dartmouth	Johnson	Johnson	16
3	8086	Tufts	Hanneman	Reeve	18
4	7629	URI	Horrigan	Campbell	22
5	7444	MIT	Modisette	Bercovici	24
6	7782	Brown	Ashley	Enright	30
7	7228	Mass Maritime	Kostka	Jacobsen	31
8	7101	Connecticut College	Leleic	Barber	42
9	7621	Bates	Vannoni	Schule	45
10	7141	UVM	Chwalk	Bouchard	48
11	7817	Boston College	Gent	Drucker	51
12	7630	Hope College	Leahey	Simon	55

**KIELER WOCH**

A Brief History

(from a letter by Peter Johnson in Scuttlebutt # 1102)

Kiel Week was established in imitation of Cowes Week, which had been first sailed in 1826. In 1891 the German Kaiser, Wilhelm II, bought the unsuccessful British challenger for the America's Cup of 1887, the 109 ft. cutter *Thistle*, designed by George L. Watson and built in Scotland by Henderson. (The U.S. defender *Volunteer* had beaten her in two straight races off New York.) *Thistle* was renamed *Meteor*, the first of five boats of that famous name.

The Kaiser began to race the yacht each year at Cowes, England, while at the same time visiting his grandmother, Queen Victoria. He decided that Germany should have an equivalent regatta, so in 1895 an annual local rowing and sailing regatta usually held at the end of June was converted with royal patronage into the Kieler Woche (Kiel Week). Meanwhile the Kaiserlicher Yachtclub (Imperial Yacht Club) was formed. It was intended to be equivalent to England's Royal Yacht Squadron.

As a footnote: in August 1945, just three months after cessation of hostilities, the British held a Kiel Week for themselves and their allies: Danes, Norwegians and American forces. Germans were not permitted on the water. It took a few years before this became a fully German regatta and then a finally a race week.

**STAR CLASS PARTICIPATION  
IN THE KIELER WOCH**

The Pre-World War II Years  
By David Bolles

**1935:**

The earliest mention of Stars participating in Kieler Woche is to be found in the September, 1935 issue of Starlights. The article reads as follows:

***Pimm* Tops Kiel Week Score**

Twenty-seven German, four Dutch and two Polish Stars sailed in the Kiel Week regatta at Kiel, June 16<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>, and the Hamburger Flotte entries carried away the honors.

*Pimm*, Walter von Hütschler skipper and P.W. Hachman crew, took six first places and one second, while *Paka*, sailed by P. Mylius and H. Becker, stood second in the total point list. (Note that the skipper and crew of the third place boat, *Bremen*, are not given, but only the owner of the boat, Weser Y.C.) The top three places were:

1935	1078	<i>Pimm</i>	Walter von Hütschler	HF
	1245	<i>Paka</i>	P. Mylius	HF
	1069	<i>Bremen</i>	Weser Y.C.	BrF

**1936:**

No information has been found about the 1936 Kieler Woche, but in the 1937 Log lists *Pimm* as the winner of the event.

1936 1078 *Pimm* Walter von Hütschler HF

**1937:**

The 1938 Log gives only the final standings, noting that there were 7 races and 19 entries. The top three places were:

1937 1276 *Gemma* Agostino Straulino FN  
 1263 *Hilda IV* Theodore Giesecke KF  
 1159 *Moorhex III* Christian Backhaus, Jr. HF

**1938:**

The September, 1938 issue of Starlights and the 1939 Log give the Kieler Woche results again listing only the final standings. There were 7 races and 22 entries. The skipper of the winning yacht is unknown, and only the owner of the boat (in this case a German Naval installation) is listed. The top three places were:

1938 1626 *Gemini* Marinestation der Ostsee GNN  
 1570 *Hasjo* Hans-Joachim Weise BF  
 1539 *Castore* Regia Accademia Navale RAN



Photo: 1939 Log

A Start at the 1938 Kieler Woche

**1939:**

For 1939 neither Starlights nor the 1940 Log carried reports of the 1939 Kieler Woche. However, Otto Schlenzka, Commodore of Kieler Yacht Club and Vice Commodore of the Star Class, has kindly researched this and found that Renato d'Ottaviano won the event. There were 7 races and 25 entries. D'Ottaviano scored firsts in races 2, 3 and 4, and seconds in races 5, 6 and 7.

1939 1540 *Polluce* Renato d'Ottaviano FN

For the years 1940-1948 Star did not sail in the Kieler Woche. It was not until 1949 that Star participation in the event resumed. The present listing of winners of the Kieler Woche in the Star Class Logs begin with that date.

The listing of the winners in the Star Class Log should be updated to include the pre-war winners of the event as follows:

1939 *Polluce* Renato d'Ottaviano FN  
 1938 *Gemini* Marinestation der Ostsee GNN  
 1937 *Gemma* Agostino Straulino FN  
 1936 *Pimm* Walter von Hütschler HF  
 1935 *Pimm* Walter von Hütschler HF



Photo: Gregorio d'Ottaviano

Renato d'Ottaviano at the 1949 European's

(The editor would like to thank Otto Schlenzka, Gregorio d'Ottaviano and Marc Müller for their aid in researching the information for this article.)

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**TRIVIA QUESTION**  
 (from Scuttlebutt # 1425)

When did Lowell North first begin making his own sails?

North began making sails in 1957. "My first sail had elastic and cunninghams in both the luff and the foot. The sail looked like a spinnaker on a reach or a run, and then you could pull the cunninghams and almost make it look



**REGATTA SCHEDULES**

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

- June 19-20 Arms-White (Mid)
- July 16-18 1<sup>st</sup> 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

2<sup>nd</sup> District (2004 preliminary schedule)  
 Sept. 25-26 Oxford Fall Wind-Up

- 5<sup>th</sup> District
- Nov. 1-2 Ash Bown/ Octoberfest (SDYC)
  - Dec. 13-14 Kriss Kringle (SDYC)

12<sup>th</sup> District (2004 preliminary schedule)  
 July 31-Aug. 1 Lake Sunapee Open (Sun)

- 20<sup>th</sup> District
- Nov. 15-16 Schoonmaker Cup
  - 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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**EMIL'S CORNER**



Cartoon by Emil Karlovsky

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