



majority of the race. As the race went on the breeze slowly went down. MacCausland and Delaney held on for a hard fought win.

Race 2 on Sunday started with about 5 to 8 mph of wind. As time went on the breeze got lighter and lighter until it shut down. The committee abandoned the race at the last mark with MacCausland and Delaney in the lead.

MacCausland and Delaney came out on top with Trapper Lippincott and Barbara Vosbury second and Tom Price and Will Wagner third.

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

July 12-14, 2002  
Seneca Yacht Club  
Geneva, New York  
By Rick Burgess

The 12<sup>th</sup> District Championship for 2002 was hosted by Seneca Yacht Club on Lake Seneca, in the beautiful Finger Lakes region of New York. Lake Seneca is a wonderful place to sail and the folks at Seneca Yacht Club are to be commended for a job, well done.

**2002 MILLER RESULTS**

Pl	Sail#	Boat	Skipper	Crew	Fleet	R1	R2	R3	R4	Ttl
1	8068	Erin	John Maccausland	Sean Delaney	CR	5	2	1	1	9
2	7425	Ice Blue	Trapper Lippincott	Barbara Vosbury	AN	1	3	2	7	13
3	7313	Bop	Tom Price	Will Wagner	AN	4	6	5	3	18
4	8038		John Vanderhoff	Rowan Perkins	NCB	2	1	4	raf	19
5	7939	Alexia	Elliott Oldak	Angelo Buscemi	AN	3	ocs	3	2	20
6	7454	F2	G. Weissenberger		NCB	6	5	7	5	23
7	7763		Arron Serinis	Chris Brown	AN	8	7	6	4	25
8	8063		Bert Collins	Wright	AN	7	4	8	6	25
9	7370		Rob Emmet	Bubba Voeltner	AN	9	8	9	dns	38
10	6729	Bonita	Walter Risse	Meadows	AN	11	9	10	8	38
11	7182	Mary Jane	Sam Hopkins		MES	10	10	dnf	9	41

The 12<sup>th</sup> district includes both Canadian and American contestants, of which a number of Canadians were vying for a berth on their Olympic sailing team. The Canadians who were racing included Bill Abbott who represented Canada in the Olympics twice in the Soling class. Ted Haines and Larry Scott represented Canada in the Olympics in the Tempest class. Hans Fogh won two Olympic medals, silver in the Flying Dutchman and bronze in the Soling. So racing in this year's 12<sup>th</sup> District was very competitive and exciting.

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

Pl.	Boat#	Skipper	Crew	Fleet	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	Ttl
1	7775	Bill Abbott	Scott Town	Iso	1	9	4	7	1	13
2	7133	Ted Haines	Larry Scott	LOC	2	3	5	11	4	14
3	7802	Hans Fogh	Dave Caesar	LOC	5	1	12	15	3	21
4	8013	Rick Dhein	Ryan Arthur	LG	3	10	11	1	7	21
5	7592	Paul Sustronk	Mike Wolf	LOC	12	2	14	6	2	22
6	7369	Steve Haarstick	Aaron Givelber	Sen	4	8	9	8	15	29
7	7726	Kevin Murphy	John Finch	LH	8	15	1	36	6	30
8	7067	William Hendershot	Alain Vranderick	Iso	7	5	15	14	8	34
9	7626	Jim Freeman	Matt Freeman	Sen	14	6	2	13	16	35
10	7793	Brian Crammer	Peter Carson	LOC	9	7	18	5	17	38
11	7756	Brian Murphy	Alfredo Rodriguez	LH	15	14	7	36	11	47
12	7207	Rob Eberling	Will Phipps	Sen	11	19	25	20	5	55
13	7824	Rick Burgess	Gary Schneid	GrL	10	28	22	16	9	57
14	8003	Darren Monster	John Lazier	LOC	36	36	10	2	12	60
15	6831	Duane DelFosse	Greg Meyer	Snm	36	12	17	10	21	60
16	7308	Brian McKay	Jennifer Conway	LOC	17	20	6	18	20	61
17	7729	Tom Flinn	Pat Flinn	LH	20	18	16	12	22	66
18	7120	Jeff Schuchardt	James Favaro	GrL	22	13	21	36	14	70
19	7998	Dave Cutler	Rick Burgess Jr.	GrL	21	23	20	17	13	71
20	7940	Kirk Reynolds	Dan White	Sen	13	11	13	36	36	73
21	6569	Brud Nicholson	Ed Seyerlein	Sen	23	22	28	9	23	77
22	7271	Bob Westcott	Jim Christian	Sen	36	36	8	19	18	81
23	7835	Dick Atkinson	Bob Carlson	Sun	16	17	30	36	24	87
24	7463	Werner Holtze	Stacey Valkenburgh	Sen	18	24	29	36	19	90
25	6880	Myron White	Jack McAllister	Iso	36	21	3	36	36	96
26	6303	Bill Nutzel	Bill McMahon	LH	26	27	19	36	26	98
27	7060	Dave Craddock	A.J. Jakubowska	LOC	24	26	26	36	25	101
28	7783	Tom White	Doug Carey	Sen	25	25	24	36	27	101
29	7047	Phil Haggerty	Colin Baxter	LOC	dns	dns	dns	dns	dns	144
30	7630	Brad Anderson	Ryan Smith	LOC	dsq	dsq	dsq	dsq	dsq	144
31	7830	Andy Ivey	John Nichol	Sun	dns	dns	dns	dns	dns	144
32	7927	David Ivey	John Wulff	Sun	dns	dns	dns	dns	dns	144
33	7930	John Chiarella	Terry Fletcher	Sun	dsq	dsq	dsq	dsq	dsq	144
34		David Cook		Sun	dns	dns	dns	dns	dns	144
35		Nat Cook		Sun	dns	dns	dns	dns	dns	144

Because Lake Seneca experiences southerly thermals each morning in the summer, the racing began every day at 9:00 AM. This worked out fine as we got in two races on both Friday and Saturday. Then on Sunday, we sailed the last race and everyone had plenty of time to pack up and enjoy the trophy presentation before getting an early start on the road home.

If I had known I would be writing this report, I would have taken copious notes after each race. As a result, I don't remember the play-by-play. I can tell you that the sailing was tricky, but as usual, the best sailors found a way to get out in front and stay there. I remember in the third race, at the weather mark, Kevin Murphy and John Finch had a commanding lead over the entire fleet. Kevin went hard right and after much prompting from his very able crew, he finally tacked. When they got to the mark they were eight feet short of making it to which Kevin said to John "I told you we should have gone further". I also remember that in the fourth race Rick Dhein rounded the leeward mark in little or no wind. Then for some inexplicable reason, only he picked up a nice little breeze and just sailed away from the entire fleet. Good job Rick.

Ted Haines was leading and Bill Abbott was in second place going into the last race. Bill won the hard-fought race and as a result was awarded his first Blue Star. A well-deserved victory Bill!

We thank the members of the Seneca Yacht Club who really went out of their way to make sailing there stress-free, fun, and easy.

**2002 NED HAY RESULTS**

July 20-21, 2002

Sandy Bay Y.C.

Pl	Sail#	Yacht Name	Skipper	Crew	Fleet	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	Pts
1	7847	Rosebud Cafe	John Safford	Patrick Bodden	CA	1	2	4	3	1	7
2	7876	Betsy Ross	Doug Schofield	Bob Schofield	AN	7	3	1	2	2	8
3	7465	Kimmar	Ben Cesare	Rob Bowers	Mid	2	4	3	1	8	10
4	7728	Hayaku	John Lombard	Arnis Baltius	Mid	3	dnf	2	6	3	14
5	7817	Southern Cross	Jake Fiumara	Joe Chambers	CA	9	1	6	17	6	22
6	7621	Owl	Peter Costa	Chris Batchelor	BH	6	ocs	7	8	4	25
7	7911	Brillo XII	Joe Zambella	Mark Sokolich	BH	5	ocs	11	5	5	26
8	7371	Lizard King	Pete Cusick	Sergy Leonodiv	Mid	4	9	15	7	10	30
9	7951	Dave Chittick	Mike Chittick	Jane's Bane V	Mid	11	7	10	4	12	32
10	7330	The Continental	Michael Trotsky	Kip Gardner	CA	ocs	10	5	10	7	32
11	7963	It's About Time	Bruce Engel	Charles Clark	CA	8	5	8	11	13	32
12	8052	Don't Look Back	Stephen Braverman	Cindy Olsen	BH	10	8	9	9	11	36
13	7265	More Pressure	Josh Phypers	Dave Timberlake	CA	12	ocs	14	13	9	48
14	6767	Foxy	John Fox	Nancy Fox	BH	14	11	12	12	14	49
15	7555	Spunk	Ed Desmarais	Mark Trumbold	CA	16	6	dnf	18	15	55
16	7076	One Plus Gemini	Ted Engel	Bruce Gowans	CA	15	dnf	13	14	17	59
17	7386	Connection	Jim Kubik	Horst Tretter	CA	17	13	16	16	16	61
18	6320	Even Star	Ken Luczynski	Warren Trafton	BH	13	dnf	17	15	dnf	65
19	7836	Vivace	Dick Kuehne	Jan Walker	CA	18	12	18	19	dns	67

**2002 SUNAPEE OPEN**

August 3 &amp; 4, 2002

By

Richard Burgess

Well, first the Lake Sunapee Star Fleet hosted a fantastic North American Championship. Then, right on its tail, they host another fabulous regatta—their annual Lake Sunapee Open. The off-water activities and fabulous food of Lake Sunapee Yacht Club have spoiled us rotten. Friday night we were treated to a delicious seafood buffet and on Saturday night we enjoyed the renowned steak dinner, cooked by the local star sailors.

Hazy, hot, humid, and no wind were the weather conditions on Saturday, so the racing was canceled. All was not lost as John Mac and myself hiked up a local mountain to get a little exercise and then enjoyed the hospitably of our host, Sam Rowse, and we went swimming. Many of the other sailors stayed at the club and relaxed in the bright Sun and clear, clean water of beautiful Lake Sunapee.

On Sunday morning the lake looked as still and smooth as a mirror and some were dubious that we would race at all. But then a nice little breeze started coming from the south and the race committee sent us out. The first race started in a very light southerly with crews to leeward. As we sailed up the first leg the breeze continued to build and we started hiking. At the weather mark, Peter Hall of the Montreal, Canadian fleet, was in the lead, we were second, and John Chiarella was third. We were fortunate to get a little shift on the second beat and rounded in front of Peter, and then

we held our position to the finish line.

The second race started in puffy 8 to 12 knots of southerly wind and again Peter Hall called the first beat perfectly and lead at the weather mark, with Andy Ivey second, and John Mac and me in third. As we got to the leeward mark Andy did a really nice job getting inside of Peter and rounding first, with Hall second, and us third. The order stayed the same to the weather mark, but on the run “Lil” Mac worked his downwind magic and managed to get by Hall. The final upwind to the finish was a little nerve racking as the breeze was shifty, Ivey was covering us, and we were trying to stay ahead of Hall. When we got to the finish line it was Ivey, MacCausland, Hall.

This was Peter Hall's first time in a Star and he is going to make a nice addition to the 12<sup>th</sup> District. Peter is a past World Champion in both the Soling and Lighting Classes.

In fact, we are delighted to welcome the entire Montreal, Canadian fleet to the 12<sup>th</sup> District.

We also want to thank the race committee for a well-done job. We all know that without your work, there would be no racing. Thanks again to the Lake Sunapee Star Sailors, and to the wonderful crew at the Sunapee Yacht club.

**Sunapee Open Results**

Boat	Skipper	Crew	Fleet	R1	R2	Total
8068	John MacCausland	Rick Burgess	CR	1	2	3
6985	Peter Hall	D. Trepanier	Mtl	2	3	5
7830	Andy Ivey	Brad Nichol	Sun	7	1	8
7731	David Cook	Michael Wood	Sun	4	4	8
7930	John Chiarella	Terry Fletcher	Sun	3	8	11
7639	Sam Rowse	John Wulff	Sun	9	5	14
7626	Jim Freeman	Matt Freeman	SL	8	10	18
7315	Peter Pike	Bill Pike	Sun	6	14	20
7162	Nat Cook	Doug Wiggen	Sun	11	9	20
7088	Jay Ogliviv	Greg Meyer	Sun	19	6	25
830	Scott Beckman	Chip Nolin	Sun	18	7	25
7306	Don Cronon	Emil. Karlovsky	Mid	10	15	25
5634	Ian Bruce	Ben Gibson	Mtl	14	11	25
6572	Dag Lidbeck	Dave Gulliver	Sun	17	13	30
6831	Duane Delfosse	B. Delfosse	Sun	13	17	30
7927	David Ivey	Rob Bowers	Sun	5	dnf	31
7100	Blackie Tilson	Kip Murray	Sun	12	19	31
7835	Dick Atkinson	Bob Sutor	Sun	15	16	31
7067	Andre Marcotie	A. Vranderrick	Mtl	16	18	34
6210	J.F.Seguain	Refet Eres	Mtl	23	12	35
8099	Bill Farrar	Tom Nunez	Sun	21	20	41
6997	J. Delaporte	B. Magatanong	Mtl	20	21	41
6505	Skip Nolin	Michele Wood	Sun	22	dns	48
6979	Joe Goodnough	Bruce Pariseau	Sun	dns	dns	52
7628	Michael Feeney	John Plunkett	Sun	dns	dns	52

**2002 NEW YORK STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

July 20-21, 2002  
Seneca Yacht Club  
By Richard Burgess

The weekend after the 12<sup>th</sup> district championships on Seneca Lake the Seneca Star Fleet hosted the New York State Championships.

The plan was to sail two on Saturday and one on Sunday. The wind did not cooperate on Saturday, as the race committee sent us out in what looked like a promising northerly breeze, but it fizzled out and the committee canceled for the day. As is the case so many times once we were all back on the trailers a very nice breeze filled in, oh well. Some of the group was treated to a boat ride up the canal that connects Seneca Lake and Cayuga Lake, by Matt Freeman. Others sat around telling old sailing stories while others took the time to explore the local area.

Sunday morning came with a building southerly breeze and off we went to sail three races.

Jim Freeman gave us a sailing lesson and won the first and second races going away. The rest of the fleet traded places back and forth. The breeze had built to 10 to 12 and the committee decided to sail us a third race. It was nice that we won that race and Ted Hains was second but the real story was Jim & Matt Freeman who sailed into third place from way back maybe 12<sup>th</sup> or 13<sup>th</sup> place at the first mark.

The group was treated to a nice lunch and as is the tradition at Seneca Lake the never empty beer keg flowed and soft drinks for those underage.

Seneca Lake is in the New York Wine area and for the awards the fleet gives out bottles of local wine, what a great idea.

I can only thank Bob Westcott for all of his hard work and the work of the race committee, and the members of SYC for putting up with us for two weekends in a row.

Boat	Skipper	Crew	Fleet	R1	R2	R3	Total
7626	Jim Freeman	Matt Freeman	SL	1	1	3	5
7133	Ted Hains	Larry Scott	LOC	3	5	2	10
7824	Rick Burgess	Jack Winthrop	GrL	7	7	1	15
7793	Brian Cramer	Peter Carson	LOC	4	6	6	16
7630	Brad Anderson	Doug Folsetter	LOC	2	10	5	17
7369	Steve Haarstick	Steve Sarbok	SL	6	4	7	17
7271	Bob Westcott	Jim Christian	SL	5	2	12	19
6880	Myron White	Jack McAllister	iso	11	3	8	22
7940	Dan White	Tyler Carey	SL	10	11	4	25
7120	Jeff Schuchardt	James Favaro	GrL	9	8	9	26
7463	Werner Holtze	Stacey Valkenburgh	SL	8	9	13	30
7783	Tom White	Doug Carey	SL	13	13	10	36
6569	Ed Seyerlein	Jillian Stokes	Ith	14	12	11	37
6853	Brud Nicholson	Jim Hendee	SL	15	14	14	43
6963	Peter Lent	Zack Orlov	SL	12	15	dnf	43

**KING OF SPAIN REGATTA**

August 10-11, 2002  
Marina del Rey  
By Rich Roberts

**IRISH UNKNOWNNS SHOCK BIG NAMES  
AND SELVES IN WORLDS TUNE-UP**

To say Irish eyes were smiling at the end of the California Yacht Club's King of Spain Regatta Sunday would be an understatement. They were flabbergasted with joy after this final tune-up for the 2002 Star Class World Championship Aug. 18-23.

The 73-year-old event had never seen as large or strong a field, including seven world champions and the current No. 1-ranked sailor in the class. But the name to be engraved on the silver replica of a 15th-century Spanish galleon donated by the late King Alphonse won't be Reynolds, Loof, Buchan, Cayard, Brun, Beashel, Macdonald or Van der Ploeg. They weren't even in the running.

Try Max Treacy, 24, and crew Anthony Shanks, 30, a pair of Dublin lads sailing for the Royal St. George Yacht Club. They slew those dragons and several other celebrities in the 74-boat field with a modest string of 8-18-6-5 finishes. That's three results in the top 10, one more than anyone else managed in Santa Monica Bay's devious zephyrs and easily the highlight of the 18 months they've been racing a Star.

"Wow!" Treacy exclaimed when he was shown the final standings at the dock. "And we won by a mile."

The Augie Diaz / Christian Finnsgard duo from Florida and Sweden were nine points behind, 37-46, after leading the first day. San Francisco's Howie Shiebler, with local crew Rick Peters, was another point back in third after winning the final race in a runaway.

Sunday's other winner, Bill Buchan of Seattle, won two of his three Star Worlds before Treacy was born. Sailing with Mark Brink, he wound up ninth overall---obviously still competitive at 67. Like Shiebler, they sailed into command from the pin end of the two-part line and led at every mark in the light and streaky winds of 6 to 8 knots. The air temperature peaked at 75 (F.).

Canada's Ross Macdonald and crew Eric Jespersen were eighth---the top performing former world champions. A summary of the others' efforts was offered by Paul Cayard, who was 16th with Hal Haenel: "This regatta is going to make some people famous---people you never heard of."

Treacy and Shanks might qualify for that distinction. They were 32nd in last year's World's at Medemblik, The Netherlands, but they aren't counting on it being as easy starting next Sunday.



When Ben isn't on the water he's typically retrieving misplaced gear in the parking lot or in the abyss of his jeep. What marvels his friends most is how Ben is able to convert the chaos of his on-land organization to the focus and control he displays on the water. Whether on the water or off, Ben's a great sport and a great addition to the Star Class. We look forward to Ben's contributions and competitiveness in District One for years to come.



Paul Amlong and Ben Cesare holding the 1<sup>st</sup> District Trophy



In he goes!  
(photos provided by Hilary Lawrence)

(Editor's note: According to the ISAF memo which gives the number of boats allocated to each country for the joint Cadiz World's most countries which have Stars actively sailing and some countries which have no Stars presently active would be allowed 2 boats each. The exceptions are: AUS, 3; AUT, 4; BER, 3; BRA, 3; CAN, 4; CRO, 3; DEN, 5; ESP, 3; FIN, 3; FRA, 5; GBR, 4; GER, 5; IRL, 4; ITA,

**OPINION COLUMN**

**ISAF TO CONTROL  
THE STAR CLASS WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP**

By Rick Burgess

It's my understanding that ISAF may be imposing very serious restrictions as to the number of boats per country at next year's World Championship. They are planning to restrict it to a maximum of 5 boats per country and maybe letting former world champions enter. For example, DEN, FRA, GER, ITA, NED and USA would be allowed to enter 5 boats each and AUT, CAN, GBR and IRL would be allowed 4 boats each.

First ISAF wants and gets a joint World Championship for all of the Olympic classes and now they say there will be too many boats.

The approach of ISAF is that since the Star Class signed contract that they now control how we run our Class. They are quick to point out that the different classes petition ISAF for the right to compete in the Olympic games and thus give up their rights.

This will have a major ripple effect on Star sailing all the way to the District level. The District Championships in many cases have a greater number of entries because of qualifying to that year's World Championship. It also will mean the average sailor will no longer be able to compete in the World Championship. The annual meeting will also be affected as the more people that attend means the more input of different ideas.

Some have said that we as a Class are slowly losing our rights as a Class, but I submit to you that it's no longer slowly.

I strongly recommend that if you think that loosing our right to control our World Championship is wrong then contact the Class president, vice presidents, and every member of the IGC and CMC to voice your concern.

Regards  
Richard Burgess

5; NED, 5; NZL, 3; SUI, 3; SWE, 3; USA, 5.

The reader might be perplexed as to why a small country with relatively little Star activity such as DEN can send the same number of boats to the World's as countries which have much larger populations and greater activity in the Star Class. It is also perplexing that countries such as China, Israel, Japan, Mexico, Seycheles, Thailand, and Turkey along with several other countries which have no activity in the Star Class are each allotted 2 boats when none of these countries have sent Star boats in at least the

past decade and in some cases ever to either the World's or the Olympics.)





