

ISCYRA Regatta Report

Tue May 23rd, 2006 through Fri May 26th, 2006



Winners John Dane and Austin Sperry, photo by Jan Walker

2006 Western Hemisphere Championship

Event photos by Jan Walker.

Results are below:

First race report:

The first day of racing for the Western Hemisphere Championship was under sunny skies but with a cold, gusty northwest wind of 15 knots with a temperature in the high 50s (F). The US Navy's "Blue Angels" jet acrobatic team were flying over the course practicing for the US Naval Academy's Commissioning Week (graduation) celebration.

The first race was a 2 mile, four leg windward-leeward course set at 325 and changed to 335 for the 2nd upwind leg. Dane/Sperry were first around the windward leg of the first leg after having stayed to the left side of the course, taking advantage of the lessening ebb current at the top of the leg. Following them were Reynolds/Haenel, O'Connell/Peel, Murray/Palfrey and Anosov/Caesar.

At the leeward gate, Dane/Sperry were still leading, Murray/Palfrey were 2nd, and O'Connell/Peel 3rd. Dane/Sperry played the middle left of the course, but being rightish was paying this leg, and VanderMolen/Wolfs were first at the 2nd windward mark. Following them were Murray/Palfrey, Reynolds/Haenel, Dane/Sperry and Conde/Hunn. This order held to the finish, except with Reynolds/Haenel and Dane/Sperry exchanging places and Cramer/Bjorn taking 5th ahead of Conde/Hunn.

The second race brought lighter, but still gusty winds with larger shifts up to 45 degrees.

Day Two:

Racing was delayed due to light winds. One race was finally competed in the late afternoon. Winds finally settled in at 6-10 knots from the south after having clocked from the north during the long waiting period.

Day Three:

Warmer but cloudy with temperatures in the mid 60sF. The wind slowly built from the south and at noon there was 15 knots. The first race of the day was won by Rick Merriman/Rick Peters, followed by Andy MacDonald/Brian Fatih and George Szabo/Eric Monroe for a southern California sweep of the top three.

In the 2nd race the southern California contingent continued strong with Mark Reynolds/Hal Haenel winning the race and Erik Lidecis/Michael Marzahl finishing 2nd. John Dane/Austin Sperry were third and are tied with Reynolds/Haenel for first overall in the regatta. Just one point back is Australia's Iain Murray/Andrew Palfrey.

Last day:

The fleet had to wait until early afternoon for the wind to show up from the south at 12-14 knots. John Dane and Austin Sperry, with their 6th in the race, won the Western Hemisphere Championship followed by Mark Reynolds/Hal Haenel in 2nd and George Szabo/Eric Monroe in 3rd.

Winning the final race (their 2nd first place in the regatta) were Rick Merriman/Rick Peters, followed by George Szabo/Eric Monroe and Argentina's Fabian MacGowan/Frederico Engelhard.

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Place Boat	Skipper	Crew	Sail #:	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total	
1	Zoom Zoom	John Dane	Austin Sperry	USA 8230	3.0	13.0	3.0	5.0	3.0	6.0	20
2	Kaenon	Mark Reynolds	Hal Haenel	USA 8239	4.0	1.0	8.0	9.0	1.0	16.0	23
3	USA 8129	George Szabo	Eric Monroe	USA 8129	16.0	9.0	26.0	3.0	5.0	2.0	35
4	Max	Rick Merriman	Rick Peters	USA 8222	15.0	3.0	32.0	1.0	16.0	1.0	36
5	USA 8176	Erik Lidecis	Michael Marzahl	USA 8176	8.0	14.0	12.0	16.0	2.0	7.0	43
6	USA 7640	Arthur Anosov	David Caesar	USA 7640	9.0	7.0	11.0	24.0	4.0	12.0	43,0001
7	Remarc	Brian Cramer	Tyler Bjorn	CAN 8143	5.0	23.0	4.0	7.0	10.0	19.0	45
8	Erin	John Maccausland	Shane Zwingleberg	USA 8195	14.0	6.0	1.0	12.0	25.0	13.0	46
9	Rachel	Andy Macdonald	Brian Fatih	USA 8162	22.0	11.0	6.0	2.0	9.0	43.0 [DNC]	50
10	USA 8168	Jim Vander Molen	Mike Wolfs	USA 8168	1.0	10.0	2.0	14.0	24.0	43.0 [DNC]	51
11	IRL 8028	Maurice O'Connell	Ed Peel	IRL 8028	10.0	4.0	23.0	15.0	15.0	8.0	52
12	Tiger	Iain Murray	Andrew Palfrey	AUS 7836	2.0	2.0	38.0	4.0	7.0	43.0 [OCS]	53
13	ARG 8169	Alberto Zanetti	JP Engelhard	ARG 8169	24.0	17.0	13.0	8.0	13.0	9.0	60
14	Any Given Sunday	Henry Filter	Rodrigo Meireles	USA 8136	12.0	16.0	10.0	13.0	21.0	11.0	62
15	Zulu	Peter Conde	Andrew Hunn	AUS 8234	6.0	22.0	17.0	11.0	8.0	43.0 [OCS]	64
16	Olivia	Bill Allen	Brad Lichter	USA 8215	25.0	20.0	9.0	19.0	12.0	5.0	65
17	Light Brigade	Peter McChesney	Mike Jones	USA 7713	7.0	12.0	15.0	6.0	28.0	43.0 [DNC]	68
18	Star Express	Fabian MacGowan	Frederico Engelhard	ARG 7907	13.0	29.0	34.0	18.0	6.0	3.0	69
19	USA 8043	Jock Kohlhas	Richard Burgess	USA 8043	20.0	8.0	5.0	20.0	22.0	22.0	75
20	Two Sacks of Cement	Karl Anderson	Magnus Liljedahl	USA 8177	18.0	5.0	14.0	10.0	32.0	43.0 [OCS]	79
21	USA 7444	Aaron Serinis	Brian Wood	USA 7444	17.0	25.0	7.0	43.0 [OCS]	31.0	10.0	90
22	Team Poseidon	Guy Gurney	Roman Gotsulyak	USA 8080	19.0	21.0	30.0	21.0	20.0	12.0 [ZFP]	93
23	Pampero	Tomas Hornos	Luis Hornos	USA 7793	30.0	19.0	21.0	22.0	14.0	18.0	94
24	USA 7986	Hyde Perce	Darin Jensen	USA 7986	11.0	33.0	20.0	23.0	29.0	15.0	98
25	AUS 8101	Michael Jones	Simon Reffold	AUS 8101	32.0	26.0	33.0	25.0	19.0	25.0 [ZFP]	127
26	Wild Thing	Bob Oberg	Mark Penny	USA 8131	23.0	24.0	27.0	43.0 [OCS]	11.0	43.0 [OCS]	128
27	USA 8038	John Vanderhoff	Rowan Perkins	USA 8038	27.0	35.0	18.0	32.0	17.0	43.0 [OCS]	129
28	Dangerous	Bill Culbersson	Buddy Clark	USA 8128	26.0	27.0	28.0	37.0	43.0 [DNC]	14.0	132

29	Ciao Bella	William Swigart	Carroll Beek	USA 7715	41.0 18.0 25.0	29.0	37.0	23.0	132
30	USA 8095	Gunti Weissenberger	Chris Brown	USA 8095	34.0 32.0 36.0	17.0	18.0	32.0 [ZFP]	133
31	USA 7370	Rob Emmet	Tim Hotchkiss	USA 7370	21.0 28.0 31.0	26.0	43.0 [DNC]	28.0	134
32	USA 7072	Matt Beck	John Boone	USA 7072	36.0 34.0 16.0	27.0	33.0	27.0	137
33	ARG 7976	Martin Pendola	Ariel Simonet	ARG 7976	31.0 37.0 24.0	30.0	23.0	34.0 [ZFP]	142
34	Ice Blue	Barbara Beigel-Vosbury	Chris Hamilton	USA 7425	28.0 39.0 35.0	36.0	26.0	20.0	145
35	Cover Girl Star	Karen Alt	C Eric Wagner	USA 7786	37.0 30.0 19.0	39.0	35.0	25.0	146
36	Grinch	Bert Collins	Matt Freeman	USA 8063	29.0 15.0 39.0	31.0	36.0	43.0 [DNF]	150
37	Sonya	John Chiarella	Bob Carlson	USA 8083	33.0 31.0 40.0	35.0	38.0	21.0	158
38	Touch of Grey	John Lecourt	Joe Krolak	USA 7681	35.0 40.0 29.0	38.0	27.0	29.0	158
39	USA 7497	Kris Wilson	Ben Fransen	USA 7497	40.0 38.0 41.0	28.0	30.0	30.0	166
40	Tamburicci	Antonio Tamburini	Renzo Ricci	ITA 8183	38.0 36.0 22.0	33.0	43.0 [OCS]	43.0 [OCS]	172
41	Hurrying Angel	Dan North	Chris Hardin	USA 7162	42.0 42.0 42.0	34.0	34.0	43.0 [DNC]	194
42	USA 7934	Karl Von Schwarz	Seth Mininger	USA 7934	39.0 41.0 37.0 43.0	[DNC]	43.0 [DNC]	43.0 [DNC]	203

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