

## 2008 District One Championships and Whittemore St John Regatta Lake Quassapaug Connecticut

The 2008 Whittemore St John Regatta at the Quassapaug Sailing Center (QSC) saw record attendance! 28 Teams descended on the lake including six Quassy teams. The biggest regatta in the northeast so far this year! Equipment littered the dry sail lot. Tents covered the hillside. McLaughlin, Phoenix, Mueller, Jibe Tech, Eclipse, Skipper and Persson Snipes were all represented. Quite an assemblage of different brands of our favorite boat.

Saturday morning found us on the lake with no breeze. Frisbees appeared to annoy the wind gods. After a brief delay a weak Southwest breeze filled in and a race was started. Four Olympic courses were run in a light breeze that threatened to build but never really did. Henry and Chris Filter won the first two races, but spent the afternoon contending with a very fast Art and Kelly Rousemaniere. The racing was hot and demanded high concentration to keep the boat moving in the lulls. And there were Holes to be avoided! The shifts were big – 45 degrees and came every half hour making for some very lopsided courses. The RC of Tom St John and Ryan Murphy did a great job of getting races off. Harry and Katie Levinson won the fourth race. Of course the breeze filled in very nicely as we completed the last race at 5:30!

Shelia Elser and Donna Erickson threw a great Mexican dinner. The teenagers bemoaned the lack of a DJ like our August regatta. Maybe next year they will DJ!

Sunday morning met us with a building Southeast breeze and the threats of T-storms. Race Committee Ryan Murphy, Allison Stafford and Kristen Heller got us started to a windy race taken by team Filter.

The second race on Sunday saw a very aggressive fleet with two recalled starts. Lengthening the line resulted in a clean third start to a windy race. The first lap saw Joel Zackin and Jen Matty in Mr. Bubble in the lead. The next two legs the Filters, Lee Griffith and Caroline Brady and Joel Zackin and Jen Matty exchanging the lead several times. In the end Lee broke cover and Mr. Bubble squeezed by on the finish line. Third, with three bullets, Henry and Chris Filter won the regatta. The RC was ready to run a third Sunday race, but the fleet, seeing black clouds, voted with their feet and headed to the dock.

Only Daryl and Harry Waskow managed some how to capsize on the way to the dock, clinching the Capsize Award for the event.

Collected at Quassy to sail all these similar but different boats were twenty eight very competitive snipe teams consisting of; three married couples, thirteen parent/offspring teams, three junior helmsmen, two Uncle and Niece teams, and one helmswoman. The remaining seven teams were 'professionally' staffed by two non-related sailors. Three rookie teams attended the event for the first time.

We had four Family Rivalries; Father and Daughter Team of Martin and Mackenzie Fraser trounced the son and Mom team of Cameron and Suzette Fraser on Saturday, Although Cam did take the old man twice. Father Daughter team of Art and Kelly Rousemaniere sailing 'Beaker' were only beaten in one race by Son/Mom team of Adam and Jen Rousemaniere in the 'Swedish Chef'. Local Couple of Peter and Kerri Wolcott walked on their son, Pierce, and his friend, Jon Meyers. Sara Levinson, crewing for Andy Klein had no luck catching her husband and Daughter Harry and Katie Levinson.

Awards were presented in many categories including. Top three Married Couples, Three Junior Teams, Top Three Rookie Teams, Capsize Award and Fist through Third. We hope everyone has had as much fun participating as we had hosting the regatta.

Joel Zackin  
 Co-Regatta Chair  
 #29111 'Mr. Bubble'

Team - WstJ 2008	Club									Total	
1 Henry and Chris Filter	30325 SSA	0.75	0.75	5	11	0.75	3	<b>10.25</b>	Top Father Son Team		
2 Art and Kelly Rousemaniere	29499 WBC	2	2	0.75	9	5	6	<b>15.75</b>	Top Father Daughter Team		
3 Pedro Larson & Mimi Berry	30304	6	5	4	2	2	9	<b>19</b>	Top Sibling Team		
4 Harry and Katie Levinson	29842 WBC	10	3	6	0.75	3	7	<b>19.75</b>	#2 Father Daughter Team		
5 Lee Griffith and Caroline Bradley	30404 BB	3	7	13	4	4	2	<b>20</b>			
6 Joel Zackin and Jen Matty	29111 NHYC	11	4	8	6	7	0.75	<b>25.75</b>			
7 Bob & Tommy Coyle	28542 CPYC	8	6	3	19	12	4	<b>33</b>	#2 Father Son		
8 Peter and Kerri Wolcott	30606 QSC	9	26	9	5	11	8	<b>42</b>	Top Married Team		
9 Andy Klein and Sara Levinson	30089 WBC	5	8	17	10	6	28	<b>46</b>			
10 John Lally & Keri O'Brien	30470 WBC	17	14	2	18	9	5	<b>47</b>			
11 Andrew Davis and Jenn Larson	27443 WBC	4	10	14	12	8	15	<b>48</b>			
12 Peter Kane and Joanna Carey	27591 WBC	20	11	10	3	14	10	<b>48</b>	#1 Rookie Team		
13 Mike and Kevin Elser	29867 QSC	7	19	12	8	13	12	<b>52</b>	#3 Father Son team		
14 Adam and Jen Rousemaniere	25412 WBC	12	9	11	7	17	16	<b>55</b>	Top Son/Mother Team		
15 Daryl and Harry Waskow	29645 BB	18	13	7	15	15	19	<b>68</b>	#4 Father Son Team		
16 Jack Gannon & Tim Costa	30526 WBC	15	18	15	17	18	11	<b>76</b>			
17 Ray Schmit and Wendy Frank	25659 CPYC	13	12	18	14	19	28	<b>76</b>			
18 Martin and Mackenzie Fraser	27861 MBC	26	21	16	16	16	13	<b>82</b>	#3 Father Daughter Team		
19 Katherine and Jim Buckley	26026	21	22	22	21	10	14	<b>88</b>	#2 Rookie Team #2 Married		
20 Bob and Jane Panza	29964 QSC	19	17	21	13	20	20	<b>89</b>	#3 Married Team		
21 Pierce Wolcott and Jon Meyers	28656 QSC	25	16	23	20	22	21	<b>102</b>	2nd Junior - Beating Dad in s		
22 Eric and Glen Bell	29972 WBC	16	24	27	24	21	18	<b>103</b>	#2 Rookie Team		
23 Jonathan Rupp and Kate Kaubra	25714	28	23	25	25	23	17	<b>113</b>	#3 Rookie Team		
24 Cameron and Suzette Fraser	25999 MBC	23	15	20	27	28	28	<b>113</b>	#2 Son Mother Team		
25 Fred Ables and Katherine Spindler	30017	22	25	19	23	28	28	<b>117</b>			
26 Thad and Jeremiah and Nate Burr	28199 QSC	24	27	26	22	24	22	<b>118</b>	Top Father Son Team		
27 Len and Danielle Bertaux	26448 BYC	27	20	24	26	25	28	<b>122</b>	#3 Father Daughter Team		
28 Kevin and Max Hetherington	29704 WBC	14	28	28	28	28	28	<b>126</b>	#5 Father Son Team		