

2007 Board of Governors Regatta

The 2007 Board of Governors Regatta at the Quassapaug Sailing Center (QSC) started with a heavy fog and a light breeze. The other side of our little lake was not visible. Equipment littered the dry sail lot. Tents covered the hillside. McLaughlin, Phoenix, Mueller, Jibe Tech, Eclipse, and Persson Snipes were all represented. Quite an assemblage of different brands of our favorite boat.

Fortunately for the 25 Snipe teams, the fog burned off and a light southerly breeze covered the lake. Four Olympic courses were run in a light breeze that threatened to build but never really did. Lee Griffith and Andrea Nilson won the first race, but spent the afternoon contending with a very fast Henry and Megan Filter. The racing was hot and demanded high concentration to keep the boat moving in the lulls. The left seemed favored, but sometimes the right paid handsomely. Only local juniors Kevin Elser and Lauren Saulmuller managed some how to capsize in the light air, clinching the Capsize Award for the event.

Following a great dinner of Lobster and Steak, most of the snipe sailors danced the night away on the porch of the club.

Sunday morning met us with an extremely light westerly. Race Committee Shane Erickson and Ryan Murphy got us started as the breeze died. Fortunately the RC abandoned the race half way up the first leg as the wind had totally left us. Only Jane Panza was heard sighing "but we were in third place! Only when we get ahead". The other teams were very relaxed and pleased that the race committee had postponed. There was no immediate danger of a frustrating 'drifter' race in the random zephyrs.

The westerly filled back in by 12:30 and racing we went. After a recall due again to the very aggressive sailing in the snipe class, Lee and Andrea came out hot, winning the race in a breeze that all but disappeared in the last leg. Team Filter cinched the regatta followed by Lee and Andrea, and Holly and Gavin O'Hare switch off at driving.

Collected at Quassy to sail all these similar but different boats were twenty five very competitive snipe teams consisting of; five married couples, nine parent/offspring teams, five junior helmsmen, and two helmswoman. The remaining eight teams were 'professionally' staffed by two non-related sailors. Four rookie teams attended the event for the first time. We were very excited by the appearance of two teams from the newly reformed Bantam Lake Fleet, 20 miles to the north of Quassy.

Awards were presented in many categories including. Top Married Couple, Top Junior Teams, Top Rookies, Capsize Award and First through third. Of Course, as the awards were being presented a beautiful Westerly breeze blew out on the lake. We hope everyone has had as much fun participating as we had hosting the regatta.

Joel Zackin
Fleet 231 Captain

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	Team	Club						Total
1	Henry and Megan Filter	SSA	3	0.75	2	2	2	9.75
2	Lee Griffith and Andrea Nilson	BB	0.75	6	0.75	4	0.75	12.25
3	Holly and Gavin Ohare	SSA	4	4	3	0.75	7	18.75
4	Harry and Katie Levenson	WBC	2	5	4	7	5	23
5	Pedro Larson and Mimi Berry	MYC	5	3	5	6	6	25
6	Peter and Kerri Wolcott	QSC	9	2	6	3	9	29
7	Joel Zackin and Jen Matty	QSC	6	9	7	5	8	35
8	Bob Coyle and Julie Stephenson	CPYC	8	8	8	9	4	37
9	Sue Ladico and Jan Tabor	WBC	13	7	14	8	10	52
10	John Lally and Keri O'Brien	WBC	10	11	9	11	13	54
11	Jack Gannon and John Karamavos	WBC	14	12	10	10	12	58
12	Cameron Fraser and Sophie Karon	MBC	21	16	11	13	3	64
13	Mike and Erin Elser	QSC	7	10	12	14	25	68
14	Jim and Carol Tomasetti	IND	16	14	21	12	16	79
15	Pierce Wolcott and John Lombard	QSC	18	15	20	15	14	82
16	Darryl and Harry Waskow	BB	15	13	13	18	15	74
17	Martin and Mackenzie Fraser	MBC	11	17	17	20	20	85
18	Ed and Henry Kavle	BYC	19	18	16	16	17	86
19	Bob and Jane Panza	QSC	20	20	18	21	11	90
20	Eric and Glen Bell	QYC	22	19	15	17	18	91
21	Ray Schmit and Wendy Frank	CPYC	12	22	19	22	19	94
22	Mario Fernandez and John Kollanda	QSC	17	23	23	19	22	104
23	Thad and Nathan Burr	QSC	24	21	25	25	21	116
24	Kevin Elser and Lauren Saulmuller	QSC	25	24	22	23	23	117
25	Michael Luskin and Jim Sutton	BYC	23	25	24	24	24	120