2021 Board of Governors Regatta Report, Lake Quassapaug, CT. August 28 & 29



Lisa Pline, center, holding the "Take a Bow" Award.

Lake Quassapaug lived up to her reputation for light wind. Due to Covid, our Board of Governor's Regatta was a small, intimate affair.

Eleven Snipe Teams attended the 2021 Board of Governors Regatta. This was the Seven Hundredth and Thirteenth running of the event. Saturday awoke to heavy cloud cover. After all the 90+ degree days, a day in the seventies was very welcome. Under the clouds was 4-8 knots of East breeze with 40+ degree shifts. Lake sailing at its best!

Confidence was running high at the competitors meeting as Quassapaug's weird signaling of reverse courses, starboard roundings, was explained to the Quassapaug rookies. During questions, Jane Panza played the roll of Lee Griffith.

Two races were run before lunch, and much of the fleet learned and relearned the "stay out of the middle of the beat" lesson. Alex and Lisa Pline showed they can sail the lakes very well, with a one, two for the morning. Peter Wolcott and Josh Lovett won the second race. The racing was very close and there were many lead changes.

After lunch a "Trading Places" race was run and the crews, that wanted to drive, showed their skippers how the boat should really be sailed! Lisa Pline turned on the afterburners and won despite having Alex in the front of the boat. Two more regular series race were sailed and the Fleet retired for dinner and a drinks.

Andrew Keane did the scoring to show the top three, Alex and Lisa, Simon and Julie, and Peter and Josh all within 3 points of each other. The next three teams, Joel & Noah, Andrew & Kristen, and Mike and Jennifer were within one point of each other. A very very tight regatta! Dinner was fun with everyone pitching in. Chicken Marsala, fresh salad, steamed corn picked that morning, ziti, and watermelon for desert. Plenty of IPA, Lager, Pilsner, Ale, and Octoberfest from Connecticut breweries.

Sunday met us with clouds again and a very light easterly breeze. The shifts were very large, but the breeze never went completely away. A first race was and Jim and Carol Tomesetti showed the fleet how to win a race.

The race Committee was going to call the event at 5 races but the fleet asked for another. The last race involved many lead changes with Bob and Jane Panza commanding the last leg, almost to the finish line. The wind gods granted a small right hand puff/lift to Joel and Noah, who spent the earlier part of the weekend clutching defeat from the hands of victory, won by inches on the finish line. We are trying to locate the video taken by the race committee!

Thanks to the Race Committee lead by Kevin Hetherington (below), and assisted by John and Sue Sullivan, Audrey Hetherington-Young and Gabriel for running seven great races. The entire RC was awarded the "Take a Bow" Award for their great work. Kevin received an additional "Take a Bow" Award for the fine demonstration of how to wrap the prop with a just released buoy anchor rode.



Thanks to Jane Panza for orchestrating dinner and Sunday Lunch. Andrew Keane for Sunday Breakfast and scoring. Mike Elser for making sure registration was complete. Bob Panza for Marks, and everyone else who helped make the regatta a success.

Come to Quassy!! Joel Zackin "Queen Celeste" 31566

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	Sail	Manufacturer		R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total
1	31313	JibeTech	Alex & Lisa Pline	1	2	1	3	7	3	10
2	30606	JibeTech	Peter Wolcott & Josh Lovett	5	1	3	1	3	4	12
3	26132	McLaughlin	Simon Struass & Julie Lelek	2	4	2	2	2	6	12
4	31566	JibeTech	Joel Zackin & Noah Novemski	3	5	8	6	4	1	19
5	27011	Mueller	Andrew Keeane & Kristen Jabanaski	dns	3	5	4	5	5	21
6	31001	JibeTech	Jim & Carol Tomasetti	4	9	9	5	1	7	26
7	29964	Persson	Bob & Jane Panza	7	11	6	8	6	2	29
			Mike Elser & Jennifer & Kevin Elser &							
8	29867	Persson	Charlie D.	6	6	4	7	9	9	32
9	31204	JibeTech	Ray Schmit & Margaret Lawrence	dns	10	7	9	8	8	43
10	29704	Skipper	Max Hetherington & Emma Bargende	9	7	10	10	dns	dns	47
11	25991	McLaughlin	Jurgen Hollock & Thad Burr	8	8	11	dns	dns	dns	49

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Trading Places Race

	Team			
1	Lisa & Alex Pline			
2	Mike Elser & Jennifer			
3	Jim & Carol Tomasetti			
4	Bob & Jane Panza			
5	Julie Lelek & Simon Struass			
6	Josh Lovett & Peter Wolcott			
7	Max Hetherington & Emma Bargende			
8	Noah Novemski & Joel Zackin			
9	Kristen Jabanaski & Andrew Keeane			