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Rose Schultz Wins Memorial!



Freaky winds, a challenge from the club's top Sunfish sailor, high temperatures, and a race course full of obstacles proved no match for **Rose Schultz**. The long time HSA member, instructor, and current Vice Commodore of the club outlasted all comers and took home her first series trophy since 2006.

In a virtual tie for first after Sunday's races, Rose not only needed to beat yours truly in Monday's second race, she also needed to face Sunfish guru **Bill Molleran**, who showed up Monday with another formidable foe, daughter **Megan**.

The Mollerans dominated the day but in the end it was Rose who walked
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Joe Buchert Rolls Cat Fleet



Racing in what has to be the most beautiful boat on the lake, Joe and Kelly Buchert walked away with the catamaran series over the weekend, winning three of the four races in their marvelous gray sailed Nacra F16.

Sails popping on each tack, the Bucherts wheeled their (continued page 3)

Henthorn Still King of the (Y) Hill



Y-Flyer virtuoso Roger Henthorn staved off stiff challenges from Charlie DeArmon and Jim Mossman to reaffirm his position atop the Y-Flyer fleet.
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Memorial Weekend Memorable!

Wow! After four weekends of less than optimal weather, it was quite a weekend. Boats turned out in force despite the warm temperatures to take advantage of the best wind this spring.

And it was a challenge both days as wind speed varied from near nothing to 10+ mph. When it was bad, it was really bad, but when it was good, it was really good. But you had to stay awake. When it came, it came big.

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Rose is all smiles, having bested the field

Rose Wins!

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away with the gold.

Bill Molleran

won both races and **Megan Molleran** took a second and a third. Rose only needed to beat yours truly to take the series and after she and Bill rounded the first windward mark, it was a two man race. Rose did lead briefly and then pushed Bill all the way to the end, both taking a huge two leg lead over the rest of the Sunfish fleet.

Molleran missed Sunday's races and though starting Monday with 14 points already from two DNS's, he still managed to finish third overall. Rose didn't need help from Megan, but got it anyway. She pushed yours truly to 4th in the last race with her sprint to the finish line.

Sunfish junior **Brendan Draper** is breaking new ground, apparently having learned how to pick up girls with his Sunfish. Ask Brenden for details.



Sunday's racing was alternately woeful and wonderful as the wind took pleasure in disappearing. The figure eight course set up by committee chair **Chuck Smith** was the best option both days since wildly oscillating west winds and any hope of a perpendicular line made it a certified crap shoot. **Helen Smith and Laura Beebe** were also on committee. Thanks for the work (and the pictures).

Monday was just as whore-ish but the breeze had at least committed to sticking around all day and at times made for exhilarating sailing. Although the temperature and humidity were as high as advertised, it was only uncomfortable in the parking lot. On the water it was a nonfactor.

Sunday's potluck was a resounding success with 35 in attendance and all the food you could wish for. The pizza disappeared along with the casseroles and fried chicken. The kitchen crew deserves our gratitude. Their tip jar was full.

Afterwards a geocaching party was organized and, we are glad to announce, the elusive geocache at Hopewell Church was found! **Jerry Brewster** made short work of a hidden cache that had eluded previous hunters who had spent hours in the church cemetery without luck. Nice job, Jerry, and we hate you.

Also in attendance were new members the Tanners, a few guests of **Gwen Marshall**, more of **Charlie DeArmon's** family (who also sailed), Second Wind Club members, and Callahan friends **Paul and Kay White** of the Indianapolis Sailing Club.

Charlie DeArmon sailed with niece **Kayla Draper** on the Y. **Megan DeArmon** sailed the Sunfish but didn't race. Charlie's sister **Patty Draper** sailed with her guest Danielle but did not race. Megan DeArmon crewed on Monday with dad. Nephew **Brenden Draper**, when he wasn't picking up women, was on the water in his Sunfish. Nice job of getting the family on the water, Charlie. Noticeably absent was **Kevin DeArmon** who opted for a powerboating weekend and will have to be punished for that. Sorry, Kevin. Club rules.

Julie Molleran chaperoned the family on Monday and spent the afternoon in her kayak, weaving her way among the sailboat traffic.



Roger Holds On; Not Ready to Relinquish Crown (continued from page 1)

The Y-Flyers changed positions in both races Monday, all taking the lead at one point or another. Despite the good wind, there were holes and if you fell into one, you could lose ground in a grand way quickly.

The competition had their chances though. In both races Monday, Charlie and Jim both had good starts off the line. Roger also hit a mark at one point and found himself tangled up in traffic as the other Flyers had managed to stay close. Ultimately though it was all Henthorn and crew **Bobbie Bode** and the string remains unbroken.

Roger and Bobbie have not lost a Y-Flyer race since **Jerry Callahan** beat them in the first race of last year's Memorial Day Series.

Next week, Roger is away at Summerfair and it is finally someone else's turn.

Bucherts Dominate

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their 16 foot beauty around the course with grace. **Don Fecher** managed to play the spoiler in race three, winning by a scant ten seconds to the bigger, faster boat. No small feat vs. Nacra F16.

Catamaran finishes need to be timed and use the Portsmouth system to really determine order of finish. The figures on page 4 are position finishes. To see more about Joe and Kelly's boat see page 4 also.



Up and Coming

Learn to Sail

This year's first Learn to Sail will be June 9-10. There are already seven registered and more on the way. If you haven't volunteered you and your boat, please contact Mike today.

Inter Fleet Championship Fun Day!

June 24 is just three weeks away and the first special event is fast approaching. Organizers Pete Peters and myself have thirteen boats signed on for the event but we want more. (Y-Flyers especially needed)

This will be a unique racing event where skill and experience will share time with luck and fun. Food will follow the event, so bring your boat, bring a friend or family member, and bring your game faces!

Contact Mike if you haven't told anyone you are coming yet. **Neil Harrell** will man the committee boat. A volunteer crew on committee is needed. Let us know.

Seen and Overheard

Committee boat member slash photographer **Laura Beebe** reports that she commented on the good wind to Jim Mossman crew **Ryan Servizzi**. Which prompted Ryan to reply: "Yeah, it wasn't too bad, but every time Don stopped talking, we found ourselves in a hole." To know him is to love him.

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“Where’s Ryan. Dang, he was here a minute ago. Lost another crew. I gotta be more careful. “ (Jim Mossman – in a reflective moment.)

The Low Down on a Very Smooth and Snappy Sailor

Here is a bit about Joe and Kelly’s boat from the owner himself:

“The boat is a Nacra F16 and it was made to fit the Formula 16 class, a class very similar to the F18 class I sail in. Manufacturers came together and set up a "box rule" so they can compete to make the best boat within the guidelines. As far as Portsmouth numbers go, it is a 63.0. Compare that to the Hobie 16’s 76.0 and basically if a Hobie is even within sight of the F16 the Hobie wins. Our boat weighs about 270 lbs.

“The great thing about the F16 class is it is class legal to be sailed skipper and crew with the jib or singlehanded without the jib. The Nacra boats are made in the Netherlands. Ours is one of about four that are in the States. There are many other F16’s being made by Australian High Performance Catamarans (AHPC), Falcon Marine and Vectorworks Marine.

“Our boat sports all the latest trends in hull shape and rig configuration. Flat bottom hulls allow for planning downwind and quick tacks. High aspect ratio dagger boards are angled in for climbing to weather. It has a teardrop shaped wing mast. You can see all the latest Nacra stuff at <http://www.nacrasailing.com/>

Race Results: Memorial Day

Sunfish Fleet

1. Rose Schultz 3-1-4-2
2. Mike Stratton 1-3-3-4
3. Bill Molleran DNS DNS 1-1
4. Pete Peters 2-4- 6-5
5. Jerry Brewster 4-2-5-6
6. Megan Molleran DNS DNS -2-3
7. Brendan Draper 6-6-8-7
8. Brianna Brewster 5-5-DNS DNS
9. Joe Fulford DNS DNS 7 DNF

Y-Flyer Fleet

1. Roger Henthorn 1-1-1-1
2. Charlie DeArmon 2-3-2-2
3. Jim Mossman 3-2-3-3

Catamarans

1. Joe and Kelly Buchert 1-1-2-1
2. Don Fecher 3-2-1-2
3. Charlie Buchert 2-3-3-DNF
4. George Fecher 4-4-4-3
5. Dave Munday DNS DNS DNS 5





DeArmons looking for wind.



Bill Molleran takes a between race break.



Megan Molleran – Young Turk



A happy committee is a good committee. Laura, Helen, and Chuck.



Geocachers begin at new bridge. Paul White (left) just being a tourist.



Correctly identify this HSA member and win a prize!



Dave Munday on a relatively calm beat.



Pete Peters mugs for the camera sheepishly for he is, after all, naked.