



That's Ken Wright going so fast, even his boom is leaving a wake. Ken and Yours Truly went to Michigan recently for the Sunfish Regional Championships at Devil's Lake near Ann Arbor. How'd they do? (Page 3)

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OktoberFast is for All the Marbles

Sunfish Series Comes Down to Final Races on Final Day

As has happened each year for the past few years, the season long Sunfish champion will be determined in the final event, OktoberFast, which is coming up this weekend.

HSA's season finale will likely see two champs emerge. One will take the title of Sunfish champ, the other will take the OktoberFast title. It could be the same person, but that hasn't been the case the past few years. Going into the final Sunfish event, there are more candidates for both titles than you can shake a tiller extension at.



Victor finds time between races for some Z's.

Haul Out

What is a "Haul Out"? Does it involve skill? Muscle? Courage?

Tools? Actually, not much of any of that. We just need hands on deck. We can most likely promise chili and apple cider and thanks for a job well done.

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OktoberFast for the Masses (cont. from page 1)

This is a good place to mention Bill Molleran. The only nameplate on the OktoberFast trophy (in circulation since 2013) is Molleran's. As for the season long series, Molleran only has three races in so far and will likely not qualify.

That leaves seven others in contention for the Sunfish title. Of course, anyone can win OktoberFast. That is, apparently, if Bill Molleran stays home. (Ed. Note: He won't.) Among them? Rose Schultz and Laura Beebe are the distaff side to the equation and we know they can win. Beebe has two bullets and a slew of seconds so far which put her in the lead for taking the laurels.

On the other side are Jerry Brewster and Charlie DeArmon, both of whom have raced all 13 races so far. There is also Yours Truly, who eked out a narrow win last year as the Sunfish Guy. With one bullet and a nice retinue of seconds, (continued on next page.)

Sunfish Series: How Dey Stand

Current Qualifiers Best Seven Finishes

1. Laura Beebe	1 2 2 2 1 3	13
2. Mike Stratton	2 2 3 2 3 2 1	15
3. Roger Henthorn	7 1 1 6 3 1 5	24
4. Jerry Brewster	4 5 4 5 6 3 4	31
5. Charlie DeArmon	6 5 3 5 6 4 5	34
6. Ryan Servizzi	9 9 8 5 6 4 5	46

Not Yet Qualified

1. Neil Harrell	1 1 1 1
2. Rose Schultz	3 6 4 4 7 4
3. Pete Peters	DNS 6 4 2
4. Brett Hart	7 7 7 8
5. Bill Molleran	3 13 13
6. Danielle Marks	12 7 13
7. Sarah Lockhart	8 13 13
8. Julie Molleran	10 13 13
9. Ken Wright	3 8 8
10. Gail Turluck	1 2 2 3 4 3
11. Tom Katterheinrich	2 4 4 2 1 6

Juniors in the running for junior champion

1. Kevin DeArmon
2. Megan DeArmon
3. Victor Abitabilo
4. Jack Cooper
5. Katie Lockhart
6. Charlie Cooper

Miami Sailing Club 2nd

A few weeks ago, Roger and Bobbie helped the Miami Sailing Club get off to a start in their season as they hosted seven other universities in their annual regatta *Acton Up!*

Miami finished second overall. The photo at left shows the Western Michigan boat swamped after a capsized on a very breezy day, but the crew still in good spirits. The club has eight events on their fall schedule, which ends on November 11. Participants at the Acton Up! Regatta usually include Denison, Western Michigan, Michigan State, Ohio State, Ohio University, and Toledo.

The club also has a spring regatta schedule.



Sunfish Gather at Regatta in Michigan

Well, we went all the way to Michigan to find out they have no wind either. At least not on Sundays which saw the second day of the Sunfish Regional #2 cancelled due to the lightest of air.

Saturday was rainy but the regatta got off three races late. As it turned out, that was it. Sailing there along with HSA's Ken Wright and Yours Truly were HSA friends Tom Katterheinrich, Gail Turluck, and Bill Sanderson

Katterheinrich, from Lake St. Mary's, is a regular on the Sunfish tour and attended our own AuGusto! along with Gail Turluck, another regular, who hails from Gull Lake in Michigan.

Katterheinrich has been attending the Devil's Lake event since 1964 when he was a junior crewing for his dad in a Lightning. He has only missed three of those regattas in that span. The regatta always features two starts: Lightning and Sunfish. Turluck has attended 30 years in a row without missing.

Sanderson is from Akron but got his sailing chops at Hueston Woods in Sunfish back in the 70's and 80's before moving to the Akron area and sailing in Interlakes. The top five received trophies. First three places qualified for the Sunfish Worlds next year.

Dan Norton of Devil's Lake took all three races to finish on top, followed by Pymatuning's Ron McHenry who had a 2 3 2. Yours Truly finished fourth, one point out of third place. Katterheinrich was three points behind in fifth and Turluck was 7th.

Ken Wright finished in 10th place and Sanderson was eighth. The club at Devil's lake, a late 19th century hotel converted to a club in 1948, is an great facility and well worth the trip.

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"The Guy" will, we hope, make it interesting. (Fingers crossed). Making a late run for the title is none other than

Roger Henthorn. Henthorn languished in the Series until AuGusto! last month where he won three races and finished second overall to Michigan's Gail Turluck, his first hardware in a Sunfish event in some time.

Do we have a Dark Horse? Yes, Neil Harrell with four bullets back in the Spring. He could conceivably pull off a double-double on the season's last day if we have five races. There are also Tom K. and Gail T. Should they return, both are in it. Race time is 1:30, followed by a few eats and treats at the trophy presentation. JoAnn is bringing a dessert and lemonade. Yours Truly is bringing Pumpkin cookies. You can bring a little somethin' too if you like.

From left to right below in back row: Devil's Lake champ Dan Norton with the other top five finishers: Ron McHenry, Josh Kerst, Yours Truly, and Tom Katterheinrich.

Below them are top junior Tyler Jacobs and Gail Turluck who received an award for her 30 straight years in attendance at this regatta. You go, Gail Girl!



It is time once again to say adieu to a sailing season. Haul Out for the committee and crash boat will take place on Sunday, October 9th beginning at 10 a.m. Come join us put the final touches on our 60th year. I'm pretty sure there will be JoAnn's chili and maybe some cupcakes afterwards. Email Don Fecher, Harbormaster, if you have any questions or to let him know you are coming. Work should be done in about two hours. Contact dfexskip@aol.com.

Haul Out Time!

Labor Day Series turned out a few people on the Sunday of the two day event. Pictured at right are just the people who jumped on the committee boat. Todd Rovito, Jim Cooper, Theresa Wright, Charlie DeArmon Sr., John Shipley, Rose Schultz, and Linda Rovito, who is in the foreground at right. The committee boat will need a good power wash and a few other touches, like a facial, a good massage, and maybe a little makeup before trying to look all that in the dry moorage area all winter. Who knows what big, strong, multi-hull will show up? A girl has to be ready.



Calling All Trophies As Banquet Looms

After the Haul Out and the Chili Lunch, there remains but one event in the 60th anniversary year of 2016 - the 60th Annual Awards Banquet. The HSA elves are already hard at work preparing for the event. Charlie, we hear, has wine so we know we are off to a collecting photos for display and Pete has begun work on his 60th anniversary presentation show. The banquet is Saturday, November 5 at the usual hangout - the Barn-N-Bunk in lovely suburban Trenton.

If you have a traveling trophy, this weekend would be a good time to get it to either Laura or Pete for engraving. (That includes the OktoberFast trophy, Mr. Molleran.) Thanks! Also, the Executive Committee is ready to accept nominations from members for the club's four special trophies. Check the yearbook for award qualifications and if you think someone deserves an accolade, let's accolade the heck out of them. Just send your nominating letter to Laura Beebe, Rear Commodore, at petersle1@yahoo.com.



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