

June 17, 2017

Hello Skippers,

We held our June ODOM regatta today and it was a great day for racing. The temps were only in the low 70s, thanks to a fair amount of cloud cover. It never threatened to rain. We had 13 skippers come out for the regatta and we got in 13 races. I want to thank Bill Sherrell for calling the start line and scoring all of the races today. The results are attached and shown below.

The wind was interesting. It started as 4-6 from the east and northeast, so we set up on the south shore. Kent did the honors of setting up the marks and put three buoys down at the leeward end, to be used for various gates. We ran the first 4 or 5 races to the east, most times using just the buoy furthest out for the windward pin since we had mostly northeast winds. Since the speed was increasing a bit, we also started running 1-1/4 lap races.

Then the wind died for a while and shifted pretty much to the north. We ran a couple of races where reaching was pretty much the only point of sail we could get. For these races we used both buoys on the east side so that at least we had a little tacking going up that short leg.

Then we started getting a more substantial northwest wind. For all the remaining races, we started to the west, included all 3 western buoys as part of the second leg, went around both eastern buoys and then finished back in the Barrymuda triangle for a 1-1/4 lap race. That course took a little getting used to but with the relatively steady northwest wind, it was probably the best course we could get. And the Barrymuda triangle did not disappoint for causing some last minute position changes as skippers searched for the wind. :)

The circumnavigate event is next Saturday! I hope to see everyone out there enjoying this great event!

See you at the pond,

Don