

June 12, 2021

Hello Skippers,

We held the June ODOM regatta today. The weather was quite nice with temps in the low 70s when we started and up to the mid-80s when we finished with sunny skies. We got in 13 races despite the challenging near-0 wind conditions. Nine skippers came out for the regatta, including Greg Norris from Paonia and Chuck with his recovering knee. The results are shown below and are also attached to this email.

We also introduced a new member to the club: Jim Mariner. Welcome Jim!

The forecast for winds was from the ENE starting at 2mph and building to 5mph by 1:00. We set up on the south shore again. In the beginning, the wind was at about 1-2mph and occasionally up to about 3mph and also down to near 0. The wind speed varied quite a bit but did not get over 3 until about 12:30, except for the 1-2 minute periods where we would get encouraging winds only to have them disappear after the start. The winds were mostly from the NE with a few races starting with E winds. And we did get a couple of races where the direction was almost out of the north. Such is Harper Lake.

A number of races were run where we just used the offshore windward buoy for the windward mark due to the NE'ish winds. A few were able to be run using all four windward and leeward buoys. Around 11:30 or so, the wind really died on us and we had to wait about 10 minutes just to get enough wind to start a race. We decided to run a 1/2 lap race while waiting for the wind to pick up again. Of course, the wind picked up quite a bit while we were starting but did die back down as we were trying to finish.

After we got in 10 races, the wind filled in better and allowed us to run two 1-1/2 lap races before one final single lap race for the end of the regatta.

See you at the pond!

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