

June 18, 2022

Hello Skippers,

After having to cancel the DF65 regatta in May due to wintry conditions, we were able to complete the June regatta today without a hitch. We had 8 skippers come out to compete under cloudy skies and temperatures in the 80s. We did have a couple of electrical/mechanical failures that led to a fleet of only 6 boats for the last few races. We fit in 15 races by going overtime and the results are shown below and attached to this email. We would also like to welcome a new skipper to the club: Brian Brody. Welcome Brian!

The lake was a sheet of glass when I arrived about 9:30. Barry set up a course off the south shore with hopes we would get an east or west wind. The prediction was for SE winds so I threw the extra buoy off the west shore, just in case.

By 10:30 we had a light wind (about 1-2 mph) out of the northwest. We ran the first two races from the start line to the far buoy, then back towards the south shore to round one buoy and then to the finish line. The far buoy became very challenging to judge depth perception, so we began using the standard box course.

The wind also swung around to the northeast which gave us difficulties getting good windward legs into the course. Sometimes the wind would shift more to the east which helped. Wind speeds were quite light until after noon. By then we got some 5-6mph breezes, puffing to 10 for brief periods of time.

The wind then shifted more to the north, leaving us with some reaching races. We did use the far buoy one more time, but that did not really give us a windward leg either so we stopped using it. We finished the regatta using just one windward buoy and the two leeward buoys. When the wind was at its strongest we did one race as 1-1/4 laps.

Barry sailed a solid regatta to grab first place and Rodney came on strong to get a bullet on the last race and edge past Stew to earn 2nd place.

See you at the pond!

Don