

September 21, 2013

Hello Skippers,

Attached are the results of the September Rocky Mountain Regatta ODOM regatta. We got in 15 races today with 13 skippers participating in this special event.

First I'd like to thank **Rich Roberts**, **Stu Williams**, and **Bill Sherrell** for acting as our race directors, line judges and scorekeepers for the day. Thanks again to **Ken Hegy** for bringing a table and the cooler filled with ice water and to **Tom Quesenbery** for ordering the pizza lunch. And special thanks to **Geri Paxton** for helping me tally the scores at the end of the day for our awards presentation. Finally, a big thank you to **Kent Broadhead**, the Regatta Chairman for this regatta. Thanks everyone for a job well done!

The weather was great for sailing today in terms of temperature, with the day starting out in the upper 60s and ending around 80. The wind, however, was an entirely different matter. In the morning, a lone fisherman was parked on the south shore, but the wind was out of the north so we setup on the west shore. Then the wind dropped and we sailed 7 long races before lunch in sub-1 mph winds. The course was our standard box course and one lap, heading north. We did start one race heading south since the wind had swung around, but that only lasted until everyone was across the start line and then it swung back to the north. The wind would puff a little now and then to about 2mph, but it was a very taxing and frustrating morning for nearly everyone.

After seven races, the competition was proving to be very tough. Accounting for one throw out, Tom Q held first place with 13 points and Denny also had 13 points for second place. Terry was in third with only 14 points. The next three places were also close: Dick with 24 points, Don with 28 and Jim Barr with 29 points.

After lunch with the fisherman gone, we decided to switch to the south shore as the wind was now finally filling in from the east. We sailed another 8 races and now the winds were in the 4-5 mph zone with an occasional let up every now and then. Again we ran the standard box course and one lap. We finished our last race just after 2:15.

The top five places are shown below. Terry managed to battle back and rise to the top! The top four spots were all fairly close. Some tight racing all day!

1st – **Terry Britton** – 25 pts

2nd – **Tom Quesenbery** – 30 pts

3rd – **Denny Hanson** – 34 pts

4th – **Dick Ball** – 37 pts

5th – **Don Verhaeghe** – 47 pts

See you at the pond,

Don