



Lightning North American Championship
Southern Yacht Club
New Orleans, Louisiana – Fleet 62
October 8–11, 2015



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Pos	Bow/Sail	Boat	Skipper	Yacht Club	R 1	R2	R 3	R4	R5	R6	Total
1	04 / 15545		Jody Starck, Jody Lutz, Ian Jones	Buffalo Canoe Club	3	1	6	[9]	2	3	15
2	01 / 11011	Ojo de Lince	Tito Gonzalez Trinidad Gonzalez, Alberto Gonzalez	Aculeo Lake	4	5	1	10	1	[47/ UFD*]	21
3	16 / 15296	Silver Girl	Geoff Becker Josh Becker, John Loe	Severn Sailing Association	6	6	8	1	[13]	1	22
4	49 / 15449	Dazzler	Allan Terhune Katie Terhune, Lesley Cook	Annapolis Yacht Club	[14]	7	3	2	9	2	23
5	05 / 15181		Matt Fisher JoAnn Fisher, Stu Fisher	Hoover Sailing Club	2	3	4	5	[10]	10	24
6	39 / 15390		Todd Wake Kristine Wake, Doug Wake	Sheboygan Yacht Club	7	9	[18]	8	6	8	38
7	52 / 15202	Slam dunk	Eric Oetgen Clerc Cooper, Will Jeffers	Savannah yacht club	12	12	7	3	[14]	5	39
8	51 / 15532	All y'all	Tanner Probst Jenna Probst, Debbie Probst	Buffalo Canoe Club	10	4	[17]	12	7	7	40
9	47 / 15475		Jeff Coppens Tom Goddard, Matt Burrige	Mission Bay Yacht Clb	8	18	14	[21]	3	4	47
10	02 / 15502		Jed Dodge Elizabeth Dodge, Bill Dodge	Sodus Bay Yacht Club	1	13	[30]	13	21	6	54
11	32 / 15495		Larry MacDonald Julie-Marie MacDonald, Julianne MacDonald	Buffalo Canoe club	20	20	2	11	4	[47/ UFD*]	57
12	09 / 9		Thomas Allen Shelby Allen, Elizabeth Wolaver	BCC	13	21	5	4	17	[47/ UFD*]	60
13	11 / 15211	Bandit	Lawrence Frost Paul Barnes, Watt Duffy	Southern	[43/ SCP]	16	12	6	20	11	65
14	24 / 15471		Ryan Flack Emily McManus, Jim Thompson	Lake Fenton Sailing Club	11	2	23	18	[24]	15	69T
15	07 / 15470		George Sipel Chris Snyder, Marcie Levey	North Cape Yacht Club	16	14	10	[20]	12	17	69T
16	50 / 15000	Jack's Boat	Tim Werley Bertie Werley, Katie Werley	Pymatuning Yacht Club	5	[27]	20	17	18	12	72
17	56 / 15456	I Can't Bear It	Josh Goldman Samantha Parisi, Jon Guth	Cedar Point	[35]	10	24	16	16	9	75
18	20 / 15265		Steven Davis John Faus, Ian Sanderson	Denver Sailing Association	24	22	9	[31]	5	16	76
19	57 / 15557	Pretty Girl	Lenny Krawcheck-GM Laura Doupnik, Oliver Humphries	Carolina Yacht Club	17	[30]	15	15	11	23	81
20	06 / 15306		Jeanne Herman Kate Buras, Cal Herman	Southern Yacht Club	27	[31]	16	14	15	20	92
21	30 / 15309		Bryan Bahler Brad Wagnon, David Corcoran	Wawasee Yacht Club	9	8	[47/ DNS]	30	22	28	97
22	61 / 14737	SteamRoller2	Bill Draheim Mary Anne Hopper, Billy Self	Rush Creek Yacht Club	23	34	26	7	8	[47/ UFD*]	98
23	21 / 15566	Topflash2	Terrence Burke Bryan Burke, Ian Moriarty	Carlyle Sailing Association	19	[28]	21	27	25	14	106
24	03 / 14895		Adam MacDonald Beau Morse, Maggie MacDonald	Buffalo Canoe club	22	36	[40]	19	28	13	118
25	43 / 15543	Still Running with Scissors	William Wiggins Scott Gise, Karl Felger	Lake Norman Yacht Club	36	17	[37]	23	23	27	126
26	13 / 313		Sarah Somes Matthew Morin, Kevin Morin	CSYC	18	11	[35]	34	31	34	128
27	22 / 15137		Steven Adamski Heather Robertson, Michael Laing	Windjammers Sailing Club	26	19	[36]	36	19	29	129T
28	31 / 15310	Foiled Again	Sean Bradley Caitlan Crann, Ryan Bradley	Metedeconk River YC	25	[35]	27	22	30	25	129T
29	46 / 14866	Something Good	Bill Mauk-GM Lori England, Jim England	CRYC	32	[37]	22	26	33	18	131T
30	12 / 15512	Flying Circus	Mark Allen Beth Groesbeck, Mark Whatley	Pontiac Yacht Club	30	23	25	[32]	27	26	131T
31	62 / 15262		Whitney Kent Cate Muller, Bailey Dolson	Sail Sheboygan	[43]	25	28	24	37	24	138
32	29 / 15329	Jethro Hull	Thomas Meric Hartley Crunk, Thomas Meric	Southern Yacht Club	21	26	31	29	35	[47/ UFD*]	142
33	25 / 15257	Hers	Joan Hurban-GM Gary Hurban, Charlie Singer	SSA	38	33	13	[43]	41	19	144
34	23 / 13991	Fog Horn Leg Horn	Joel Humphrey Molly Hopkins, Rachel Taylor	Pontiac Yacht Club	28	[41]	33	28	34	22	145
35	17 / 14174	In Lieu	David Sprague-GM Debbie Jones, Ann Rouget	Boulevard Club	31	32	11	41	[43]	35	150
36	28 / 15285		John Sawyer-GM Becky Sawyer, Jack Sawyer	Carolina Yatch Club NC	29	24	34	[39]	32	32	151
37	55 / 15455	Ramrod	Steve Harris Michelle Harris, Eric Harris	Houston Yacht Club	33	15	[39]	35	38	31	152
38	48 / 14748	Gen 5	Fisk Hayden-GGM Pauline Kaiser, Amy Simonsen	LMSA	15	38	32	40	[42]	30	155
39	08 / 15308		William Killebrew Michael Osborne, Anthony Passafiume	Harbor Island Yacht Club	37	29	42	33	26	[47/ UFD*]	167
40	36 / 14136		Ben Herman Roddy Stieffel, Dustin Brenna	Southern Yacht Club	[47/ DNC]	47/ DNC	29	42	29	21	168
41	19 / 14191	Budget Dust	Greg Florian Colin Florian, Kay Ward	Commodore Decatur YC	42	[44]	19	38	36	37	172
42	27 / 14964	Portugee Jr.	Chris Shipman Dean Shipman, Jr., Michael Manning	HYC-EYC	41	39	38	25	[45]	33	176
43	10 / 15510	Australia	Ian Edwards Lindy Edwards, Patti Harris	Northbridge Sailing Club	39	40	[43]	37	40	38	194
44	65 / 14065	Plan B	Carl Panetta Joshua Panetta, Lynn Jones	DSA	40	43	[44]	44	39	39	205
45	26 / 15485	Mystique II	Gary Schwantz-GM Alexandra Payne, Stefan Boettcher	Lagos Yacht Club	44	42	[45]	45	44	36	211
46	18 / 15180		Pamela Burke Jim Burke, Joshua Burke	LLSC	45	45	41	46	46	[47/ DNS]	223

Notes
- Scoring System is RRS Low Point 2013-2016
- Finishes in [brackets] denote throwouts
- Click on race number to view detailed race information.

Regatta Summary:

Jody Starck, Ian Jones and Jody Lutz have know each other for many years but have never sailed together as a team until this weekend but you never would have known it. The Team sailed very smart with all top 9 finishes to win the 2015 Lightning North American Championship title.

Southern Yacht Club hosted the three day event and welcomed Lightning sailors from as far as California, Connecticut, Chile and Australia. This Championship is typically sailed in August but with the 2015 World Championships sailed in July at the Buffalo Canoe Club, the Class took the opportunity to try something different with an abbreviated schedule in October in New Orleans.

Races 1 and 2 were sailed on Friday, Oct 9th. The Starck Team posted a 3, 1 to take the initial lead. Matt Fisher from Columbus, OH sailing with his son Stu and sister-in-law Jo Ann was right behind them with a 2, 3. Tito Gonzalez sailing with his daughter Trini and son Alberto had a 4, 5.

Saturday brought three great races in 12-17 knot breeze with classic Cajun slop provided by Lake Pontchartrain. Team Gonzalez posted 1, 10, 1 to tie Team Starck who posted a 6, 9, 2 with 21 points. Team Fisher posted a 4, 5, 10 to move to third.

A weak front moved through overnight to bring winds of 12-15 knots and large waves to beginning of Sunday's first race. Geoff Becker from Annapolis, MD sailing with his son Josh and John Loe won the race with Allan Terhune, Katie Terhune and Lesley Cook finishing right behind them in second. Team Starck finished 5th but got scored a 3rd because Team Gonzalez (3rd) and Team L. MacDonald (4th) were penalized with the U Flag start. The breeze continued to diminish and though a 7th race was started it was abandoned after 2 legs due to light and variable winds.

Team Starck won the regatta with 15 points. Team Gonzalez finished in second with 21 points one point ahead of Team Becker with 22 points. Team Terhune in 4th with 23 points and Team Fisher in 5th with 24 points.

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