Southeastern District Ocean Regatta Carolina Yacht Club – Fleet 511 Wrightsville Beach, North Carolina May 30-31, 2015

Pos	Sail#	Boat	Skipper	Yacht Club	Race 1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total
1	15345		Jim Harris	CYCNC	3	5	2	11/ZFP	4	3	28
2	15202		Eric Oetgen	Savanna YC	6	2	1	17/ZFP	2	2	30
3	15139		Pierce Barden	CYCNC	11	1	10/ZFP	7	1	1	31
4	14127		Marcus Moehlman	Augusta Sailing Club	8	3	9	4	3	14	41
5	15285		John Sawyer	CYC	2	13	13	2	5	10	45
6	14684		Ezra Zankel	Charleston Y C	16	4	4	10	9	5	48
7	15557		Lenny Krawcheck	CYC SC	15	14	3	1	6	12	51T
8	15473		Chris Hamilton	CYC SC	14	6	6	3	15	7	51T
9	9398		Steve Harris	Houston YC	1	16	16	8	12	9	62T
10	14682		Bob Cowen	CYC	10	12	11	14	7	8	62T
11	12957		Paul Whitesides	CYCNC	7	8	10	18	11	13	67
12	14495	Aye Patch	Joe Pitcavage	Hobcaw	4	9	22/ZFP	17	10	6	68
13	14045		Stanton Bost	Charleston YC	17	10	8	5	14	15	69
14	14930		Mark Marenakos	CYCSC	12	11	7	21/ZFP	16	4	71
15	15159		Jay Taylor	CYC-NC	9	7	12	11	20	16	75
16	13897		Ryan Hamm	Charleston YC, JIYC	5	18	14	15	13	20	85T
17	15116		Will Sloger	Hobcaw YC	21	17	19	9	8	11	85T
18	14695		Richard Waldkirch	CYCNC	13	15	18	13	22/DNC	21/DNC	102
19	14932		John Pelosi	CSC-NC	19	19	15	19	21	21/DNS	114
20	11690		Andrew Wittman	CYC	18	21	20	22/DNF	18	19	118
21	7592		Corky Gray	LTYC	20	22	22	21	17	17	119
22	15180		Pam Burke	LLSC	22	20	21	20	19	18	120
23	15236		Steve Johnston	CYC	23/DNC	23/DNC	23/DNC	22/DNC	22/DNC	21/DNC	134

2015 Lightning SE District Ocean Regatta Report by Team USA 15345: Jim Harris, Chip Till, Ryan Taro

Once again, the Carolina Yacht Club in Wrightsville Beach, NC opened its arms to welcome a group of (23) Lightnings from all over the Southeast for the 2015 Lightning SE District Ocean Regatta. The always popular regatta was kicked off on Friday night with social activities and sharing of sailing stories over beverages in the upstairs lounge.

Around noon on Saturday a nice 8-13 kt ESE breeze settled and the RC was able to get off (4) nice races. Steve Harris on USA 9398 (who had flown in from Houston, TX to visit his local brother Jim Harris) popped out in front of the Fleet for a solid bullet in the first race. The sea state was fairly lumpy the entire day and as the right shift settled in from 115 to 135 the breeze became more steady and built which resulted in most leaders coming out of the right side. As the Fleet continued to push the starting line, the "Z" flag came out for races 3 and 4 which kindly awarded several victims with an additional 20% or 5 points to their respective finishing places. At the end of the day with scores of 3, 5, 2, 11 (ZFP 20%) it was Jim Harris' Team on USA 15345 that took the overnight lead followed closely by Marcus Moehlman's Team on USA 14127 by 3 points and Eric Oetgen's Team on USA 15202 by 4 points.

As the Fleet headed out on Sunday they were greeted with lighter winds. After a period of time of AP on the water a 4-8 kt SSE breeze filled in from 135 to 150 and RC got off (2) good races. The top boats in contention fought it out in both races. It appeared that the course continued to be a right hand side favor so those boats that were able to control the right were able to make out. In the end, it was Jim Harris' Team on USA 15345 at the top but only by a slim 2-point margin over Eric Oetgen's Team on USA 15202.

A huge thanks goes out to CYC-NC, the Race Committee, all the volunteers, the organizers, and especially those who traveled from out of town to make this regatta such a successful event. The Lightning Class appreciates your support and we look forward to seeing everyone again next year!

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