



Canadian Open Championship  
Temple Reef Sailing Club – Fleet 279  
Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada  
July 12-13, 2014



Pos	Skipper	Crew 1	Crew 2	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total
1	Todd Wake	Kristine Wake	Doug Wake	1	0	3	1	1	1	7
2	Jamie Allan	Jay Deakin	Chantal Leger	7	0	9	5	2	2	25
3	Thomas Allen	Sheryl Day	Brian Millen	11	0	4	3	4	3	25
4	Adam MacDonald	Abby Beennette	Peter Jones	2	0	5	6	11	4	28
5	Richard Walsh	Tina Walsh	Alex Cox	8	0	1	4	8	16	37
6	Larry MacDonald			5	0	2	2	3	DNF 26	38
7	Whitney Kent	Megan MacMahon	Katie Hall	4	0	11	13	5	5	38
8	Peter Hansen	Suzanne Hansen	Shereen Hansen	9	0	6	7	10	8	40
9	Ross Bailey	Julia Bailey	Cam McWhirter	3	0	8	9	14	15	49
10	Craig Pomeroy	Brian Phelan	Mari Martin	13	0	7	11	6	DNF 26	63
11	Peter McBride	R.D. McBride	Audray Lemieux	17	0	14	12	9	12	64
12	Rob Hemming	Alissa Camron	Casey Sellers	22	0	10	16	16	6	70
13	Chris Wells	Lucas Kajiwaza	Dennis Thrush	15	0	19	18	12	9	73
14	Lorrie Walsh	Tina Corness	Terry Cano	19	0	12	10	21	11	73
15	Brian Cox	Phil Henry	Blair Sandberg	18	0	13	14	20	13	78
16	Alec Smith	Katrina Oostveen	Caleb VanderPloeg	21	0	20	17	17	10	85
17	David Sprague	Anna Sepko	Agata Michalak	10	0	17	8	DNS 26	DNS 26	87
18	William Evans	Scotia Evans	Jean Evans	16	0	16	15	15	DNF 26	88
19	William Black	Steve Wells	Ben VanNieuwenhuizen	20	0	18	DNS 26	18	7	89
20	Georges Peter	C.H. Riott	Eva Burpee	6	0	DNF 26	DNS 26	7	26	91
21	David Stix	Amy Simonsen	Andrew Murtomaki	14	0	DNF 26	DNS 26	13	14	93
22	Doug Olsen	Lauri Reinen	Dave Wickett	12	0	15	26	19	DNS 26	98
23	Bryan Milne			DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	128
23	Peter Hall			DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	128
23	William Faude			DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	128

Well, here I am again, writing another report for another regatta. Or is it just another regatta? Anyways- lets get to the fun part.

On arrival on Friday night, we were greeted by a brisk breeze and cool temperatures. The boat was dropped, socialization ensued, and a long night of sleep followed before a hard weekend of racing.

The regatta was held in Thunder Bay, Ontario on Thunder Bay. Prior to even arriving at the regatta, we heard how cold the water was and almost vetoed attending the regatta (mom...). We soon realized what a tragedy it would have been to miss this regatta.

A nice start to Saturday was the late warning signal- 12:00, and warm temperatures. Locals tell me that it was the warmest day of the year(75 degrees). The first race was light air with a pin favored line. Team Wake won that race with Adam MacDonald in 2nd and Ross Bailey in third. Race two. Maybe I just won't talk about race two. Let's just say that we saw 360 degrees of wind and flew spinnakers on three of four legs. The Race Committe did make the decision to not count that race after sailing was over- so kudos to them. The sea breeze filled in for race three with a 15 knot breeze from the opposite direction of the first race. Richard Walsh won that race with Larry MacDonald in 2nd and Team Wake in third. Race four saw the wind build by a knot with Team Wake coming out on top, Team MacDonald second and Tom Allen and crew third. That was the end of racing on Saturday. Worn out, the group of sailors moved to the dinner location-"On Deck" bar. Dinner was great and I believe that everybody slept like rocks that night.

When originally looking at the forecast for Sunday, I saw a cool 8-12 knots. That was wrong. WAAAAAAAAAAAAAY wrong. The excitement started on the sail out when Dave Sprangue tipped over under spinnaker. The first race on Sunday started with 15 knots sustained building throughout the race. We had a bad start but managed to claw back and pass Jamie Allan at the end of the third beat to take the race. Jamie took a close second and Larry MacDonald took third. A twenty knot puff greeted us at the start of the second race on Sunday. The beat progressed and Adam MacDonald led at the mark. We were in a close second. A quick gybe kept us in pressure and put us out in front. As the run progressed, a huge puff that felt like thirty knots ripped down the course, tearing down six boats within a minute. Carnage was imminent and we immediately doused the spinnaker. At the gate, Tom Allen was winning the race with us in second. We split from Tom and went right while he went left. We were bombarded with puffs to 30 knots on the beat with a breeze of at least 23-25 knots sustained. The race was shortened to three legs and we were finished at the end of this beat. Team Wake won the race with team Jamie Allan in Second and Tom Allen in third. Boats were still tipped over on the course and we sailed downwind to help clean up some of the mess. The race committee made the right call in abandoning racing for the day and sent us in to some hot dogs and burgers. All things considered, this was an awesome regatta, a great experience, and an opportunity to race against some of Canada's best. Thanks to the race committee for dealing with very challenging conditions, to all of the competitors for making this regatta as competitive as it was, and to all the volunteers and organizing leaders that made this whole thing come together. I would also like to mention the splendid raffle that occurred after the regatta. I'm still not sure how Adam MacDonald won so much. Some of the awesome items include hand knit hats, etched jewelry by Lorrie Walsh, and a "Canadian" gift basket. The event concuded with the presentation of trophies crafted by Lorrie Walsh. The trophies were stones from Lake Superior with the event logo and finishing position etched into them.

I look forward to sailing in Thunder Bay again and will see every single one of you who is reading this in Sheboygan for the NAs. Or so I hope.

Doug Wake