

Bluenose Regatta
Harbor Island Yacht Club
Nashville, Tennessee
November 2-3, 2013

Pos	Sail#	Skipper	Crew 1	Crew 2	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total
1	14580	Thomas Allen	Mark Grinder	Mandy Hofmeister	3	2	3	1	2	2	10
2	14176	Ernie Dieball	Jacqueline Dieball	Bryan Bahle	4	3	1	2	1	4	11
3	15255	Richard Hallagan	Tom Schroder	John Steiner	2	1	4	3	4	9	14
4	14533	John McCree	Amy Abramczyk	Caleb Hart/Tim Naser	1	10	5	5	3	6	20
5	15530	Ryan Flack	Jim Thompson	Andrew Lockhart	6	9	7	10	5	3	30
6	15100	Brad Currie	Alexander Lavelle	Ben Steren	9	4	6	16	7	5	31
7	13719	Bill Young	David Young	Ross Young	16	5	2	9	6	16	38
8	15514	Bobby Flack	Kevin Morin	Josh Hevron	8	11	18	12	8	1	40
9	14857	Doug Steffenson	Brandon Holton	Jonas Anderson	7	18	14	4	12	8	45
10	15078	Duane Hatch	Denis Colby	Bruce Richards	11	8	11	6	13	12	48
11	14065	Carl Panetta	Lynn Jones	Keith Councill	10	17	8	8	9	13	48
12	15513	Trey Rose	Allison Frantz	Mikey Garza	18	6	17	11	14	7	55
13	11386	William Baxter, Jr.	Richard Murff	Scott Kircharr	14	7	15	13	15	DNS	64
14	14433	David Samanich	Don Bonerowski	Joe Christopher	5	16	16	18	11	DNS	66
15	15206	Anthony Passafume	Becca Hofmeister	Kandic Haynes	DNF	13	9	14	19	14	69
16	14952	Tom Varley	Bucky Buchanan	Ed Auer	15	14	19	7	18	DNS	73
17	15216	Lucas Hofmeister	Francesca Solinas	Jon Coolidge	17	15	20	20	10	11	73
18	15308	Mike Osborne	Dustin Drumm	Leif Ausgierson	13	19	12	17	16	15	73
19	14666	Crit Currie Jr.	Claire Hollahan	Amy Nguyen	12	12	10	19	DNS	DNS	74
20	14969	Chandler Owen	Mark Paoli	Ania Gorska	19	20	13	15	17	10	74

[Link to Photos from Brian Smokler from the Regatta!](#)

The Luck 13 Bluenose was sailed November 1-3 on Old Hickory Lake. This the 48th running had many memories of past Lightning greats who have blessed our lake. We had families sailing together (Youngs, Dieballs) and families sailing against each other (Flacks, Hofmeisters). Several newbies crewed. Anthony Passafume brought crewing experience from the Championship of Champions of how to gracefully finish back in the fleet. One new Lightning sailor, Ania Gorska, was the only one to bemoan the lack of a second race on Sunday. Great enthusiasm!

The weather forecast did not cooperate - naturally - it's Nashville. We did manage to get five races in Saturday in improving velocity and right shifting breeze. We started in the morning at 270 and it never left us entirely. Early the wind backed to 180 and later in the day we saw as much right hander as 20 - still the 270 would pop up unexpectedly. It's all in the westerly hemisphere so there was some breeze. There was plenty of "opportunity" to win or lose on all but a couple of run/reaches.

This lake and course really work on your head. It is rarely a boat speed contest. The top five or six worry about covering other boats that are in different weather systems across a great divide (hole, massive header, barge, whatever). Those behind 6th or 7th speculate on the distance to any clear lane. I'm thinking about dog legging the starting line next year so it can be square on the left and square on the right. (If you have been to Old Hickory, you understand). Sunday the wind evaporated at the start and we sailed a 1.2 mile beat, a 0.7 mile run, and a 0.5 mile finish in the last of a dying Nor'easter - 'scuse me - a 3 knot northeast tickle.

Congrats to Tom and crew with the well timed right cross. Ernie was OCS and came back within one - close! And just who is this Bobby Flack guy? Horizon job on the last race - fast!

I have to mention Judy Netherton and Jim Milliman. They organized new HIYC members to help and cater the steak dinner. Best dinner ever! New HIYC helpers witnessed "The Lightning Class" a double entendre illustrating the value of our sailing comradery.

Capt. Hof.

PS. Talking with Ryan flack about the first Bluenose he attended. It snowed! This weekend we had hail. Couple of spatters is all, but "if anything's gonna happen, it's gonna happen out there." Come to the Bluenose!