

Spring Classic
Pymatuning Yacht Club - Fleet 36
Jamestown, Pennsylvania
May 18-19, 2013

Pos	Sail#	Skipper	Crew	Crew	R1	R2	R3	R4	Total
1	15470	David Starck	Ian Jones	Jody Starck	2	7	2	4	15
2	15457	Rob Ruhlman	Abby Ruhlman	Matt Fisher	7	2	5	5	19
3	14975	Skip Dieball	Jeff Eiber	Sarah Paisley	3	12	7	1	23
4	15008	Will Brown	John Faus	Leigh Kempton	4	8	3	14	29
5	15260	Bill Faude	Ernie Dieball	Lauren Jones	25	4	1	6	36
6	14249	George Sipel	Jeff Habman	Caroline Sundman	5	5	14	13	37
7	15420	Ryan Ruhlman	Tesse Ruhlman	Shane LaPlante	1	9	18	10	38
8	14880	Sjoerd-Jan Vanderhorst	Jack/Kathy Vanderhorst	Karl Felger	13	15	9	2	39
9	15417	Kayleigh Godfrey	Peter Godfrey	Andrea Kraft	15	1	10	20	46
10	15016	Jamie Brickell	Susie Brickell	John Dunn	6	3	22	15	46
11	14923	Jack Jones	John Steiner	George Auer	12	10	21	3	46
12	15251	Debbie Probst	Tanner Probst	Maya Weber	19	13	4	11	47
13	15112	Dave Werley	Matt Werley	Natalie Maras	8	16	16	7	47
14	15336	Trevor Prior	Gary Hoffer	Beth Werley	9	22	6	12	49
15	15015	John Werley	Bertie Werley	Lisa Fisher	11	20	15	9	55
16	14416	Connor Godfrey	Griffon Kirby Orr	John Hring IV	14	17	11	16	58
17	15202	Matt Schon	Timmy Crann	Dustin Graef	23	11	8	21	63
18	14807	Abbie Probst	Mikayla Ward	Leah Tran	16	6	23	23	68
19	14725	Skip Wilday	Mike Kane	Jenna Probst	18	23	13	18	72
20	14924	Pat Huntley	Tim Polaski	Dave Machmer	17	27	12	19	75
21	14860	Jack Mueller	Randy Knileus	Tom Kerka	20	14	24	22	80
22	15000	Tim Werley	Katie Werrley	Jeff Markarian	31	25	17	8	81
23	9	Steve Cox	Mark Grinder	Peter Hale	24	19	25	17	85
24	15022	Robert Thompson	Steve White	Nora White	22	18	20	26	86
25	14900	Joan Hurban	Gary Hurban	Patrice McKnight	27	24	19	25	95
26	15430	Carrie Houtman	Jacqueline Dieball	John McCree	21	28	29	28	106
27	15439	Emma Werley	Christian Proctor	Justin Proctor	26	30	26	24	106
28	14678	Ed Rumble	Mark Cline	Evan Rumble	32	26	27	27	112
29	14479	Robbie Robinson	Paige Robinson	Kevin Robinson	10	DNS	DNS	DNS	118
30	15363	Greg Kelly	Bonnie Kelly	TBD	33	31	28	29	121
31	14546	Victor Maras	Adam Maras	Samantha Maras	28	21	DNS	DNS	121
32	15045	Peter Gorny	Andy Kalueda	Ike Robertson	29	32	DNS	DNS	133
33	15022	Liam Condon	Maura Condon	Garry Condon	DNF	29	DSQ	DNS	137
34	14371	James Starck Sr.	Brian Starck	James Starck, Jr.	30	DNF	DNS	DNS	138
35	14433	David Samanich	Joe Christopher	Rob Graebert	DNS	DNS	DNS	DNS	144

The Spring Classic is an amazing regatta to attend year after year and I'm not just saying that because it is hosted by my home yacht club, Pymatuning. Some of the best Lightning sailors show up each year at a regatta that the norm is that if you are leading at the cocktail party, you will win the regatta. This year was different as we sailed more races on Sunday than we had in the past 4 years. It was also exceptional that we had 35 boats as boats have already been shipped for Worlds and there were many college kids graduating the same weekend. This dedication to attending this regatta by the Lightning class has to do with the availability of boats and housing, the people involved in running the regatta and the high fun factor.

For those of you who have not attended a Pymatuning event in the past, you should know that we are an entirely volunteer based yacht club. We have no restaurant and no bar but that doesn't affect the events. Our members, including our other fleets, come together to put on an event that we are proud to call a team effort.

The planning starts early, as this is just the start of our sailing season. Housing can be provided but you better be on the list quick. The housing is in members' trailers that are located on the grounds of the yacht club. These members have generously donated their space so that the participants have a nice warm, comfortable place to stay. Bertie and Katie Werley coordinate all this and we owe a great deal of gratitude to them and the members donating.

Our entire Lightning fleet lends a hand to get all the particulars in order. This means everything from making and serving each meal to manning the bar to on the water responsibilities. We have friendly faces at the hoist to help you get your boat in and out of the water and wish you a final "good luck" before you start your day. We have entertainment straight from your fellow sailors that never disappoints. A Bloody Mary bar ties the whole weekend together before you head home. We do all these things while continuing to have as much fun as possible and keeping it as inexpensive as possible.

This Spring Classic felt more like Fourth of July weather with breeze to match at least on Saturday. But everything else was no different than the normal event – a great time to catch up with friends, sail against great competition and have an unbelievable time while doing it. I think the weekend can best be summed up by a conversation I heard as everyone was heading home on Sunday. John Faus, President of the Class, thanked Scot Werley, a Fleet 36 Lightning member, for using his boat over the weekend. The conversation ended with "Nice meeting you." They had never met before yet Scot didn't think twice about lending his boat to get another boat out on the line. That is truly what Pymatuning and Lightning sailing is all about. So reserve your spot for a trailer next year and tell all your friends to come join the great event. You won't be disappointed!

Samantha Werley