

## Nigerian Nationals May 3-4, 2003

On Saturday 10th May the Nigerian Lightning Nationals were held at Lagos Yacht Club. Fears had mounted as previous two days had given perfect weather which is normally followed by violent thunderstorms (these arrived today 11th).

However, the day opened fine and clear with a good breeze giving excellent sailing conditions although precautions had to be taken to prevent dehydration. (Temp varied throughout the day between 90 - 95deg F and boats stayed on the water continuously).

Twenty nine boats were on the water which was a terrific turnout. Five races were completed. (not without the usual excitements of one capsized, collision or two and various gear failures) Commercial shipping within the harbour also made for one or two interesting moments!!!

Of particular note is that nine woodies competed, not one under forty five years old. (had better not mention how many survived the day).

### Results:-

- 1: 14929 - Richard Willmott, Tony Bowles, Alisdair Peach
- 2: 14448 - Helmut Braun, Dolly Braun, Martin Hannah
- 3: 13520 - Mike Barnes, Nick and Suzanne Woodall-Mason

A great day was had by all followed by prize giving and curry in the clubhouse. Some members competed to see how quickly they could replace the fluid lost during the day (all for the sake of health of course).

Best regards,  
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