

NOOD Regatta
St Petersburg Yacht Club – Fleet 109
St Petersburg, Florida
February 16–19, 2017

Pos	Sail#	Boat Name	Skipper	Crew	R1	R2	R3	R4	Total
1	USA 14748	Gen5	Steve Hayden	David Hood, Amy Simonsen	5	2	3	1	11
2	USA 15210	Carousel	Michael Zonnenberg	Brendan Feeney, Wendy Reuss	2	1	2	8	13
3	USA 15202	Veggie Sub	Ched Proctor	Eric Oetgen, Kathryn Josenhans	1	3	6	7	17
4	USA 14777	I'd Rather Be Lucky	Laura Jeffers	Will Jeffers, Carl Allison/Kristen Walker	3	6	7	2	18
5	USA 15265	9	Thomas Allen	Charlie Bess, Darcy Jensen	4	8	4	3	19
6	USA 14866	Somethind Good	Bill Mauk	Mike Trebilcock, Bogan Whitehead	7	5	5	6	23
7	USA 15308	15308	William Killebrew	Mandy Hofmeister, Mike Osborne	8	9	8	5	30
8	USA 7170	Baby makes three	Dave Dickerson	Dave Veins,	9	10	1	12	32
9	COL 15481	Magnifico	Gustavo Tamayo	Juan Sanchez, Pedro Latif	11	4	9	9	33
10	USA 15130	Vann Bros	Chris Vann	Matt Bryant, Karen Park	10	15/DNS	10	4	39
11	USA 11346	FOB	Kip Hamblet	Mark Grinder, Andrea Fisher	6	7	12	15/DNS	40
12	USA 14688		William T Jones Jr	Sara Swanson, Lizette Arnold	12	11	11	10	44
13	USA 15054	Blue Highways	Jonathan Lange	Philip Lange, Nathan Curtis	13	15/DNC	15/DNC	11	54
14	USA 15546	Must Be Present	Philip Lange		15/DNC	15/DNC	15/DNC	15/DNC	60

The first event of the 2017 Helly Hansen National Offshore One Design (NOOD) Regatta wrapped in St. Petersburg on Sunday. After a weekend of close competition in the Lightning division, the class winner — Steve Hayden, 49, of Lake Mary, Fla. — was awarded the regatta's overall prize.

Hayden and teammate David Hood had sailed together in the past, but this weekend was their first time back together in the boat after many years. It was also their first time racing with their third teammate, Amy Simonsen. When the wind didn't fill in until after noon, the team on "Gen5," which was sitting in third place going into the final race, had one chance to push into the top spot. They took the lead early into the first downwind leg, but other teams did their best to close the gap up until the very last inches of the race.

"Laura and Will Jeffers [on "I'd Rather Be Lucky"] kept making the biggest gains downwind, and they actually got ahead of us on the final run," Hayden said. "We beat them by a boatlength at the finish."

Hayden comes from a long line of Lightning class sailors. As Overall Winner, he will represent the St. Petersburg regatta at the Helly Hansen Caribbean NOOD Championship Regatta presented by Sunsail in the British Virgin Islands this October, just as his father did several years ago. "I've grown up in this class, and my kids are fifth generation Lightning sailors," said Hayden. "That's why the boat is called 'Gen5.' It's just a big family." read the rest of the article: <http://www.sailingworld.com/2017-helly-hansen-nood-regatta-st-petersburg-final-day>

Great article by Sailing World's Dave Reed on Inside the Lightning Fleet at the 2017 Helly Hansen NOOD Regatta. On the morning of the final race, we sat down with a Lightning class legend Ched Proctor and the fleet's next generation Michael Zonnenberg to see what they could learn from each other. <http://www.sailingworld.com/helly-hansen-nood-regatta-inside-fleets-lightning>

