

Ed Hinds Memorial 1-Day Lightning Flash Regatta and NE WJM Championships

Bow Lake – Fleet 493

Strafford, New Hampshire

September 10, 2016

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| 1 | Masters | Miss Demeanor | 15239 | Bow Lake | Bob Shapiro | Greg "Boat Hunk" Shapiro, Jim Lerner | 2 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 20 | 20 |
| 2 | | White Squall | 14072 | Lake Massabesic | Ted Hardenbergh | Tommy Hardenbergh, John Hardenbergh | 3 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 24 | 24 |
| 3 | | No Name | 14955 | Squam Lake | Garr Corcoran | Brendan Malloy, Katalin Kovacs | 4 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 30 | 30 |
| 4 | Masters | Lady in Red | 14296 | Bow Lake | Ned Hinds | Karen Hinds, Nate Legere | 1 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 31 | 31 |
| 5 | | Puzzle | 9811 | Squam Lake | Rob Dresser | Dave Rodgers, Claire Gormley | 6 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 34 | 34 |
| 6 | | Infinite Sloop | 14577 | Bow Lake | Rob Donle | Josh Pfosi, Kendall Young | 8 | 6 | 6 | 1 | 8 | 3 | 7 | 5 | 44 | 44 |
| 7 | | Pura Vida | 14180 | Lake Massabesic | Toby Frank | Ali Deyett, Madeline Frank | 7 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 7 | 53 | 53 |
| 8 | | Stay Puffed | 12687 | Bow Lake | Nathaniel Hendrickson | Tyler Martell, Bernie Metzgar | 5 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 7 | 10 | 10 | 6 | 66 | 66 |
| 9 | Juniors | Triple Threat | 14287 | UNH | River Iannacome | Anya George, Noah Stern | 10 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 66 | 66 |
| 10 | | What Now? | 13888 | Bow Lake | John Boynton | Jamie Boynton, Dave Murdoch | 9 | 7 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 72 | 72 |

What an incredible day for the 2016 Bow Lake Ed Hinds Memorial One Day Lightning Flash regatta, and Lightning New England District Women, Juniors and Masters Championships!

Ten boats from Bow Lake, Lake Massabesic, Squam Lake and the University of New Hampshire sailed eight (yes, 8!) races in 4-10 knots of wind and bright sunshine (mostly hidden by clouds).

The New England District Junior Championship was won by [River Iannaccone](#), sailing with fellow members of the UNH Sailing team [Anya George](#) and [Noah Stern](#). Given that River overslept three alarms and his crew needed the entire UNH and Durham security and police forces to locate and wake him, they had to get a UNH truck from one place, the boat borrowed from Diana from another and sails and gear from another, it is amazing they were able to race at all. They got lots of help rigging and tuning from the always helpful other Lightning sailors. Although they have some learning curve to climb with spinnaker work they were fast upwind and we're excited to have them. (And River and Anya have sailed with me much of the summer and been fantastic!) Rumor has it UNH will field two Lightnings at Massabesic next week - very exciting. And we managed to put the bug in their ears about the Southern Circuit (March 19-25 in 2017) - hoping it coincides with Spring Break. And special thanks to University of New Hampshire coach [Diana Weidenbacker](#), as UNH sailing had a large number of current and former UNH sailors in the regatta.

There was also a New England District Masters Championship, which was decided on a tie breaker. Sadly, there were no boats competing in the Womens Championship.

Racing in the regatta was extremely tight, with many wheels of 5 or 6 boats (and more than one or two bumper cars) at leeward marks and a number of "YOU CAN'T GO IN THERE" exclamations at windward marks. Some Juniors thought wrongly they could port tack the fleet in one race and Toby did it successfully in another. No equipment breakdowns unless you count Bernie's thumb getting smashed by the centerboard but that was on the way in after racing so not sure if that counts as "in the line of duty" or not... There were 5 different winners in the eight races and only 14 points separated the first five places.

After 7 second and third places in the last 12 years, [Bob Shapiro](#) finally managed to get his name back on the trophy, something not accomplished since his three-peat in 2001-2003. The one constant in all 4 wins? [Greg Shapiro](#) on board. Other teammate was [Stacey Baker](#) twice, Margo Krukonis in 2002 and [Jim Lerner](#) this year. (Another constant may have been the absence of Ken Deyett...)

Early leader in the regatta was [Ned Hinds](#) with [Karen Hinds](#) and [Nathan Alfred Legere](#) on board Lady in Red. They won the first race and were second in the next two races. But a bit too close to Toby downwind in the fourth race started a few races where turning circles held the team back. A fantastic regatta finish with 2, 1 in the last two races brought them back to within a point of the podium in fourth place.

[Rob Dresser](#) had Dave Rodgers (the spinnaker whisperer) and Claire Gormley (defending Junior District Champion) on board the black boat Puzzle. Middle of the regatta Rob was on fire with finishes of 4,1,4,2,4 and was in third place after 7 races. Rob argued that we should not have an eighth race - perhaps he had a premonition he would not be able to solve that Puzzle.

[Rob Donle](#) had college sailors (OK Josh has finished college now) [Josh Pfosi](#) and [Kendall Young](#) on board Infinite Sloop. They had a wire to wire win in race 4 and a couple of other top finishes but did not have the consistency that Rob showed the rest of the summer.

[Toby Frank](#) had [Ali Deyett](#) and his daughter Madeline on board Pura Vida. Toby got the start of the day when he port tacked the fleet at the start of one race.

[Nathaniel Hendrickson](#), Tyler Martell and Bernard Metzgar were on Stay Puffed. Nathaniel had some great positions half way thru races but the last bits of the races were not so kind to the team.

[John Boynton](#) and Jamie [James Boynton](#) were joined by Dave [David Murdoch](#) on What Now?. Is this Dave's first race in a Lightning in 40 years, since he was a counselor at Camp Trinity on Bow Lake so long ago? We got to see the spinnaker from Lightning #2 but the boat is in the garage waiting for repairs; hope to see Bow Lake's bit of Lightning history back on the water next year.

Last years champions, Garr Corcoran, [Katie Kovacs](#) and [Brendan Malloy](#), haven't sailed together very much this year as Brendan and Katie were on a never ending voyage of a lifetime out west for most of the summer. But they had a solid consistent regatta and finished in the money in third place. And they showed up early (well, early for Garr time anyway). And we LOVE having them at the regatta.

Huge thank you to all who helped put on the regatta. Most importantly our Race Committe of [Pam Daigneault](#) and Werner Daigneault and [Marion Marion Copp Hinds](#). And special thanks to those who save us when we need it. This week we had Wayne and Simone Donle, Leigh Pfosi and Guillaume Joffrees were standing ready in case of need. And possibly some others that I missed. Thank you to all who contributed food and drinks and to Karen, Ned and Marion for opening their home (the Yacht Club) for the party.

It was great to see old friend [Peter Bradley](#) again at the party; Peter's been unable to race with us for a couple of years but we hope to see him on the water again in 2017.

The Martha Comstock award for representing the spirit of sailing on Bow Lake was presented to [Wayne Donle](#). Wayne raced for many years in Lightnings and then in his Day Sailor. For the last 5 or so years he has been ever present on Crash Boat duty and really got a work out this year. Thank you for your contributions Wayne!

Photos taken by Pam and Werner, and a few taken by others at the awards, are posted here: https://www.flickr.com/photos/bob_and_margo/albums/72157673618799746

See you next year!