

Bare Bones Regatta
Mansfield Sailing Club-Fleet 150/Mansfield, OH
September 21-22, 2013

Pos	Sail#	Skipper	Crew #1	Crew #2	Club/Fleet	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	Total
1	15172	Jim Taylor	George Auer	Carl Taylor	Cowan Lake/303	1	1	1	1	1	5
2	14952	Tom Varley	Jon Varley	Matt Buchanan	Mansfield/150	3	6	3	4	2	18
3	14925	Mike Brock	Nate Ireland	Bridget Ireland	Cowan Lake/303	4	3	2	6	3	18
4	14897	Kurt Andrews	Andy Creamer	Becky Young	Indian Lake/23	2	2	7	2	6	19
5	14067	Bob Shutt	Zach Austin	Lisa Meadows	Mansfield/150	8	5	4	3	4	24
6	14390	Jim Stone	Ed Auer	Marty Calabrese	Mansfield/150	6	7	8	5	5	31
7	15045	Pete Gorny	Andy Kalvoda	Ike Robertson	Erie YC/24	5	4	6	DNS 10	DNS 10	35
8	14433	Dave Samanich	Rob Graebert	Joe Christopher	Cleveland YC/71	7	8	5	DNS 10	DNS 10	40
9	14824	Chris Clarke	Don Bacharowski	Matt Barnett	Mansfield/150	9	9	9	7	7	41



Regatta Winners! Photo provided by Rhonda Bletner, RichlandSource.com

Eighteenth Annual Bare Bones Regatta

Jim Taylor from Cowan Lake Sailing Association, with his crew Carl Taylor and George Auer, won the Eighteenth Annual Bare Bones Regatta at Mansfield Sailing Club on Clearfork Reservoir last weekend, September 21st and 22nd. Tom Varley, with his crew of Jon Varley and Matt Buchanan, from Mansfield Sailing Club, took second place and Mike Brock, with Nate and Bridget Ireland, also from Cowan Lake, were third. Kurt Andrews and his crew of Andy Creamer and Becky Young from Indian Lake were fourth. This was a welcome return to competitive Lightning sailing for Tom Varley following his accident late last year.

Sunny skies and steady breezes of 10-15 mph out of the north-northwest gave us perfect sailing conditions on Saturday, producing intense competition between the nine participating Lightning class sailboats. Three two-lap races on a windward-leeward course were held on Saturday afternoon. Racing was then abandoned when the committee boat engine refused to start. Sunday morning gave us a committee boat that worked, blue skies and more northerly breezes. Another two races were completed. The race committee, led by Marion Zaugg of Mohican Sailing Club, did a great job in laying out long legs taking full advantage of the lake.

Mansfield Sailing Club and Lightning Fleet 150 are celebrating their 60th anniversary this year. The club and fleet were founded in 1953 when eight Lightning skippers from Mohican Sailing Club decided to set up a sailing club on the then newly created Clearfork Reservoir, near Mansfield, Ohio. Sailboat racing has continued every year since then. Other sailboat classes have been raced but the Lightnings in Fleet 150 have been a constant. A west-northwest to east-southeast orientation with prevailing breezes out of the west and a maximum speed limit for powerboats of 8mph make the lake perfect for sailing.

Three boats from Mansfield competed and visitors came from Cowan Lake, near Wilmington; Indian Lake, near Russels Point; Cleveland; and Erie, Pennsylvania.