



2010
MET DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP
RESULTS
Hosted by Fleet 70
and the
Monmouth Boat Club
June 19-20 2010



Names/Hull#	Race 1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL	PLACE
Justin Copland/ Danielle Prior Mike Carney/14036	2	3	2	1	3	11	1
Jack Huntsman/ Pat Corr John Huntsman/14922	1	1	5	3	2	12	2
Jon Schwartz/ Don Schon Paul Kranzinski/15181	9	2	1	2	1	15	3
Bob Sengstacken/ Dan Zitin Peter Jadrosich/14888	5	7	4	4	6	26	4
Ryan Sprole/ Penny Sengstacken Barrel Coplan/15296	4	9	3	8	8	32	5
David Watts/ Rob Watts Marissa Bloogood/15365	3	8	6	10	5	32	6
Paul Luisi/ Cole Barney Autumn Hoover/14727	8	4	7	9	4	32	7
Ted Duffy/ Ian Sanderson Molly Lucyk Wendy Thrower/14175	6	6	8	7	10	37	8
George Harrington/ Art Guerrera Dr. Hodge/15367	10	5	9	5	9	38	9
Matt Smith/ Dan Mergenthaler Alex Curtis/15204	7	10	10	6	7	40	10

PRO - Dale E. Barney

RC - Dale G. Barney
Bob Williams
Jack Harrington
Les Hathaway

Paul Cocotos
Keith Petrosemelo
Tina Petrosemelo
Art Petrosemelo

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Justin Coplan Wins Three-peats Lightning Metro District Championship

Justin Coplan who surprised the veteran Lightning sailors at the Monmouth Boat Club in 2008 when he won the Lightning Metropolitan District Championship, showed it wasn't a fluke June 19-20 in winning the title again. Coplan, 22, a programmer at Columbia University's earth research institute, also won the 2009 event on his home waters at the Nyack Boat Club.

Coplan, sailing with Mike Carney and Daniele Prior, captured the championship with 11 points and finishes of 2, 3, 2, 1, 3 in the five race series.

MBC's Jack Huntsman, sailing with his son John and Pat Corr, finished second with 12 points and finishes of 1,1,5,3,2. Jon Schwartz, also out of the Monmouth Boat Club, finished third with 15 points and finishes of 9,2,1,2,1.

The district championships serve as qualifiers for the Lightning North American Championships which will be sailed this August at the Toms River Yacht Club.

Coplan - with several finishers from the Metro event - will meet challengers from across the country in the North American event. Coplan finished 15th last September at the Lightning World Championships on Lake Champlain including a first place finish against the best competition in the class.

The Navesink River, Red Bank, provided ever-changing conditions for the two-day event. Principal Race Officer Dale Barney delayed the start of racing until mid-day Saturday waiting for the wind to build. And build it did during the afternoon topping 10-12 knots and bring a light chop to the river. Barney ran four windward-leeward races during the afternoon with MBC's Jack Huntsman winning the first two races; taking the first coming from behind in the last windward leg and the second leading from start to finish.

Coplan who finished consistently in the first three positions throughout the regatta won the final race on Saturday and held off Huntsman by one point with his third place finish in light, drifting conditions Sunday. Coplan began seriously racing Lightning Class boats in 2008 when the Class Association provided him with a "grant" boat to campaign during the season. The Lightning Class, through the "Lightning Boat Grant Program" encourages young, one-design racing sailors to focus on competing in one of the oldest and most competitive one-design classes being sailed today.

by Art Petrosemelo