

Texas District Championship  
Dallas Corinthian Sailing Club – Fleet 35  
Dallas, Texas  
June 3-4, 2006

Pos	Sail#	Fleet	Skipper	Crew	Crew	R1	R2	R3	R4	Total
1	13806	35	Clarke Newman	Kelson Elam	Deanna Newman	1	2	1	1	5
	15169	274	Batton Kennon	Stephanie Laughlin	-----	2	1	2	2	7
3	14817	35	Scott Anderson	Brad Winslett	Angela Loud	3	3	3	3	12
4	14737	388	Tom Niles	Evan Niles	Kenneth Niles	4	4	4	4	16
5	10275	35	John Womble	Christie Womble	Amy Williams	DNF	7	5	5	25
6	13311	35	Beth Richard	Gery Osowiecki	-----	DNF	5	6	6	25
7	11118	35	Ralph Bilnowski	Sylvan Newman	-----	5	6	DNC	DNC	27

Sailed on White Rock Lake in Dallas, seven boats signed up to sail in this year's Texas District Championship. We had two boats travel from outside the district to help us have a good regatta. The Texas District is in the process of rebuilding with a combination of new sailors and some experienced sailors taking the sport back up again.

The first race was started in an easterly breeze of around ten knots. The boats that held left on the first beat lead at the first windward mark. As the leaders approached the windward mark, a shift to the right meant an immediate gybe set for the run. The middle paid off on the second beat.

The wind died as the leaders sailed the second run. The second beat had spread the fleet out, but, as the wind filled back in, the fleet bunched up again resulting in nail-biting, overlapped finishes. The wind died again, and we didn't get any more racing in on Saturday. On Sunday morning, we had a steady ten to twelve out of the South. We got three good races in. The second race started in a right phase, but with the mark tucked in under the shore, it paid to hold on starboard to the left shore. The second beat played out the same way, resulting in a lead change.

In the third and fourth races, the beats demanded playing the shifts up the middle. Downwind, it seemed to pay off to sail deep along the left, which was important because we had downwind finishes on Sunday morning. White Rock is a small inland lake with no wave action, so, clear air and boat speed were critical. The leaders consistently had the best speed. In the end, we had some good racing, and Texas will send at least two boats to San Diego. See you there!!