

Lake Lansing Sail Club Regatta
Lansing Sailing Club - Fleet 387
Haslett, Michigan
May 9, 2009

Pos	Sail#	Skipper	Fleet	Crew	Crew	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Score
1	14880	Ernie Dieball	42			1	1	1	1	(2)	2	6
2	14567	Mark Allen	54			2	(3)	2	2	1	1	8
3	14147	Mike Moody	387	S. Fidler	D. Tellschow	3	2	3	(5)	4	3	15
4	14543	John Heagy	42			5	4	5	3	(7)	5	22
5	15391	Mike Welch	54			(6)	5	4	4	5	6	24
6	14760	George Siegle	387			(8)	6	6	6	3	4	25
7	1502	Jonathan Albrand	387	T. Hutton	N. Delatolas	4	7	7	7	14 DNC	14 DNC	39
8	14449	Pete McGinty	Indiana			(9)	9	9	9	6	7	40
9	14476	Jim Fletcher	387	B. Kleihege	T. Kleihege	(10)	10	10	8	8	8	44
10	14468	Blaine Severin	387			7	8	8	14 DNC	14 DNC	14 DNC	51
11	14294	Larry Koster	387			14 DNC	11	14 DNC	14 DNC	14 DNC	14 DNC	67
12	14963	Pat Dolan	387	T. Kleiman	G. Chesbro	14 DNC	14 DNC	14 DNC	14 DNC	14 DNC	14 DNC	70
12	14746	Merrick Hurlbutt	387			14 DNC	14 DNC	14 DNC	14 DNC	14 DNC	14 DNC	70

Who would have thought we would have 6 races in and enough chili, and Mackinaw Pale Ale, to send us home very happy that we came to the 44th Lake Lansing "Tune-Up" Regatta???
We certainly did not when we showed up the morning of May 9.

My wife Jacqueline, our good friend Steve King and I rendezvoused in Ann Arbor on Friday night to go to dinner and see some sights before our long commute (all 1+ hours!) to Lake Lansing Saturday morning. The three of us have been sailing together for some time now and we've had a lot of fun visiting different venues. This year, we decided to try to do more Michigan District regattas and really focus on some places that we have never sailed. While at dinner, we joked that we probably would not get any sailing in as the forecast was for 20-30, with nasty puffs. We would go anyway as we wanted to see Lake Lansing and you just really never know what could happen.

We pulled in to many friendly faces, greeting us and offering to help us set up. Many were working on their boats, getting them ready to launch. We were told that the RC would try to get in 3 quick races and see how the weather plays out for the afternoon. There was a light rain and a mild 6-12 knot breeze out of the NW. Hardly what the forecast called for. Let's rig up!!

As the morning turned out, the breeze stayed somewhat steady out of the Northwest, and shifted to the North as we got three quality races in. The RC did a good job of moving the course to keep things very fair. The sailing was actually nice, with many shifts to take advantage of. After the third race, we were sent in for lunch which turned out to be an awesome move. We could change into dry clothes and eat some Chili!!!! I actually called home during the break and found out that the weather was spot-on the forecast!blowing the dogs off of the chains, out of the W-SW, 25 knots plus! We still had 8-12 out of the North, the rain had stopped and the sun was trying to peak through the clouds! Very bizarre, but we were happy to go back out to get more racing in.

The breeze eventually came up a bit for races 5 and 6. Enough for us to hike! When the dust settled, we were fortunate to come out on top. Mark Allen and team (Pontiac) had a great run at the end of the event by winning the last two races. Local heroes, Mike Moody (Lansing) and team were third. Fourth was taken by MI District Commodore/veteran/road warrior/good guy John Heagy (North Cape) and his team. Taking fifth, with a very nice showing was Mike Welch and team from Pontiac.

We have to thank Blaine Severin and his crew from Fleet 387 for running a great regatta and for getting 6 nice races in on a day that did not look like there would be any. The next time you are thinking about going to a regatta, but are unsure of the weather, you should consider going and supporting anyway, because "You just never know".

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