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Racing Season Ends Beautifully!

Roger Henthorn, above left, takes top honors, Pete Peters takes the marks home, but Hueston Woods takes your breath. Fall colors highlight a day of warmth, competition, and wind.



OktoberFast Lives Up To Its Name

OktoberFast was fast but Roger Henthorn was faster. The Y-Flyer flew into a Sunfish for this final event of the 2012 sailing season and never took his foot off the accelerator.

The season ending 'Fish Fest saw sunny skies and challenging wind that turned beats, reaches, and runs on their heads as it veered and backed 180 degrees all afternoon. None of that wind whimsy could keep Henthorn from at or near the front of the fleet as he combined two bullets with a couple of thirds and a second to win not only the day, but likely the season long series itself.

It was a day where if you found yourself on the wrong side of the course, all you had to do was wait a minute or two and suddenly you were on the lay line screaming toward the mark.

Committee chair Pete Peters had Rescue One revved and was changing mark position as rapidly as he could to get racing underway. However, in the end the wind won. It would be shifty to the tenth power.

Junior Kevin DeArmon, wearing his Oakwood "zero" shirt proudly, was 5th

overall thanks to a 2nd place in the last race where he and yours truly took off after the windward mark and left the rest of the fleet mired in a hole.

Except for the two top finishers in that race, who were always in a breeze, the whole 5th race was a crawling, stifling drifter – the only one of the day, oddly. In Races 1-4 there were often blasts of 10-15 mph.

The ladies were not to be denied. Laura Beebe had a bullet in Race 1 and finished 3rd overall. Rose Schultz was never out of it and ended up in 4th, overcoming incidents (plural) and encounters of the mark kind.

Race Committee members Pete, Bobbie, and Ruthie had a difficult job setting a course but got to enjoy an absolutely fabulous day on the lake surrounded by the fall beauty of Hueston Woods.

After racing, Joann and Jerry Callahan hosted a cookout under the shelter near the marina and shared in the day's events on the water.

Trophies for the event, normally presented afterwards at the barbeque, will instead be presented at the banquet.



And Now... the Final Tally

“Ladies and Gentlemen, welcome to OktoberFast!” Pete Peters, announcing beginning of races Sunday

Roger Henthorn	2 3 1 1 3	10
Mike Stratton	5 1 3 2 1	12
Laura Beebe	1 4 2 4 4	15
Rose Schultz	4 2 5 3 5	19
Kevin DeArmon	3 6 6 5 2	22
Jerry Brewster	6 5 4 6 6	27
Charlie DeArmon	8 7 8 7 7	37
Brendan Draper	7 8 7 8 8	38

+ Final Day Frolicking of the Lake People

Pete Peters returns to the committee boat after setting marks, top right.



Rose and Jerry engage in a game of boat tipping, middle.



Jerry Brewster, who has a great story about his career at WPAFB as a “secret agent”, smiles as he says “I now have to kill you.”

