

Acton Action

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Julie Molleran gives Rose rabbit ears and Joann gets the peace sign. Or is this just a case of poor aim.

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Beach Day!

The second of HSA's two special days is here! This Sunday marks the return of Beach Day. This second annual fun day is a mix of competition and cavorting as boats spread out across Acton Lake in search of the items on their scavenger hunt list.

Last year participants had to take notes with them, find info taped to buoys, and fight off challengers in order to return to the committee boat first with the scavenged items. Water guns are mandatory equipment!

This year, no committee boat needed, the boats will launch at 1:00 with their instructions in their pockets and proceed onto the lake in search of items located at various locations around the lake. The first boat to arrive at the swim beach area with all of the items "hidden" around the lake will be this year's Beach Day champs. Water guns are mandatory equipment!!

While the hunt is in progress, HSA will have set up canopies and the grill near the swim beach in preparation for the post scavenger hunger games. Hamburgers, hot dogs, ice, and drinks will be provided. Bring a dish or snack or dessert to share and chairs to relax on. If you have food, chairs, etc. drop them off at the HSA beach spot before you go to rig your boats. Look for the HSA sign at the beach area. Did I mention that water guns are mandatory?

If you have another canopy we can use, let us know that you are bringing it. A skipper's meeting will take place at 12:30 near the launch ramps so that you can receive your scavenger race instructions. Also, for planning purposes, please let us know if you are coming so we can know about number of lists to prepare and for ordering food. See you on the Beach! Let's go swimming too! RSVP to midview@wildblue.net (Cruisers welcome! As are LTS grads.)

Optimism Pays Off; Seventeen Boats Show for 2nd Fall Series



Race Chair Bill Molleran had to contend with some wicked wind shifts but he, like the others, were pleased with the way the afternoon went. Forecasts of 2-4 mph winds were swept away with the breeze by race time and racers spent the afternoon hiking out to windward in gusts of 8-12. He was joined on committee by Charlie Buchert.



Seventeen hopeful skippers turned out despite the poor prospects and were rewarded, including some of the youngest juniors like Victor Abitabilo (at left) and Sam Dwyer. They were joined by Logan Brashear, Megan DeArmon and Brendan Draper. With 10 Sunfish (and a Capri) there was some hooting and hollering on the start line. When all was said and done, though, it was the seniors who led the way. Rose Schultz and Laura Beebe continued their battle for the Fall Series lead but Julie Molleran and Pete Peters provided plenty of heat.



The big mystery of the day was young Sunfish prodigy Brendan Draper who disappeared for race one but came back to (almost) win race two. Many thought he had gone to pick up park tourists but it might have been an equipment thing. He returned for race 2 and had it in the bag when he discovered he had miscounted the laps and missed the finish line. Been there, done that.



Kofi Gunter waits on the tailgate for his moment in the sun, literally. He and dad yours truly were out in a Y for the second time this year and the young Jedi is proving he is a capable crew. The many tacks and wind shifts did not deter wily Roger Henthorn, who fended off both me and Charlie D. but only after he had to share the lead in both races with the two of us. *Curses*. Roger may have left too many alive to fight another day.



Pete Peters and Jerry Callahan called one another before leaving for the lake and the results are at left. Same shirt, same shorts, same white hat ... oh, sorry. Jerry helped the Sunfishers get off safely as did Pete who later went out and tried to run them off the course. Not really. Pete is too nice. Just don't try to cross him on port.

Race Results Sunday, August 11

After all was sailed and done, here's how they finished.

Hobies

Mike Wier 1 1 2 Ryan Servizzi 2 2 4 Dave Munday 3 3 6

Y-Flyers

Roger Henthorn and Bobbie Bode 1 1 2 Mike Stratton and Kofi Gunter 2 2 4 Charlie DeArmon and Maggie 3 3 6

Sunfish/Handicap

| Rose Schultz | 1 2 | 3 |
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| Laura Beebe | 4 1 | 5 |
| Julie Molleran | 3 3 | 6 |
| Pete Peters | 2 4 | 6 |
| Megan DeArmon | 5 5 | 10 |
| Jerry Brewster | 7 6 | 13 |
| Logan Brashears | 6 7 | 13 |
| Brendan Draper | DNS 611 | 17 |
| Guests of C.D. | 8 11 | 19 |
| Sam Dwyer | 9 DNF | 20 |
| Victor Abitabilo | 10 DNF | 21 |

(Jerry Brewster, who normally sails a Sunfish, was sailing in a Capri 14 so his finish has to be recalculated. Jerry did, however, get to sail with his 76 year old father!