

An internal alarm seems to go off each Sunday and boats head for the ramps to launch all about the same time. Last Sunday's July 4th series saw a waiting list at every ramp. Seven Y's showed up at the starting line and are clogging the launch area in the photo above. That's a good thing.

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# Camptown Races Kick Off Camp Week

### Sunfish Regatta This Weekend As July Heats Up the Action

HSA's Sunfish Fleet dives back into the water this Sunday in earnest fashion as The Camptown Races Sunfish Regatta celebrates its sixth year. The regatta usually attracts a big crowd as boats arrive for junior and ladies camp, which starts on Monday.

Last year defending champion Laura Beebe had to go to the second tiebreaker to defeat Bill Molleran. Beebe, who is also the reigning 2017 Sunfish Series Queen, had to beat Molleran in the last race to claim the title. With each one winning two races, it came down to who beat who in the final race.

There were 15 boats on the line last year



Brett and Maggie cool off between starts on July 1st.

HSA Mid-Summer Party Saturday, July 28 - 4:00 to 9:00 Stratton/Gunter Home Mark Calendars!

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for this regatta, a stellar showing for any Sunfish regatta on the Midwest circuit.

This year's Sunfish Series is currently being led by Bill Molleran who eeked out a narrow victory over a strong fleet in May at the first Sunfish event of the season, The Founders' Day Sunfish Regatta.

Plan to attend this Sunday. There are no regatta fees for this event and it is open to all Sunfish racers.

HSA hosted a regional sunfish championship last year that attracted 21 boats. This year, the OktoberFast Sunfish Regatta is again two days but not a regional championship. Two more Sunfish events after Sunday's racing will complete the Series with Augusto! in August, and OktoberFast in Oktober.

Also in August, Beebe and Yours Truly will attend the Sunfish North American Championships in Chicago, IL, where Pan American qualifying will once again bring some of the best Sunfish racers in the US and South America to compete.



#### **Capri Championships Coming**

Despite the absence of the defending champion, the Second Annual Capri Club Championship will take place Sunday, July 15.

Pete Peters, who won the inaugural event last year, will be out of town on a sailing trip to Torch Lake. A new champion is guaranteed.

The format for this race will be similar to last year's, depending on the number of participants. The boats, all Capri 14.2's, will come equipped with a junior crew who will stay with the boat throughout the afternoon.

Skippers will rotate from boat to boat, however, as each heat is run. The best finishers in each heat will move on to the championship round as others are eliminated.

Any club member can participate. Enter by simply contacting Mike Stratton, race organizer.



## What's for Lunch/Breakfast?

When the Fall Series begins on July 22, it will come with a casserole or two. Rose Schultz, HSA's social doyenne, will be putting the egg and sausage in the oven just in time for an 11:00 am breakfast/lunch before racing. (Someone should invent a term for combining these two words.)

Last year a power outage ruined those plans but that once in a sailing lifetime event is unlikely to occur again. Plan on attending? Let Rose know and she will crunch those numbers into a softly seasoned, eggy, Jimmy Dean delight. rosegeorge9109@sbcglobal.net



## **Five Years Ago...**

We took a look back and picked through some issues of the Acton Action in 2013. It seems like a long time ago. Here's what we found:

\* Brendan Draper beat out the Sunfish Fleet at the Camptown Races before it was called that, besting Roger Henthorn by one point. Seventeen Sunfish were on the line that day - seven of them in a separate junior start.

\* Jim Mossman sailed in the Y Fleet. (His boat now owned by Brett Hart)

\* A typical Y-Flyer race had two boats - Roger Henthorn's and Charlie DeArmon's. (Seven were on the line last week.)

\* HSA's shed was completed and the new family moved in.

\* The change from 10 hp limit to unrestricted but no wake was enacted.

\* Jerry Brewster first sailed his Capri in a weekend race with his dad as crew and eleven Sunfish competing against him.

\* Don Fecher and Pete Peters won the first Noodle Relays as team "Use Your Noodle". Team "Whole Kit and Kanoodle" finished last.

### What Lies Ahead This Summer? HSA's Act II

July 8th - Camptown Races Sunfish Regatta

July 15th - Capri Club Championships

July 22 - First Fall Series

July 28 - HSA Midsummer Party -Stratton/Gunter House

July 29 - Second Fall Series

August 5 - Beach Day!

August 12th - Third Fall Series

August 18 - Race Clinic

August 19 - Augusto! Sunfish Regatta



Chris Snider bombs the heck out of this launch photo on July 1st. The Snider family was out in force - all five of them. Above left, Cosette in dad's Y-Flyer on July 1st. She was great. Dad, uh, made some mistakes.

## **Henthorn/Bode Walk Off Homer Wins It**

After two close finishes on Sunday for the top three boats, it was a long way between boats on Wednesday the 4th. But that's the way light air treats sailboats. It plays favorites. Sunday's contest was not decided until after a marathon of six laps and then only by the closest of margins as The Roger/Bobbie duo edged out Pete/Rose.

On Wednesday, some little piggies got none.

1. Roger Henthorn/Bobbie Bode 1121	5
2. Mike Stratton/Cosette 3312	9
3. Pete Peters/Rose Schultz 2 2 3 4	11
4. Charlie Dearmon/Kevin/Claudia 4 4 4 3	15
5. Brett Hart/Maggie Hart 5588	26
6. Scott Eversole/Paul Eversole 7 6 8 8	29
7. Makenna Eversole/Dalton Eversole 6 7 8 8	29

#### Race Results from June 17th -Last Spring Races

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#### **Hobie Fleet**

1. Charlie Buchert	11	2
2. Don Fecher 22	2	4

- **Y-Fleet**
- 1. Pete Peters/Rose Schultz 2 1
- 2. Roger Henthorn/Bobbie Bode 1 2 3
- 3. Charlie Dearmon/Claudia Rocklin 33
- 4. Makenna Eversole/Dalton Eversole 4 4

#### Handicap Fleet

1. Laura Beebe 2 1	3
2. Mark Costandi 12	3
3. Kevin Dearmon 3 3	6
4. Stephen Cook 4 4	8

A slow start to race one, eventually turned into a few boats being favored and taking off for home. Same in race two. There was not overt bias, but there was also no justice.

The wind filled in as racers departed the course and by the time the last trailer left for dry moorage it was a great day to sail and race.

Still, few believed that it was as bad a decision as it first seemed. Hot? Oh yeah. But these folks are hard core.



Y-Flyers Pete and Roger get a nice lift on June 17th in photo above; below, it's a seven Y start on July 1st. Newest addition is Makenna Eversole in her pretty gray and white Y-Flyer. She beat dad and grandpa in their boat! Brother Dalton crewed for her and joined in the victory over dad. Dad was proud anyway.





Julie Molleran's four deuces over two days of racing gave her the July 4th Crown. Hubbie Bill, on the right, was on committee and told racers he was putting out three marks and whichever one the committee boat was pointing at when the horn blew was the windward mark. It worked. Below, the glassy surface you see was the exception to a light breeze that materialized somehow most of the time.

Handicap Fleet Results for The Fourth of July Series 4

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- 1. Julie Molleran 2 2 2 2
- 2. Chris/Meredith Snider 3 1 3 3 10 27
- 3. Megan DeArmon 12 12 2 1
- 4. Jerry Brewster 1 3 12 12
- 5. Kevin DeArmon 12 12 4 4
- 6. Clayton Snider 4 4 12 12
- 7. Ken Wright 5 5 12 12

8. Jack Cooper 6 6 12 12	36
9. Collin Snider 7 7 12 12	38
10. Stephen Cook 8 11 12 12	44

