



# Fleet 5 Newsletter

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### Greetings

July finally brought out all the boats we've been waiting for, with 21 starters on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. It's great to see all the boats out and hopefully even more in the coming weeks.

First, a big thank you to **Jane & John Casler** for hosting a great steak cookout on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Everyone who attended had a great time. **Tom Despres**, our social chair, was instrumental in getting the word out and helping arrange for the event.

July also saw the arrival on the starting line of the likes of **Bill Dalton & Steve Dalton, Jack Day, Bruce Bolen, Jim Taylor, Kim & Ken Adam, Jan-Paul Zonnenberg, Jim Raisides and Paul Girard**. Hopefully our numbers will continue to build as we approach Race Week.

There are a couple of very affordable boats available, newly listed in this issue. If you know of folks who might like an inexpensive way into the fleet...

As of now, we have 33 boats registered for Race Week...

Crockett, 2463, It's Rhodculous  
Brehob, 1475, Wootzel  
Peper, 1819, Chili  
Braese, 1683, The FAT Lady  
Colsman, 2561, Tahoot  
Uhl, 2585, Woodstock  
Coffin, 3273, Thumpa  
Hallawell/Beckett/Casler, 2435, Interlude  
Hutchinson, 1790, Pastiche  
Pandapas, 982, Mo Hotta Mo Betta  
Rubin, 2495, David Rose  
Smith, 2566, NA  
Taylor, 1926, Jabberwock  
Trees/McAdoo, 1680, Swingroom  
Randall, 2517, White Rabbit  
Felton, 1299, Seguin  
Savage, 892, Jumbly  
Rotner, 2255, Offcall II  
Wheeler, 1782, Peppermint  
Thompson, 1210, Hall  
Randall, 1236, Sophie  
Zonnenberg, 3299, Clewless  
Cann, 3225, Jouser  
Day, 1496, Celebration  
Girard, 2637, Voici  
Heffernan, 2692, Sweep  
Holley, 3183, Manikiki  
Meyer, 1228, Overkill  
Renney/Kazoski, WIMM  
Warrick, 1994, Brass Rat  
Raisides, 1217, Take Five  
Carpenter/Mansfield/Pasley/Fava, 2003, You Sexy Thing!  
Dalton, 1925, Action



### Upcoming Events

#### July 22nd Race Week Party

The traditional Thursday evening race week party will be at the CYC this year, you must RSVP to Tom Despres [tdepres@comcast.net](mailto:tdepres@comcast.net), 781-631-8158 and bring an appetizer, salad, or dessert.

#### July 22-25 Race Week

#### Rhodes 19 Nationals

August 17-20<sup>th</sup> in Chicago, hosted by Fleet 12



#### MRA 2<sup>nd</sup> Series (thru July 10)

1<sup>st</sup> – Pandapas (7.5 points)  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Steve Uhl (10.75)  
3<sup>rd</sup> – McAdoo/Trees (19)  
4<sup>th</sup> – Cormier, Warrick (19.75)  
5<sup>th</sup> – Mike Lane (30)  
6<sup>th</sup> – Nick Cann (34)  
7<sup>th</sup> – Renney, Kaznoski (42)  
8<sup>th</sup> – Beckett, Hallawell (43)  
9<sup>th</sup> – John Day (45)  
10<sup>th</sup> – Kim & Ken Adam (49)

#### Twilight Series 1 - Final

1<sup>st</sup> – Pandapas  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Casler  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Wheeler



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### Notice Board

*If you wish to post a notice in the next newsletter, contact Steve Uhl.*

**Shan McAdoo**, our Fleet 5 webmaster, is embarked on a project to upgrade the photo section of our web site. If you have good photos, let him know.

**Mike Lane** is looking for regular crew for the season.

Do you want to be added, or deleted from the Fleet 5 mailing list (or from the Fleet 5 email distribution list)? Just let me know at [steve@macwayuhl.com](mailto:steve@macwayuhl.com) or 781-631-4430.

### Racer's Resource Board

Waterline Systems, Inc. in Bristol, RI provides a complete range of go-fast services, including ribs, bottoms and keels. Call at 401-254-0690

Etchells sailor **Pat Stadel** operates Marblehead Rigging, and specializes in fast turn-around on rigging jobs. If you need rigging work, give her a call at either 781-631-2642.

Contact Doyle Sails at 781-639-1490 for fast Rhodes 19 sails and excellent service.

[www.sailortailor.com](http://www.sailortailor.com) for boat covers, rudder bags and any other marine stitching need.

### RACE WRAP

#### *Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> (Race 2, by Kim Pandapas)*

Not sure I have much to offer in the way of insights on this race. The breeze was a relatively steady 4-6 knots out of about 160 degrees, with small oscillations, but trending right - a classic dying sea breeze. And by this time, the tide was going back out, with varying effects across the course. There was an interesting current effect running across the course (looked like a slick spot with lots of weed in it). I never did figure out what was going on with that, but assume it was some kind of convergence between local flow out of Beverly/Salem and the bigger flow coming out of Boston. In any event, the effects were more pronounced in the light air, although the direction seemed to vary depending on where you were. I never did figure out what the current play should be, but conventional wisdom suggested it was to go right.

So given the current and assuming a dying seabreeze, right was the plan, although the pin was favored. So we started near the pin and tacked within 90 seconds, ahead of most boats to our right who had the same idea and who tacked beneath us. Unfortunately, prior to our tacking, we were crossed by a couple of other boats who started to our left and beat us to the punch, forcing us to hold on starboard until safely over their line before we could tack, thereby allowing them to get well right of us. Once on port, it was a drag race out to the right. The boats that went up the right generally faired better than those that went left.

Our major gain took place on that first port tack. The boats to leeward seemed to be favoring speed over point (what Jud Smith calls "rumble mode"), which in that condition was smart (foot to the header). With the wind trending right, our only chance was try to increase the separation between us by working up on them. So we trimmed for point mode and worked up on every small puff. That gained us the gauge we needed to get ahead of the two boats to our right that had crossed us, and who we then covered for the rest of the beat. Downwind, we jibed immediately onto port and stayed high and fast in the light air. Fortunately for us, the rest of the fleet did the same thing, allowing us to keep ourselves between most of the competition and the mark. Thanks to the RC for the S flag. Another 1.3 mile beat in that dying breeze would have been torturous.

#### *Saturday, July 10th (Race 1, by Steve Uhl)*

It took awhile for a modest sea breeze to come in, and the day was pretty typical conditions. The committee boat was heavily favored prior to a postponement, and even after reshuffling the course it was still favored. By just getting a good start to windward of some of the fastest boats in the fleet, we were able to really sail our own race upward - just working the shifts and looking for bits of pressure. We rounded second behind **Nick Cann** who had his boat really going.

We followed Nick downwind, and then again upwind, with **Kim Pandapas** and **Mike Lane** right behind us. At the second weather mark we again rounded right behind Nick, but this time Nick had a glitch getting his chute up. The extra 20 seconds it took getting the problem solved allowed us to establish an overlap to leeward and a controlling position for the rest of the leg. With a good fleet of 20 boats, those little things often spell the difference.

The main thing I remember from this race is being more aggressive & persistent in trying to make the boat go fast downwind. Whenever it feels slow we'd try something different, whether it was gibing, changing pole height, etc. This was a lesson from the prior week, when we had been going slow and just sat frustrated as several boats sailed past us.



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### MRA SERIES #1 FINAL RESULTS

BOAT	NAME	DATE:	31-May	31-May	5-Jun	5-Jun	12-Jun	12-Jun	19-Jun	19-Jun	PTS	POS
Mo Hotta Mo Betta	Kim Pandapas	982	1	1	1	1	3	1	3	5	9.75	1
Swing Room	McAadoo, Trees	1680	2	2	4	4	2	6	2	1	16.75	2
Brass Rat	Cormier, Warrick	1994	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	1	3	1	2	35.50	3
The Opera A'int Over	Braese, Coyle	1683	5	4	DNC	DNC	7	2	13	7	44.00	4
Harm's Way	Mike Lane	3038	3	3	3	2	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	45.00	5
Wimm	Renney, Kaznoski	2648	7	7	7	5	9	7	5	OCS	47.00	6
Jouster	Nick Cann	3225	6	6	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	4	3	48.00	7
Jumbly	Savage, Zymba	892	8	10	8	6	4	4	10	9	49.00	8
David Rose	David Rubin	2495	DNC	5	6	DNC	DNC	DNC	8	4	52.00	9
Peppermint	Joan Wheeler	1782	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	5	5	7	8	54.00	10
Thumpa	Eric & Larry Coffin	3273	DNC	DNC	9	8	10	9	9		55.00	11
Woodstock	Steve Uhl	2585	DNC	DNC	2	3	8	DNC	DNC	DNC	57.00	12
Interlude	Beckett, Hallawell Bill & Renee	2435	DNC	DNC	5	7	6	8	DNC	DNC	60.00	13
Sweep	Heffernan	2692	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	6	6	62.00	14
Tahoot	Eckart Colzman	2561	4	9	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	66.00	15
Spot	Ramsden, Blouin	123	9	8	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	70.00	16
Chili	Henry Peper, Jr.	1819	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	12	10	71.00	17
Adam's Rib	Kim & Ken Adam	1137	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	11	OCS	72.00	18



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### Boats For Sale



**Rhodes # 884**  
Condition good. New Cressy Main and Jib plus a set of older sails/spinnaker . Race rigged but not race ready needs keel work and bottom work to get in excellent race ready shape. Ribs were put in just before I bought it in 1993. Home made trailer included. Asking \$3000. Contact Dennis at [desposito@apslaw.com](mailto:desposito@apslaw.com)

**Rhodes # ?**  
I have a Rhodes 19 i would like to sell . I started the rehab process and have realized that with three young kids I am never going to finish. I would like to get it out of the driveway so I would take \$500. The boat comes with a trailer, 1 set of sails rig/rigging, etc. I have no idea of hull number there are numbers on the sails but I doubt they are originally from that boat. The boat is in Marblehead on Roosevelt Ave. My home number is 781-631-5760. Bruce Woodfin (07/04)

**Rhodes #1454** Refit in 2001 and **Ready to Race**. Ribs from Waterline Systems and Winthrop Marine. New gel coat – epoxy bottom – combins. Exclusively dry sailed and well maintained. Includes lightweight halyards, sheets & spinnaker pole, new traveler and sheeting system, new fittings, new rudder (Stuart), lifting bridle, 2 sets of sails (one used only for Race Week 2003), custom triad trailer and canvas cover. Contact Mitch Mitchell, 617-803-1269 or [mitch@relayhealth.com](mailto:mitch@relayhealth.com). \$11000. (05/04)

**Boat #1683 - Norm Cressy's old boat named "opera Aint Over"** - very fast boat; includes all fittings, lines, shaped keel and rudder; mid-boom traveler; trailer in good condition; stored indoors; 3 sets of Doyle Sails (2 spinnakers) of which one set was used for Race week only; 2 spinnaker poles; mast easy read compass; bottom in great shape; drysail canvas cover; ready to go all you need to do is put together and sail; Asking \$12,000; contact Steve Braese @ [sbraese@braese.com](mailto:sbraese@braese.com) or call 781-933-3110 office or 781-938-0957 home. (02/04)

Dave Whittier of Stuart Marine in Rockland, Maine is the exclusive builder of Rhodes 19s. Call Dave at 207-594-5515 for pricing on new boats, used boats, repairs and replacement parts.

Several boats are available in Burlington, Vermont – they have been rented for a number of seasons but are now available, probably at great prices. Contact Adam Cate at 802-865-7068

**Rhodes 19 Hull # 938**. Refurbished floorboard, minimally used Main and Jib (spring 2000), minimally use Spinnaker (?97), mast and boom rigged for racing and in-cockpit control, Harken mid-cockpit traveler, all necessary lines and hardware, new shrouds and backstay as of 2001, spinnaker pole and gear, Ronstan adjustable tiller and extension, anchor and line, tent cover (needs some repair), mooring and rode, extra Main and Jib (but old), refurbished trailer (sandblasted and triple-painted). Asking \$4000. Contact [j.vermeulen@comcast.net](mailto:j.vermeulen@comcast.net). Hingham. (03/04)

**O'day Rhodes 19 - hull number unknown. One of top boats in Fleet 46 (Hingham)**. White Hull, Black Bootstripe, Grey Deck & Rubrail. Tapered Mast. New trailer 2001. - Cradle Ride New Sails Mid Season 2003 - Spinnaker Never Used!!!! New Ribs Spring 2003 - Structural Foam, Glass & Epoxy. Keel Sandblasted & Faired Spring 2003. Bottom Faired Spring 2003. Custom Deck Layout Spring 2003 - Stern Traveler. Jib fine trim, etc.... New Running Rigging and Hardware Spring 2003. New Standing Rigging Spring 2003 - Jumpers Removed, T-Balls & Staymasters. Boat Located in Quincy, MA. \$9,000.00 Firm. rj dimattia 617-328-1100 [bostonsails@hotmail.com](mailto:bostonsails@hotmail.com)

**1986 Stuart Rhodes 19 hull # 3039**, race ready in excellent condition. White hull with red boot stripe. Dry sailed, fresh water. New (2001) Zephyr non-tapered mast including standing rigging and (2003) boom. Numerous recent hardware and running rigging upgrades. Rigged with twings, jib halyard fine tune and adjustable backstay. New main and jib at 2002 New Orleans Nationals. Includes poppet-style trailer with new tires, bearings, jack, and tongue. Lying Chicago. \$8600. Contact John at phone: (708) 445.9061 or email: [4459061dur@comcast.net](mailto:4459061dur@comcast.net). (09/03)