



ROAD TO THE CUP – WEEK 12

8/10/25

What You Need To Know

- Twilights Series 2, Race 4 will be this Thursday August 14th, warning at 6PM.
- There will be no MRA racing this week due to the Ted Hood Regatta.
- Nationals are in just one week. Register [here](#).

Last Week's Racing

Five teams made it out for perfect Twilight evening. Here is a summary from **Steve Uhl**.

*“A gorgeous night with a steady sea breeze allowed for a long run to Greys Rock, and a long, fair beat back. **Lisa & Frank McNamara** made their Twilight debut, and won the start, but **Steve Uhl** was able to slip past them on the run. On the beat back, boats on the right, including Steve, got a little more pressure. Hope to see some more of you out in the remaining twilights.”*

We, there you have it. A little vague as to the outcome, but that's probably because he won yet again and didn't want to say so, so I will. For the record, taking 1st was **Steve Uhl**, followed by **Team McNamara** in 2nd, getting in some tiller time before Nationals, and finishing 3rd was **Team Martini**. Honorable mentions to **John Casler** in 4th and **Jay Wager** in 5th. Congrats to all.

Out on the MRA line, another beautiful day. The forecast called for plenty of sun with a southeasterly about 10 knots, and from the looks of the CYC web cam, that's about we got. **Team P.** couldn't be out as we were off trying to get our money's worth out of our cruising boat. But five teams did show up, and though small in absolute terms, is not inconsistent with the RW recovering, family vacation taking, dog days of summer time of year.

Included in those five was the season debut of **Matt Hooks**, sailing, I assume, with long time teammate **Rob Pascal**. They were unable to free themselves for Race Week, but are very much free for Nationals, and if this debut performance was any indication, we can all expect them to

come out swinging. Looking very much in mid-season form, they announced their arrival by rolling a 1-1-1 for 3 points to win the day, putting us all on noticed that they are back and ready to rumble. Finishing 2nd was **Team Lane / Heffernan**, absent **Lady Rene** this week, who put up a 3-2-2 for 7 points, and taking 3rd was **Team Gabriel** with a 4-3-3 for 10 points. Honorable mentions go to **Team Morgan / Rothwell** in 4th with a 2-DNF-DNS for 12 points, and **Team Martini** in 5th with a 5-4-DNS for 13 points. Congrats to all.

So, in Cup competition, Week 12 did nothing to loosen **Team Lane / Heffernan's** grip on the standings. The top 10 are listed below.

Top 10

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Sail #</u>	<u>Points</u>
1st	Team Lane	2623	136.00
2nd	Team Taylor	1926	189.00
3rd	Team Pandapas	982	190.00
4th	Team Cooke / Kaznoski	2648	202.00
5th	Team Uhl / Lane	2585	207.00
6th	Team Gabriel	1137	209.00
7th	Larry Ehrhardt	2435	213.00
8th	Shoreman / Reynolds	722	214.00
9th	Debbie Noble / Adam Roberts	1782	215.00
10th	Doug Morgan & Bill Rothwell	1210	276.00

Week 13 racing will include Twilight Series 2 race 4 on Thursday but no MRA racing on Saturday due to the **Ted Hood** Regatta.

Other News, Notices & Miscellaneous Scuttlebutt

Nationals Measuring –If you don't have a certificate, or if your certificate is out of date because you made alterations to the boat since the last time you were measured, please email **Stefan Thibodeaux** at sjthibodeaux@gmail.com to schedule a measurement.

If You Spin, Send It In – We got a late RW spin report from **David Rubin**. “Kim: Last week during Race Week, we fouled #2651 on a starboard port crossing. It was on Saturday, Race #2 or 3. Mark and I were on port, did not tack in time and 2651, who was on starboard, altered course to avoid contact. We did our spin.” Thanks David & Mark for leaving it on the course.

2025 Spin Tracker

	<u>Foul</u>	<u>Hit Mark</u>	<u>Resigned</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Team Uhl / Lane	1			1
Team Martini		1		1
Team Cooke / Kaznoski		1		1
Team Pandapas		1		1
Team Rubin	1			1
Team Regnault / Thibodeaux	1	1		2
Team AMV	1	1		2
Team Denton	2			2
	6	5	0	11

A reminder that if you spin, please let me know at kpandapas@comcast.net with the subject line 'Spins.'

We got this shot of Fleet Alum **Katie Bloxham** sailing their Fatty Knees around Maine's Long Cove next to Tenant's Harbor. She later swung by and offered **Team P.** a chance to take a spin, but we both declined. I'm pretty sure I would have ended up swimming if I tried to sail that little thing. Call it Laser PTSD.



Also in Long Cove, we got this shot of a Rhodes 19, which more resembled a clown car. It begs the question – just how many people can you cram into a Rhodes 19? (At least 10.)



Mail Bag

Timmy D. wrote in to update us on the full name of his crew, referred to last week in these pages as **Connor the Engineer**. *“It was a pleasure to be out yesterday. Thanks for the shout out for my crew **CONNOR WEST**.”* As a GW graduate, Connor clearly comes with high quality sailing credentials in the company of other notable GW grads like **Miranda Bakos** and **Mike Lane**.

Complaints Department

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