

**ROAD TO THE CUP – WEEK 13** *8/17/25* 

## What You Need To Know

- It's time for Nationals. You'll find the schedule and other info <a href="here">here</a>.
- There will be no Twilight or MRA racing this week.
- Twilight racing will resume on Thursday August 28 with Series 2, Day 5 which has worked out to be just the third race of Series 3 and the final Twilight of our season.
- MRA racing will resume on Saturday August 30 and Sunday August 31 for the final two days of Series 3 and the MRA season.
- The popular Around Misery Island Race will be held Monday September 1<sup>st</sup>.
- The Fall Series will be three consecutive Saturdays of September 6, 13 & 20.
- A reminder that there will be no Labor Day Party this year (on the heels of three days of Nationals parties).
- Mark your calendars the Fleet 5 awards will be Saturday November 8 at the home of **Christina & Kim Pandapas**.

#### Last Week's Racing

There was no racing this week. The scheduled Twilight was called due to thunderstorms and there was no MRA racing scheduled.

As to the twilight, here's what I got from **Steve Uhl**. "It was a beautiful day until 5:30, but then we got a big storm. We hoped it might bypass Marblehead but it didn't. We got rained on before we could get back ashore. There was no viable option to sail."

Here's a bit more color from **Tim McCaffrey**. "What was interesting was, although the 5:30 radar predicted the thundershowers to pass north, our visual observations were showing the storm turning south towards us. At 5:45 the radar projections changed to match. **Dave Graham** abandoned the race and all 5 Rhodes 19s were spared. Fortunately the Town Class were not

present due to their nationals this weekend. The photo from the Twilight Booth shows the moored boats clocking around to the north where the storm clouds are coming from."



Well, there you have it. In case you're interested, here is a look at the Series 2 and season standing heading into the last race.

Twilight Series 2 w One Race Left

Rank	<u>Team</u>	Sail#	Score
1st	Team Uhl / Lane	2585	2.00
2nd	Frank McNamara	1939	7.00
3rd	John Casler	1775	7.00
4th	Team Lane	2623	8.00
5th	Team Martini	1466	8.00
6th	Jay Wager	1219	9.00

Twilight Overall w One Race Left

Rank	<u>Team</u>	Sail#	<u>TW1</u>	<u>TW2</u>	<u>Overall</u>
1st	Team Uhl	2585	5.00	2.00	7.00
2nd	Team Martini	1466	16.00	8.00	24.00
3rd	Team Lane	2623	17.00	8.00	25.00
4th	Jay Wager	1219	17.00	9.00	26.00
5th	John Casler	1775	19.00	7.00	26.00
6th	Anne Marije Veenland	2651	18.00	11.00	29.00
7th	Shoreman / Reynolds	722	19.00	11.00	30.00
8th	Frank McNamara	1939	7.00	23.00	30.00
9th	Team Fava	2485	21.00	11.00	32.00
10th	Team Gabriel	1137	22.00	11.00	33.00
11th	Team Dittrich	1217	22.00	11.00	33.00

So, in Cup competition, with no racing, there were no changes to the Week 13 standings. The top 10 are listed below.

Top 10

Rank	<u>Team</u>	Sail#	<u>Points</u>			
1st	Team Lane / Heffernan	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 14 racing will include Nationals. The practice race will be Thursday at 2pm. Day 1 will be Friday with a warning no earlier than noon. Days 2 & 3 will be Saturday and Sunday, with warnings no earlier than 11am.

### Other News, Notices & Miscellaneous Scuttlebutt

Fleet 5ers Hit the Hinman —Big congrats to Team CYC on their second-place finish at last weekend's Hinman Masters at NYYC. Sailing in this incredibly competitive event against teams from across the country is pretty darn impressive! Fleet 5ers sailing for Corinthian were Joe Fava, Renee Heffernan, Yatti Harsono, and Former Commodore Jim Raisides.



And While We're At It – Speaking of high-profile team racing regattas, a belated congratulation to our very own Adam Roberts who was part of CYC's winning Morgan Cup team two weekends ago! Love to see our sailors crushing it on the big stage.

If You Spin, Send It In — We heard of one spin this week dating all the way back to Race Week. Here is the note from Dave Reynolds. "McLovin had a chance to practice twirling during the last race of RW. Most of the fleet likely knows this already since, by my count, at least 10 of you sailed past us as we completed our turns. This incident provided a memorable reminder that (1) the rules regarding port tack boats inside 3 boat lengths are tough, (2) the Gabriel's are a great addition to the fleet (fair and getting fast at an unbelievable rate), (3) it's good to know the alternate penalty specifics, and (4) I have an incredibly patient and understanding boat partner."

Thanks, Dave, for leaving it on the course (for all to see). The Spin Tracker is appropriately updated.

2025 Spin Tracker

	Foul	Hit Mark	Resigned	<u>Totals</u>
Team Shoreman / Reynolds	1			1
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
Tean Denton	2			2
	7	5	0	12

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

Name That Boat - No, not the Ensign! The one in front.



# Mail Bag

Old friend and former National Champ **Chris Schreiber** responded to last week's cruise news with this. "What, you were up in Long Cove and didn't reach out? I could have jumped on my paddleboard and come out for a beverage!"

Yup, totally our bad. Boy is my face red. We had completely forgotten that he and **Deb** live there.

He went on to comment on the picture of the Rhodes with 10 kids aboard (below).



"The Rhodes belongs to St George Community sailing. I was out coaching the older kids for an upcoming 420 regatta, so they loaded all the younger kids on Maggie B for a sail. Lots of bodies but small ones at least! Although the record I believe is held by my son when he loaded 10 of his high school buddies onto our R19 in St Croix and sailed to Buck Island....."

Of course, we couldn't leave it like that, so **Team P**. stopped into Tenants on our way home and shared a few adult beverages with Chris & Deb. Here is a shot of the revelry.



By the way, that shot of all the kids on the Rhodes was not an isolated event. When we stopped in the second time, we saw this. Apparently, sending gaggles of kids out to sea on a small boat is a thing in Tenants Harbor





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