

J/24 Ontario District Report for 2003

Approximate Fleet numbers and Fleet Captains:

PCYC: 22	Mike Lucas	RCYC: 18	Todd Irving
QQY: 12	Craig Pattinson	ABYC: 7	Arnis Budrevics
Whitby: 7	Steve Gurr	TS & CC: 4	Nick Jako
Muskoka: 3		NYC: 2	
Barrie: 1		North Bay: 1	
RHYC: 1		Kingston: 1	

Total: 79 boats

Financial:

We have grown our funds from \$533 to \$906 through raising \$770 from a spinnaker raffle and \$750 sponsorship from Queens Quay Yachting. Our goal for 2004 is to build a healthy positive balance of \$2000 or more to sustain future initiatives for the fleet.

Racing participation and reports:

Ontario Series –48 boats participated in this overall series for 10 regattas won by the team from ‘It’s A Rental’ (Jeremy Lucas, Johanna Lucas, Peter Wickwire, Mike Vanheusen, and Andrew McTavish) sailing out of RCYC.

World Qualifying Series -43 boats (down 7 from last year) participated in the WQ series won by Rossi Milev on ‘Clear Air’ for the second year in a row as helmsperson and third as team-member sailing out of PCYC.

Canadians -30 boats participated and the event was won by the team on ‘Brain Cramp’ out of Rochester with the top Canadian being Scott Collinson and the team on ‘CAN 5263’ out of RCYC. One day of sailing was lost to the weather created by the Hurricane that hit the eastern seaboard. Thank you to Scott Weakley for a well run event.

The Ontario District has a number of boats that continue to travel and participate in other district events in the US and Canada. In 2003 Ontario boats sailed at regattas in Miami FL (Midwinters), Charleston SC, Milwaukee WI (US Nationals), Canadiagua NY, Lake George NY, Newport RI, Annapolis MD (East Coast Championship), Tremblant PQ and Mexico (North Americans).

Year end party and awards were held at the ‘Bier Market’ with about 100 people in attendance. Photos are posted on line. Congrats to Stan from Rex who won the spinnaker draw.

Sponsorship:

We wish to thank the following for their contributions to our fleet this season:

- *Quantum Sails* –Race winner hats.
- *Fogh Marine* –Various prizes at all the regattas

- *Lambs Rum* –Top 5 prizes for the WQ regattas
- *Mercedes Benz*- Spinnaker and prizes for the Canadians
- *Queen's Quay Yachting* –End of Season prizes for the WQ and Ontario Series

Thank you to:

- Morten Fogh for his past few years as district governor, sponsor and work as Measurer
- Mike Lucas for his work as webmaster and PCYC fleet captain.
- Katie Nicoll for her work with memberships
- Joe Macdonald for sponsorship and measurement
- Daryn Brown for sponsorship from Lambs
- Mike Wolfs for sponsorship from Quantum
- Craig Pattinson for sponsorship and commitment to the J World training event
- John Weakley, Don and Elizabeth MacIntyre and Pat Lymburner for their continued work on RC and jury

New for 2004:

- J World Clinic –hosted by Queen's Quay Yachting in first week of May
- Team Racing –two small events to build interest in team racing and as change
- Silver Fleet –Opt-in for separate scoring and award per WQ regatta and for overall season
- Poker Hand award– Best hand of up to 5 races on a weekend by race results – pairs, straights, full house etc.
- Poker Hand for series – get a playing card for every event attended and best hand at end of season wins a significant prize.
- Election of Officers – District Governor, VP Racing, VP Sponsorship, VP Communications, VP Social, Secretary / Treasurer, District Measurer
- Ski day –January 31st, 2004 at Horseshoe Valley in Barrie (tentative)
- Ontario AGM –February 13th, 2004 at TS&CC (tentative)
- Bowling night –February / March (TBD)

Respectfully submitted,
 Todd Irving
 Acting Ontario J/24 District Governor