

2015 Farrell Frozen Fingers Regatta- Deception Pass State Park - February 7 and 8th.

Pls	Skipper	Sail	Home Port	Design-Designer	Score	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
1	Jerry Brower	42	Lk Stevens, WA	Pikanto-G Bantock	79.0	2.0	1.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	5.0	3.0	4.0	1.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	11.0	4.0
2	Julian Lee	40	Fidalgo Is, WA	V8-Ian Vickers	104.0	1.0	3.0	3.0	1.0	7.0	3.0	5.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	8.0	3.0	3.0	4.0	8.0	2.0	10.0	2.0	
3	Larry Stiles	156	Sedro Woolley	CHEINZ-Jeff Byerley	106.0	8.0	2.0	1.0	10.0	4.0	4.0	3.0	1.0	7.0	2.0	2.0	1.0	5.0	3.0	7.0	3.0	4.0	3.0	
4	Joe D'Amico	86	Sequim, WA	britPOP!-BG Astbury	148.0	5.0	7.0	8.0	11.0	9.0	9.0	13.0	6.0	8.0	7.0	9.0	5.0	2.0	2.0	6.0	5.0	1.0	11.0	
5	Mike Doherty	142	Anacortes, WA	GlamRock-B Gibson	160.0	4.0	6.0	7.0	6.0	1.0	7.0	7.0	3.0	2.0	5.0	5.0	4.0	6.0	9.0	3.0	8.0	6.0	1.0	
6	Rich Cushing	131	La Conner, WA	Pikanto-G Bantock	162.0	3.0	4.0	6.0	7.0	3.0	2.0	4.0	7.0	4.0	10.0	6.0	6.0	4.0	6.0	2.0	4.0	3.0	5.0	
7	Bob Critchlow	25	Anacortes, WA	CHEINZ-Jeff Byerley	189.0	11.0	9.0	5.0	9.0	5.0	5.0	2.0	4.0	10.0	3.0	4.0	13.0	10.0	8.0	4.0	9.0	5.0	9.0	
8	Scott Thomas	17	Edgewood, WA	MOJO-Jeff Byerley	242.0	10.0	5.0	10.0	4.0	10.0	11.0	6.0	11.0	12.0	12.0	7.0	7.0	8.0	5.0	11.0	6.0	7.0	8.0	
9	Dennis Pittis	57	Clinton, WA	Goth-Frank Russell	258.0	12.0	8.0	11.0	8.0	8.0	10.0	10.0	9.0	5.0	6.0	3.0	8.0	7.0	7.0	5.0	7.0	8.0	7.0	
10	Ray Feidler	16	La Conner, WA	Widget-Chris Dicks	345.0	9.0	10.0	9.0	5.0	6.0	8.0	9.0	8.0	11.0	11.0	10.0	9.0	9.0	10.0	9.0	10.0	2.0	10.0	
11	Craig Rantala	12	Sequim, WA	SKA-Brad Gibson	378.0	6.0	13.0	4.0	3.0	11.0	12.0	8.0	10.0	9.0	8.0	11.0	10.0	11.0	11.0	10.0	13.0	9.0	6.0	
12	David Jensen	68	Bellevue, WA	Pikanto-G Bantock	415.0	7.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	6.0	11.0	13.0	6.0	9.0	12.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	

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Invigilators: Jean Lee; Collie Martin; Pat Waters. Organized by Julian Lee and Deception Pass MYC.

The Whidbey Island Naval Air Station Saturday 2/7 forecast was for 10 kts Southeasterly with gusts to 20 kts and increasing throughout the day. Participation predicted about 1.1 millimeters per hour. The forecasters got the rain part right but the wind part did not show up until Sunday. At the Skippers meeting someone suggested we rename the FFF to the RRR for Ron's Rainy Regatta. All participants being from Washington State, we all had raingear. With my freshly polished Pikanto hull and the confidence of Graham's best VPP numbers, I pulled ahead early in the light winds and smooth water.

Sunday was mostly B-rig in the morning and an increase in surface waves. The thinner boats with more forward buoyancy made a run at my Pikanto early Sunday. But I changed up to the big sails at lunch when the wind strength eased and was able to hold them off. Thanks to Julian Lee and the Invigilators. JWB

Some David Jensen pictures at <http://www.rcgroups.com/forums/showthread.php?t=1155891&page=540>

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Folks:

When you are putting on a regatta you can't help but worry about the weather, as if there is something that you can do about it. You pick the time, you show up and you play the hand that you're dealt.

That's how this years Farrell Frozen Finger Regatta went except that every hour we were dealt a new hand. Over the two days we had everything from dead flat calm to solid number 2 rig weather with gust to 25 mph.

The first day started out a bit scary with Cranberry Lake table top smooth from one end to the other, no wind no where. But right on que the breeze started to sneak over the tree tops and down onto the course, coming from the NE and then, as the day progressed, picked up strength and backing to the NW.

A standard box course was used that required little adjustment and one lap races that gave us lots of starts which suited the conditions as the starts were a bit of a challenge.

We used a race format that called for a set of three races in quick secession and then a five minute break before the next set. This gave use time to clear weeds, which were present but never a factor, and make minor adjustments. Major chores could be planned for and if there was an emergency, accommodations could be made. At noon the sandwiches showed up and everything stopped, giving use time to refresh and regroup. The result was 24 splendid lite air races that carried us all the way to 4:00 PM.

The second day and it was "Now for something completely different!". We arrived to find sunshine and our usual wind coming from the SE at 5 to 8 MPH which resulted in a more conventional start and a real beat up to the windward mark. As the morning rolled on so did the wind, rolling at us with ever increasing strength. Coming up on lunch the boats were starting to look like ducks, feeding on the bottom of the lake with their tails up in the air. Very undignified. Over the lunch break the wind moderated and a higher degree of decorum was restored. At the end of the day the anemometer showed us an average wind of over 10 with a max gust of 25 MPH. Big fun and great racing with second place not decided until the last go-around.

In the end there were 41 races with few break downs, some bumps and close calls but no hard collisions. There was a good spread of conditions to test the preparation and tune of the boats and the skill of the sailors, and most importantly, an excellent crew of volunteers to support and guide the entire enterprise. Hats off to the entire team and especially Jean and Julian Lee for organizing and hosting the event.

Next year perhaps we'll get to race in the snow and ice. Very Northwest.

Enjoy.

Larry Stiles