

2015 Gig Harbor MYC #1 at Coulon Park

by Bob Wells

It was great to see everybody back for our first race of the year, and starting our fifth year with IOMs. An excellent turnout of 18 skippers enjoyed full sun, warm temps for March, and a good light to medium wind from the NW. In case we needed more of a challenge than 18 skippers on a short start line, our chop appeared in the afternoon and stayed. Typical for early in the year there was virtually no weed, but there was a rare for Coulon algae bloom surrounding the docks until the wind came up.

There was one problem; we found our favorite post-race pub closed. So a few of us went exploring and our new pub going forward is the Dog & Pony with nine IPA's on tap. It is on the way to the old pub and much closer to the venue so a better location. Next week is SMYC #1 at Coulon, so now you know where we are going afterwards:

Dog & Pony Alehouse and Grill
351 Park Ave N.
Renton, WA 98057

Some of you may be wondering why we sailed on Lake Washington instead of the usual GHMYC venue? Well the Surprise Lake dock is closed indefinitely with complications on the dock repair. For now Coulon Park is the temporary home of GHMYC. Not a bad temp home. To cover launch, insurance, buoy, and buoy boat hauling costs dues are \$25/year to J. Warren Brower, SMYC Treasurer. SMYC will cover all GHMYC expenses for regattas at Coulon this year, so if you sail with either club – Guido says pay up at your next regatta. Consider it your two clubs for one deal! Checks to: J. Warren Brower.

We welcomed Scott Thomas back sailing instead of being race director, this time with his new MoJo. David Jensen is our new guy this year sailing his 1968 CroPikanto #1, and he is soaking up lessons like a sponge. Finding a seam on our starting line in chop/waves with an easing wind caught David's attention. This takes some practice. It was cool that Dennis Pittis found his way South to sail with us from Whidbey Island.

Congratulations to Joe Damico with a strong showing of eight firsts in 14 races to run away with the regatta. Joe is sailing his new Astbury Britpop that has: the French masts, 80lb. Spectra stays, and a clip-on SAILSetc spreader modified with spreaders forward. Joe is experimenting with inserting different angles of spreader tubes forward, but I think he found the right one for powering up in our chop. Joe, thank you for upgrading our buoy ground tackle over the winter, it worked very well.

2015 Gig Harbor Model Yacht Club Regatta #1 - Coulon Park March 7th.

Pls	Skipper	Sail	Home Port	Design-Designer	Score	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1	Joe D'Amico	86	Sequim, WA	britPOP!-BG Astbury	27.0	7.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	10.0	7.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	7.0	3.0	1.0	1.0
2	Larry Stiles	64	Sedro Woolley	CHEINZ-Jeff Byerley	47.0	3.0	9.0	5.0	2.0	6.0	4.0	9.0	2.0	2.0	6.0	1.0	4.0	5.0	7.0
3	Jerry Brower	7	Lk Stevens, WA	britPOP!-BG Vinaixa	53.0	1.0	4.0	16.0	11.0	7.0	9.0	2.0	5.0	4.0	2.0	6.0	2.0	2.0	9.0
4	Bill Langjahr	88	Anacortes, WA	CHEINZ-Jeff Byerley	54.0	10.0	1.0	6.0	4.0	4.0	13.0	3.0	10.0	3.0	5.0	2.0	7.0	6.0	3.0
5	Ron Blackledge	217	Portland, OR	britPOP!-BG Astbury	56.0	2.0	5.0	2.0	8.0	2.0	2.0	1.0	7.0	8.0	4.0	15.0	9.0	19.0	6.0
6	Peter Sternberg	18	Redmond, WA	V8-Ian Vickers	66.0	8.0	6.0	9.0	9.0	19.0	1.0	12.0	6.0	5.0	9.0	3.0	5.0	3.0	2.0
7	Kurt Wells	25	Seattle, WA	Topiko-G Bantock	67.0	4.0	7.0	11.0	5.0	3.0	11.0	4.0	11.0	6.0	10.0	5.0	1.0	7.0	4.0
8	Bob Wells	42	Mercer Is, WA	Pikanto-G Bantock	68.0	5.0	3.0	19.0	3.0	5.0	3.0	5.0	3.0	10.0	8.0	8.0	6.0	9.0	13.0
9	Scott McConnell	60	Lynnwood, WA	Pikanto-G Bantock	99.0	13.0	19.0	3.0	7.0	8.0	7.0	6.0	4.0	12.0	19.0	4.0	11.0	19.0	5.0
10	Drew Austin	90	Sequim, WA	Wugga/Ska-BG	101.0	12.0	8.0	4.0	6.0	14.0	12.0	10.0	8.0	9.0	3.0	9.0	8.0	12.0	15.0
11	Byron Pimms	47	Seattle, WA	ISIS II-Barry Chisam	118.0	6.0	10.0	7.0	17.0	13.0	17.0	11.0	12.0	14.0	7.0	12.0	10.0	8.0	8.0
12	David Jensen	68	Bellevue, WA	Pikanto-G Bantock	123.0	9.0	11.0	14.0	16.0	11.0	5.0	8.0	13.0	13.0	11.0	17.0	12.0	4.0	12.0
13	Scott Thomas	17	Edgewood, WA	MOJO-Jeff Byerley	128.0	18.0	14.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	6.0	14.0	9.0	7.0	14.0	10.0	13.0	11.0	14.0
14	Daryl Ruff	67	Fife, WA	Goth-Frank Russell	149.0	11.0	15.0	8.0	12.0	9.0	14.0	17.0	15.0	11.0	13.0	13.0	15.0	13.0	16.0
15	Craig Rantala	12	Sequim, WA	SKA-Brad Gibson	162.0	14.0	12.0	15.0	14.0	12.0	16.0	13.0	16.0	15.0	15.0	11.0	16.0	14.0	11.0
16	Ron, Hornung	777	Seattle, WA	21 Grams-Own	178.0	15.0	13.0	19.0	18.0	16.0	19.0	16.0	17.0	19.0	16.0	14.0	14.0	10.0	10.0
17	Dennis Pittis	57	Clinton, WA	Goth-Frank Russell	182.0	16.0	17.0	13.0	13.0	17.0	8.0	15.0	14.0	19.0	12.0	19.0	19.0	19.0	19.0
18	Rick Shattock	94	Milton, WA	Pikanto-GB, DeJong	194.0	17.0	16.0	12.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	18.0	18.0	16.0	17.0	16.0	19.0	19.0	19.0

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