



The pond is behind St. Augustine Hotel & Suites at World Golf Village, and it offers elevated viewing and interesting tactical choices in addition to a nice breeze on both days. Photo Cheryl Bremer.

## **2017 St. Augustine Midwinters (3/4-5/17)**

### **St. Augustine Hotel & Suites**

By Joe Walter, Race Director

As the EC12 Class Secretary, I have had the opportunity to RD a lot of regattas, but this was my first time running an event for the IOM class. The speed of the boats was very impressive. But, what scared me the most was how close skippers would get to each other before tacking away. When your boat can turn on a dime, you can push it to the last second before certain impact. The nerve required to hold your course on Starboard without flinching can be compared to a fighter pilot.

Eleven skippers came from as far away as California, Virginia and the Bahamas to compete in a single fleet. The weather at our St. Augustine Hotel venue was about as perfect as could be. Cool for Florida at this time of year, but a light jacket was all that was needed. The wind on both Saturday and Sunday was straight down the middle of the course and averaged around 10-15 knots. There were moments of light patches and more moments of gusts that drove the bows under or laid the rigs in the water for a few seconds. Some skippers broke out the B-rigs to gain some control.

Saturday the wind was from the NE, which meant we used the West side of the lake. The course was about 100 yards long and we sailed three windward and two leeward legs. Sunday the course was a little longer with the wind out of the East. Forty-two 500-yard long races were sailed over the two days. I will let you do the math on how far they walked. I know I am pretty sore and was able to sit for much of it.

I want to thank Tom Phillips as ARD, Bill Wells as mark judge and chase boat driver, Cheryl Bremer served up the lunches, Baron set the whole thing up, and Marc Smith spent Sunday helping with scoring after his boat broke. There would be no results without Trish Gray keeping score.

Before the regatta, I got some great advice from Bruce Andersen, the IOM Class Secretary. He said, "They can smell fear, so don't let your guard down." I thought everyone behaved very well and I thoroughly enjoyed being the RD. NO, I will not be getting an IOM anytime soon, but I will think about it.

**Photos: Cheryl Bremer**

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**Regatta Summary:**

Event: 2017 St. Augustine IOM Midwinters (R7 Championship)

Date: March 4-5, 2017

Location: St. Augustine Hotel & Suites at World Golf Village

Host Club: Jacksonville Model Yacht Club

Entries: 11

Winds: Mid – Upper 1-rig, a few 2-rigs

Races Completed: 42 (!)

Regatta Committee: Baron Bremer - Organizer; Joe Walter - RD; Tom Phillips - ARD; Trish Gray – Scoring; Bill Wells - Mark Judge & Chase Boat; and Cheryl Bremer – lunches.



Thanks, Baron, it is good to have an IOM Midwinter in Florida again. You arranged good wind and weather, as well as a great race management team too, including Joe Walter (r) as Race Director. Nice to see Steve Landeau, our former Class Secretary, back sailing IOMs. 2<sup>nd</sup> place shows that he still can sail. Photo Cheryl Bremer.

## 2017 IOM Mid Winter East - AMYA Region 7 Championship - St Augustine, FL. 3/4-5.

Pls	Skipper	Sail	Club/City	Hull	Score	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
1	Gary Boell	71	Richmond, CA	NITRO-J Byerley	73.0	5.0	2.0	3.0	2.0	4.0	3.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	4.0	1.0	2.0	5.0	1.0	3.0	1.0	2.0	1.0
2	Steve Landeau	112	Savannah, GA	britPOP!-B Gibson	102.0	1.0	7.0	5.0	9.0	1.0	2.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.0	5.0	1.0	1.0	6.0	4.0	4.0	1.0	7.0
3	George Pedrick	50	Pt Richmond, CA	V9-Ian Vickers	116.0	3.0	1.0	2.0	4.0	9.0	1.0	1.0	5.0	4.0	1.0	7.0	4.0	12.0	3.0	5.0	6.0	4.0	3.0
4	Stan Wallace	88	Emma, BAH	britPOP!-B Gibson	122.2	2.0	4.0	4.0	5.0	2.0	7.0	8.0	1.0	6.0	3.0	4.0	5.0	3.0	2.0	1.0	2.0	8.0	3.2
5	Baron Bremer	81	Jacksonville, FL	britPOP!-B Gibson	129.0	4.0	6.0	1.0	3.0	6.0	4.0	5.0	8.0	7.0	6.0	9.0	3.0	2.0	4.0	2.0	5.0	5.0	2.0
6	Gene Harris	57	Pt Richmond, CA	V9-Ian Vickers	206.0	8.0	3.0	9.0	8.0	3.0	8.0	7.0	9.0	8.0	5.0	3.0	6.0	4.0	7.0	7.0	3.0	3.0	4.0
7	Calvin Obara	23	St Petersburg, FL	V9-Ian Vickers	213.0	9.0	5.0	6.0	7.0	8.0	5.0	11.0	7.0	10.0	9.0	6.0	9.0	7.0	9.0	10.0	7.0	6.0	5.0
8	Walter House	66	Vienna, VA	Topiko-G Bantock	243.6	7.0	8.0	8.0	1.0	7.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	5.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	6.0	8.0	6.0	7.6	10.0	12.0
9	Martin Gray	83	Jacksonville, FL	britPOP!-B Gibson	286.0	6.0	9.0	7.0	6.0	5.0	9.0	4.0	4.0	1.0	7.0	2.0	7.0	12.0	5.0	8.0	12.0	7.0	6.0
10	Brian Ladouceur	12	Palm Coast, FL	Topiko-G Bantock	329.0	11.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	11.0	10.0	10.0	11.0	9.0	11.0	10.0	10.0	8.0	10.0	9.0	8.0	9.0	12.0
11	Marc Smith	181	Vienna, VA	Esterel-C Diolatti	418.0	10.0	11.0	11.0	12.0	10.0	12.0	9.0	10.0	11.0	10.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0

  

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1	Gary Boell	71	73.0	3.0	2.0	4.0	6.0	1.0	1.0	3.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.0	5.0	1.0	1.0	5.0	3.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	5.0	1.0	1.0	4.0	2.0
2	Steve Landeau	112	102.0	1.0	8.0	5.0	4.0	3.0	4.0	7.0	1.0	6.0	1.0	6.0	4.0	2.0	4.0	1.0	6.0	1.0	2.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.0	3.0	1.0
3	George Pedrick	50	116.0	2.0	5.0	3.0	2.0	4.0	7.0	4.0	3.0	5.0	9.0	5.0	1.0	6.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	4.0	3.0	2.0	4.0	4.0	5.0	1.0	6.0
4	Stan Wallace	88	122.2	4.0	1.0	1.0	3.0	5.0	5.0	1.0	4.0	7.0	4.0	7.0	3.0	3.0	5.0	3.0	4.0	3.0	4.0	7.0	2.0	8.0	3.0	9.0	3.0
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6	Gene Harris	57	206.0	8.0	4.0	2.0	8.0	7.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	9.0	5.0	12.0	7.0	4.0	5.0	6.0	7.0	8.0	7.0	5.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	5.0	5.0
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9	Martin Gray	83	286.0	6.0	7.0	7.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	9.0	9.0	3.0	6.0	4.0	10.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0
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11	Marc Smith	181	418.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0

Hosted by Jacksonville Model Yacht Club. Chairman Baron Bremer. Race Director Joe Walter. Assist: Tom Phillips; Bill Wells mark judge and boat; Cheryl Bremer lunches; Marc Smith helper, Trish Gray scoring.

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