

2017 IOM Eastern Regional Championship Regatta - Results

Some of you may wonder, "Where was Jerry Brower at Lake Cowichan?? He isn't in the results and Jerry always comes to our events"

Well, Jerry was in Kingston ON supporting IOM sailing at the other end of our country (well close to the other end).

Through the good efforts of Paul Switzer the event was held with a really minimum entry but we had agreed that the best way to start rebuilding interest out that way was to go ahead and hold the events to show everyone we are serious about getting the class back up to speed in what used to be the stronghold for us.

Paul's short form report is:

We had a very successful regatta here completing 32 races in light NE winds over two days. Results are on the Kingston Yacht Club website in the regattas section if you are interested.

Unfortunately for the American folks 2 of the registered entrants did not show at the last minute which meant that we sailed with 9 which is apparently one less than is required by AMYA rules to qualify as a ranking event. I scrambled Saturday morning to see if I could find an CRYA paid up member with a certified boat to be the tenth but it did not work out.

The American who did not show is from Savannah Georgia and I assume had hurricane worries but the other no show was a Toronto guy who was just busy I guess. Neither of them notified me in advance hence the scramble. Really disappointed in the Toronto fleet who did not field anyone. Work to do there I guess. IOMs are struggling in Ontario but the Americans seem to really like our venue and promised to try to find more entrants if we would host it again next year.

Jerry Brower who I know you know well won the event and has stayed over to sail with our Kingston IOM fleet Monday evening.

So that's what Jerry was doing - - - winning the Eastern Regional. Well done Jerry.



