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Last Weekend Began with Long Island Races



Craig Stewart's CARL & CO. [Wayne Beal 36; 405-hp Cummins], and Marshall Spears' JACALWA [Wesmac 46; 1000-hp Caterpillar] coming to the finish line in the Royal River Boat Yard Race.

The last two lobster boat races of the year (Long Island on Saturday and MS Harborfest at Portland on Sunday) seemed to arrive a lot sooner than I expected. To date it has been an excellent year with great racing and a lot more boats competing compared to previous years.

I headed over to Long Island on Friday afternoon for the weekend. Friday evening there was a pre-race party with a number of the island's racers and residents. They were selling T-shirts, hoodies and other memorabilia. They were also serving hamburgers, hot dogs, wings and barbeque ribs. The highlight was Steve Johnson's arrival in his 5-ton Army truck with several racers who had already arrived for the weekend. Then there was the arrival of a Denver boat, which was going to be applied to the truck to keep it were it was, but it would not fit.

Saturday morning was overcast and Ann and I made several treks around the island on a golf cart before the races. We visited Johnson's Boat Yard and saw Justin Papkee's PULL N' PRAY [Wayne Beal 40; 550-hp Isuzu], which suffered a catastrophic fire more than a month ago. Fortunately she was near the dock on Long Island and everybody got off without injury. Unfortunately,

the boat suffered extensive damage, along with a number of traps, which were on board. She was salvaged and hauled up at Johnson's Boat Yard right after the fire and they have begun stripping her down and getting her ready to go to Wayne Beal Boat Shop in Jonesport to be rebuilt this winter.

Sign-ups started on the ferry dock at about 1300 and there was a steady line until just after 1400 when we closed registration with 46 boats entered. There were some interesting boats that arrived to race, which included Josh Duym's DUCHESS [Holland 30; 420-hp Cummins]; Jake Dugas' unnamed racer [Mitchell Cove 32; 380-hp Cummins]; and KATHLEEN II [Crowley 36; 500-hp Lugger] (See photo captions to see why they were interesting.). We then loaded up and headed out onto the committee boat, Steve Train's WILD IRISH ROSE.

Despite being overcast it was fine day and after a moment of silence for Galen Alley the races got underway. Dave Johnston with CASCO MISS [Eastern 22, 250-hp Honda] did a fine job getting the races run and we were done just after 1700.

For more information on lobster boat racing go to: maines-coast.com.



Three boats were on the line for Work Boat Class A and the winner was Aran Johnson in HAZEL B. [Lund 16; 25-hp Evinrude].



As they neared the finish line Jacob Noyes' ZIPPIN' TOO [Corson 15; 90-hp Nissan] has jumped into the lead and here David Noyes's ZIPPIN' [Corson 14; 60-hp Johnson] is slowly getting by Frank Bennett's NADEN [Naden 16; 60-hp Suzuki] for second with NADEN third in Work Boat Class B.



In Work Boat Class C the winner was David Johnston's CASCO MISS [Eastern 22, 250-hp Honda].



Getting second in Work Boat Class C was Marshall Spear's GULL [Webber's Cove 22; 150-hp Mercury], which he finished off this past winter and launched this spring.



Three boats were on the line for Gasoline Class A and the winner was Will Tierney's ELIZABETH [Repco 30; 250-hp Chevrolet].



Second in Gasoline Class A was Ernest Callow's MISS MARJORIE [General Marine 26; 300-hp Crusader].



The only entrant in Gasoline Class E was Steve Johnson's **BUD & DAWN** [Jingle Johnson 28; 1,100-hp Chevrolet].



Home from shipping out Adam Kimball brought out his **MISS ATTITUDE** [Holland 32; 265-hp John Deere] and tried his best to get by Riley Johnson's **LYNN MARIE** [Sisu 26; 235-hp Isuzu], but just did not have enough. This was a combined race with **LYNN MARIE** the winner of Diesel Class A and **MISS ATTITUDE** the winner of Diesel Class C.



The winner of Diesel Class B was Tim Flynn's **DOTTIE MAE** [32' John Luke; 186-hp Isuzu].



This is Josh Duym's **DUCHESS** [Holland 30; 420-hp Cummins], which many will remember as Nick Wiberg's **MISS KATIE**, which was a top boat in this class (Diesel Class E) for several years. Before Nick owned her it was owned by Josh's uncle Rusty Duym, who some will remember as a teacher at the Boat School in Eastport or later as a mechanic at Billing's Diesel and Marine in Stonington.



Six boats came to the line in Diesel Class F. Here Scott Merryman's **K. E. II** [Northern Bay 38; 405-hp Cummins] going for the win. Craig Stewart's **CAROL & CO.** [Wayne Beal 36; 405-hp Cummins] took second and **DONNA ELAINE** [Wayne Beal 36; 405-hp Cummins] would slide off the course and not finish.



Justin Papkee's **EMPTY POCKETS** [Wayne Beal 36; 375-hp John Deere] riding a wake for a fourth place finish in Diesel Class F.



In Diesel Class H the winner was Rusty Candage's JUDITH ANN [Crowley 36, 500-hp Cummins] with a speed of 31 mph.



Second in Diesel Class H was Michael Floyd's KATHLEEN II [Crowley 36; 500-hp Lugger]. Here is another boat with an interesting history. For those that can remember back to 2000 she was finished off by Steve Johnson, who powered her with a 2,500-hp 12-cylinder Rolls Royce/Packard engine. Her big race against Glenn Holland's RED BARON [Holland 32] in the final race of the day, the Fastest Lobster Boat. RED BARON won with a speed of 57.8 mph and set a new record in a fantastic race.



Scott Wood's WILD ONE [Crowley/Beal 33; 892-GM] was a frequent racer, but over the last several years comes out only here and there. At Harpswell she competed against her nemesis Chris Smith's MISTY and took second. Today was a re-match and got separation and took the win with a speed of 38 mph.



All the way from Harrington came Heather Thompson and GOLD DIGGER [Wayne Beal 36; 675-hp Scania], who won Diesel Class J with a speed of 41 mph.



Second in Diesel Class J went to Carl Anderson III's DANICA HAILEY [Calvin Beal 36; 675-hp Scania].



Third in Diesel Class J went to Scott Keenan's DEAR ABBIE [Northern Bay 38, 700 hp Volvo] all the way from Blue Hill.



The best and closest race of the day was between Andrew Taylor's BLUE EYED GIRL [Morgan Bay 38, 900-hp Scania] in Class K and Tom Clemon's MOTIVATION [Northern Bay 36; 1,000-hp Caterpillar] in Class L. They came up the course side by side with about half a boat length between their bows with MOTIVATION in the lead and getting the win at a speed of 44 mph.



The winner in Diesel Class M(A) was Chris Pope's OLD SCHOOL [Holland 41; 380-hp Cummins] at 28 mph.



Second in Diesel Class M(A) went to Alan Knowlton's SEA URCHIN [Young Brothers 45, 425-hp John Deere].



Third in Diesel Class M(A) was Tucker Johnson's MYSTERY [40' John's Bay Boat; 405 hp Cummins].



The two Wooden Boat classes were combined and Alan Dugas's DE-LUSIONAL [38' John's Bay Boat, 600-hp Cummins] is working his way past Jim Lee's ROAR [32' Clinton Beal, 1960; 454 ci Chevrolet], which was once owned by Alan, who totally rebuilt her.



It was no surprise that the top boat in the Diesel Free-for-All and the Fastest Lobster Boat was Tom Clemons' MOTIVATION [Northern Bay 36; 1,000-hp Caterpillar] with a top speed of the day 50 mph.

LONG ISLAND FINAL RESULTS

LONG ISLAND LOBSTER BOAT RACE

17 August 2019

WORK BOATS UNDER 24 FEET

Race 1 –Class A, Skiffs 16 feet and under, Outboards up to 30 hp, operators up to 18 years old: 1) Hazel B., Aran Johnson (22 mph); 2) Bucket of Holes, Max Byers; and 3) White Boat, Own Conte. Race 2 – Class B, Inboard, Outboard or Outdrive, 31 to 90 hp: 1) Zippin Too, Jacob Noyes (37 mph); 2) Zippin, David Noyes; and 3) Naden, Frank Bennett. Race 3 –Class C, Inboard, Outboard or Outdrive, 90 hp and over: 1) Casco Miss, Dave Johnston (40 mph); and 2) Gull, Marshall Spear.

GAS POWERED WORK BOATS 24 FEET AND OVER

Race 4 –Class A, Four and Six Cylinder, 24 feet and over: 1) Elizabeth, William Tierney (25 mph); 2) Miss Marjorie, Ernest Callow; and 3) Cindy Jen, Ann Johansen. Race 5 –Class B, V8, Up to 375 cid, 24 feet and over: No Entrants. Race 6 –Class C, V8, 376 to 525 cid, 24 feet and over: 1) Black Diamond, Randy Durkee (30 mph); and 2) Roar, Jim Lee. Race 7 –Class D, V8, 376 to 540 cid, 24 feet and over (Non-working racer): No Entrants. Race 8 –Class E, V8, Over 525 cid, 28 feet and over, Turbos/superchargers: 1) Bud & Dawn, Steve Johnson

DIESEL POWERED WORK BOATS 24 FEET AND OVER

Race 9 –Class A, Up to 235 hp, 24 to 31 feet: 1) Lynn Marie, Riley Johnson (30 mph). Race 10 –Class B, Up to 235 hp, 32 feet to 40 feet: 1) Dottie Mae, Tim Flynn. Race 11 –Class C, 236 to 335 hp, 24 to 33 feet: 1) Miss Attitude, Adam Kimball; and 2) Miss Molly, Howard Tolman. Race 12 –Class D, 236 to 335 hp, 34 feet to 40 feet: No Entrants. Race 13 –Class E, 336 to 435 hp, 24 to 33 feet: 1) Duchess, Josh Duym (28 mph); 2) ---, Jake Dugas; 3) Endurance, Bob Dugas; and 4) Determination, Parker Poole. Race 14 –Class F, 336 to 435 hp, 34 feet to 40 feet: 1) K. E. II, Scott Merryman; 2) Carl & Co., Craig Stewart; 3) Karamel, Josh Audet; 4) Empty Pockets, Justin Papkee; 5) Blue Dolphin II, Cameron Murphy; and DNF) Donna Elaine, Harold Stewart. Race 15 –Class G, 436 to 550 hp, 28 to 35 feet: No Entrants. Race 16 –Class H, 436 to 550 hp, 36 feet to 40 feet: 1) Judith Ann, Rusty Candage (31 mph); and 2) Kathleen II, Michael Floyd. Race 17 –Class I, 551 to 700 hp, 28 to 35 feet: 1) Wild One, Scott Wood (38 mph); and

2) Misty, Chris Smith. Race 18 –Class J, 551 to 700 hp, 36 feet to 40 feet: 1) Gold Digger, Heather Thompson (41 mph); 2) Dani-ca Hailey, Carl Anderson II; 3) Dear Abbie, Scott Keenan; and 4) Delusional, Alan Dugas. Race 19 –Class K, 701 to 900 hp, 28 feet to 40 feet: 1) Blue Eyed Girl, Andrew Taylor. Race 20 –Class L, 901 hp and over, 28 feet to 40 feet: 1) Motivation, Tom Clemons (44 mph). Race 21 –Class M(A), 40 feet and over, up to 500 hp: 1) Old School, Chris Pope (28 mph); 2) Sea Urchin, Alan Knowlton; and 3) Mystery, Tucker Johnson. Race 22 – Class M(B), 40 feet and over, 501 to 750 hp: 1) Temptation, Wayne Clemons; 2) Lina Rose, Jim Barclay; 3) Sand Dollar III, Scott Dugas; and 4) Dominator, Lee MacVane. Race 23 –Class N, 40 feet and over, 751 hp and over: 1) Jacalwa, Marshall Spear (36 mph). Race 24. Class O. Non-working boats, any length, any horsepower: No Entrants.

Race 25 –Wooden Boat Race, up to 35 feet 11 inches. 1) Roar, Jim Lee; and 2) Cindy Jen, Ann Johansen. Race 26 – Wooden Boat Race, 36 feet and over. 1) Sand Dollar III, Scott Dugas; 2) Delusional, Alan Dugas; and 3) Mystery, Tucker Johnson.

Race 27 – Boats Built by Johnson's Boat Yard: 1) Casco Miss, Dave Johnston (41 mph); 2) Wild One, Scott Wood; 3) Lynn Marie, Riley Johnson; 4) Elizabeth, William Tierney; and 5) Bud & Dawn, Steve Johnson.

Race 28 – Royal River Boat Yard Race: 1) Carl & Co., Craig Stewart; 2) Jacalwa, Marshall Spear; 3) Donna Elaine, Harold Stewart; 4) Dominator, Lee MacVane; 5) Delusional, Alan Dugas; 6) Sand Dollar III, Scott Dugas; 7) ---, Jake Dugas; and 8) Determination, Parker Poole.

Race 29 –Gasoline Free-for-All: 1) Black Diamond, Randy Durkee (33 mph); 2) Elizabeth, William Tierney; 3) Bud & Dawn, Steve Johnson; and 4) Miss Marjorie, Ernest Callow.

Race 30 –Diesel Free-for-All: 1) Motivation, Tom Clemons (50 mph); 2) Blue Eyed Girl, Andrew Taylor; 3) Gold Digger, Heather Thompson; 4) Duchess, Josh Duym; 5) ---, Jake Dugas; 6) Miss Molly, Howard Tolman; 7) Karamel, Josh Audet; and 8) Delusional, Alan Dugas.

Race 32 – Fastest Lobster Boat: 1) Motivation, Tom Clemons (49 mph); 2) Blue Eyed Girl, Andrew Taylor; 3) Gold Digger, Heather Thompson; and 4) Miss Molly, Howard Tolman.

Mark Your Calendar

Saturday 19 October

Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet
at

ROBINSON'S WHARF

Southport Island

More Information to follow!