

Maine Lobster Boat Racing Newsletter

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Alan Knowlton's SEA URCHIN [Young Brothers 45, 425-hp John Deere] and Chris Pope's OLD SCHOOL [Holland 41; 380-hp Cummins] coming up the course in Diesel Class M(A). OLD SCHOOL would get the win with a speed of 27.8 mph and SEA URCHIN second.

When we were done racing at Long Island about 1730 a number of us climbed on board Adam Kimball's MISS ATTITUDE [Holland 32; 265-hp John Deere] and headed for Island Lobster Company on Peak's Island for a pre-race get-together for the MS Harborfest Lobster Boat Races the following day. It was a great dinner and there were a number of people there showing support for the MS Harborfest Lobster Boat Races. When the morning arrived we were socked in by fog and it was an interesting ride helming CINDY JEN [34' Clinton Beal, 1964; 292 Chevrolet] from Long Island to Portland Yacht Services in Portland arriving just about 0800. When signing up at Long Island, I also signed up those planning to attend the Portland races. I already had 35 entries in the computer from Long Island so it was a breeze adding in the 16 entries that morning for a total of 51 entrants for this day's race. It was then out to the committee boat about 1000 and the races were on. Dave Johnston with CASCO MISS [Eastern 22, 250-hp Honda] opened the racing, as he did at Long Island, with a moment of silence and the spreading of well-known lobster boat racer Galen Alley's ashes, who died in a vehicle accident last winter. Dave then got the racing going and did an excellent job getting them done in about two hours. Following the last race of the day, four tugs from

McAllister came out and took the race course over and ran two races. It was then back into Portland Yacht Services for the post-race celebration and lunch. I got tasked with the awards ceremony and because this is a fundraiser for Multiple Sclerosis (MS) it becomes a giving event. I read out the winners, handed them their winnings, which was cash, and 98 percent of them put it into the bucket, which went to the MS Society of Maine. There were also a number of prizes donated and these were then auctioned off and that raised another chunk of money for MS. Then we read out the winners of the diesel fuel from Global, which is 100 gallons of fuel for each diesel class and the diesel free-for-all. At the end of this I had four unclaimed certificates which were auctioned off and that raised about another \$1,000. This concluded the day's and the year's lobster boat racing season. It was a great year with more boats than ever racing for the year, 823, compared to last year with 739. There are already rumors of a couple of new boats coming out next year and that could create some very interesting competition in certain classes so stay tuned and begin getting ready for next season!

For more lobster boat race information go to: mainescoast.com.





Coming over from Harpswell Amanda Clemons took her unnamed boat [Kencraft 16; 25-hp Yamaha] to a first place finish with a speed of 21.5 mph in Work Boat Class A.



A view of the spectator fleet right at the end of the race course. This race had a lot of spectator boats, one of the best of the year.



As there were just five boats in the Gasoline classes there were run down together. Steve Johnson's BUD & DAWN [Jingle Johnson 28; 1,100-hp Chevrolet] trying to keep pace with Randy Durkee's BLACK DIAMOND [Holland 32, 454 Chevrolet]. BLACK DIAMOND won Class C and BUD & DAWN Class E.



The winner of Gasoline Class B was Jeff Croft's TILLY [Brownell; 350 260-hp Mercruiser].



Continuing his domination of Diesel Class A was Riley Johnson and LYNN MARIE [Sisu 26; 235-hp Isuzu] as he beat the other three competitors to the finish line.



Second in Diesel Class A was Tristan Cloutier's PERFECT GAME.



Third in Diesel Class A went to Scott Dyer's **RELENTLESS** [BHM 28; 200-hp Yanmar].



In Class C four boats were on the line. Burton Rankie's **ACORN** [Cape Dory 28; 260-hp Cummins] on the left took third and Adam Kimball's **MISS ATTITUDE** [Holland 32; 265-hp John Deere] is heading for a first place finish.



Sliding up the left side of the course is Howard Tolman's **MISS MOLLY** [Holland 32; 300-hp Cummins], which took second in Diesel Class C.



Getting a fourth place finish in Diesel Class C was Max Bogdanovich's **BOGSEA** [Mitchell Cove 32; 265-hp John Deere].



Josh Duym's **DUCHESS** [Holland 30; 420-hp Cummins], the former **MISS KATIE** owned by Nick Wiberg, got the win in Diesel Class E with a speed of 31 mph.



Second in Diesel Class E was Jake Dugas' **GUILTY PLEASURE** [Mitchell Cove 32; 380-hp Cummins].



All the way from Newbury, MA came Andrew Haley's COOT [36-footer; 430-hp Volvo]. Next to him is Scott Merryman's K. E. II [Northern Bay 38; 405-hp Cummins] and Justin Papkee's EMPTY POCKETS [Wayne Beal 36; 375-hp John Deere] competing in Diesel Class F. K. E. II took the top spot with COOT third and EMPTY POCKETS fourth.



In Diesel Class H is Nick Martinez's PRETTY WOMAN [Calvin Beal 36; 510-hp Caterpillar] and Rusty Candage's JUDITH ANN [Crowley 36, 500-hp Cummins]. JUDITH ANN got the win and PRETTY WOMAN got second.



They, Carl Anderson III's DANICA HAILEY [Calvin Beal 36; 675-hp Scania] and Heather Thompson's GOLD DIGGER [Wayne Beal 36; 675-hp Scania], have had a great summer of racing together in Diesel Class J. GOLD DIGGER got the win today with DANICA HAILEY second.



Tom Clemons' MOTIVATION [Northern Bay 36; 1,000-hp Caterpillar] was the only entrant in Diesel Class L so he ran down the course with Diesel Class M(A).



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



There were six boats on the line for Diesel Class M(B). Here are the top two contenders, Jim Barclay's LINA ROSE [Calvin Beal 42; 550-hp Nanni] and Wayne Clemons' TEMPTATION [Young Brothers 40; 730-hp MAN] heading towards the finish line. TEMPTATION would get the win and LINA ROSE second.



Coming up the left side of the course in the Diesel Class M(B) race is Lee McVane's DOMINATOR [Newman 46; 700-hp Volvo] and Eric Knight's IVY JEAN [Calvin Beal 44; 750-hp John Deere]. DOMINATOR took fifth and IVY JEAN sixth.



In a very close race, determined right at the line was a battle between Scott Dugas' SAND DOLLARS III [41' Johns Bay Boat; 700-hp Caterpillar] and Andrew Haley's COOT [36-footer; 430-hp Volvo]. COOT would just edge out SAND DOLLARS III for the win.



In the Diesel Free-for-All are Chris Pope's OLD SCHOOL [Holland 41; 380-hp Cummins] and Josh Duym's DUCHESS [Holland 30; 420-hp Cummins].



Ben Perry's MISTRESS [Calvin Beal 38; 500-hp C9 Caterpillar] competing in the Diesel Free-for-All.



Coming to the finish in the first tugboat race was RELIANCE and ANDREW MCALLISTER.



In the second tugboat race of the day FOURNIER GIRLS and ANDREW MCALLISTER just before they crossed the finish line.

PORTLAND FINAL RESULTS

PORTLAND LOBSTER BOAT RACES

18 August 2019

WORK BOATS UNDER 24 FEET

Race 1 - CLASS A Skiffs 16-feet and under with outboards up to 30 hp, Operator 18 years and younger: 1) ---, Amanda Clemons (21.5 mph). **Race 2 - CLASS B Inboards, outboards or outdrives, 31 to 90 hp:** 1) *Zippin'*, David Noyes (41.4 mph); 2) *Zippin' Too*, Jacob Noyes; and 3) *Naden*, Frank Bennett. **Race 3 - Class C, Inboard, Outboard or Outdrive, 90 hp and over:** 1) *Casco Miss*, Dave Johnston (45.4 mph); 2) *Miss Kylie*, Edward Apon; 3) Double Trouble, Kevin Smith; 4) Malaga, Jim Koehling and DNS) *Gull*, Marshall Spear.

GAS POWERED WORK BOATS 24 FEET AND OVER.

Race 4 - Class A, Four and Six Cylinder, 24 feet and over: 1) *Cindy Jen*, Ann Johansen (11.2 mph). **Race 5 - Class B, V8, Up to 375 cid, 24 feet and over:** 1) *Tilly*, *Jeff Croft*. **Race 6 - Class C, V8, 376 to 525 cid, 24 feet and over:** 1) *Black Diamond*, Randy Durkee (30.9 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 (29.9 mph); 2) *Perfect Game*, Tristan Cloutier; 3) *Relentless*, Scott Dyer; and 4) *Grammie Annie*, John Carroll. **Race 10 - Class B, Up to 235 hp, 32 feet to 40 feet:** 1) *Dottie Mae*, Tim Flynn (13.6 mph). **Race 11 - Class C, 236 to 335 hp, 24 to 33 feet:** 1) *Miss Attitude*, Adam Kimball (27.4 mph); 2) *Miss Molly*, Howard Tolman (26 mph); 3) *Acorn*, Burton Rankie; and 4) *Bogsea*, Max Bogdanovich. **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 (31 mph); 2) *Guilty Pleasure*, Jake Dugas; and 3) *Determination*, Parker Poole. **Race 14 - Class F, 336 to 435 hp, 34 feet to 40 feet:** 1) *K. E. II*, Scott Merryman (28.1 mph); 2) *Karamel*, Josh Audet; 3) *Coot*, Andrew Haley; 4) *Empty Pockets*, Justin Papkee; 5) *Seadonk*, Ted Weber; and 6) *Blue*

Dolphin II, Cameron Murphy (6.2 mph). **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 (32.5 mph); 2) *Pretty Woman*, Nick Martinez; and DNS) *Mistress*, Ben Perry. **Race 17 - Class I, 551 to 700 hp, 28 to 35 feet:** 1) *Wild One*, Scott Wood. **Race 18 - Class J, 551 to 700 hp, 36 feet to 40 feet:** 1) *Gold Digger*, Heather Thompson (41.6 mph); 2) *Danica Hailey*, Carl Anderson III; 3) *Dear Abbie*, Scott Keenan; and DNS) *Delusional*, Alan Dugas. **Race 19 - Class K, 701 to 900 hp, 28 feet to 40 feet: No entrants.** **Race 20 - Class L, 901 hp and over, 28 feet to 40 feet:** 1) *Motivation*, Tom Clemons (49.7 mph). **Race 21 - Class M(A), 40 feet and over, up to 500 hp:** 1) *Old School*, Chris Pope (27.8 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 (30.3 mph); 2) *Lina Rose*, Jim Barclay; 3) *Forever Girl*, ????; 4) *Sand Dollar III*, Scott Dugas; 5) *Dominator*, Lee McVane; and 6) *Ivy Jean*, Eric Knight. **Race 23 - Class N, 40 feet and over, 751hp and over:** 1) *Jacalwa*, Marshall Spear. **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) *Tilly*, Jeff Croft (18.5 mph); and 2) *Cindy Jen*, Ann Johansen. **Race 26 - Wooden Boat Race, over 36 feet.** 1) *Coot*, Andrew Haley (24.9 mph); 2) *Sand Dollar III*, Scott Dugas; and 3) *Mystery*, Tucker Johnson.

Race 27 - Gasoline Free for All: 1) *Black Diamond*, Randy Durkee (31.3 mph); and 2) *Bud & Dawn*, Steve Johnson.

Race 28 - Diesel Free for All: 1) *Motivation*, Tom Clemons (46.9 mph); 2) *Gold Digger*, Heather Thompson; 3) *Danica Hailey*, Carl Anderson III; 4) *Duchess*, Josh Duym; 5) *Old School*, Chris Pope; 6) *Karamel*, Josh Audet; 7) *Mistress*, Ben Perry; and 8) *Determination*, Parker Poole.

Race 29 - Fastest Lobster Boat: 1) *Motivation*, Tom Clemons (49.5 mph); 2) *Gold Digger*, Heather Thompson; and 3) *Bud & Dawn*, Steve Johnson.

2019 Maine Lobster Boat Racing ANNUAL MEETING/AWARDS BANQUET

Saturday 19 October, at Robinson's Wharf, Southport

MLBRA Annual Meeting 5:00 p.m.; Cocktails at 6:00; Dinner will be served at 7:00; Awards to follow

Options for dinner will be: Prime Rib; Baked Stuffed Haddock topped with Seafood Newburg; 1/2 Roasted Chicken with herb butter; Pasta Primavera; or Seafood Trio-baked Scallops, Haddock and Shrimp.

All served with salad, binner rolls and dessert

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