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2018 Nationals Featured Great Wind and Racing



Above: The fleet lines up for a start on Friday at the 2018 Jet-14 Nationals on Lake Norman, NC.

The Jet-14 Class once again had the good fortune to visit Lake Norman Yacht Club for this year's edition of the Nationals, held August 8-11. Tom Grace, Paula Pacheco, Tim Porter and the rest of the Asheville/Lake Norman jetties for sure put on a great show! Expert PRO Bill Ross and team once again provided excellent racing, getting in 13 races in 3 days. Thank you all for a memorable event!

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The early-week wind forecast for the event was bleak, with predicted velocities not above 5 mph. But those were just forecasts.....winds generally were in the 6 to 12 mph range except for the final day when it didn't show up.

The JR. and Women's Nationals got underway in the hottest temps and lightest wind of the week, but gradually built to a nice 6 to 10 mph out of the south. Past National Champ Nicky Einthoven, with Teri Fosmire crewing won a tight match race series over Team Paula (Paula Hennon and Paula Pacheco). The Jr. fleet was dominated by Sunfish ace Nick Reyes, with Elizabeth Kiernan as crew. Nick and Elizabeth were able to sail due to the efforts of Doug Brown and Susan Mallows fixing up and making one of their 2 Jets (#1011) available to sail. Thanks Doug and Susan!

The Open Nationals began with a short postponement, but soon the wind built to about 7 mph from the southwest. 2 races were held in said conditions, then the wind shifted to the northwest with some puffs in the low teens. The RC made all the right moves, and 4 good races were completed. Highlights for the day included top steady performances by Team Parker and Team Michos, hot starts for the Tim Porter/John Rhoads Team and the Ernie Michaud/Anna Petronzio Team, and impressive race finishes for Barbara Joudrey/Rohan Patel with a 3rd in Race 3, and Seth and Tim Parker with a 5th in Race 2. Sea Biscuit also started showing some signs of life, and the Brown/Mallows Team showed good consistency.



The competitors were treated to a Low Country Boil style dinner, complete with 18 lbs of hushpuppies. It seems the large order of hushpuppies was due to the enormous consumption of same during the 2013 Nationals at LNYC. Unfortunately, there was a large surplus left over this time around, and the thought was that certain competitors greatly limited their intake due to the light wind forecast.

The wind for Day 2 was again a pleasant surprise, and lasted the entire day generally out of the north, and at 6 to 10 mph. It seemed the left worked better during the early portions of the windward legs, but the right side paid off towards the end. 4 more races were completed, with the RC making another good call

to not sail a 5th race just before the wind shut off. Sea Biscuit, with rookie crew Elizabeth Maldonado, came charging from the gate, and had a great day. The Ireland teams (Nate with Cole Wise crewing, and Bridget with George Auer) both seemed to work out early troubles to finish strong. And Team Parker again was impressive, winning Race 7.

Another awesome dinner followed, and everyone left hoping to see enough wind to race 1 more day. But that didn't happen, and the 2018 Nationals were history.

Team 558 took top honors, with local junior Josh Mergenthaler providing great boat handling capabilities as well as local knowledge. Josh is a talented young man, and Jet 558 was lucky to have him aboard. In 2nd were Bryan and Tiffany Parker, also winners of the top husband-wife team, who kept the pressure on every race. Marion Zaugg and Elizabeth Maldonado edged out Dave and Sue Michos for 3rd, and Nate Ireland and Cole Wise rounded out the top 5.

It was good to see some old friends who haven't attended the past few years (Dave Japikse, Bob Putnam, and Mary Grealy). Impressive was the support afforded by the Asheville Moms, not only in getting their sons and daughters to the regatta, but also with their help in running the event. So, some big Thank You's to them, as well as Tom Grace and his team!

On a separate note, we, as well as other Class members who didn't attend need to thank Seth Parker for serving as Class President the past 2 years, and Marion Zaugg for his almost 20 years of service as Chief Measurer. THANK YOU Seth and Marion! The Class has truly benefited from your efforts.

-Brent Barbehenn (#558)

2018 Nationals Results (see full results on jet14.com)

Division: Chevron (18 boats)

Pos	Sail	Boat	Skipper	Yacht Club	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
1	558	Blue Redux	Brent Barbehenn [Chevron]/ Josh Mergenthaler	Cooper River YC/	1	1	1	1	1	1	[2]	1	7
2	1135	Sloopy Too	Bryan Parker [Chevron]/ Tiffany Parker	none/	2	2	4	2	[5]	2	1	2	15
3	444	Sea Biscuit	Marion Zaugg [Chevron]/ Elizabeth Maldonado	Mohican Sailing Club/	6	[9]	2	4	3	6	3	3	27
4	217	catalyst	david michos [Chevron]/ susan michos	edgewater yacht club/	3	3	7	3	[11]	3	5	6	30
5	698	Full Metal Jacket	Nate Ireland [Chevron]/ Cole Wise	Hoover Sailing Club/	7	[10]	10	6	2	4	4	5	38
6	1147	Funky Llama	Bridget Ireland [Chevron]/ George Auer	HSC/	11	[14]	6	8	8	5	6	4	48
7	747		Doug Brown [Chevron]/ Susan Mallovs	Hunterdon Sailing Club/	8	6	5	5	10	8	10	[12]	52
8	645	Fore Sail	Tim Porter [Chevron]/ John Rhodes	LNYC/	4	4	[15]	7	6	14	13	8	56
9	717	WREN	tom grace [Chevron]/ PAULA PACHECO	LNYC/	9	11	12	[13]	4	12	7	7	62
10	1136	Red White & Blew	Ernest Michaud [Chevron]/ Anna Petronzio	Edgewater Yacht Club/	5	7	[16]	10	13	10	9	13	67

Special Award Winners From the 2018 Nationals

Top Junior, Highest 1 st Time Finisher: Nick Reyes (HSC)	Rebel Trophy: Tim Porter (LNYC)
Most Improved: Barb Joudrey (MSC)	Farthest Traveler: Dave Japikse (MYC)
Youngest Sailor: Leighton McGee (ASC)	Persistence Award: Marsha Elyashevich (EYC)

Division: Presidents (6 boats)

Pos	Sail	Boat	Skipper	Yacht Club	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
1	7471 (1011)	Jettifer R Boaty	Nick Reyes [Presidents]/ Elizabeth Kiernan	Hunterdon Sailing Club/	18	12	11	11	16	7	16	[19]	91
2	602	Zazu	David Japikse [Presidents]/ John Cole McGee	Mayfield Yacht Club/	16	21	14	17	[22]	21	14	16	119
3	977	BaNana	Bruce Sampson [Presidents]/ Leighton McGee	Asheville Sailing Club/	22	22	22	16	[23]	17	23	20	142

Women Nationals

Division: (2 boats)

Pos	Sail	Skipper	Yacht Club	1	2	3	Total Pos
1	1128	Nicky Einthoven/ Teri Fosmire	Hunterdon Sailing Club/	1	1	1	3 1
2	483	Paula Hennon/ Paula Pacheco	Asheville Sailing Club/	2	2	2	6 2



*Nate Ireland and Cole Wise
enjoying a break between races.*

Junior Nationals

Division: (4 boats)

Pos	Sail	Skipper	Yacht Club	1	2	3	4	5	Total Pos
1	7471	Nick Reyes/ Elizabeth K	Hunterdon Sailing Club/	1	1	1	1	1	5 1
2	645	John Rhodes/ Rohan Patel	Lake Norman Yacht Club/	2	3	2	2	3	12 2
3	1129	Cole Wise/ Neil Bunce	Asheville Sailing club/	3	2	3	3	2	13 3
4	1130	Caswell Kern/ Kevin Trebilcock	Asheville Sailing Club/	4	4	4	4	4	20 4

Halloween Classic: He-Man + Muppets = Fun

As I took inventory of the supplies at the club on Monday, the week before the Halloween Classic, it was 88 deg., sunny and not a ripple from a breeze. So when we saw the forecast for the regatta that coming weekend, highs near 50 deg. and lows near 40 deg. and rain and maybe 5 knots of wind, the few supplies on hand looked like maybe more than enough.

Some may have changed their plans and did not join us, but hard to tell after 15 boats registered to race. And many of those made an extra effort getting crew, or travelling, or getting their boat repaired in time to be here. That all is absolutely not lost on me. Thank you one and all.



Above: The North Carolina crew posing as some of the best looking Muppet characters one will see. Jim Henson would be proud.

As in, Class Secretary Tiffany Parker could not find anyone to watch her two boys for the weekend, but instructed Class Treasure Bryan Parker to find a crew and go. Bryan offered to stay at home and help watch the boys but Tiffany insisted..." two little boys to entertain will be plenty, thank you".....So we got to have Ben Stock crewing for Bryan, which turns out was a slightly above average combination.

Dick Parker managed to get Seth Parker as crew, and apparently there is some kind of strange physics where two negatives equals a double positive, or two numskulls equals one smart guy, as they put up all top 5 finishes, closing out with 4 top 3 finishes.



Above: Dick and Seth Parker (#1159).

And Hank Boissoneault brought Carolyn Zettler, (what a complete delight these two were on and off the water) borrowed a boat and led the first race all the way to the final mark. Or Lenny Wells that left N.C. at 8:00 a.m. Friday to make sure he didn't miss anything, or Chris Hennon who

worked evenings the week before to close up cracks and holes in #483's hull, or Paula Hennon who got herself, another boat, three Jr's and a guest all to Mohican at around 2:00 in the morning on Saturday, thanks to among other things a flat tire on the trailer midway.

Not to be out done, Ernie Michaud's Crew Marsha Elyashevich brings newly minted husband (one week married) and declares the Halloween Classic their Honeymoon!

So, Saturday morning, 41 deg., the rain just having stopped around 4:00 a.m. and everyone is arriving and rigging. Mike and Jon Chambers serve up another well received hot ham lunch with all the sides including macaroni salad that is so good we caught several loading up their bailing buckets so as to enjoy more out on the water.

Stewart FitzGibbon, fighting an upper respiratory ailment, still managed to take care of registration and get Mohican Interlake sailor Bill Sanderson and Oliver Davies to sail his #1161.

First race, maybe the best air of the weekend but right at the start it shifts hard left. One tack to the mark and too tight to make the spinnaker work well on the way back. Hank and Carolyn in #1132 make it work anyway and lead downhill in what should be a run. Zaugg is accidentally in the right spot upwind and down and looks surprisingly smart. Even more interesting, one boat jockeying before the start have members of Sesame Street cast on board, very fun.

Race two, after a course adjustment has the fleet packed tight all the way to the finish. Chris Hennon with Kevin Trebilcock crewing sails a first rate race, ignoring the not yet fully cured epoxy cracking all the way around the course for a very solid 3rd. Jacqueline and Joe Miner had #1134 going better, in the top five all the way to the last mark. I have to say it, they sail better than I do, #1134 is just not set up right.

Race Three and Mike and Jon Chambers have #1133 going very well, missing a win by a few boat lengths.

Race four, the last race of the day Saturday and great wind half way up the first leg and then nothing. Parking lot at the top mark. It fills in and everyone scrambles for a lane. Lenny Wells gets clear along with Tom Grace and Paula, and they both sail solid the rest of the way for a 4th and 5th.

In for dinner. My crew and sweetie Elizabeth decided a taco bar with enchiladas would be a nice treat, which it certainly was, but required her to shop and cook for two days. We were cleaning up when some odd sounds filtered down from the upstairs. The entire cast of Sesame Street and others, in full costume, march into the kitchen. Olivia Hennon is declared the costume contest winner, edging out Tom Grace who looked like a cross between Mark Twain and Yosemite Sam.

Sunday morning, we had quite a few campers in the clubhouse and so 20 pairs of eyes were on us as we fired up the He-Man Breakfast. Bryan Parker was so ready he cut up forty slices of bread for the French toast. Any good? Cole Wise....." they said these pancakes were pretty good, but I wanted to test them for myself.....first rate and number 11 was even better than the first one. "

The wind as is typical at Mohican in the morning was barely filling in, but it looked to be sailable. Elizabeth and I were a little late getting off the hoist so I suggested she push off and jump in. Not my best choice of words, she did. We both landed in the bottom of the boat with the tiller cleanly broken. Did I mention that Jaqueline and Joe sail better than I do? Did I mention EVERYBODY sails better than I do?



Above: Race 6 start on Sunday morning.

First race Sunday and Bryan and Ben are just schooling us. #483 and #1133 are right at the front at the first mark. At the finish, my sister Barb and nephew Paul in #94 have come from pretty deep for a close fifth, overlapped with #1133 in fourth.

Last race, pretty nice air, sun and temps to wrap the regatta up in. The pancakes are really paying off as Cole and Olivia in #1129 shoot out to the front of the fleet and fight it out there all the way down the last run. Ernie Michaud and Marsha, sail a great second run and make it stick for a solid fourth.

50 plus deg. and sunny as we unrig and have to head for home. That is a lot of travelling and effort for all of us to spend a weekend together, sharing our company, sailing, and eating. Glad we did.

Hope to see you all next year.

Marion and Elizabeth, #444

2018 Halloween Classic Results

Sail	Skipper	Crew	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
1135	B. Parker	B. Stock	3	1	1	1	1	1	8
444	M. Zaugg	E. Maldonado	1	2	4	2	3	2	14
1159	D. Parker	S. Parker	5	5	3	3	2	3	21
1132	H. Boissoneault	C. Zettler	2	4	5	6	10	5	32
1133	M. Chambers	J. Chambers	6	10	2	7	4	11	40
717	T. Grace	P. Pacheco	4	6	10	4	7	9	40
483	C. Hennon	K. Trebilcock	8	3	8	8	8	7	42
94	B. Joudrey	P. Joudrey	7	8	6	10	5	8	44
1136	E. Michaud	M. Elyashevich	9	9	12	12	6	4	52
1130	L. Wells	T. Fosmire	11	12	11	5	9	10	58
1129	C. Wise	O. Hennon	10	13	9	11	DNF	6	65
1134	Jacq. Minerd	Joe Minerd	13	7	13	9	11	12	65
1161	B. Sanderson	O. Davies	12	11	7	13	DNS	DNS	75
1127	J. House	J. Murr	14	14	14	DNF	DNS	DNS	90
180	P. Hennon	M. Lunsford	DNS	DNS	DNS	DNS	DNS	DNS	96

President's Corner



Well, another season is nearly past us, except for those North Carolina sailors maybe. Sailing the jet continues to be a pleasure for us no matter what age. A small boat that really is so nimble and challenging to race. As your newest president of the class I am looking forward to some regular meetings through the winter to prepare, act on, and plan for next season with the good help of the rest of the board. I will be doing this both on the national level and the local level in Cleveland. Our successful and very well managed 2018 Nationals this year at Lake Norman Yacht Club (LYNC) was well attended. We all appreciate the hard work people in that area gave to make that event come off so professionally. That Low Country Boil certainly was a hit again. Not just our fellow Jet 14 sailors, but also the membership of the LNYC too, some of who took my wife and I in for the regatta. Expect our decision soon as to where we are having the nationals in 2019 and make plans to

attend as I am sure it will also be something not to miss.

Our decision this year to help out the efforts of the Asheville Sailing Club to build a small fleet of Jet 14's was well supported as they are working hard to grow sailing in their area. They are making impressive decisions and progress in the junior program and several teens are interested in racing our one design Jet 14's at Mohican, Asheville, Lake Norman and at Nationals the last two years too. Though I find adult interest percolating here and there this year with several boat purchases, it is especially exciting to see the teens motivated and supported by parents who often travel with them to events so excited to be part of these regattas. These younger faces and others from other sailing instruction camps like that in Cleveland (The Foundry @ clevelandfoundry.org) may well be the infusion of interested racers we need to keep the Jet Fleets out there active.

As for this winter, it may be time to read up on, watch educational videos or attend a class on sailboat repair or race skill building. Maybe your local fleet can have socials and some sort of educational meetings too. Deciding on a sail upgrade or just finally buying the next boat. Don't forget to use our website to help sell your unused equipment, sails, or Jet as we really are looking to keep them busy that way.

I remember the support and enthusiasm Dave Michos shared with me in my first boat 760 and how I had to finish its renovation for both safer sailing and more effective success in racing. That support and the socialization to include me in our Fleet 60 family at Edgewater Yacht Club is what kept me leaving work early and regularly to compete and have fun on my favorite lake.

How we keep the interest alive in our local fleets is dependent on the activities we provide and the camaraderie around these activities. So,

consider each week the social that brings in friends and newly interested people. I

I hope to see most of you in the spring either at Asheville or the Mohican early regattas. Of course, do not hesitate to communicate any issues, thoughts, desires regarding fleet building to myself or the board through the winter too. We hope to keep the energy alive through our Jet Blasts, Pamphlets, and Website. If you hope to sell any parts you may want to let others know about, consider a photo to our Webmaster too, not just sail boats only.

Ernie Michaud, Jet 14 # 1136 Red, White and Blew

President of the Jet 14 Class Association

2018 Annual Class Meeting Highlights (August 10, 2018, Lake Norman YC)

- Outgoing President Seth Parker thanked Tom Grace and Paula Pacheco for organizing a great Nationals. Seth also commented on the US Sailing Leadership forum that he, Ernie Michaud, and Lenny Wells attended in February.
- Incoming President Ernie Michaud discussed the new Jet-14 brochures, which will be available for download and printing very soon.
- Class membership is holding steady with 90+ paid so far. Class finances are strong, with approximately \$20,000 in the account.
- A new digital scale was purchased and tested at Nationals for the first time. The new scale will provide the official boat weight at Nationals effective 2019.
- Media content for website and Jetblasts issues is requested. Please send ideas and content to C. Hennon.

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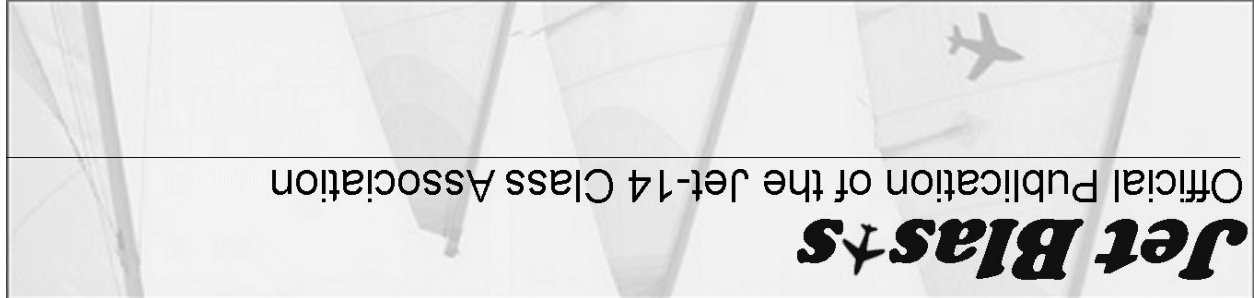
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Snapshots of Nationals (see hundreds more at jet14.smugmug.com)

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