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Remembering Terry Kilpatrick



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Need help on the circuit? Quantum reps are normally at all major Interlake events; but if not, feel free to contact Hank Boissoneault or Bob Sagan with anything you need.

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From the President

By Bridget Ireland, Interlake #952



It is with a heavy heart that we remember and honor the passing of one of our esteemed members, Terry Kilpatrick. Terry's dedication, passion, and contributions to sailing were truly exceptional, and his absence leaves a void that will not be easily filled. As we reflect on the impact he had on our sailing community,

I believe he would want us to continue pursuing our shared passion for sailing and supporting the growth of our beloved sport.

As we navigate this difficult time and honor the memory of Terry, let us remember that sailing is not just a sport but a way of life that unites us. Together, we can continue to grow and strengthen our association, forging lasting friendships, and creating remarkable memories on and off the water. With that in mind, I am excited for the upcoming events that will bring us together and provide us with moments of joy and friendly competition. With several regattas already sailed, I look forward to National's at GTYC. My family and I will be leaving a few days early to enjoy the sites. We hope to see you there!



An impromptu jam session at the George Fisher Memorial Regatta. Steve Aspery, Jeff Clark, Sandy Burke, Bob Sagan



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Honoring Terry Kilpatrick

This issue of the Intercom is a tribute to Terry Kilpatrick. As others share in this issue and in stories everywhere, Terry was not only the builder of Interlakes for over 50 years, he was also a friend, supporter, and a fount of knowledge. Over the years, Terry was awarded the Interlaker of the Year, served as President of the ISCA, and was awarded an Honorary (Life) Membership by the Interlake Class. In case you are wondering, Terry received every honor award available from the class. When he passed there were several who wanted a way honor to Terry... he already earned them all!

How can we best honor the memory of Terry Kilpatrick? Go sail your Interlake, take care of your boat, help someone who needs it, and maybe be nice to your boat builder or repair person. Rest in peace, Terry, you did good, and we appreciate it.

55 Years of Memories

By Mike Muhn, ISCA Historian, Interlake #164, 1033, 1166, 1242



In May of 1968, shortly after buying an eleven-yearold Interlake (#164), I visited Customflex to purchase needed some items to reinforce the floor board stringers. I was greeted by a guy named Vince DiMaio, owner of the company. After providina me with approximately a square yard of mat, a jar of resin and some catalyst, Vince also

gave me a copy of the January 1968 "Intercom". The entire back page featured a picture taken in 1967 of a 24-year-old guy named Terry Kilpatrick getting some "pre-spinnaker" practice, sailing #571 at Devil's Lake, Michigan.

In 1973, after moving to Sandusky, and joining the Sandusky Sailing Club, I soon learned that in 1972, Fleet #1 had diminished to one boat as the Thistle Class had become dominant with a fleet of 42 boats. In an effort to rebuild the fleet, I had the opportunity to visit Customflex on numerous occasions as an avenue to supply parts in an attempt to update the boats of newly acquired members. I quickly became cognizant of Terry's importance at



Standing on the right Terry Kilpatrick of Customflex and Joe Holtzman class Sec. - Treas. admiring boat No. 1000. Customflex, after his picture appeared in the July 1973 edition of the "Intercom" celebrating the building of Interlake #1000. The accompanying article went on to say that Customflex gave the proceeds, totaling \$1,750.00 from the sale of the boat to the Interlake Sailing Class Association.

In 1975 I became acutely aware of Terry's importance and prominence at Customflex as he now is the owner of the company.

It is inevitable that conflicts will arise between a builder/class relationship, and some did indeed occur between Customflex and the ISCA over the years. Both organizations always strived to promote the Interlake and grow the Class, but on some occasions disagreed on exactly how to achieve the objective. However, one element that certainly cannot be denied is Terry Kilpatrick's generosity and support of the Class including, but certainly not exclusive to, hosting "pizza nights" at the Nationals and opening his home to many ISCA Spring Meeting gatherings.

On a personal note, two events that I was very much involved with come to mind that that further illustrate Terry's generosity and commitment to the Interlake.



In 1986, the Sandusky Sailing Club along with the ISCA, were selected to host U. S. Sailing's National Championship of Champions Regatta. This was quite a challenge as the ISCA was required to provide equally rigged boats to be sailed and rotated by 20 National and/or North American Champions. Twenty-four ISCA members, some enthusiastically - some reluctantly, offered their boats for the event. Terry, along with Greg Fisher (Shore Sails), came to Sandusky and spent many hours inspecting the boats, picking out the best matched twenty, and then tuning the boats to ensure the greatest degree of equality. If a particular boat needed a part, Terry provided the part. After the event was over, records indicate that the rotation of every boat fell <u>inside</u> +2 or -2 of the overall performance of each competitor, confirming at least in this regatta, the most important part on the Interlake, is the "nut on the tiller".

In 2010, due to the lack of an adequate display featuring the history of the Interlake Sailboat, several retired members of the Sandusky Maritime Museum using materials and building techniques prescribed in the original drawings, engaged in the process of building a replica of Interlake #1. Three years later, "Norm", as the boat was later to be christened, is nearing completion. From a distance, Terry has been kept informed of the undertaking, even appearing in Sandusky to keep tabs on the progress of the project.



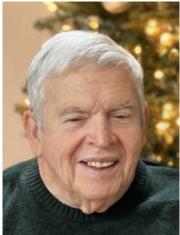
To make the boat sailable we needed some help from Customflex. Terry's generosity is once again displayed as he donated a steel centerboard, centerboard drum assembly, mast hounds, chainplates and all the other components needed for the standard rigging. "Norm" was sailed in a preliminary warm-up race prior to the 2013 Nationals. As expected, "Norm" won the race, was immediately retired, and is now proudly on display at the Sandusky Maritime Museum.



Terry, Evaluating "Norm's" Rigging Requirements It's not often that an individual can say much of his life's work for the last 50 years consisted of producing an enduring tangible product that has provided so much joy and fond memories to those involved with it. Over the years, the Interlake even served as a catalyst for many weddings, including my own. For Terry every Interlake rolling out of his shop was a "Fiberglas child" being introduced to the sport of sailing. His Fiberglas children are all basically the same, but slightly different as defined by rigging preferences demanded by their guardians.

Even after diminishing health, causing Terry to relinquish Customflex's builder's license with the ISCA, he was still able to stay involved by repairing and making rigging modifications to a few Interlakes that reappeared in his shop. In addition, now that a potential conflict could no longer arise between Customflex and the ISCA, Terry stepped forward and served as president of the Interlake Sailing Class Association in 2019.

Now that he is gone, we, as guardians of his Fiberglas children, are charged with nurturing our Interlakes by keeping them clean and dry. It cannot be denied that properly maintaining our boats will be a major factor in sustaining for years to come what has been created for us, by him.



Thank you, Terry. RIP. You are missed!

Obituary

Terry S. Kilpatrick (79) passed away on Thursday, May 25, 2023 at home surrounded by his family.

He was a civil engineer graduating from the University of Toledo. He went to work at Customflex, eventually purchasing the company. He went to work at Toledo Metal Spinning but continued Customflex part time and kept the Interlake sailboat alive. He enjoyed working, aviation and sailing, even though he wasn't able to sail, use his pilot's license for many years, he still found ways to engage in his hobbies by visiting aviation and boat museums, going to air shows and as many Interlake Regattas that he could. He was very involved in the Interlake Class Association and a member of the Sandusky Sailing Club.

He is survived by his wife, Karen; children, Melissa (Rob) Beattie, Patrick Foy and Andrea Westmeyer; grandchildren, Sofia, Brock and Caden; brother, Douglass; nephew Douglass Jr. and nieces, Rebecca and Joyce. He was preceded in death by his parents, Walter and Clementine; sister-in-law, Linda, and niece, Kerry.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to any Junior Sailing Program or Charity of your choice.

Meeting Terry Kilpatrick

By Jeff Clark, Interlake #1370

I barely knew who Terry Kilpatrick was in the winter of 1993-94, but out of the blue he called and in a gruff tenor said, "You're looking for an Interlake, right? There's one sitting in a marina in Holland, Michigan that should be great for you, and some idiot is selling it for a song. I want you to go buy it right now before it drags down the price of new boats!" That was all the encouragement I needed to hit the road, hook left at Toledo, claw through a blizzard hammering I-94, and pick up the solidly frozen boat in which Team R was launched later that year.

Terry kept an eye on the used boat market, but not to protect the new boats he somehow sold for much less than those in comparable classes. From his amazing complex in Whitehouse, Ohio, he coordinated all known resources to meet the needs of new sailors, the American Sailing Institute training program, sailors in other classes (like me) who he thought should be sailing Interlakes, and class members who wanted to custom rig a new boat. He was building a class, not just boats. When I decided I wanted a new boat in 1999, I was amazed that Terry and Karen let me stay with them for the final three days of rigging the underside of the deck, mating it to the hull, and applying the rigging touches that he and I worked out together. To Terry's credit as builder in a class that has an express purpose of competing in equal, tactical boats, I can say without hesitation that my new boat, hull number 1370, has been no faster than hull number 1264 was (once unfrozen).

When I say Terry was integral to the class, I mean that there was nothing separating him as a businessman, competitor, class officer, or general advisor from any member of the class. He was all in. No wonder he was the only one-design builder with his own theme song – Carmen Customflex:

> Oh come and sing of Customflex, Of masts and booms and hulls and decks. There they build the Interlake With parts that hardly ever break!

If boats get rough and boats get old, The trunk's cut down, the new deck's ro-o-o-lled. All repairs will surely go Just West of Whitehouse ... Oooh-Hijij-Ooooo!



One of my favorite Terry stories

By Steve Aspery, Interlake #1435

When our son David was 18, he ended up on the wrong side of a port starboard meeting and damaged another club member's Interlake. Terry was down the next weekend for our regatta and David asked Terry about repairing their boat and what it would cost to make it right. Terry suggested that if David would bring the boat up to his place and help with a few things, he would show him how to repair it at no cost. David jumped at the offer and towed their boat to Toledo. I texted David about 10:30PM Saturday night asking, "How did it go today?". His reply was "still going."

Sunday evening David showed up at home with a fully repaired boat and stories of boat repair lessons as well as stories of climbing in the barn to retrieve things that Terry needed down and generally earning the help he received. Terry not only helped a young guy solve a problem but demonstrated how to work hard all day while sharing wisdom and stories. And Karen was, of course, a wonderful host to a young man learning life's lessons. Thank you, Terry and Karen!

A Genuine Man and Craftsman

By Craig Koschalk, Interlake #1173

I remember working for him when I was in high school. He had me side the pole barn, so he could keep working on building boats. Of course, I was also sent under a deck or two to help with rigging.

He may not have agreed with my teenage attitude and restoring/rebuilding 658. Terry 'paid' me with a mast/boom/ centerboard, which helped me get 658 rigged and on the water. I remember asking him why he gave me so much (the cost of the parts was more than double what I had worked off), he simply replied "I just want to see you sail the Interlake".

Rest easy my friend, save me a seat in the shop.

Intercom Tips and Techniques

Rigging Tips...Summer Edition 10 ways to improve your sailing fun

Bob Sagan, Quantum sailor, Interlake #1442

Working on the boat in the summer?!? ICK. Summer is for sailing. Here are some tips that only take minutes and will help you get the most out of those precious moments on the water.

1. Go sailing.

2. Go sailing some more...

3. ...and more...

That's the podium for having <u>fun sailing</u>. Then there's these tidbits:

4. **Tape any and all rings/cotter pins.** This will keep lines, clothing or skin from snagging (and, oh ya, prevent them from working out.)



5. But first...consider putting those pins on the forestay in from port to starboard, especially if you race. Why? Because the spinnaker is typically set from the port side. Placing the head of the pin on port gives the spinnaker a smoother path when hoisting/dousing. (This is also why jib snaps wrap from port to starboard.)

6. Go sailing.

7. MAKE TRIM MARKS...especially on the jib sheets. This is a great help when novices are crewing. Crew will appreciate the reference points. It will give them a sense of clarity. Marks make for easy coaching as well as repeatability of fast settings. Reference marks can be on sheets or on deck and spars...yes, I mark my bridle for repeatable settings vs wind speed.

Heck, fact is that all pro and Olympic teams do this. It's best practice for everyone.

Notice the marks on the jib sheet as well as the colored stripes on the deck (white tape).

Go ahead and have some fun. My main jib car position is (GO) GREEN, next most used is (GO) WHITE. (Go Sparty!)





8. **PUT BATTENS IN THIN END FIRST.** They are designed to bend into an airfoil shape when loaded. This orientation also makes for a smoother transition from sail to batten as well as helping support a smooth exit from the leech...*FAST.* Put the most flexible batten in the top. Bonus: Proper use of tapered battens also extends sail life. All good.

9. Did I mention GO SAILING.

- 10. **Tune your rig.** Cruisers too. The Interlake rig is the simplest mast to get right. A properly raked and tensioned rig will make sailing more enjoyable by lightening the helm, improve pointing while providing generally more control and a better feel. Wonderful! Here are numbers that will get most any Interlake with any brand sails really close. RAKE: 25' 3" to 25' 4" and side stay tension of 230 lbs. Rake is measured from full hoist to center of transom (add 3" if you have the old masthead crane above the mast).
- Err....I meant, "at LEAST 10..."
- 11. **Make a place to hold water bottles (beer),** snacks, etc. My DIY method is to take a couple of Tupperware containers. Melt drainage holes (heat rod with blowtorch). Then silicone glue them on top of the tanks (make sure to ruff up all gluing surfaces with 120 or grittier sandpaper and thoroughly clean...acetone works well.) I put one for the skipper on starboard next to the post, and one on port for crew at the forward edge of the tank. Easy access. Light. So nice. (pics on page 16)

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<u>Class News</u>

GRAND TRAVERSE YACHT CLUB

2023 INTERLAKE NATIONALS IN TRAVERSE CITY, JULY 29 - AUGUST 1

This year's Interlake Nationals at Grand Traverse Yacht Club in Traverse City is just around the corner, from Saturday July 29 to Tuesday August 1. <u>Register</u> by the end of June and save \$50!

We're looking forward to great sailing conditions. Late July in Traverse City brings high temps around 80F, lows around 60F and water temps about 70F. The local 10 - 15 knot sea breeze fills in the early afternoon and diminishes around 7.

Check-in and measuring will be on Friday 7/28 and Saturday 7/29. Women's and Juniors Championships will be on Saturday with racing starting at 12:30, followed by a BBQ dinner for all and the skippers meeting for the 3-day National Championship regatta at 7 pm. Racing will be on Sunday and Monday at 1:30, the Annual Class meeting and a buffet dinner on Monday at 7 pm, and the final day of racing on Tuesday at 10 am with awards and lunch following.

We will park and launch boats from the club parking lot. You can store your boats before and after the regatta behind Bluewater Hall just north of the club. Please park your cars in the Bluewater Hall lot or behind the Westport building across M-22 from the club. After 5 pm on weekdays and on Saturday and Sunday parking is allowed in the Viridian lot adjacent to the club on the north.

We have reserved a block of discounted hotel rooms at the Hampton Inn Traverse City about 10 minutes from the club. See tinyurl.com/2wt6fj9t and make your reservation by June 25. You might be able to piece together a camping reservation at the Traverse City State Park also 10 minutes from the club. See tinyurl.com/8vnsmbau. Otherwise there is first-come first-serve rustic camping at a number of State Forest campgrounds 20-30 minutes from the club, including Garey Lake State Forest Campground, Lake Ann State Forest Campground and Arbutus Lake State Forest Campground. You might also try Timber Ridge RV & Recreation Resort. For more lodging information see traversecity.com.

There are lots of things for the whole family to do in the Traverse City area, including boating, paddling, fishing, swimming, golf, cycling, mountain biking, and hiking. There are many great restaurants, as well as wineries, microbreweries and distilleries. Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore is 1/2 hour away.



Aerial photo of GTYC from GTYC.org

This year we are announcing BIAS: "Bring Interlake and Sail" to get everyone with an Interlake to be a part of this year's Nationals. For more info see the article in this edition of the Intercom.

See <u>https://gtyc.org/interlakenationals</u> for information, registration, and merchandise and buffet dinner tickets. You can also register directly at

yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=15756.

Save \$50 by registering by June 30!

If you have any questions or need more information, feel free to contact Tim Smith at <u>tcsmith00@gmail.com</u> or 231.392.5265.



From 2015 Nationals at GTYC. Photo by Jim Sorbie



BRING INTERLAKE And SAIL

By Bob Sagan, Ambassador of Fun, GTYC

The BIAS FLEET is back...

CRUISING Interlakers...*please* <u>Bring your Interlake</u> <u>And Sail</u> with us at the biggest Interlake party of the year. Registration is free (as in "no registration" just show up for any or all of the days you wish!) Avoid the multi hour launch lines at the public sites. Meet many fellow Interlakers to chat with. Boats to look at. On shore games to play. And of course, food and bar will be open. All of this on a fantastic sailing venue including a rustic Island destination.

Location: Grand Traverse YC, Traverse City, Michigan. Dates: July 29 thru Aug 1. Anyone with an Interlake is encouraged to bring it, step the mast and sail around West Grand Traverse Bay while Interlake Nationals is taking place. No registration. No measurements (unless you request). Please come and make the party bigger. Come for one day or all four. We want to meet and hang with you, a fellow Interlaker, at our largest party of the year. Join us for dinner and a drink or two, or three, or.... ©

No longer own an Interlake? Or, curious and wish to

check the boat and members out? Excellent, you are enthusiastically invited also. Yes, please bring a friend.

There will also be on onshore series events including lawn games, traditional sailor games & ?? Everyone is invited to create a team and join in. No matter the weather a GOOD TIME WILL BE HAD by all.

Schedule of events...so you can plan your visit ©

- Sat: 7/29. Event welcome party 6:pm-ish, with Ladies & Juniors racing in the afternoon.
- Sun: 7/30. Sailing in afternoon. Dinner "out on the Town". Club bar open.
- Mon:7/31. Sailing in afternoon. Event party/dinner in the evening.
- Tues: 8/1. Sailing late morning to early afternoon. Most teams will leave late afternoon.

Please LMK if you have questions, or how I can help. 231.409.1299. <u>bsagan1411@quantumsails.com</u>

PS Yes, you will be able to step your mast and leave your Interlake at the GTYC during the event.

PPS Special nod to Dan Graf for staring this idea in 2000. *Fair winds*





INTERLAKE SAILING CLASS ASSOCIATION 2023 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA GRAND TRAVERSE YACHT CLUB

JULY 28TH - AUGUST 1ST – WEST GRAND TRAVERSE BAY – TRAVERSE CITY MI ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: INTERLAKE SAILING CLASS ASSOCIATION HOST: GRAND TRAVERSE YACHT CLUB

NOTICE OF RACE

1. AUTHORITY & VENUE

- 1.1 The Interlake Sailing Class Association is the Organizing Authority (OA) and the Grand Traverse Yacht Club (GTYC) is the host.
- 1.2 On-shore functions for the 2023 Interlake Nationals will be at the Grand Traverse Yacht Club located at 13653 S. West Bay Shore Drive, Traverse City, MI 49684. Phone: 231-946-9776.
- 1.3 The races will be conducted in the waters south of the Red 8 government mark on West Grand Traverse Bay of Lake Michigan (See Attachment A for reference), accessible from GTYC.
- 1.4 Competitors will trailer launch and haul-out from dry storage at GTYC, unless boats make other arrangements and notify the race committee of their intentions and location.
- 1.5 Auxiliary and temporary storage will be available at GTYC's Bluewater Hall location at 13424 S. West Bay Shore Drive.
- 1.6 Webpages:

Class: interlakesailing.org Host: gtyc.org Event: gtyc.org/interlakenationals

1.7 Online Entry, Notice Board, Results, & Information: <u>https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15756</u>

2. RULES & SCORING

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing and the rules of the ISCA for sanctioned events.
- 2.2 The prescriptions of US Sailing to rules: 60, 63.1, & 63.2.a shall not apply.
- 2.3 Race Signal AP when displayed ashore, 'one minute' is replaced by 'sixty minutes'.
- 2.4 "If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI), the SI shall apply" is added to RRS 63.7.
- 2.5 The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'
- 2.6 "A boat intending to protest shall notify the RC Signal Vessel of her intention to protest and the sail number of the boat she is intending to protest after clearing the finish line. She may do this via hail to the RC Signal Vessel or by using the VHF radio channel assigned to her fleet" is added to RRS 61.
- 2.5 "Boats failing to display required advertising or bow numbers shall not be protested by other boats" is added to RRS 60.1.a.
- 2.6 Article III Hulls and Spars, #14c, is changed to allow VHF radios to be powered "on" while racing to allow for incoming communication from the Race Committee. As described in the Interlake Specifications Art III sect 14.e., the RC intends to communicate with competitors using VHF. The RC may transmit via VHF radio information concerning safety, OCS boats, and general information to assist in the management of the event. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make or receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. VHF Channel will be available in the sailing instructions.
- 2.7 Three races are required to be completed in the Champions and Challengers Series to constitute a series. If four or fewer races are completed in the Championship or Challengers Series, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.1.
- 2.8 One race is required to be completed in the Junior and Women's Championship Series to constitute a series. A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.1.

3. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at Noon on Friday, July 21, 2023, on the event page of <u>yachtscoring.com</u> and <u>GTYC.org/interlakenationals</u>

4. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all members of the ISCA that meet the requirements for sanctioned events contained in Article V of the ISCA Constitution.
- 4.1.1 The Women's Championship is open to all female skippers. There are no gender restrictions for crew.
- 4.1.2 The Junior Championship is open to all skippers under the age of 20 years of age on July 29, 2023. There are no age restrictions on crew.
- 4.1.3 The Master Championship is open to all skippers who are at least 60 years of age on July 30, 2023. There are no age restrictions on crew.
- 4.2 Registration shall be available online at: <u>vachtscoring.com</u>
- 4.3 GTYC will provide computer resources during the scheduled Check-In hours to enable competitor registrations and amend entries.
- 4.4 Entries for the Championship and Challenger Fleets must be received on or before June 30, 2023 to receive the Registration discount
- 4.5 Entry deadlines for the Women's and Junior Championship are at 1030 hours on July 29, 2023.
- 4.6 A boat is considered registered when the OA has received her completed entry form, forms required by ISCA Rules, proof of insurance form, and a signed Waiver of Liability.

5. FEES

- 5.1 The Entry Fee for competitors in the Champions or Challengers Division is US \$200.00 if received by Friday, June 30, 2023.
- 5.2 The Entry Fee for competitors in the Champions or Challengers Division is US \$250.00 if received between Saturday, July 1, 2023 and July 29, 2023.
- 5.3 The Entry Fee for competitors in the Women's Championship or Junior Championship is US \$25.00, due by Saturday, July 29, 2023, 1030 hrs.

6. ADVERTISING

- 6.1 Advertising shall not be allowed on hulls, masts or sails, with the exception of registered Junior Division competitors.
- 6.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority (OA).

7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1 The total number of races attempted each day for the Champions Division is nominally three and up to five. The total number of races each day for the Challengers Division may be one less per day than the number of races for the Champions Division.
- 7.2 The total number of races to be attempted for the Women's and Junior Championships is nominally three and up to five.

Friday 7/28/2023	
1600 - 2100 hrs	Check-in & Measurement
1700 - 2100 hrs	GTYC Bar & Dining Room open (Dinner served 5:30-7:30)
Saturday 7/29/2023	
0900 – 1800 hrs	Check-in & Measurement*
1100 hrs	Competitors Meeting - Juniors & Women divisions
1230 hrs**	Earliest Possible First Warning Signal- Juniors & Women divisions
1900 hrs***	Welcome BBQ Dinner; BBQ Dinner included with registration. Competitors Meeting for Championship & Challengers divisions.
Sunday 7/30/2023	
1330 hrs**	First Warning Signal - Championship & Challengers divisions Races to follow
Dinner on your ow	n "Out on the Town"
Monday 7/31/2023	
1330 hrs**	Earliest Possible First Warning Signal - Championship & Challengers divisions — races to follow
1900 hrs****	Banquet Dinner and Annual Class Meeting. Banquet Dinner tickets sold separately (details pending)

Tuesday 8/1/2023

1000 hrs** Earliest Possible First Warning Signal - Championship & Challengers divisions — races to follow.

1400 hrs No warning signals after this time.

Awards and lunch to follow ASAP after racing. Lunch included with registration.

- * Registration & Measurement for Juniors & Women divisions will close at 1030
- ** Timing of First Warning Signal is subject to change as circumstances and conditions warrant.
- *** or after Juniors & Women finish, whichever is later

**** or after racing finishes, whichever is later.

8. CREW LIMITATIONS

In accordance with Article VI Section 1 of the ISCA Bylaws, the crew for each race must be name prior to the close of registration on July 30, 2023 at 1800 for Champions and Challengers divisions or at 1030 for Women's and Juniors divisions.

9. COMMUNICATION

- 9.1 In accordance with Article III Section 14 of the ISCA Specifications, the Race Committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 9.2 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 10.1 Each boat must complete the boat and sail measurement forms supplied at registration before the close of registration.
- 10.2 Each boat must carry the equipment specified in Article VI Section 4 of the ISCA Bylaws while racing.

11. COURSES

- 11.1 The race courses will be either a four leg windward-leeward course (with offset & gate) or a five-leg triangular/windward-leeward course (no offset or gate) using inflatable drop marks.
- 11.2 The number of legs per race will not be shortened while racing.

12. RISK STATEMENT

- 12.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.'
- 12.2 By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

13. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

14. PRIZES

- 14.1 Championship Skipper and Crew Perpetual Trophies awarded to the Skipper and Crew placing first in the Championship Division.
- 14.2 Individual trophies to the Skipper and Crew placing 1 10 in the Championship Fleet.
- 14.3 Best First Nationals Award for Skipper and Crew outside of the top ten places.
- 14.4 Challenger Perpetual Trophy awarded to the Skipper and Crew placing first in the Challenger Division.
- 14.5 Individual trophies to the Skippers and Crew placing 1 3 in the Challenger Division.
- 14.6 Persistence Award, perpetual trophy, given to the sailor who finishes all the events races with the highest score.
- 14.7 F.K. Holtzman Award perpetual trophy Awarded to the fleet with the most participation not in the host fleet.
- 14.8 Youngest Sailor Award awarded to the youngest sailor (Skipper or Crew) sailing in all races in either the Championship or Challengers Fleets.
- 14.9 Women's, Juniors' & Masters' Perpetual Trophies awarded to the Skippers and Crew placing first in their respective fleet.
- 14.10 Individual trophies awarded to the Skippers and Crew placing 1 3 In the Women's and Junior Fleets.
- 14.11 Individual Trophy awarded to the first place Skipper of the Masters' Fleet.

15. IMAGE & VIDEO RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute rights and permission for video footage or photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial or advertising purposes.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

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The 2023 edition of the annual Regatta brought 19 boats to Leatherlips to battle it out with the Chief. Fleet 23 put on a great show with SSE breeze ranging 3-5 up to 8-10mph. JP Clowes (PRO) put on 4 good races Saturday, with scoring all over the map. Consistency was tough to find on a race course that provided variable breeze and classic wind shifts in fine Chiefs fashion.

When the dust settled and the cocktail hour started the scores reflected that experience at the "LIPS" was certainly paying off. Rick and I were fortunate to have had a good day followed closely by Team "R"(Jeff Clark and the Pirates) and my brother AJ Savage. A mere 4 points separated palces 2-6. Mike Mirachi provided a special brew for the Sailors Hour while the grill was prepped for the traditonal Cook your own Steak dinner. The social scene and hospitality was certainly back to pre pandemic levels. Thank you the all the Fleet 23 folks for really making us feel welcomed.

Sunday unfortunately brought thunderstorms and a cold front so racing was postponed and eventually cancelled. The scores from Saturday stood and the Chiefs was in the books. Congrats to Clark Chapin for attending his 42nd Chiefs regatta, certainly a feat that wont be broken anytime soon. Thanks again Leatherlips, See you next year Chief.

Place	Boat	Skipper	R 1	R 2	R 3	R 4	Total
1	1 1340 Scott Savage		3	1	1	1	6
2	1370	Jeff Clark	7	2	7	2	18
3	1293	AJ Savage	4	3	11	4	22
4	1392	Joe Hunt	5	4	5	8	22
5	1320	Jeff Jones	6	7	9	3	25
6	681	Tim Savage	9	14	6	6	26
7	1317	Clark Chapin	8	6	3	11	28
8	1411	Hank Boissoneault	1	13	17	12	29
9	952	Bridget Ireland	2	9	8	16	35
10	1435	Steve Aspery	12	8	2	13	35
11 1426		Gunnar Gode	11	17	13	5	46
12 1240 Cine		Cindy Elmore	15	11	15	7	48
13 766		Seth Parker	10	13	18	10	51
14 1372		Tom Wills	16	19	10	9	54
15	1209	Mike Mirarchi	14	10	19	17	60
16	1382	Mark Presley	17	16	12	15	60
17 1428		Barb Dillon	18	15	14	14	61
18	18 1254 Tom Fee		13	18	16	19	66
19	19 1280 Scotty Graham		19	14	17	18	68

The 2023 Indian Lake Regatta

Indian Lake YC, Russells Point, OH May 20, 2023 By Chip Wood, Fleet Captain, Interlake #1427

Indian Lake was host to the second stop of the 2023 Travelers. Thanks to the cooler Spring weather and some timely spraying by the State, the lake was greatly improved from previous years and a clear venue with good wind made for an enjoyable afternoon of racing.

Steve and Nate were the class of the fleet essentially match racing while the rest of the fleet battled for the remaining spots on the podium.

With such a speed gap, we asked Nate Ireland to share how he and Ed handled 952 on that gusty day.

The wind was averaging 12 with gusts much higher. How did you adjust your set up for those conditions?

"In general I think we have our rig tension tighter than most which helps in the heavy air, but we also made sure to pull all of our controls tight like forestay jib cloth tension, and cunningham to pull out the wrinkles up the main (and more). The idea being to flatten the sails as much as possible. I moved my jib cars back a little. That flattens out the bottom of the jib and lets the top spill off to depower."

Place	Hull	Skipper	Crew	Club	R 1	R 2	R 3	Total
1	1434	Steve Aspery	Will M, Vincent I	HSC	1	1	1	3
2	952	Nate Ireland	Ed S	HSC	2	2	2	6
3	1360	Don Bacharowski	Diana K	HSC	5	3	3	11
4	1428	Barb Dillon	Lauren D, Zach E	ILYC	3	5	4	12
5	1427	Chip Wood	Bill M	ILYC	4	4	6	14
6	1109	Nick Schmitt	Kate H	HSC	7	6	5	18
7	766	Seth Parker	Jacob	LSYC	6	7	DNF	24
8	1252	Ian Willis	Allen S, Aileen S	ILYC	8	DNS	DNS	32
9	1385	Pat Tynan	Jenny T, Martha S	ILYC	DNF	DNS	DNS	35
10	1372	Tom Wills	Sue W	MSC	DNS	DNS	DNS	36

DNF=11, DNS=12

Can you share any insights on your boatspeed?

"With the boat set up for heavy wind we made sure to really crank on the vang upwind. Not only does that help to flatten the sail but it also makes the main sheet a lot easier to uncleat in the puffs. You have to remember to ease the vang before rounding the top mark or you can bend or break the boom. Jim Ward was by far the fastest boat at the Sandusky nationals. In the big breeze he was winning by a 1/2 leg against tough competition. He has a technique that is proven to be super fast but I haven't been able to duplicate it. He says, in the heavy air, to vang to where you think you are going to break the boom then vang another foot and a half."

Going two-up, how did you keep your boat on her feet in the gusts?

"One thing I do know is that the Interlake sails the fastest when it is flat. We managed to keep up with Steve when we focused on flat. So after the first race, after having all of our controls tight, we also played the traveler. Most of the time we had that down about half way. In the puffs I would play my main to flatten more, and in the lulls we would pull the traveler up some. Whatever it took to keep it as flat as we could. I felt after we did that we hit another gear. It lightened up at times and we had to power back up at times or else we were too depowered."

Tactically speaking, do you have any thoughts about the course?

"As for the sailing itself, the course was really nice and pretty square. There were some shifts to take advantage of, and a lot of pressure differences. I think in general the



left was the better side but there were some real opportunities on the right at times. When we made gains, it was heading to where the puffs were. We didn't need any more breeze but it usually brought a shift as well."

Thanks to Nate for sharing your knowledge!

George Fisher Memorial Regatta

Hoover SC, Westerville, OH June 17-18, 2023 *By Steve Aspery, Interlake #1435*

What a great weekend!

The Hoover Interlake Fleet hosted our annual regatta, The George Fisher Memorial Regatta, the weekend of June 17-18. We had 19 Interlakes competing, and the competition and the fellowship were a great time.

The breeze was from the north, which we all thought would finally be a steady direction after all the crazy east winds we have enjoyed this year. We were wrong. There were big shifts, lulls and puffs, but it was good racing and we got in 4 good races on Saturday. Sunday morning gave us very light south winds that ultimately were not sailable, so there was no racing on Sunday. Starts were tough and competitive and the fleet was tight in all of the races. It was easy to go from hero to zero very quickly as many made and lost positions on each leg. When we came in, few expected to have done well and the positions were a surprise to many.

AND, what a great time on shore! Before dinner we had a brief remembrance of our friend Terry Kilpatrick. Karen and Andrea came down for the day, and Terry will now always be a part of Hoover. We enjoyed a delicious lasagna dinner Saturday night with a dessert buffet provided by fleet members. My favorite, and I tested many, were the s'mores bars



Jamie Jones leads the pack photo by Erin Lavender

(yea, Bridget Ireland). A beautiful evening and sunset kept many Interlakers on the porch sharing stories, picking a few tunes (Jeff Clark, Sandy Burke, and Steve Aspery) and enjoying the company of friends. Sunday morning was likewise lovely (unless you hoped to sail) and everyone made good use of the front porch.

As always happens, the cream rose to the top and Jamie Jones, Dave Alvarado, and Rachel Jones represented Hoover well and won the event. It is always a special honor to win our event that is dedicated to George. A big thank you to the out-oftown teams that traveled for the event. Hoover members hosted housing for all the out-of-towners, and we enjoyed your company! And, of course, a big thank you to all the Hoover volunteers who helped make a great event.

Pos	Hull#	Skipper	Crew	Club	R 1	R 2	R 3	R 4	Total
1	1276	Jamie Jones	Dave Alvarado / Rachel Jones	HSC	1	5	4	4	14
2	1435	Steve Aspery	Will Miller, Vincent Ireland	HSC	6	7	1	2	16
3	923	Bryan Parker	Mark Makielski, Tiffany Parker	BRYC	3	1	3	9	16
4	952	Nate Ireland	Bridget Ireland	HSC	4	2	9	6	21
5	1383	Mark White	Lisa Kreischer	HSC	10	6	6	1	23
6	1298	Jeff Tyndall	Kate Harris	HSC	2	4	13	8	27
7	1382	Mark Presley	Scott Stephen	HSC	5	3	11	10	29
8	1320	Jeff Jones	Bob Sagan	HSC	14	11	2	5	32
9	1360	Don Bacharowski	Diana Kuiper	HSC	9	16	5	7	37
10	1370	Jeff Clark	Tim Cullenen, Seth Metcalf	HSC	15	14	7	3	39
11	1392	Joe Hunt	Mike Mirarchi	LYC	11	10	8	18	47
12	1433	Bill Sanderson	Julie Senff	MSC	7	9	15	16	47
13	1292	Sandy Burke	Joe Minnack	JRSC	12	15	10	12	49
14	1254	Tom Fee	John Muller	HSC	8	12	17	15	52
15	1375	Charlie Vasulka	lain Grant	HSC	16	17	12	11	56
16	1417	Bruce Moore	Tim Allen	GTYC	17	8	16	17	58
17	1324	Scott Solsman	Larry Schottenstein	HSC	13	13	ocs	14	60
18	1109	Nick Schmitt	Ralph Schmitt	HSC	18	18	14	13	63
19	383	John Cassidy	Andrew Brush	HSC	19	19	18	19	75

ON THE ROAD AGAIN!

By Jeff Clark, Interlake #1370

What a start for the 2023 regatta season! See the host fleet reports in this issue for details of each regatta, but just let me summarize the turnout:

Four boats traveled to Tampa in March to sail the Midwinters. 19 teams converged on May 6-7 for the Chiefs Regatta at Leatherlips YC. 10 boats raced on May 20 at Indian Lake. 11 teams competed for three different trophies at the Cattail Regatta on June 3, and 19 sailed Hoover's George Fisher Memorial on June 17-18.

Many of those racing are from the host club, but healthy numbers of visitors are hitting the road. At least 19 different skippers from 9 different fleets have traveled to one or more away regattas so far. It is especially great to see new faces among both travelers and locals! Please consider this season your opportunity to resume or begin adventures on the road with your Interlake and good friends. And a final word of advice - make sure your trailer tires are inflated and hubs greased to avoid surprise stops along the way! ;-)

2023 Cattail Regatta

Jolly Roger SC, Toledo, OH June 3, 2023

Scores forwarded by Phil Fry

Congrats to Bryan Parker on winning the Cattail regatta. He was awarded the JRSC Harry Allison Award for Interlakes, and the Interlake class won the JRSC Michelob Cup for the largest fleet.

Bryan Parker was also presented with the ISCA's Interlaker of the Year trophy.

JRSC hosted and then got to keep the ISCA Founders' Cup.

2ndSteve AsperyHSC3rdBob BradleyJRSC4thSandy BurkeJRSC5thTom MarriottJRSC6thBill SandersonMSC7thJeff ClarkHSC8thJim BradleyJRSC9thBill O'DonnellPYC
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9 th Bill O'Donnell PYC
10 th Tom Wills MSC
11 th Joe Hunt LYC

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12. BRING SNACKS and BEVERAGES!

- 13. Racers: Remove the "stern shelf" found on the floor at the transom. It's a quick and free way to lose weight in a place you really don't want it. Note: Cruisers usually love this shelf.
- 14. **Go Sailing...trying a different perspective.** You will probably learn something, including loving sailing even more. Racers...go cruising, just because. I'll bet you become faster. Cruisers, try joining in a race. Better boat handling equals better seamanship. It's all good.

Sailing is such a wonderful experience, especially in an Interlake, and most especially with family and friends. Enjoy sailing your Interlake as much as possible. ⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾





Hot-To-Trot Regatta

One Day – August 19, 2023

Portage Yacht Club, 8900 Dexter-Pinckney Rd, Pinckney, MI 48169

0900-1045

1100

Coffee/Juice/Rolls Registration & Launching

Competitors Meeting

1200 First Warning Signal

Up to 5 Races attempted. No Warning Signal after 1600

1700 (approx) After race beverages, snacks and awards.

See Notice of Race on PCY website: PORTAGE YACHT CLUB (ms-pyc.com)

Questions? Contact Portage Yacht Club, 734.426-4155 sail@chartermi.net or

Marc Gleichert (734) 476-7489 marc.gleichert@noirlaser.com

Entry Fee: \$30/boat, US SAILING Members deduct \$5, Early Registration before 8/12 deduct \$5.

NOTICE TO ISCA MEMBERS

The Annual Meeting of the ISCA will be held on **Monday, July 31, 2023**, after dinner at the Grand Traverse Yacht Club, Traverse City, MI. All Active Members of the ISCA, as defined in the Constitution, Article V, are encouraged to vote on the following item.

Election of Officers

The Nominating Committee of the ISCA presents the following slate of officers to serve through the 2024 National Championships:

President Vice-President Secretary-Treasurer Bridget Ireland Bryan Parker Steve and Lisa Aspery

If you are unable to attend the Annual Meeting and would like to designate someone to place your vote at the meeting, please email Lisa at <u>LAspery@columbus.rr.com</u> for a proxy form.

2023 Interlake Travelers' Series

March 10-12	Midwinters	Davis Island YC
May 6 - 7	Chiefs Regatta	Leatherlips YC
May 20	Indian Lake Regatta	Indian Lake YC
June 3	Cattail Regatta	Jolly Roger SC
June 17-18	George Fisher Memorial	Hoover SC
June 23-24	Great North Regatta	Grand Traverse YC
July 29-Aug 1	National Championships	Grand Traverse YC
August 12	President's Cup	ASI – Kent Lake
August 19	Hot to Trot	Portage YC
Sept 16-17	One-Design Regatta	Sandusky SC
September 23	Haphazard Regatta	Mohican SC
October 7-8	Poltergeist Regatta	Indianapolis SC
October 7	Fall Blowout	North Cape YC
October 14	Snowball Regatta	Buckeye Lake YC

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Interlake 1415 – 2007 Interlake, including North Sails, Harken roller furler, mooring cover and Genesis trailer. Contact Nancy Lincoln, 630-740-7455, nancylincoln@comcast.net

Interlake 1014 – built in 1974. Has cut down centerboard trunk. Rigged for a spinnaker. Has roller furling jib. Includes trailer and canvas cover, mainsail, jib and spinnaker. Currently stored in a barn in central Ohio. Contact Victor Jochem <u>victorjochem@gmail.com</u>, 614-746-4514

Interlake 933 - stored in a barn for the past 10 years. It is a fine boat, very solid, race rigged, and features the seat design. The rigging can accommodate any of the current sail manufacturers, and modification of the controls to suit the new owner can be easily accomplished. The centerboard trunk has been cut down, sanded, and painted; bailers installed, and a new lifting bridle assembled. It has a pop-up rudder and 3 suits of sails. The sails are in good shape, although they are old. Newer sails could be negotiated. The trailer is galvanized, in excellent shape with a new spare tire. The boat can be seen in Akron or Mohican Sailing Club. Asking \$2900. Bill Sanderson 330 388 9894.

Interlake 671 – 1968, in project condition. Balsa core in floor lamination was wet and rotten. Inside floor skin has been removed, along with the balsa core. Centerboard trunk has been repaired at centerboard pivot. New balsa core material, fiberglass cloth, and epoxy are available. Deck is solid and dry. Standing rigging is complete and in good condition, running rigging is mostly missing. Two sets of older sails are included. Price \$500 o.b.o. Contact andrewhyde83@gmail.com.

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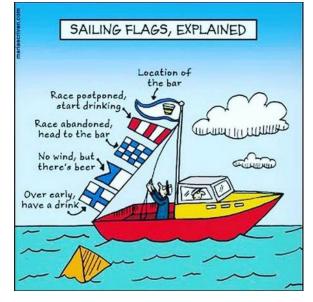
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