

The Lake Monroe Sailing Association held their October club race on Saturday October 22nd.

Twelve competitors came out to participate in the event, who experienced the winds from a cold front slowly moving into Florida. The winds, out of the east, were steady around 12 knots with gusts of 18 to 20 knots, as reported by the Sanford Orlando Airport.

The race committee headed up my Club Race Officer Tim Grady and competitor Jeff Herter, held three races. The first race was an up and back on the 0.8 nautical mile they set up. Race one went to Ron Seamans on his Hobie Wave, followed by Tom McNally and Mike Loughlin to round off the top three.

After that was completed in sixteen minutes by Richard Rayburn's Hobie 21, Fat Cat, the Race Committee decided to go two laps. This made the racing longer and a little more competitive allowing teams to take splits and work to their way to the top mark. Also with the winds as they were, teams faced fast downwind speeds to the bottom mark.

Race two saw another Hobie Wave competitor, Terry Warren, take the top spot. But set up the battle to be between the planing boats. Tom McNally and Scott Marriot on Flying Scots with Jim White on his Lightning. Scott Marriot grabbed a second followed by Tom McNally on Rosie!

Race three, the winds seemed to build as the teams hustled to the top mark and back. More pressure seemed to be on the left side as the right-side competitors felt the current pushing them northwest. In the end Richard Rayburn on Fat Cat took both line honors and first spot on corrected. Followed by Scott Marriot and third by Tom McNally.

After the racing, the LMSA gang headed to the Sanford Brewing Company on Sanford Avenue for a few well-deserved brews and great food while Tim Grady presented the results.

Congrats to Scott Marriot on the no named Flying Scot as the team grabbed first place, followed by Tom McNally and crew on the Flying Scot, Rosie. Third was Terry Warren on his Hobie Wave named Wave!

Scores attached.

The next club race is on November 11th. If you have not tried club racing, it is a great way to sharpen your sailing skills and possibly become the club champion! Come out and participate!

Only two more Wednesday Night Rum Races left in the season. If you are available, make your way to the lake on Wednesday to race for bottle of Goslings Rum. The Sine Metu (Jameson Race) on Sunday for those of you that want to compete.

Do not forget to register for the Santa Sailfest Regatta. [Click here to register!](#)

[All events can be found on the LMSA website.](#)

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