

2017 Worlds – A Very Fine Weekend

August 12th and 13th, 2017 saw fourteen ET sailors do battle with the fickle and woolly winds of Pinecrest Lake in the quest for “Worlds” domination. (The event dates back so many generations, we’ve actually lost track of the event number – if anyone knows when the first Pinecrest regatta was held please email John P.) Sailing conditions were marvelous and changes at this amazing venue were minor making it a great trip back in time for many participants. The bobbing pole marks have been replaced by more contemporary orange buoy’s to make setting easier, but the mark names and locations remain unchanged (although Cove is actually a little deeper in the NE corner for the World’s aficionados in the crowd.) One surprise this year was that there was a LOT of water still in the lake. There was very little beach for the boats and if there was a pontoon boat tied up to Tower, you almost couldn’t see it. Juniors Chase, Elsa, Julia and Nate joined seniors Jim, Jay, Andy, Gary, Jennifer, Art, Fred, John, Paul and Tom for a rollicking good time on the lake. Pinecrest is a first-name kind of place; you know who you (and they) are. Unbelievably, Lynn Hrubes once again out did herself with trophies that will magnificently adorn the mantles of the winning sailors. As is typical when racing at this mountain lake venue, lead changes were numerous and being in front is almost a disadvantage as competitors watch you drive into a hole and sail by on each flank --- Oh, to be “Pinecrested!”

Drum roll please.....

First Junior, Chase

First female, Elsa (you should have seen her hug Lynn’s trophy!)

First SOB (Sitting on the beach), Gary

Third: John

Second: Fred

First and World Champion for another year: Art

Full results soon on ETIYRA web site. Hope you to see everyone on the beach next year!

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