



## 50<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CAMELLIA CUP RESULTS SACRAMENTO SAILOR WINS SEVENTH CHAMPIONSHIP

EL DORADO HILLS, Calif. – Sacramentan Charles Witcher, representing the Folsom Lake Yacht Club (FLYC), earned recognition as the best sailor in the greater Sacramento region on Sunday (Apr. 17) by ranking first among 57 sailboats in the 50<sup>th</sup> Camellia Cup Regatta sailed on Folsom Lake.

Witcher finished first in four of five races sailed by the 13-boat Banshee class during two days of racing in light and shifting winds. Each sailor was allowed to throw-out one of his or her finishes.

It was Witcher's seventh Camellia Cup championship and the ninth Camellia Cup on which he sailed on the regatta's overall winning boat. No other Camellia Cup champion has won more than three times, and only seven sailors have one more than once.

In addition to being declared Camellia Cup Champion, Witcher was centerboard champion and Banshee class champion. Also winning trophies in the Banshee class were Jack Tatum (2<sup>nd</sup>) of El Dorado Hills sailing for the Hawaii YC, Tim Loomis (3<sup>rd</sup>) of Fairfield sailing for the Scuttlebutt Sailing Club and Scuttlebutt SC's Wayne Cassingham (4<sup>th</sup>) of Santa Cruz.

FLYC's Mark Erdrich of Elk Grove, won the eight-boat Santana 20 class, also by finishing first in four races on his boat, Fusion. In addition to being named class champion, Erdrich took home the keelboat champion award. Placing second among S20s was Folsom's Mark Werder on Two-Step, and in third was Glen Hughes of Eugene, Ore. on Bipolar, while representing the Eugene YC.

The nine-boat Laser class was won by Emilio Castelli of Sebastopol on Leaky Lena, while sailing for the Santa Rosa Yacht Club. Castelli had three firsts and a third in his class. Also winning trophies in the Laser class were Rick Raduziner and Roseville's Robert Wardlow sailing for the Lake Washington Sailing Club.

Multihull champion was William Cook of Oakley, sailing an F24 Mark 1 for the Benicia YC. Cook won all his races in the four-boat open multihull class.

Top Catalina 22 was Colonel Mustard II, sailed by Doug Brennan of Chico who sailed for the Lake Oroville YC. Brennan also won all his races. In second among Catalina 22s was Sirius, sailed by Mike Rayfuse of Sacramento for FLYC.

The seven-boat open keel class was won by Rob Koch on Poco a Poco, his late father's boat. George Koch had twice been a Camellia Cup champion and was remembered as a sportsman. In recognition of his sportsmanship and contributions to sailing in the Sacramento area, FLYC dedicated a newly installed flaghoist in his honor. The junior Koch's win was an emotional favorite among the competitors who all knew and

respected his father. Placing second in the open keel class was Jerry Lewis of Grass Valley on his Capri 22, *Kudzu*. Lewis competed for the Gold Country YC.

The six-boat Daysailer fleet was won by Loomis' Mike Gillum, sailing for the Lake Washington SC on BUBBA. Gillum had three firsts and a third. Fresno's Dean Iwahashi from the Fresno YC took second on his boat, Long Gone.

A Wing Dinghy sailed by Pt. Richmond's Steve Cameron, sailing for the Richmond YC won the three-boat open centerboard class, with four firsts.

Race results follow, including: skipper, hometown, yacht club, boat type, *boat name*, and cumulative finish point totals (pts) for four races:

#### Banshee

1. Charles Witcher, Sacramento, FLYC, *Ghost*, 4 pts
2. Jack Tatum, El Dorado Hills, Hawaii YC, 10 pts
3. Tim Loomis, Fairfield, Scuttlebutt SC, 11 pts
4. Wayne Cassingham, Santa Cruz, Scuttlebutt SC, *Cruzin*, 13 pts
5. Kerry Johnson, El Dorado Hills, FLYC, *Spitfire*, 21 pts
6. Steve Galeria, Gold River, FLYC, *2 Slick*, 21 pts
7. Jeff Nelson, Folsom, *Herkimer*, 24 pts
8. Bob Carl, Carmichael, Lake Washington SC, 25 pts
9. Rob Cram, Rocklin, FLYC, *Equilibrium*, 33 pts
10. Manny Rubio, Discovery Bay, Discovery Bay YC, *Wetfoot*, 44 pts
11. Murray McLeod, Vallejo, Scuttlebutt SC, *Rusalka*, 6 pts
12. Steve Armstrong, Fair Oaks, FLYC, *Y2K*, 47 pts
13. Billy Cook, Oakland, Alameda YC, *Stank Fish*, 52 pts

#### Catalina 22

1. Doug Brennan, Chico, Lake Oroville YC, *Col. Mustard II*, 4 pts
2. Mike Rayfuse, Sacramento, FLYC, *Sirius*, 13 pts
3. Dave Strain, El Dorado Hills, FLYC, *Blue Diamond*, 14 pts
4. Don Hare, Roseville, Gold Country YC, *No Cat Hare*, 15 pts
5. Aaron Peddy, Sacramento, 15 pts
6. Dave Hewitt, El Dorado Hills, *Shark Bait*, 18 pts
7. Francis Samson, Fresno, Fresno YC, *Slo' Mo*, 19 pts

#### Day Sailer

1. Mike Gillum, Loomis, LWSC, *BUBBA*, 6 pts
2. Dean Iwahashi, Fresno, Fresno YC, *Long Gone*, 7 pts
3. Craig Lee, El Dorado Hills, Scuttlebutt SC, *Hot Flash*, 9 pts
4. Dave Keran, Fresno, Fresno YC, *Vagabundo*, 13 pts
5. Jim Sinclair, Roseville, FLYC, *Johnnie Walker*, 24 pts
6. Steve Lowry, Santa Rosa, Richmond YC, *Flight Risk*, 24 pts

#### Laser

1. Emilio Castelli, Sebastopol, Santa Rosa SC, *Leaky Lena*, 6 pts
2. Rick Raduziner, Tahoe City, Tahoe YC, *Spot On*, 13 pts
3. Robert Wardlow, Roseville, Lake Washington SC, 15 pts
4. William Pullen, Truckee, Tahoe YC, *Failed Lobotomy*, 16 pts
5. Steve Aguilar, Sacramento, FLYC, *Marilyn*, 17 pts

6. Steve Willett, Sacramento, Lake Washington YC, 26 pts
7. Mark Sabin, Sacramento, Lake Washington SC, *One More Time*, 28 pts
8. Cynthia Shallit, Sacramento, Lake Washington SC, 30 pts
9. Hendrik Reidel, Reno, Tahoe YC, *Sagebrush*, 30 pts

#### Open Centerboard

1. Steve Cameron, Pt Richmond, Richmond YC, Wing Dinghy, *C Ya*, 4 pts
2. Jerry Montgomery, Sacramento, Sage 16, *Sagecat*, 7 pts
3. Tyler Backman, Davis, Lake Washington SC, Montgomery 15, *Defiant*, 12 pts

#### Open Keel

1. Rob Koch, Sacramento, FLYC, J22, *Poco a Poco*, 4 pts
2. Jerry Lewis, Grass Valley, Gold Country YC, Capri 22, *Kudzu*, 8 pts
3. Phil Hodgson, Rescue, FLYC, Wavelength 24, *Te Natura*, 10 pts
4. Steve Young, Auburn, FLYC, Hunter 23.5, *Pura Vida*, 17 pts
5. Tim Sisson, Granite Bay, J70, *536*, 19 pts
6. Roger Taylor, El Dorado Hills, FLYC, Capri 22, *Popeye*, 25 pts
7. Barry Curran, Folsom, FLYC, Catalina 250, *Malahat*, 28 pts

#### Open Multihull

1. William Cook, Oakley, Benicia YC, F24 Mark 1, *Wings*, 4 pts
2. Mark Evans, Folsom, FLYC, Hobie 16, *Lightning*, FLYC, 8 pts
3. Jerry Grant, Grass Valley, Gold Country YC, WETA, *Opus 8*, 11 pts
4. Andy Burkard, El Dorado Hills, Hobie 16, *Hobie Cat*, FLYC, 16 pts

#### Santana 20

1. Mark Erdrich, Elk Grove, FLYC, *Fusion*, 4 pts
2. Mark Werder, Folsom, FLYC, *2-step*, 8 pts
3. Glenn Hughes, Eugene, Eugene YC, *Bipolar*, 9 pts
4. Scott Mack, Nevada City, Gold Country YC, *Roll Tide*, 17 pts
5. Will Deutsch, El Dorado Hills, FLYC, *Four Sirens*, 20 pts
6. Charlie Wilson, Sacramento, FLYC, *Wild Thing*, 21 pts
7. Jarian Westfall, Granite Bay, Richmond YC, *Diana*, 27 pts
8. Suna Kneisley, Sacramento, FLYC, *Reaction*, 32 pts

The Folsom Lake Yacht Club was established in 1957 and is located at Brown's Ravine on Folsom Lake (Green Valley Road). It conducts sailboat racing, cruises and social events. More about the club is found at [www.flyc.org](http://www.flyc.org).

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