

## **2023 Doc Gilbert Potomac Cup Regatta Report**

This year the 37<sup>th</sup> edition of the Doc Gilbert Potomac Cup moved from its traditional venue at Leesylvania State Park to the local sailing waters of Fleet 50 just outside the Nation's Capital. 9 teams representing 4 different fleets in the Dixie District converged on the site and although the weather forecast for Saturday was not promising, it was wrong and while there was some rain, the wind was up and 5 challenging races were completed on Saturday, followed by another 3 races under the sun on Sunday. After the eight races, all the out of towners packed up boats and were treated to a feast of grilled steaks, salmon and beverages provided by title sponsor Yuengling.

Competition was tight with places changing throughout each race and showcased 4 different race winners over the 8 races. Local Nabeel showed us all how to both run a top-notch event and how to sail it taking home 4 bullets and top honors. Unbelievably his first time taking home top honors at this event. Trevor Prior was a close second only 3 points behind followed by a close battle between Bob Astrove and my team with Bob outlasting our comeback charge on Sunday to take third by one point over us. Jim Dillard in his classic green hulled boat proved he still has it rounding out the top 5.

It was a great event, and a fun and challenging venue. Plus, who can beat the view of our Nation's Capital in background. My thanks to all the sailors and volunteers of fleet 50 for their hospitality and making this a fun filled event. I hope to see everyone and more for next year's 38<sup>th</sup> installment of the event.



**Sailing on the Potomac River with the Washington Monument and Capitol Building in the background**



1<sup>st</sup> Place Nabeel Alsalam



2<sup>nd</sup> Place Trevor Prior



5<sup>th</sup> Place Jim Dillard



Jim leading the charge to the weather mark



Joe enjoying the skyline between races



Joe and Bob duking it out for third overall

**Race results:**

Pos	Sail	Boat	Skipper	Yacht Club	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total	Pos
1	15142	Shadowfax	Nabeel Alsalam	Potomac River Sailing Association	3	1	3	1	1	1	[5]	2	12	1
2	15498		Trevor Prior	Susquehanna	4	2	1	2	2	3	1	[7]	15	2
3	15603 or 7603	Pandora	Robert Astrove	PRSA	2	3	2	3	3	6	[7]	5	24	3
4	15084	IRIE	Joe Buczkowski	Hampton YC	1	[5]	4	4	5	4	4	3	25	4
5	15311 sailing a	Go Green	Jim Dillard	Fleet 50	5	4	5	[8]	7	5	3	8	37	5
6	14318	Mighty Moose	Jeff Witten	PRSA	[10/DNF]	6	7	5	6	7	6	1	38	6
7	15126	As You Wish...	Jim Lane	Severn Sailing Association	6	7	8	6	4	8	[9]	4	43	7
8	15384	RESISTANCE IS FUTILE	Frank. Gallagher	PRSA	[10/DNF]	10/OC S	6	7	10/DNF	2	2	9	46	8
9	14548	La Dolce Vita	Piercarlo Brunino	PRSA	[10/DNC]	10/DNC	10/DNC	10/DNC	10/DNC	9	8	6	63	9