

U.S. Sailors Dominate Oakville Race Week

Ed Adams wins North Americans.

In the beginning there was alcohol and delusions of grandeur. At the end there was another successful Oakville Race Week, August 19-26, 1983. Three series totalling sixteen races were held. The series were the North American Championship, the Ontario Open and the Canadian Open.

North Americans

The first series was the North American Championship, August 19-21, 1983. A total of 44 boats entered from Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, New York State, Ohio, Rhode Island and Canada. Six races were held, two each day. The first two races on Friday were in light Southwest wind. Ed and Meredith Adams won the first race by a wide margin with Fred Abels and Chris Varley second and Eric and Lynn Eiffert third. The fleet at Irondequoit Bay had a good day as Steve Callison and Christine Allen won the second race. The pros from Columbus, Dick Mitchell and Patti Fisher were second, followed by Fritz and Jane Gram.

Friday evening was the Green Can party. The can was drained completely before ten P.M., the first time ever. The contents of the Green Can allowed those partaking to look and feel their very best for Saturday's races.

The two races Saturday were sailed in an increasing offshore or northwest wind. This breeze at Oakville is shifty and tends to have 50% or larger holes in it. Ed and Meredith Adams won again with a large margin. Oakville's fleet came through with Doug Nugent and Dan Gandy taking second. Steve Callison and Christine Allen were third.

The offshore breeze at Oakville is noted for being shifty and full of holes. John Irvine used these characteristics of the conditions to move up dramatically in the second race to win it. Ed and Meredith Adams were second. Steve Callison and Christine Allen finished third.

There is a very good squash club built upon the hill overlooking the Oakville Harbour. The kitchen at The Club, as it is known, is very good and provided the sailors with a superb banquet Saturday night. In attendance at the banquet were

two past commodores of SCIRA, Harold Griffith and Red Garfield, and Snipe builder Mike McLaughlin. Red Garfield expressed some question about the legality of the new boats today in light of the rule that a Snipe completely equipped with sails was not to cost more than \$300.00. Demands for rebates were heard from much of the crowd. It was a highly successful dinner party.

The two races Sunday were sailed in light east wind. The first race was won by Fritz and Jane Gram with Ed and Meredith Adams second. Dick Mitchell and Patti Fisher were third. The second race was run in a steadily lightening east wind. The race committee stopped the race at the top of the second windward leg giving Fred Abels and Chris Varley the win. Fritz and Jane Gram were second with Fred and Jan Rozelle third.

Overall, Ed and Meredith Adams won by a large margin. It was close between Steve Callison and Christine Allen, and Dick Mitchell and Patti Fisher for second and third. Fred Abels and Chris Varley were fourth. John Irvine and Vance Place finished fifth. The final prize winners were Fritz and Jane Gram. The top Canadian boat was Jim and Phyllis Belford in thirteenth position.

Ontario Open

Oakville is a place where the wind and sea conditions change almost daily. A day of good wind can be followed by a day of nothing or wind so unsteady as to make racing impossible. The first day of the Ontario Open, August 22-23, 1983, was one of those impossible days. The light wind would not stay in one direction for more

NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP (Top 25 of 44 entries — Best 5 of 6 races)

Boat	Skipper/Crew	Fleet	Places	Points	Finish
US 24684	Ed Adams/Meredith Adams	Narragansett Bay	1-6-1-2-2-12	17.7	1
US 24608	Steve Callison/Christine Allen	Newport	4-1-3-3-20-7	32.4	2
US 25676	Dick Mitchell/Patti Fisher	Hoover	8-2-6-4-3-5	38.4	3
US 25460	Fred Abels/Chris Varley	Sea Cliff	2-5-ns-20-4-1	47.0	4
US 24271	John Irvine/V. Place	Cowan Lake	7-9-9-1-5-25	53.0	5
US 16699	Fritz Gram/Jane Gram	Cuba Lake	27-3-18-24-1-2	62.7	6
US 25777	Fred Thurston/Marshall Brown	Annapolis	6-8-10-6-9-11	68.4	7
US 23751	Terry Timm/C. Donaldson	North Cape	28-16-12-5-7-9	78.0	8
US 25489	Fred Rozelle/Jan Rozelle	Detroit	19-19-16-10-6-3	80.4	9
US 19740	Matt Fisher/Lisa Fisher	Hoover	9-15-19-7-12-8	81.0	10
US 24624	Means Davis/Peggy Davis	Atlanta	21-12-5-15-10-10	81.0	11
US 25370	Eric Eiffert/Lynn Eiffert	Newport	3-10-14-ymp-20-15	81.7	12
KC 25433	Jim Belford/Phyllis Belford	Oakville	23-17-4-14-27-21	87.0	13
US 25414	Skip French/Debbie French	Narragansett Bay	10-11-7-16-21-14	88.0	14
US 24682	Jeff Evans/Julie Hansen	Island Bay	13-4-27-22-8-18	93.0	15
KC 23397	David Belford/John Haire	Oakville	26-7-11-33-15-6	94.7	16
US 24688	Wade Edwards/Aliza Edwards	Detroit	12-26-17-13-18-19	99.0	17
US 23279	John Johns/Kate Heywood	Barton	16-14-31-9-19-12	100.0	18
KC 24116	Doug Nugent/Dan Gandy	Oakville	30-32-2-8-16-20	101.0	19
US 24110	Rob Gorman/Lisa Gorman	North Cove	24-24-8-11-18-16	107.0	20
US 22285	Harry Levinson Jr./Sarah Crane	Indianapolis	11-33-21-35-11-4	108.0	21
US 23624	Sam Mollet/Neil Berren	Portrage Lakes	17-18-15-12-17-27	109.0	22
US 24332	Leigh Savage/Sally Savage	Detroit	20-31-29-17-14-17	127.0	23
KC 24806	Chris Hains/Donald Hains	Oakville	18-20-30-12-33-36	143.0	24
US 16333	Guy Lovejoy/Chuck Bastian	Keuka Lake	14-30-26-30-23-22	145.0	25

ONTARIO OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP (Top 10 of 27 entries)

Boat	Skipper/Crew	Fleet	Places	Points	Finish
US 24264	Means Davis/Peggy Davis	Atlanta	1-2-3	8.7	1
US 25676	Dick Mitchell/Patti Fisher	Hoover	3-3-1	11.4	2
US 16699	Fritz Gram/Jane Gram	Cuba Lake	2-4-2	14.0	3
US 25460	Fred Abels/Chris Varley	Sea Cliff	7-1-4	21.0	4
KC 23397	David Belford/Pat Gardner	Oakville	9-5-6	36.7	5
US 24688	Wade Edwards/Aliza Edwards	Detroit	4-8-10	38.0	6
US 24608	Steve Callison/Chris Allen	Newport	8-6-7	38.7	7
US 23751	Terry Timm/Mike McLaughlin	North Cape	6-11-8	42.7	8
KC 25433	Jim Belford/Phyllis Belford	Oakville	16-7-5	45.0	9
US 25489	Fred Rozelle/Jan Rozelle	Detroit	11-9-9	46.0	10