

Sidney North Saanich/SISC Regatta, July 31 and August 1, 2021  
By Tony Brogan

This event was a long time in the planning and came to fruition after a couple of delays due to Covid 19 government regulations. With the relaxation of the open meeting requirements we now can have up to 50 in an open air meeting and restaurants are back in business. It was felt casual association on the docks was ok and the SNSYC Clubhouse was open to provide food and beverage.

6 boats attended from Salt Spring and there were 17 in total including three multihulls, Pturbodactyl being one.

We made our way independently to Sidney with some leaving on Friday afternoon and Radiant Heat and Pturbodactyl electing to leave early Saturday morning.

With light airs on the nose from the SE and a flood tide against us RH motored all the way, taking the Moresby Passage route and then around Coal Island and down to Tsehum Harbour and the SNSYC reciprocal dock. We joined the other 4 boats on the Reciprocal docks thoughtfully reserved for us all for the weekend.

There was a brief Skippers meeting at the clubhouse and it was off to the startline off the Beacon Avenue pier. This was a 30 minute venture. The start line was a line drawn from the flag on the dock to either the red or the green spar. U6 and U5 respectively. If it was a northerly start it was the Green spar line and if a Southerly start it was the Red spar line. The proposed course would be announced over the radio Ch09 and posted on a large board with a number. The committee had issued a paper with 20 possible courses. Each course was assigned a number.

As the course to be announced by the committee depended on the weather conditions for what course was selected and because the winds were variable, the announcement was just 10 minutes before the warning signal and flags. Some of us as visitors were unused to this system, unfamiliar with the yellow mark buoys used for the courses and so consequently a little confused as to where the course actually was in relation to the islands plotted on the charts. There was a definite home team advantage.

The first race was scheduled for 1330 Saturday. The airwaves were eerily silent as time to start approached when at 1329 there were several horns and a radio announcement of a courtesy alert prior to the starting sequence at 1330. Rats we had misread the Sailing instructions assuming the start was 1330, but now the start was actually 1335!! we had to adjust our start sequence immediately.

The wind was a steady 6-7 knots varying from Southerly to Westerly and back.

Radiant Heat started well in the middle of the line. The first mark was the barge mooring in Saanichton bay(P) and then back to the green spar (S) for a short course finish, then to Ker Island(P) and finish on the green spar.

Our lee was clear and to weather was My Tai and a multi hull. We moved with them but the lead boats slowly left us behind. Rather than stay in dirty air we tacked to port tack and ducked the multi and were well head of Oasis coming up fast . We elected to stay on this tack as the fleet continued toward Sidney spit. Then slowly one by one boats tacked over . We decided to cover the fleet and found only the Multies and My-Tai were ahead as we tacked back toward

Saanichton Bay. It was difficult for us to locate the mark but as we approached we were piloted by the lead boats. A quick short tack and we set the mark. The boats around were setting shutes and we mentally prepared for a spinnaker run back. And that was the end of the race for us!

Suddenly the wind died altogether and then did a 180 and what there was, was on the nose.

We spent a while following what wind there was. Current was against us. We made poor time as the puffs came and went. All boats were much the same. The lead boats scattered . At one point we crossed ahead of My-Tai and the fleets bunched up at the mark drifting around. Slowly the wind filled in on the James Island shore . We were stuck. May-tai had headed to the shore . The fleet followed and in procession passed us by just 300 yards away. Meanwhile Pturbodactyl had maintained their lead and was slowly approaching the green spar when with 20 minutes left in the time limit the race was called "abandoned" by the committee. Too bad for Pturbodactyl!! who could have scored. The wind adding insult to injured feelings filled in from the East as if to say, "See you could have finished, Got you!!"

So the first race was a no race and we went to the dock to enjoy a supper in the clubhouse. Lots of old friends said hello. The food was good. Grilled lamb shank was tasty. There was lots of chat and we drifted off to the docks before dusk and made our way to the boats to consider the what ifs of the day and hope for wind on the morrow.

A good night's sleep had us up early. A pot of Kick Ass coffee was brewed aboard to start the day and at 8 am we went to the clubhouse for a complimentary continental breakfast. There we

listened to the hopes and prayers for a steady breeze and analysis of the previous day. We had plenty of time to get to the startline for the warning signal at 1100.

We made our way out in a light 4 knot breeze and gently sailed to the start area. The wind grew lighter and by the time the course was announced the breeze was 2 knots or so. The course was Green spar start, Sidney spit (P) and red spar finish(S). We were slowly moving at the pin end as far away as we could but there the shoals had us in 15-18 feet of water so we turned to the line. It was crowded with boats close and we were early. Thinking to circle back we were blocked by another boat and had to harden up. This was almost straight into the spar which our bow missed by 2 feet as we came around but we were now over early. Ducking back was not available so we threaded other boats approaching the line and then finally hearing the committee call us as clear we turned back to the line but this time at the rear of the fleet. Apologies were offered to the crew for a bad, bad start.

Progress was very slow to Sidney spit and we slowly improved our position. Requiring clear air put us to the windward of most boats and it was getting crowded at the mark. The lead boats were around but as we approached we caught up with five boats on the windward side and all five boats abreast circled the mark together. Firefly was even further to Windward and unencumbered in clear air circled around and then gybing continued around into clear air and away. We on the other hand were now in dirty air from five boats and slowly moved to the weather side from astern in hope of extra speed.

We overtook a few boats but on corrected time we were in 14th place out of 17. An inauspicious result.

The last race showed a little more promise as the had wind increased and more from the South East. The course was red spar, James Island and Ker island both to port and green mark (P) to finish. Our start was good and we were sailing well. The fleet was on Starboard tack. After a while we tacked away and the fleet carried on. We continued some distance. Then one by one boats tacked back toward us and we decided to cover the fleet and went back to starboard tack. Shortly we were crossed by Blue Shift. Then Shingebiss passed our stern. We noted boats who had taken the long first tack before going to port tack had a better line to the mark and so we continued. Oasis was ahead and with good speed. We tacked toward the mark. Blue Shift and Shingebiss tacked back but the wind was a different angle to us and both were now back a good hundred yards.

Rounding the mark we were a way back from the lead boats but we raised the spinnaker on a broad reach to Ker Island. Many were using asymetrics and having to gybe down wind. In the now lighter air were troubled keeping the sail full of air. We passed several boats but Blue Shift chased us down. Whiskey Jack was still ahead but closer and as we dropped the spinnaker early blue Shift passed us ahead as they rounded the marker.

The beat to the finish line was sometimes a close reach and we overhauled Blue Shift again but we remained 30 seconds back from Whiskey Jack at the finish line. We corrected in 5th place one second behind Whiskey Jack.. Noted with surprise was that being faster by just 10 seconds would have put us into second place. That is how tight the placings were.

Back at the club house on Sunday afternoon we awaited the results and the awarding of trophies. In addition was some "swag" obtained

from sponsors and awarded to several who held the correct number on the ticket.

Everyone was in good humour and there was laughter and gaiety. Finally we decided to leave for Saltspring. The wind was light and we motored hard for an hour when we eyed a SE front approaching down Swanson Channell and so off Beaver Point we hoisted sail and had a pleasant wing on wing sail in the 8-10 knot breeze until we were home again safe and sound after an event filled sailing weekend.

**2021 Interclub Regatta**  
**Sidney North Saanich Yacht Club**

**Interclub Regatta**

**Overall**

Sailed: 2, Discards: 0, To count: 2, Rating system: PHRF TOT, Entries: 17, Scoring system: Appendix A

Rank	Fleet	Boat	Type	SailNo	Club	Owner/Skipper	Rating	R1	R2	Total	Nett	Notes
1st	Multi	Geneeva	F-24 MkII	74426	SNSYC	Eric Pesty	90	1.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	
2nd	SNSYC A	Whiskey Jack	C&C 35-3	34947	SNSYC	Chris Barker	138	3.00	4.00	7.00	7.00	
3rd	SNSYC C	Hina (NFS)	C&C 30-1	39257	SNSYC	Tim Amy	213	8.00	3.00	11.00	11.00	
4th	SNSYC B	Freedom II	Santa Cruz 27	16837	SNSYC	Don Rowe	162	2.00	10.00	12.00	12.00	
5th	SNSYC A	Bonita (NFS)	C&C 30-2	5	SNSYC	Paul Stupka	195	7.00	6.00	13.00	13.00	
6th	SNSYC A	My-Tai	Flying Tiger	Can 31	SNSYC	Dallas Ross	54	12.00	2.00	14.00	14.00	
7th	Multi	Unleaded	F-82R	96	SNSYC	Garry Sagert	51	4.00	11.00	15.00	15.00	
8th	SNSYC B	Skyevella (NFS)	CS 34	74322	SNSYC	Graden Sol	150	5.00	13.00	18.00	18.00	
9th	SNSYC C	Zanzibar (NFS)	C&C 33-1		SNSYC	Dave Watkins	177	6.00	12.00	18.00	18.00	
10th	SISC A	Radiant Heat	J30	67901	SISC	Tony Brogan	141	14.00	5.00	19.00	19.00	
11th	SISC B	Firefly	Laser 28	169	SISC	Douglas Woolcock	147	11.00	8.00	19.00	19.00	
12th	SISC B	Skeena Cloud	Hunter 28.5	121	SISC	Greg Taylor	189	13.00	7.00	20.00	20.00	
13th	SNSYC B	Blue Shift	Tartan 3700	108	SNSYC	Ron Turner	120	15.00	9.00	24.00	24.00	
14th	SISC A	Shingebiss	J36	49077	SISC	Gyle Keeting	84	10.00	15.00	25.00	25.00	
15th	Multi	Pturbodactyl	F31r	27060	SISC	John Tulip	0	9.00	17.00	26.00	26.00	
16th	SISC A	Oasis	Beneteau F41	421	SISC	Bob Jones	105	17.00	14.00	31.00	31.00	
17th	SNSYC C	New Journey (NFS)	Dufour 40P DK	79000	SNSYC	Fred & Baerbel	87	16.00	16.00	32.00	32.00	

## R1 - Aug 1, 2021 at 11:05

Start: Start 2, Finishes: Finish time, Time: 11:05, Course: 67, Wind dir: S, Ave wind: 2 - 5

Rank	Fleet	Boat	Type	SailNo	Club	Owner/Skipper	Rating	Start	Finish	Elapsed	Corrected	Points	Notes
1	Multi	Geneeva	F-24 MkII	74426	SNSYC	Eric Pesty	90	11:05	11:57:51	0:52:51	0:56:19	1.00	
2	SNSYC B	Freedom II	Santa Cruz 27	16837	SNSYC	Don Rowe	162	11:05	12:08:02	1:03:02	1:00:05	2.00	
3	SNSYC A	Whiskey Jack	C&C 35-3	34947	SNSYC	Chris Barker	138	11:05	12:07:28	1:02:28	1:01:42	3.00	
4	Multi	Unleaded	F-82R	96	SNSYC	Garry Sagert	51	11:05	11:59:42	0:54:42	1:02:16	4.00	
5	SNSYC B	Skyevella (NFS)	CS 34	74322	SNSYC	Graden Sol	150	11:05	12:09:14	1:04:14	1:02:19	5.00	
6	SNSYC C	Zanzibar (NFS)	C&C 33-1		SNSYC	Dave Watkins	177	11:05	12:13:04	1:08:04	1:03:29	6.00	
7	SNSYC A	Bonita (NFS)	C&C 30-2	5	SNSYC	Paul Stupka	195	11:05	12:15:12	1:10:12	1:03:49	7.00	
8	SNSYC C	Hina (NFS)	C&C 30-1	39257	SNSYC	Tim Amy	213	11:05	12:17:43	1:12:43	1:04:29	8.00	
9	Multi	Pturbodactyl	F31r	27060	SISC	John Tulip	0	11:05	11:56:52	0:51:52	1:04:50	9.00	
10	SISC A	Shingebiss	J36	49077	SISC	Gyle Keeting	84	11:05	12:05:55	1:00:55	1:05:33	10.00	
11	SISC B	Firefly	Laser 28	169	SISC	Douglas Woolcock	147	11:05	12:12:25	1:07:25	1:05:42	11.00	
12	SNSYC A	My-Tai	Flying Tiger	Can 31	SNSYC	Dallas Ross	54	11:05	12:03:22	0:58:22	1:06:06	12.00	
13	SISC B	Skeena Cloud	Hunter 28.5	121	SISC	Greg Taylor	189	11:05	12:17:37	1:12:37	1:06:34	13.00	
14	SISC A	Radiant Heat	J30	67901	SISC	Tony Brogan	141	11:05	12:13:25	1:08:25	1:07:17	14.00	
15	SNSYC B	Blue Shift	Tartan 3700	108	SNSYC	Ron Turner	120	11:05	12:12:02	1:07:02	1:08:05	15.00	
16	SNSYC C	New Journey (NFS)	Dufour 40P DK	79000	SNSYC	Fred & Baerbel	87	11:05	12:11:29	1:06:29	1:11:12	16.00	
17	SISC A	Oasis	Beneteau F41	421	SISC	Bob Jones	105	11:05	12:14:04	1:09:04	1:11:50	17.00	

## R2 - Aug 1, 2021 at 12:35

Start: Start 3, Finishes: Finish time, Time: 12:35, Course: 75, Wind dir: S then SE, Ave wind: 6 - 9

Rank	Fleet	Boat	Type	SailNo	Club	Owner/Skipper	Rating	Start	Finish	Elapsed	Corrected	Points	Notes
1	Multi	Geneeva	F-24 MkII	74426	SNSYC	Eric Pesty	90	12:35	13:59:05	1:24:05	1:29:36	1.00	
2	SNSYC A	My-Tai	Flying Tiger	Can 31	SNSYC	Dallas Ross	54	12:35	13:57:16	1:22:16	1:33:10	2.00	
3	SNSYC C	Hina (NFS)	C&C 30-1	39257	SNSYC	Tim Amy	213	12:35	14:20:07	1:45:07	1:33:13	3.00	
4	SNSYC A	Whiskey Jack	C&C 35-3	34947	SNSYC	Chris Barker	138	12:35	14:09:27	1:34:27	1:33:18	4.00	
5	SISC A	Radiant Heat	J30	67901	SISC	Tony Brogan	141	12:35	14:09:54	1:34:54	1:33:19	5.00	
6	SNSYC A	Bonita (NFS)	C&C 30-2	5	SNSYC	Paul Stupka	195	12:35	14:19:17	1:44:17	1:34:48	6.00	
7	SISC B	Skeena Cloud	Hunter 28.5	121	SISC	Greg Taylor	189	12:35	14:18:28	1:43:28	1:34:51	7.00	
8	SISC B	Firefly	Laser 28	169	SISC	Douglas Woolcock	147	12:35	14:13:19	1:38:19	1:35:49	8.00	
9	SNSYC B	Blue Shift	Tartan 3700	108	SNSYC	Ron Turner	120	12:35	14:10:22	1:35:22	1:36:51	9.00	
10	SNSYC B	Freedom II	Santa Cruz 27	16837	SNSYC	Don Rowe	162	12:35	14:16:59	1:41:59	1:37:12	10.00	
11	Multi	Unleaded	F-82R	96	SNSYC	Garry Sagert	51	12:35	14:01:27	1:26:27	1:38:25	11.00	
12	SNSYC C	Zanzibar (NFS)	C&C 33-1		SNSYC	Dave Watkins	177	12:35	14:21:36	1:46:36	1:39:25	12.00	
13	SNSYC B	Skyevella (NFS)	CS 34	74322	SNSYC	Graden Sol	150	12:35	14:18:32	1:43:32	1:40:27	13.00	
14	SISC A	Oasis	Beneteau F41	421	SISC	Bob Jones	105	12:35	14:15:46	1:40:46	1:44:48	14.00	
15	SISC A	Shingebiss	J36	49077	SISC	Gyle Keeting	84	12:35	14:12:27	1:37:27	1:44:52	15.00	
16	SNSYC C	New Journey (NFS)	Dufour 40P DK	79000	SNSYC	Fred & Baerbel	87	12:35	14:14:29	1:39:29	1:46:32	16.00	
17	Multi	Pturbodactyl	F31r	27060	SISC	John Tulip	0	12:35	14:03:08	1:28:08	1:50:10	17.00	

## SNSYC

## Interclub Team Results

Aug 1, 2021

Team	Ribbon	Sail #	Boat Name	Skipper	Class	PHRF	RESULTS		Team Points
							Race 1	Race 2	
SNSYC A	Yellow	Can 31	<b>My-Tai</b>	Dallas Ross	Flying Tiger 30	54	12	2	14
SNSYC A	Yellow	34947	<b>Whiskey Jack</b>	Chris Barker	C & C 35-3	138	3	4	7
SNSYC A	Yellow	5	<b>Bonita (NFS)</b>	Paul Stupka	C & C 30-2	195	7	6	13
Team Points:									<b>34</b>
SNSYC B	Purple	108	<b>Blue Shift</b>	Ron Turner	Tartan 3700	120	15	9	24
SNSYC B	Purple	74322	<b>Skyvella (NFS)</b>	Graden Sol	CS 34	150	5	13	18
SNSYC B	Purple	16837	<b>Freedom II</b>	Don Rowe	Santa Cruz 27	162	2	10	12
Team Points:									<b>54</b>
SISC B	Green	169	<b>Firefly</b>	Douglas Woolcock	Laser 28	147	11	8	19
SISC B	Green	121	<b>Skeena Cloud</b>	Greg Taylor	Hunter 28.5	189	13	7	20
SISC B	Green		<b>Avg</b>				12	7.5	19.5
Team Points:									<b>58.5</b>
SNSYC C	Blue	79000	<b>New Journey (NFS)</b>	Fred & Baerbel	Dufour 40P DK	87	16	16	32
SNSYC C	Blue	(none)	<b>Zanzibar (NFS)</b>	Dave Watkins	C&C 33-1	177	6	12	18
SNSYC C	Blue	39257	<b>Hina (NFS)</b>	Tim Amy	C&C 30-1	213	8	3	11
Team Points:									<b>61</b>
SISC A	Pink	49077	<b>Shingebiss</b>	Gyle Keeting	J36	84	10	15	25
SISC A	Pink	421	<b>Oasis</b>	Bob Jones	Beneteau First 41	105	17	14	31
SISC A	Pink	67901	<b>Radiant Heat</b>	Tony Brogan	J30	141	14	5	19
Team Points:									<b>75</b>
Multi SISC	(none)	27060	<b>Pturbodactyl</b>	John Tulip	F31r	0	9	17	26
Multi SNSYC	(none)	96	<b>Unleaded</b>	Garry Sagert	F-82R	51	4	11	15
Multi SNSYC	(none)	74426	<b>Geneeva</b>	Eric Pesty	F-24 MkII	90	1	1	2
Team Points:									<b>43</b>

