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# N.M.Y.C. NEWS

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## DF-95 Club Championship



The wind was great and the competition featured the top DF skippers in our club all for one morning of racing at the Collier County Regional Park pond. Twelve races were run under the direction of RD **Bud Cassidy** and ARD **Winston Mathews**.

A windy day tested  
boats and skippers  
Friday, March 30th

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After a throwout of each skippers two worst finishes, **Dick Hedderick #55**, **Ted Flack #45** and **Chuck Weaver #92** were the top three finishers. **Bill Ewing** and **Richard Flach** had boat problems and were not able to sail all races. **Pete DeWolfe #80** got hung up on the weather mark and missed four races. This race completed the counted race series for 2018.

## Meet Fred Hall...

Fred's sailing initiation dates back to 1980 at the Detroit Model Yacht Club. At that time they sailed One-Meters. Also in the club were a group of guys who sailed full-scale boats on Lake St. Clair. Fred crewed on J-24's for awhile and like many of us upgraded to his own boat, a Catalina 30. He raced this boat five times in the Port Huron to Mac race. Fred then went on to crew another sixteen times for a total of 21 Macs. Fred cannot leave the big boat scene and is a member of the Gulf Coast Sailing Club here in Naples racing most Saturdays.

In his professional life Fred worked in the utility industry retiring from DTE Detroit Edison in 2001 and worked another 12 years with International Transmission Company. He managed transmission tower maintenance, tree trimming and removal, painting and station management in Michigan and Iowa. With forty five years in the utility industry - he knows how to keep the power on!



Fred currently has a Dragon 65, Dragon 95, 1.7Meter, Soling, two EC=12's, a Marblehead and a Mr. DARBY Tug boat (in progress).

Does racing in 21 Macs make Fred an official "Old Goat"?

"I really like this year's schedule with a practice day between racing. Because, like everyone in Naples we have visitors who want to be entertained while they are here and that gives us time to do that. My comments to NMYC members...Pack some patience for new members and people with clumsy fingers".

I have raced EC-12's with Fred for the past three years and he always is a gentleman who does all his penalty turns when required and always manages to have a smile on his face when the racing is over. We are fortunate to have Fred as a member of the Naples Model Yacht Club.