

Hello Laser Fleet 10 Folks,

The 2010/2011 SSA Laser Frostbite series is complete. We had a great turnout this year of both Radials and Standard rig Lasers. Thank you to the entire fleet for your help running the races week in and week out. Everyone helped out and as a result, we had a wonderful series of races, weather permitting through the season. There were several race days where we were able to complete 8 good races, and even with the additional challenge of starting and finishing two fleets, the Race Committee volunteers were always able to get the races going in quick succession. We've learned a lot, and there is much we can take from this frostbite series to help improve future series. Several fleet members have offered some great suggestions for improving the series, and if anyone else has any ideas, please let me know.

Please remember that we are only a few weeks from the Sunshine Open regatta. Registration is open at sailregattas.com, so please enter early. This year I am looking into getting some musical entertainment for Saturday evening, so more reason for all to enter. Please talk to all your Laser friends from out of town and invite them to the regatta this year. We will try to arrange housing for out of town guests if at all possible. Also, please remember that we have invited the 4.7 sailors to join us this year, so if you know of any 4.7 sailors, please encourage them to enter the regatta.

Congratulations to Matt Schofield (5th), Gavin O'Hare (4th), Bob Tan (3rd), Luke Shingledecker (2nd) and Eric Reinke (1st) for their great overall performance for the series in the Standard rig class. Great job to all of you. Also congratulations to Dorian Haldeman (5th), John Gebhardt (4th), John Zseleczy (2nd) and Aaron Gerratt (1st) for their great performances for the series in the Radial rig class. We had 38 Standard competitors and 18 Radial competitors in this year's frostbite series, a great start for the Radials. Thanks to everyone for coming out and making the frostbite series so much fun for everyone.

On Sunday the winds were not all that cooperative, but the Standard rigs got in two races for the day. Hal Whitacre was the winner for the day, and was kind enough to get us a write up already, thanks Hal, and great job on Sunday. Hal's write up is below:

First I'm going to start off by thanking Dave for running the Frostbite series and coordinating everything, despite difficult circumstances recently. The Laser frostbite is one of my favorite racing series we have at SSA. I look forward to it each week, and love being out in the harbor mid winter..! It takes effort to make it happen, so as Commodore I thank not only Dave, but all the rest of you who did your time as RC..!

With that said, here's what I thought about yesterday while racing.... I had an article from Sailing World about plans on my brain when I went out, so I'd say yesterday for me was having a plan and then sticking to it. Or not...!

As east/southeast as it seemed yesterday, to simplify things for my brain, I considered it south-ish, and did my typical south routine...go check the current before the race...which was coming in harder than I expected... and then headed back to the line.

I don't know why, but to me it seems that in the "south" breeze, going left pays more often than not. In the first race, I was mostly to leeward on the line in an effort to get left.... Heres the planning part... It didn't help that the AYC boats came right thru our start shortly after we started and I had the pleasure of seeing a J100 coming up my rear to windward of me.. He rolled over me, and as soon as I could clear his transom I tacked to clear...(after a bit of grubling on my part, and telling the J's helmsman, who was about 12" from me, that I was going to come VERY close to his transom..lol) Then once on port, I returned to my plan and tacked back out to the left. I had decent pressure the whole way out, tacked short of the layline and still had pressure...and a bit of lift up towards the mark.... Bob T was coming in from the right, but I think he hit the knock and had to tack back... Sticking to my plan gave me a way to dig out of a bad situation.. The run was the run...nothing special about it. With the current running, I try to stay out in the river as much as possible while defending the inside. Last weather leg I used my "south" plan and went to the right... again, Im not sure why it works, but it seems to work more times than not.. Typical TESOD course... and it seems when ever I come off the leeward mark and go left in that part of the course I lose.. could be current...could be that theres a bit more pressure ..

Second race was similar, in that I wanted the left as well, used the same game plan but tacked back earlier to cover the boats behind me. On the way back to the middle, it was clear that the right did have some benefit as again, I leebowed Bob T on the cross, with him eventually tacking back to the right...on the next cross he had gained at least a boatlength...hmmm I say... so at that point, I stayed right center longer than I would have, then went back to the left.. I managed to gain enough to round 1st.

The run was brutal...the brutality was yet to begin...! The last weather leg for me was an example of NOT sticking to my plan... Go right on the last leg right..? I did off the mark, but tacked to cover the two boats immediately behind me...(abandoning my plan) ..Luke (the cunning) stayed with the right side and rode the remaining wind up...while I was schlogging in the middle watching the boats gain ...and pass me... I eeked out 3rd, while Luke and Ramsay got me at the line.. Fun race regardless of the outcome for me...! Good sailing Luke & Ramsay..!

Big thanks go to Ted and the others who set the course for us yesterday, we cant race without them...!

I'll miss Frostbite next weekend... but the Sunshine Open's coming up, so gear on up for it..!

Hal

(I think I remembered everything this time) ;-)

Results from March 20 are below:

Division: Laser (14 boats) [\(top\)](#)

<u>Pos</u>	<u>Bow/Sail</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Skipper</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>Total Points</u>	<u>Pos</u>
1	184472/ 155315	SSA	Whitacre, Hal	1	3	4.00	1
2	182814	SSA	Key, Ramsay	2	2	4.00	2
3	182860	SSA	Shingledecker, Luke	4	1	5.00	3
4	183826	SSA	Tan, Bob	3	5	8.00	4
5	178862	SSA	von der Wense, Nick	5	4	9.00	5
6	701	SSA	Brady, Christopher	7	6	13.00	6
7	183879	SSA	Long, Karen	6	9	15.00	7
8	194547	SSA	Caruso, Jeff	8	7	15.00	8
9	169781	SSA	Wesdyk, Russ	10	8	18.00	9
10	80536	SSA	Cofer, Steve	9	10	19.00	10
11	173641	SSA	Wilson, Leo	11	11	22.00	11
12	10270	SSA	Pickering, Matt	12	12	24.00	12
13T	3889		Futcher, JR	15/DNS	15/DNS	30.00T	13T
13T	162330	SSA	Brown, Michael	15/DNS	15/DNS	30.00T	13T

Notes

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Overall results for both Standard and Radial rigs are below:

Division: Laser (38 boats) [\(top\)](#)

<u>Pos</u>	<u>Bow/ Club</u>	<u>Skipper</u>	<u>Dec. 19</u>	<u>Jan. 16</u>	<u>Jan. 23</u>	<u>Feb. 6</u>	<u>Feb. 13</u>	<u>Feb. 20</u>	<u>Feb. 27</u>	<u>Mar. 13</u>	<u>Mar. 20</u>	<u>Total Points</u>	<u>Pos</u>
1	182815 SSA	Reinke, Eric	3	2	2	3	[4]	[39/N oFin]	[5]	1	[39/N oFin]	11.0	1
2	182860 SSA	Shingledecker, Luke	[8]	[8]	[39/N oFin]	[6]	3	2	2	3	3	13.0	2
3	183826 SSA	Tan, Bob	2	[6]	1	5	[39/N oFin]	[39/N oFin]	[39/N oFin]	2	4	14.0	3
4	92 EYC	O'Hare, Gavin	[39/N oFin]	1	4	7	2	[39/N oFin]	1	[39/N oFin]	[39/N oFin]	15.0	4
5	168574 AYC/ SSA	Schofield, Matt	7	4	[39/N oFin]	1	[8]	5	3	[13]	[39/N oFin]	20.0	5
6	701 SSA	Brady, Christopher	4	7	[39/N oFin]	[8]	5	4	[39/N oFin]	[39/N oFin]	6	26.0	6

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<u>s</u>	<u>Sail</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>r</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>als</u>	<u>o</u>
				<u>9</u>	<u>[11]</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>[10]</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>[39/N</u>	<u>[13/M</u>	<u>32.0</u>	<u>7</u>
7	16233	SSA	Brown, Michael								oFin]	AN]	0	
8	18281	SSA	Key, Ramsay	[39/N	13	[39/N	15	[39/N	[39/N	4	4	2	38.0	8
	4			oFin]		oFin]		oFin]	oFin]				0	
9	17364	SSA	Wilson, Leo	[39/N	[15]	5	[39/N	11	[13]	9	10	11	46.0	9
	1			oFin]			oFin]						0	
1	17367	SSA	Young, Peter	[39/N	[16]	[39/N	13	9	10	11	6	[39/N	49.0	1
	0	4		oFin]		oFin]						oFin]	0	0
1	16978	SSA	Wesdyk , Russ	14	17	6	[20]	[39/N	[39/N	10	[39/N	9	56.0	1
	1	1						oFin]	oFin]		oFin]		0	1
1	19454	SSA	Caruso, Jeff	10	[39/N	7	19	[39/N	[39/N	12	[39/N	8	56.0	1
	2	7			oFin]			oFin]	oFin]		oFin]		0	2
1	19451	SSA	Morgan , Ted	6	3	[39/N	4	7	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	39/No	59.0	1
	3	2				oFin]			oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	Fin	0	3
1	80536	SSA	Cofer, Steve	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	[17]	13	14	14	8	10	59.0	1
	4			oFin]	oFin]	oFin]							0	4
1	18577	SSA	Smith, Jerry	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	16	12	12	15	11	[39/N	66.0	1
	5	6		oFin]	oFin]	oFin]						oFin]	0	5
1	18387	SSA	Long, Karen	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	9	[39/N	7	39/No	7	7	69.0	1
	6	9		oFin]	oFin]	oFin]		oFin]		Fin			0	6
1	17421	SSA	Davis, Ken	13	12	[39/N	[39/N	14	[39/N	[39/N	14	39/No	92.0	1
	7	5				oFin]	oFin]		oFin]	oFin]		Fin	0	7
1	17588	SSA	Jacob, James	[39/N	5	[39/N	12	1	[39/N	[39/N	39/No	39/No	96.0	1
	8	1		oFin]		oFin]			oFin]	oFin]	Fin	Fin	0	8
1	15663	SSA	Johnso n, Eric	[39/N	9	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	11	39/No	12	39/No	110.1	1
	9	1		oFin]		oFin]	oFin]	oFin]		Fin		Fin	00	9
2	18774	SSA	Clifton, Tip	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	18	10	[39/N	39/No	5	39/No	111.2	2
	0	1		oFin]	oFin]	oFin]			oFin]	Fin		Fin	00	0
2	17885	SSA	Glass, Adam	11	14	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	39/No	9	39/No	112.2	2
	1	7				oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	Fin		Fin	00	1
2	3889		Futcher , JR	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	39/No	15	13	39/No	13	119.2	2
	2			oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	Fin			Fin		00	2

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2	18809	SSA	Schoen	1	[39/N	[39/N	2	[39/N	[39/N	39/No	39/No	39/No	120.	2
3	5		e, Dave		oFin]	oFin]		oFin]	oFin]	Fin	Fin	Fin	00	3
2	18447	SSA	Whitacr	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	39/No	39/No	7	39/No	1	125.	2
4	2/ 15531 5		e, Hal	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	Fin	Fin		Fin		00	4
2	17035	SSA	McAndr	5	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	6	39/No	39/No	39/No	128.	2
5	5		ews, Brenda n		oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]		Fin	Fin	Fin	00	5
2	10270	SSA	Pickerin	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	22	[39/N	39/No	16	39/No	12	128.	2
6			g, Matt	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]		oFin]	Fin		Fin		00	6
2	38699	EYC	Downes	16	18	[39/N	21	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	39/No	39/No	133.	2
7			, Buck			oFin]		oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	Fin	Fin	00	7
2	16856	SSA	Tobin,	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	11	[39/N	9	39/No	39/No	39/No	137.	2
8	6		Quinn	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]		oFin]		Fin	Fin	Fin	00	8
2	18655	SSA	Roberts	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	16	39/No	8	39/No	39/No	141.	2
9	6		, Russ	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]		Fin		Fin	Fin	00	9
3	16844	SSA	Leonar	15	19	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	39/No	39/No	39/No	151.	3
0	0		d, Greg			oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	Fin	Fin	Fin	00	0
3	1	AYC	Houck,	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	39/No	1	39/No	39/No	39/No	157.	3
1			Scott	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	Fin		Fin	Fin	Fin	00	1
3	15172	SSA/ EYC	Cole,	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	39/No	3	39/No	39/No	39/No	159.	3
2	7		Andrew	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	Fin		Fin	Fin	Fin	00	2
3	17886	SSA	von der	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	39/No	39/No	39/No	39/No	5	161.	3
3	2		Wense, Nick	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	Fin	Fin	Fin	Fin		00	3
3	17107	SSA	Hinch,	[39/N	10	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	39/No	39/No	39/No	39/No	166.	3
4	5		Holger	oFin]		oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	Fin	Fin	Fin	Fin	00	4
3	88095	SSA	Schoen	12	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	39/No	39/No	39/No	39/No	168.	3
5			e, Matt		oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	Fin	Fin	Fin	Fin	00	5
3	16844	SSA	Merz,	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	14	[39/N	39/No	39/No	39/No	39/No	170.	3
6	7		Greg	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]		oFin]	Fin	Fin	Fin	Fin	00	6
3	15978	FBYC	Deutsc	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	[39/N	15	39/No	39/No	39/No	39/No	171.	3
7	5		h, Jon	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]	oFin]		Fin	Fin	Fin	Fin	00	7

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3	16958	SSA	Kron, Collin	[39/N oFin]	[39/N oFin]	[39/N oFin]	[39/N oFin]	17	39/No Fin	39/No Fin	39/No Fin	39/No Fin	173.00	3

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Division: Radial (14 boats) [\(top\)](#)

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<u>s</u>	<u>Sail</u>	<u>b</u>	<u>r</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>o</u>
1	19616	SS	Gerratt, Aaron	[4]	1	[15/No Fin]	2	3	[15/No Fin]	1	[15/No Fin]	7.00	1
2	17246	SS	Zselec ky, John	2	2	[15/No Fin]	1	[5]	2	[15/No Fin]	[15/No Fin]	7.00	2
3	19452	SS	Sliom, Dave	1	[15/No Fin]	1	7	1	[15/No Fin]	[15/No Fin]	[15/No Fin]	10.0	3
4	17559	SS	Gebhar dt, John	[5]	[5]	[15/No Fin]	4	[15/No Fin]	3	2	1	10.0	4
5	16847	SS	Haldem an, Dorian	3	[4]	3	[5]	4	[6]	3	[15/No Fin]	13.0	5
6	15300	SS	Westph al, Sandy	[8]	[15/No Fin]	[15/No Fin]	6	6	4	[15/No Fin]	3	19.0	6
7	69781	SS	Wesdyk , Russ	[15/No Fin]	[15/No Fin]	[15/No Fin]	[15/No Fin]	2	5	15/NoF in	2	24.0	7
8	84472	SS	Whitacr e, Hal	7	3	[15/No Fin]	[15/No Fin]	[15/No Fin]	[15/No Fin]	15/NoF in	4	29.0	8
9	17950	SS	Hetheri ngton, Brian	[15/No Fin]	[15/No Fin]	2	[15/No Fin]	[15/No Fin]	1	15/NoF in	15/NoF in	33.0	9
1	18053	SS	Cofer, Steve	[15/No Fin]	6	4	[15/No Fin]	[15/No Fin]	[15/No Fin]	15/NoF in	15/NoF in	40.0	1
1	18892	SS	Schoen e,	6	[15/No Fin]	[15/No Fin]	[15/No Fin]	[15/No Fin]	15/NoF in	15/NoF in	5	41.0	1

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				Lauren										
1	PUR	SS	Aceved		[15/No	[15/No	[15/No	8	7	[15/No	15/NoF	15/NoF	45.0	1
2		A	o,	Suzy	Fin]	Fin]	Fin]			Fin]	in	in	0	2
1	16102	SS	Moravel		[15/No	[15/No	[15/No	9	8	[15/No	15/NoF	15/NoF	47.0	1
3	5	A	,	Miguel	Fin]	Fin]	Fin]			Fin]	in	in	0	3
1	8574	SS	Schoen		[15/No	[15/No	[15/No	3	[15/No	15/NoF	15/NoF	15/NoF	48.0	1
4		A	e,	Andrew	Fin]	Fin]	Fin]		Fin]	in	in	in	0	4

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