

TOON TOWN sails away with 2013 San Diego NOOD & U20 Pacific Coast Championship

'Connecting the Dots' Proves Challenging for U20 Crews

Being successful at one-design buoy racing requires an intuitive knowledge and exceptional sailing skills to make sense (and use) of light to moderate, shifty and puffy wind conditions. Many that enjoy this sport call this aptitude "connecting the dots." The importance of this aptitude being never more evident at this past weekend's 2013 San Diego NOOD (National Offshore One Design) regatta.

The U20 class and 2013 Pacific Coast Championship was won by Los Angeles based Michael Eisenberg's *Toon Town*. The *Toon Town* team sailed extremely well throughout the weekend seemingly always in the right place at the right time in light and variable conditions. U20 Class President, Mark Allen and crew Katie Jacquemin and Peter Sharp finished second and also sailed efficiently in the challenging conditions. Steven Crooke and his *Mr. Happy* finished tied for second in points and was awarded third place after the tie-breaker. *Mr. Happy* was fast all weekend long and showed a masterful ability in 'connecting the dots'.

In contrast to the 2012 San Diego NOOD Regatta event, when a storm included waterspouts and hail, this year's races went off under more seasonal weather conditions that included morning fog, partly cloudy skies, and light to moderate winds out of the WSW, West and NW. The overall regatta drew more than 1,000 sailors in crews featuring all men, all women and mixed. Three local yacht clubs served as host venues for the annual event—San Diego, Mission Bay and Coronado. Coronado hosted the U20s, Vipers, Flying Tigers, I14, Catalina 38, and Buccaneers.

Nine U20s were on hand for the three-day event held over St. Patrick's Day weekend.

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Place	Sail #	Boat Name	Owner / Skipper	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	Total
1.	178	Toon Town	Michael Eisenberg	1	1	3	2	2	2	3	1	1	16.0
2.	26	Junta	Mark Allen	2	6	4	4	1	3	1	2	3	26.0
3.	67	Mr. Happy	Steven C Crooke	6	2	1	3	3	1	2	4	4	26.0
4.	19	Juiced!	Jim Ulatowski	3	7	2	1	4	4	4	3	2	30.0
5.	63	Redbeard	Brad Lawson	5	8	5	5	5	6	6	5	6	51.0
6.	222	222	Travis Gregory	8	5	7	6	7	7	5	8	10/ DNS	63.0
7.	253	Enigma	John O'Donnell	4	4	6	10/ DNS	10/ DNS	10/ DNS	10/ DNS	6	5	65.0
8.	138	DogOnIt	Alan Madsen	9	9	8	7	6	5	7	7	10/ DNS	68.0
9.	52	The Sparkle Pony Princess	Scot Tempesta	7	3	10/ DNS							

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