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## QUEEN CITY LADS CROWD 2 TOP REGATTA SPOTS SO TROPHY STAYS THERE

By **BILL THOMPSON**

Al Rae, Jr., and Laurie Muir, Jr., sons of two of Toronto's leading Tumblaren skippers, successfully defended the Aphrodite Cup for the Queen City Yacht club, won the six-race international junior regatta at R.C.Y.C. by an edge of three points.

### Take It Seriously

After a protest-filled first day, the youngsters settled down to the serious business of racing the nifty 12-foot Fireflies yesterday, and in a field of seven, the winning pair of 15-year-olds tallied a first, two seconds and a third. Consistently good sailing paid off with the prize.

Don Cass and Bill Darling of Royal Canadian finished the affair in second place with a total of 28½ points. Thus, the top quartet were all products of the Royal Canadian's Junior Club, currently conducted by Bud Whittaker, where youngsters receive a thorough grounding in racing technique.

With 25½ points, Harry Jemmett and Henry Connell of Kingston Yacht club placed third. First U.S. entry to place were Bill Stephanski and Wally Miller from Olcott, N.Y., who placed fourth in the series.

Final standing: Queen City 31½, Royal Canadian 28½, Kingston 25½, Olcott 23, Youngstown (New York) 16, Sodus Bay (New York) 15, Royal St. Lawrence 9.

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Laurie Metcalfe and Bill

"APHRODITE" CUP. AUGUST 1951



# QCYC Wins Junior Regatta By 3 Points

By **BOB FULFORD**

Queen City Yacht Club's entry of skipper Al Rae Jr. and crew Laurie Muir Jr.—both sons of prominent QCYC sailors—won the International Junior Regatta with smart sailing on Toronto Bay.

Rae and Muir yesterday earned a first, two seconds and a third to lift themselves from a second-place tie into first position among the four Canadian and three U.S. clubs entered in the two-day meet.

In the regatta's six races, two of which were run off Wednesday, they scored 31½ points, only three more than Don Cass and Bill Darling of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club, who placed second. The two Queen City 15-year-olds thus retained for their club the Aphrodite Cup, won in 1949 by Doug Hall and Doug Clapp.

It was ironic that the Queen City Club should take the regatta with Rae and Muir, because these two embryo tars have received most of their training at the Royal Canadian. They're both prominent members of Bud Whitaker's classes at the RCYC's junior club.

In sharp contrast to the first day's sailing, yesterday's competition produced only one protest. As a result of the lone murmur, the representatives from Olcott, N.Y., were disqualified for fouling both the RCYC and the buoy at the start.

Sailing generally was much better, after the youthful competitors—all under 17—had become accustomed to the Royal Canadian's fleet of 12-foot Fireflies. After showing signs of undue eagerness Wednesday, they settled down to what their elders like to call "serious sailing."

A surprise third in the point standings was the combination of 14-year-old skipper Harry Jennett and 13-year-old crew Hank Connell of Kingston Yacht Club. They scored 25½ points while Olcott, as a result of the disqualification, was cut from 26 to 23.

Fifth was Youngstown, N.Y., with 17 while Sodus Bay, N.Y., had 15 and Royal St. Lawrence (Montreal) 10.

Winds were stronger yesterday, sometimes going as high as 10 miles per hour, which, besides providing tough sailing, also forced the young contestants to flounder about in life jackets made for people twice their size.

Third race—Royal Canadian, 57:21; Queen City, 58:50; Olcott, 59:28; Kingston, 59:50; Royal St. Lawrence, 1:00.9; Sodus Bay, 1:00.46; Youngstown, 1:02.54.

Fourth race—Kingston, 59:40; Queen City, 1:00.29; Royal Canadian, 1:01.35; Royal St. Lawrence, 1:05.58; Youngstown, 1:06.10.

Fifth race—Queen City, 43:48; Youngstown, 44:10; Sodus Bay, 1:02.20; Olcott, 44:57; Royal Canadian, 45:01; Kingston, 45:35; Sodus Bay, 46:25; Royal St. Lawrence, 48:06.

Sixth race—Royal Canadian, 45:45; Sodus Bay, 46:22; Queen City, 47:44; Kingston, 48:04; Olcott, 48:44; Youngstown, 48:46; Royal St. Lawrence, 51:24.

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ing fathers who belong to the Queen City Yacht Club, Rae and Muir yesterday won the International Junior Regatta at the RCYC.

After some tough luck in the first two races on Wednesday, both went all out yesterday and in four races took two seconds, a first and a third to wind up the six-race series with 31½ points. Yesterday's races were a far cry from the opening ones which were infested with protests. After hearing ten in the first two on Wednesday, judges were relieved to find only one yesterday, that being under the anti-barging rule. The Olcott entry protested the RCYC but were disqualified themselves on the rule.

RCYC's Don Cass and Bill Darling finished second, three points back. Olcott finished third but dropped to fourth on the disqualification. That moved Kingston to third place. The Youngstown entry was fifth with Sodus Bay and Royal St. Lawrence trailing in that order.

The winners were awarded the Aphrodite Trophy at a dinner at the RCYC last night.

An invitation has been extended to the winning crew to name the RCYC as the site for next year's regatta. It's the winner's privilege to name the site and it is felt that it would be a fitting tie-up with the RCYC celebration of its centennial year.

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