

***** THE 1975 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP *****

The first World Championship of the Etchells 22 Class was held off Marblehead, Massachusetts, on September 18-21, under the auspices of the Eastern Yacht Club. Chairman of the E.Y.C. Race Committee was L. Pemberton Pleasants, and Chairman of the five-man International Jury was B. Devereux Barker, III. The series was designed for two races each on Thursday and Friday and one each on Saturday and Sunday. There was to have been one throw-out, only if all six races were completed. Good conditions favored the first two days, but the only race started on Saturday failed to finish within the 3½ hour time limit and Sunday's race was plagued with similar light winds yet they were able to finish.

Sailing with amazing consistency in the varying conditions, Randy Bartholomew was the decisive winner in the 26 boat fleet, with finishes of 2,1,2,2, and 9 for a total of 119 points. Randy sails out of Fleet #2 in Manhasset Bay, New York, and was previously National Champion of the class in 1972. In second place was Jory Hinman & Bill Kelly of Fleet #1 (WLIS) with 105 points and third place went to Peter Godfrey of Fleet #4 Marblehead with 100 points.

Although this year's regatta was plagued with "far from ideal" weather conditions, it was enlivened by the participation of Russel Slade from Australia, Peter Fairley from Scotland and Jack Outerbridge from Bermuda. They all used their own sails on chartered hulls. Slade finished a creditable thirteenth.

The results are as follows:

1.	152	Randy Bartholomew	Manhasset Bay	2	1	2	2	9	119
2.	151	George Hinman	W.L.I.S.	5	9	6	4	6	105
		William Kelly							
3.	92	Peter Godfrey	Marblehead	4	10	5	8	8	100
4.	132	Kevin Keogh	W.L.I.S.	11	7	10	6	2	99
5.	45	Robert Shattuck	W.L.I.S.	6	2	3	7	22	95
6.	62	David Curtis	Marblehead	15	20	4	1	1	94*
		Robert Danforth							
7.	136	Richard Howard	Marblehead	9	3	8	18	3	94
8.	133	Colin Smith	Marblehead	8	8	7	3	19	90
9.	60	James Pollard	Marblehead	21	12	1	5	13	83
10.	34	Benjamin Smith	Marblehead	12	11	9	9	20	74
11.	134	Robert Sides	Marblehead	1	18	WD	12	5	73
12.	161	Michael Cuddy	Narragansett Bay	13	4	13	11	23	71*
13.	KA13	Russell Slade	Australia	14	17	13#	13#	7	71
14.	61	Henry Cook	Marblehead	3	22	16	15	18	61
15.	141	David Larr	Oyster Bay	19	15	11	19	11	60
		Timmy Larr							
16.	169	Louis Piana	W.L.I.S.	24	19	15	10	10	57
17.	137	Don Landers	Detroit	10	DSQ	14	14	17	53
18.	25	Thomas Crotty	Freeport, Maine	22	14	16½#	16	14	52½
19.	69	James Grinnell	Marblehead	18	5	21	WD	16	49
20.	143	Robert Searles	Balboa, Calif.	7	23	20	DSQ	12	46
21.	39	Ralph De Luca	Marblehead	23	24	12	DSQ	4	45
22.	94	Robert Benkert	Detroit	17	6	DNS	17	DNS	41
23.	KB1	Jack Outerbridge	Bermuda	DSQ	13	19	21	15	40
24.	67	Arthur Briggs	Marblehead	25	WD	17	13	21	33
25.	78	Robert O'Connor	Marblehead	16	16	WD	DNS	25	25
		Eugene Thober							
26.	K1	Peter Fairley	Scotland	26	25	22	20	24	18

* Tie broken by boat finishing best in any one race

Breakdown points awarded based on average of other finishes

A day by day account of the 1975 World Championship will appear in the November issue of the newsletter.