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2007 C-Scow National Championship

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The 2007 C-Scow National Championship hit a new venue for 2007 and unfortunately, the sailing did not match the location. With a lack of breeze, the fleet struggled to get the minimum of three races in to get an official championship, but with hard work from the RC and patience from the sailors, three races were finished and the championship was decided. Jeff Annis and his crowd put on a great show as always and 48 boats at a venue as far away as 24 hours for several teams, showed that the C-Scow sailors are willing to travel with eleven states represented: Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan, Missouri, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, New York and Iowa.

Day 1 had a light breeze with fading pressure and eventually a shortened course to finish at a W3. Joe Schaub took the gun with Steve Avery, Mark Prange and Craig Heinze from Nagawicka and it is great to see a "N" at the Nationals! Several of the top teams were in the hunt, but were waiting for more sailing on day 2.

Day 2 saw another soaker with a race started and almost finished, but the time limit expired forcing the teams to go back home to the club with nothing to show for their efforts. This meant that two races needed to be completed to get a regatta and it was anyone's championship to win. Mark Prange took the win in Race 2 and perennial front runner, Kent Haeger took Race three giving Quantum all three race wins for the regatta!

Chris Andert from Minnetonka sailed a great regatta with a pair of seconds to tie with Mark, but the race win for the E-1 team gave Mark Prange his second National Championship of his career. Defending champion, Augie Barkow took home 8th spot while ILYA Champion Sam Rogers was 6th. The Quantum team represented themselves well with all three race wins, with five of the top ten. It was unfortunate that such a great venue was plagued with light wind. No matter, a good time was had by all and the breeze in the Midwest was not much better with light air racing at the MC-Scow event and no racing at

many club lakes due to light winds, it would not have been much better any closer to home.

Overall Results:

1. Mark Prange E-1
2. Chris Andert M-25
3. Steve Avery P-51
4. Joe Schaub T-17
5. Criag Heinze N-68
6. Sam Rogers I-42
7. Joe Skotarzak B-217
8. Augie Barkow V-11
9. Jim Tews A-22
10. Jeff Annis CH-1

Up next for the C-Scows will be the ILYA Invite at a always breezy, Clear Lake, IA, followed by the WYA and the ILYA Championship. Get your trailers ready for more great C-Scow racing.