

## "Greg Hatcher Wins 2004 Passage"

Greg Hatcher captained "Second Honeymoon" through conditions ranging from gusty 25-knot thunderstorms to flat calm to best five other boats in the 2004 "Passage"

Endurance Race for Sailors. His experienced crew of Charlie Burkelman, Reggie Fraser, Gene Mohr, and Richard Sorensen stretched their lead to a conclusive 2 hours after sailing through unscathed.

Second place skipper Johnnie Poole of "Jazz" said, " We got behind after losing control of the jib during a blow, and could never catch 'Honeymoon' again."

Several other boats had equipment failures or took temporary refuge during the early afternoon howler, but all continued after sorting out their boats and crews.

This was the second year for the 24-hour noon-to-noon continuous circuit of Lake Thurmond. Members expressed satisfaction with the unusual, self-scored format

Here are the official results-

<u>Place</u>	<u>Captain</u>	<u>Vessel Name</u>	<u>Result</u>
1st	Greg Hatcher	Second Honeymoon	2 laps plus buoy 10
2nd	Johnnie Poole	Jazz	1 lap plus Little River buoy 18
3rd	Ray Trenter	Rheama	1 lap plus buoy 44
4th	Phil Gibbs	Dreamchaser	1 lap plus buoy 26
5th	Kent Hensley	MacGregor	1 lap plus buoy 18
6th	Jim Claffey	More Wax	Withdrew