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Toronto, Ont. — Somebody forgot to change the record yesterday. So the Lake Yacht Racing Association regatta, with more than 100 boats competing, heard the same music it heard Monday.

Mother Nature, a single-minded dame if ever there was one, supplied the same brand of excellent breezes ranging up to 8 or 10 miles and backed them up with blue skies.

John Odenbach Jr., as single-minded a guy if ever there was one, took his Rochester Yacht Club 6-meter ace, Circe, over the finish line first by the same embarrassingly huge margin he did on Monday.

Newt and Ken Castle, another pair of single-minded RYC guys, took their crack R boat, Shadow, over the finish line first as on Monday, and by a margin as amazing as Circe's.

With the regatta due to finish today, here's how things are with Circe and Shadow.

Totem Ships to Third

Odenbach's 6-meter must practically fall apart to keep from retaining the cup she holds for that division, because RCYC's Totem, skippered by Bob Trow and second Monday, skidded to third yesterday.

The Castles' Shadow must watch just one boat, National Yacht Club's Diana, sailed by H. L. Howard, in order to keep the R Class trophy on the RYC shelves, for Diana took another second yesterday to remain in the picture.

But even an observer who does not favor going out on a nautical limb is literally forced by now to say that both the Circe and the Shadow are in classes by themselves. In fact, Circe not only led the closest other 6-meter by almost 5 minutes, but in so doing sailed through the entire earlier-starting R fleet and ended behind the Shadow.

But Odenbach and the Castles didn't make the only Rochester news today. In the medium cruising class, the well-handled blue-hulled yawl Azura 2d, owned by Ed Rosenberg and skippered by Rooney Castle, added an excellent second in corrected time to a Monday third, and went into a four-way tie for first place.

Azura's corrected time for the 9-mile-around triangle over which 58 larger boats raced was 1 hour, 30 minutes, 14 seconds, and she trailed only RCYC's Stormalong, tillered by J. A. Wardrop, in yesterday's finishes. Stormalong, which finished in 1:24:14, is the second of the four boats which threaten a real watery wrangle for the trophy today. Other two are L. F. Grant's Kingston entry, Tramp Royal, third in corrected time with 1:31:42, and Youngstown Yacht Club's Reverly, tillered by W. P. Montgomery, whose fourth place time yesterday was 1:38:29.

Heinrich fifth

John Heinrich's yawl, Blue Seas, added a sixth yesterday to Monday's fifth for a sound record, and Bill Gleason's Mouette second put a good sixth on top of Monday's poor 10th. Heinrich's corrected time was 1:46:03, Gleason's 1:44:57.

In the small cruising division, Stuart Phelps brought out his Nimbus, and teased her home in 1 hour, 38 minutes, 50 seconds corrected time for a good third spot. Phelps, however, is out of the running for trophies because he did not race the first race on Monday. Ditto for RYC's race chairman, Jeff Dale, who took his 30-square meter Pilgrim out for the first time. Pilgrim was started with the 6's and was clocked at 3:37:50.

In Nimbus' class, winner was Youngstown Yacht Club's Xanadu, sailed by W. A. Cannon, whose adjusted time was 1:33:56.

In the schooner division, F. Ritter Shumway's huge swank RYC Skookum took another second, again losing in corrected time to Royal Hamilton Yacht Club's Seneca, sailed by K. Wilson. Wilson finished in 1:45:19 and Shumway in 1:45:50, the latter's expert tillering and crowding on of all canvas, including a fisherman staysail, almost knocked off the Hamiltonian's time allowance.

Over eastward on a smaller triangle on which half a dozen assorted classes raced, the lone Rochester entry, John McIntosh of Algonquin Yacht Club added a sixth in the Lightning Class to Monday's fifth against hot competition, particularly from Buffalo Canoe Club. Winner yesterday was the famous Smithers-Crane BCC entry, Thermis, Bob Siemer of Niagara Sailing Club, Monday's winner, slipped only slightly to second, which leaves the Lightning set-to between these two craft if circumstances aren't jolted by accidents or flukes.

Half-hitches—The first division Alera, a New York No. 1, sailed H. J. Hunt of Youngstown Yacht Club, repeated her Monday victory over Waddell's H boat, Stranger, from the Royal Hamilton, in the 8-meter class, definitely the prettiest. The reheats continued with Bill Gooderham taking the gun again in Quest, and just to keep the same record playing, Col. W. J. Grant of ROYC won again in the large cruising division in his White Wings. Yesterday's course, laid out by LYRA Race Committee Chairman Bud Gorsline (of RYC) gave the skippers another triangle and the wind, although it flattened badly at one point, held true to offer both weather and spinnaker work.

RYC Commodore Bill Calkins, with Dave Bellamy and Harold Christy among the crew, watched the races from aboard his flagship Chanty yesterday.