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# LAKE RONKONKOMA

## Iceboat and Yacht Club

February.

<http://www.iceboatlongisland.com>

2017

### 'Feel the power': Ice boaters race across frozen Maine lake

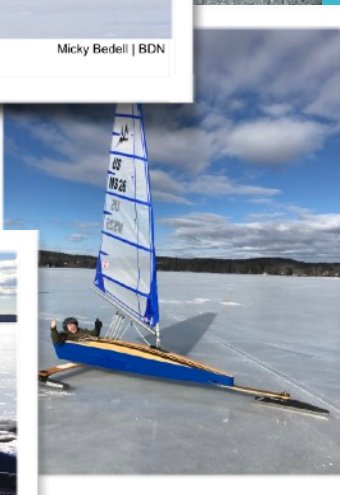
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Micky Bedell | BDN

An ice boater zips along on Monday on Damariscotta Lake in Jefferson.



### Message from the Commodore

At our February meeting we had a great rundown by our club participants in the DN Worlds and NA Championships. Chris Miller, Pete Truesdell, Scott Valentine and Hank Kaiser did well in representing our club.

Doug Adams gave us a report on his Maine sailing adventures. Great ice and camaraderie was found on Damariscotta Lake.

Since our last meeting warm weather has taken over our ice boating ambitions. However, plans are being made for our annual Awards Dinner. Trophies will be handed out.

The dinner this year will be in the Oar's Captain's Room on Sunday April 2nd from 3 - 6pm. It will be a served dinner (not a buffet). At our March 7th meeting, Fred Greis will present the dinner plans which will include a choice of appetizer and three entrée options.. This arrangement will be a slight departure from our past dinners but I'm happy to report that Fred said the cost will drop significantly. Please attend our March meeting to make your wishes known. Also please bring your cleaned and polished perpetual trophies to the March meeting.

Thanks,  
Ralph



## Racing News

The ISA and Renegade Championships called on for Battle Lake,  
Minnesota February 24-26, 2017



Picture via Jorden Glaser's FB page. "Sail and boom in cockpit and mast lashed to springboard and plank for tow back to pits."

"Eventful day in another world. Early breakfast followed by boat assembly. Very rough bumpy ice with high wind gusts. Sailed a bunch until my front runner blew off. Rescued by Jay, Jim, Steve, Mark and Bill. Towed back to the pits by the quad and later ran the fastest ISA meeting on record. The sport is about speed. Back to drawing board for the boat engineers and back to NY for me."

Jordon

### European DN Championships Series Standing 23 races scored

#### A Fleet

|                    |      |      |    |    |    |    |     |     |          |         |
|--------------------|------|------|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|----------|---------|
| #1 Karol Jablonski | 2    | 1    | 1  | 3  | 4  | 4  | 1   | (5) | 16 pts.  | P-35    |
| #15 Chris Berger.  | (35) | 13   | 18 | 13 | 33 | 5  | 11  | 11  | 121 pts. | US-51   |
| #19 James Thieler. | 9    | (35) | 23 | 29 | 26 | 17 | 30. |     | 140 pts. | US-5224 |

#### B Fleet

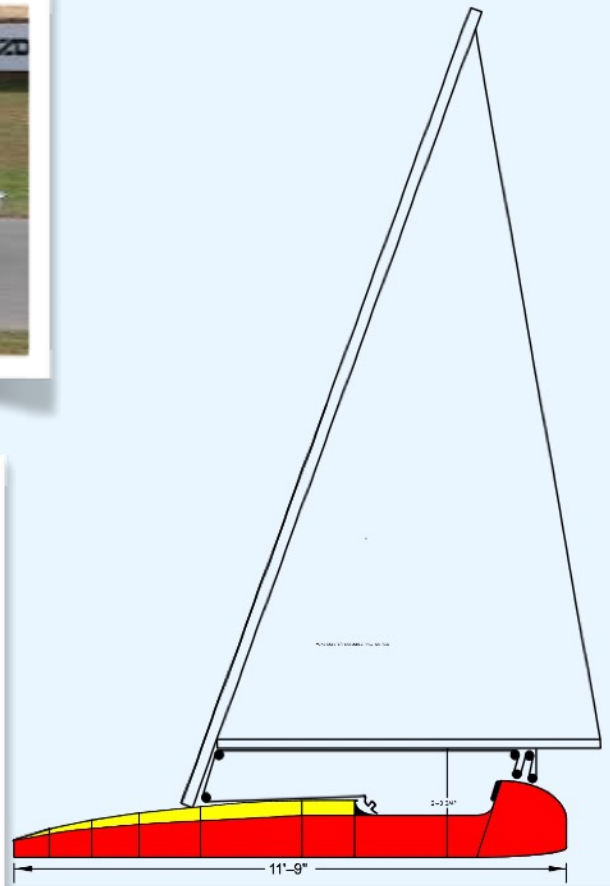
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|-------------------|----|----|----|----|------|----|----|----|---------|---------|
| #34 Eben Whitcomb | 27 | 30 | 32 | 26 | (34) | 33 | 33 | 34 | 215 pts | US-4775 |
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## No Ice? Two Choices, Bowl or Build

When I build my mind wanders and I continually think what would look better, what might sail better. The process always leads to some changes. Keeps me out of "class racing" but it keeps the building projects interesting. After completing Bob's Mini Skeeter I felt the boat would look nicer if it had a rear end instead of a garage door. The thought of using a DN mast, boom, sail and plank with a springboard seemed to fit the plan. Lots of those pieces around.

So another Mini is on the table with a rear end, think old Offenhauser, with a DN rig and plank. Won't be able to test until next year but anyone looking for a cruising, enclosed, easy to transport extended Mini might want to follow the progress at **Brewer Yacht yard at Greenport**

*Mike Acebo*





## For DREAMERS



2017 ISA Champion C Skeeter. – Pat T. Heppert  
Designer & Builder

This boat is not much larger than a J14 but has far superior performance. This is where the C Skeeter Class is now. Sure would be fun to put one of the boats together. Boatbuilding is not dead on Long Island!



This is how you start!