

Cracker Wins Again

The 2006 Indigo Trophy Race

by Jim Gallagher, Race Chairman

September 8th's running of MHYC's Indigo Trophy Race was won for the 2nd year in a row by MHYC's own T-10 Cracker (Team Sackett/Jackett/Jayne). The First-to-Finish Award was won by the new Vanpire (Team Van Heeckeren).



This year's Indigo Trophy Race featured a drifter-start, a steady Southwest 10-15 knot breeze, full-moon, sudden and heavy rain, and southern-sky electrical storm.

Soon after the challenging no-air start, a steady breeze and close-reach drove all sailors west along the shore. Once that ever-elusive and stealth Crib was rounded, a downwind run lead all competitors home in fast fashion.

Fifteen skippers/crews competed in this long-distance overnight race enjoying the challenges of navigation by instrument, steady winds, lack of sleep, and competition drawing from six area yachting clubs.

All MHYC sailors and sailor "want-to-be's" are encouraged to participate and support this unique event.

| 2006 Indigo Trophy Race Final Results | | | |
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| Overall Winner: | Cracker | Sackett/Rampe | MHYC |
| First-to-Finish: | Vanpire | van Heeckeren | MHYC |
| PHRF A | | | |
| 1 st | IT | Jim Sminchak | MHYC |
| 2 nd | Unbridled | Clay Mock | GRSC |
| 3 rd | Vanpire | Vim van Heeckeren | MHYC |
| PHRF B | | | |
| 1 st | Notorious | Bradd Knapp | GRSC |
| 2 nd | Saga | Dennis Jondle | EYC |
| T-10 | | | |
| 1 st | Cracker | Sackett/Rampe | MHYC |
| 2 nd | Legacy | Jim/Colleen Gallagher | MHYC |
| PHRF C | | | |
| 1 st | Finnair | John Ollila | GRSC |
| 2 nd | Kicks | Larry Gardner | CLYC |
| 3 rd | St. Nicholas | Vladimir Kilmnik | MLYC |



See you next year!