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## Host To The 2012 Shark Canadian Championships

With the support of over 90 volunteers and our returning Premier sponsor IP Strategies, the Nepean Sailing Club hosted a very successful Nepean One Design regatta on June 23rd – 24<sup>th</sup>, the largest NOD in recent history. The formula was straight-forward: start with a solid foundation of enthusiastic volunteers and partner Sponsorship support, add in a Shark Canadian Championship, throw in a bit of good regatta weather and well run races by a top notch Race Committee, mix in some fantastic post-race entertainment, and presto... you have a premier regatta!



A record 115 boats participated in ten fleets, coming from as far as Monmouth Boat Club in New Jersey and the Royal Hamilton Yacht Club, racing on three courses on Lac Deschenes. New fleets included Sharks and Martin 16s, with a strong return showing from fleets such as the Albacores and 505s. Thank you to all the fleet reps for getting the word out and encouraging your fleets to register. And a huge thank you to Michael Lee and the team of NSC and Fleet yard/harbor volunteers who assisted over 40 visiting club boats with launch/haul-out, storage, camping, and harbor mooring!

New Platinum sponsors Composition Composites Inc. (CCI) and Volvo Ottawa were on-hand for the weekend displaying their wares on the grounds, and out on the water Saturday checking out the racing action. Both Volvo Ottawa and CCI sponsored the complimentary Saturday and Sunday breakfasts respectively, and offered significant product incentives to registered teams. Kudo's to Tamara Terzic & team who did such a fantastic job attracting and caring for our Sponsors.



This year we also introduced a new web site ([nod.nsc.ca](http://nod.nsc.ca)) with an enhanced online registration system, more regatta information for participants, and constant news updates as we progressed towards the big event. A big shout out to

Warner Monteiro for his web design and database skills, and Michelle Torrie and the registration volunteers who shepherded everyone in the face of a large surge of late registrations and arrivals.

David Searle and his RC team did a fantastic job organizing and running three race courses, incorporating the added requirements of hosting a Shark Canadian Championship fleet, and maximizing the amount of racing in highly variable wind conditions. The RCO's included Greg Dargavel, Rick Anderton, and Ross Cameron. Fantastic job guys!

Although Saturday started light and variable, the winds soon strengthened from the North-West in beautiful Ottawa sunshine and most fleets were able to put 4-5 races into the books. Arriving back in harbor, sailors were greeted by the Caribbean sounds of The Nepean Panharmonics steel band, and Bajan appetizers served up by Take Home Barbados Chef. There was much discussion recounting the day's racing over a gourmet chicken dinner put together by NSC's own Galley crew. A draw was held with prizes provided by sponsors Advantage Boating, Atlantis Spa, the Chandlery, UK Halsey, and Robertson & Robertson Insurance. Then the party started as the Acoostic Shooters rocked the club deck until after midnight... was that Eric singing Lady Gaga? Yet another solid NOD when it came to Food & Entertainment thanks to Jay Morden!



All evening racing photos and video were displayed thanks to Blitzen Photography and videographer Scott Parker. If you didn't catch them, you can view them online through the NOD 2012 website, or visit [www.blitzenphotography.com](http://www.blitzenphotography.com) and get a set of your favorite photos.

Sunday saw poor racing conditions with little wind in the morning, and when both RC and competitors gamely headed out, a squall rolled in making any racing unfathomable before the 2 PM cut off. Only two protests were filed at the NOD on Saturday paving the way for quick scoring results. Many thanks to our Chief Judge Michael Nicoll-Griffith and the protest committee.



This year the NOD was host to the 2012 Shark Canadian Championships, C&C 27 Ontario Championships, and a counter regatta for the J/24 Quebec Championship and Ontario Series. The exciting results can be found on-line at [nod.nsc.ca/results](http://nod.nsc.ca/results). Capping Sunday's Awards ceremony with special guest Richard Kluska from IP Strategies, traveler awards were also presented to the farthest visiting boats in recognition of their important contribution to the Regatta's success.

Congratulations again to all the NOD Fleet winners and Crazy Ivan, winners of the 2012 Shark Canadian Championships, and all this year's competing Sharks!

The Nepean One Design has made a lot of progress these past years firmly re-establishing itself as a premier regatta event with wide accessibility thanks to the continued commitment of both our Sponsors and a team of talented volunteers. Let's do it all again together next year!

Michael Hoffman & Ross Ernst  
NOD 2012 Co-Chairs