



Adam MacDonald sailing with sister Joy and dad Larry (where is he, anyway??), waiting to start during the Miami leg of the 2010 Southern Circuit

## Spring Party a ‘Smashing’ Success

*Ruckus makes O.P. police blotter; homeowner arrested!*

April saw legions of Lightning Fleet 12 faithful once again flock to Orchard Park for the annual Lake Erie District Spring Party, generously hosted by Mark & Lora Grinder. It was nice to see so many sailors and supporters get together for food, fellowship and the annual ‘hiding of the beer cans’ festivities. We wonder whether Mark will ever find the stash.

Fleet 12 Skipper and Crew dues are... due. Skipper dues are \$25 and crew dues are \$5. Please either mail them to Ian Jones at his home address, or pay when you see him at the Club.

In other Fleet 12 news, Kevin Cavalieri was spotted putting his boat away for the winter last month – a sure fire sign that the sailing season is about to begin. Of note, we’ll be kicking off our racing schedule with the Eby Regatta on Saturday, May 22nd. Why join in the fun? To make sure your crew is around to get those dirty boat covers stowed away and put the mast up... all while you sit back and “supervise” the mayhem with an umbrella drink in hand. That, plus it’s a great opportunity to rekindle old friendships, meet new people and generally have a good time while taking in an early season sail on an otherwise empty bay!

If you’re interested in boat ownership or crewing on a lightning, we encourage you to introduce yourself to one of the many Lightning sailors around the Club. Also consider joining our email list serve, by clicking in the Yahoo icon on the bottom of this page to go directly to our group website, where you can read archived messages, see our schedule and receive emails about upcoming social events and crewing opportunities.

## Upcoming Lightning Events

### Regattas

5/15-5/16	Spring Classic at Pymatuning
5/22-5/23	Eby Regatta (Sun. if inclement weather on Sat.)
6/26-6/27	Lake Erie District Championships

### Fleet Racing

5/30-6/13	Eby Series (Sundays at 11:00)
6/08-6/22	Swanson/Starck (Tuesdays at 6:30)

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