

173 Sailboats Compete In 4th BBYRA Regatta

ISLAND HEIGHTS — One of the largest registrations in several years, 173 boats, raced here yesterday in the 4th championship regatta of the Barnegat Bay Yacht Racing Association.

The meet at the Island Heights Yacht Club was hosted by the Toms River club.

"BBYRA, celebrating its 50th year of racing, continues to outrank most other Atlantic Coast sailing associations in the size and quality of its regattas," Homer Dennis, association treasurer and historian, said.

"More than a hundred boats in a regatta, even in the New York area, puts it in the 'the big time,' while BBYRA championship meets never fail to draw well over a hundred," he said.

Of the 16 classes admitted for BBYRA competition, 13 are national classes. Many bay sailors go on to district and national competition each year and several have achieved Olympic fame, Dennis added.

Robin Brown of the Beachwood club sailed her Hot Rod to victory over 18 other Junior Penguins to give her four straight wins, the only perfect score of the season.

Don Sayia of the Seaside Park club, at the helm of the A Cat, Spy, scored his third straight victory for the Toms River Challenge Cup.

Mantoloking clubs' Lee De Camp and Runyon Colie Jr. won the prizes for B Sneakboxes and E Sloops, the Franklin Doan and

Horace Doan trophies, respectively.

John Uhlbrich of Lavallette YC outraced 14 other Flying Dutchmen for the Kirk Trophy in the afternoon. He also won the extra race in the morning.

A light easterly wind prevailed under cloudy skies.

Morning Races

M Sloops: 1. Joseph O'Neill, 2. Geoff Brown, 3. John Broome, all of Beachwood.

Junior Jets: 1. Warren Lubenow, Lavallette, 2. George Phillips, Beachwood, 3. Hansi Boon, Lavallette.

Junior Comets: 1. Steve Tyler, Island Heights, 2. Charles Horter, Island Heights, 3. Larry Deering, Lavallette.

B Sneakboxes: 1. De Camp, 2. Sally Van Duyn, Mantoloking, 3. Linda Clayton, Toms River.

A Sneakboxes: 1. Gary Sayia, Seaside Park, 2. Mike Spark, Beachwood, 3. Jo Ann Sutton, Toms River.

Senior Penguins: 1. James Godshalk, Mantoloking, 2. Bill Newman, Lavallette, 3. Gardner Van Duyn, Mantoloking.

Junior Penguins: 1. Brown, 2. John Heacock, Metedeconk River, 3. Janet Blindt, Normandy Beach.

Finns: 1. Carl Van Duyn, Mantoloking.

Extra Races

Flying Dutchmen: 1. Uhlbrich, 2. Bob Derr, 3. John Watson, all of Lavallette.

A Lightnings: 1. Jack Orelup, 2. Marge Alexander, 3. Bob Adams, all of Bay Head.

B Lightnings: 1. Ed Schwalje, Normandy Beach.

Afternoon Races

E Sloops: 1. Colie, 2. Cliff Campbell, Toms River, 3. Sam Merrick, Bay Head.

Flying Dutchmen: 1. Uhlbrich, 2. Art Lange, 3. Bob Derr, all of Lavallette.

A Cats: 1. Sayia, 2. Syndicate, Bat, Seaside Park.

A Lightnings: 1. Bob Adams, Bay Head, 2. Jim Carson, Metedeconk River, 3. Marge Alexander, Bay Head.

B Lightnings: 1. Bruce King, Ocean Gate, 2. Bill Schwalje, Normandy Beach.

G Sloops: 1. Bill Fortenbaugh, 2. Rod Edwards, both of Bay Head.

Senior Comets: 1. Charles Horter, 2. Fred Slack, both of Island Heights.

Senior Jets: 1. Robert Lange, Lavallette, 2. Frank Tubridy, Beachwood, 3. John Melchinger, Beachwood.