Races completed despite gusty winds

STAFF REPORT

Despite some gusting winds and a brief shower, the Barnegat Bay Yacht Racing Association completed all of its races yesterday on the Wanamaker Course (down bay).

With the Ocean Gate and Pine Beach yacht clubs co-hosting Week 6 of the series' 89th season, Dan Crabbe of Toms River Yacht Club won the Kenneth W. Mease Memorial Trophy for the first place in the sneakbox class. He was followed by Paul F. Armon and Russ Lines, both of Ocean Gate YC.

Also in the morning races,

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which featured an unusual 8-10 mph southeast wind, Tim Brown of Seaside Park Yacht Club won the Ralph Bush Memorial Trophy for winning the sunfish race. J.S. Callahan, Bay Head Yacht Club, and Andrew Lookup, Pine Beach Yacht Club, followed in second and third.

Jim Davison of the Shore Acres Yacht Club won the Marshall Trophy for taking first in the sanderling class during the afternoon races.

The only other trophy race -

the Beck Crabbe Trophy, a special start from anchor — went to the A Cat winner, Island Heights Yacht Club's Gary Stewart, who skippered the SPY during the afternoon races. Lightning, skippered by Steve Brick of Island Heights YC, and Torch, skippered by Peter Kellogg of Mantoloking Yacht Club, followed.

While winds gusted up to 20 mph in the afternoon, most everyone was able to complete their races, with only a handful of did-not-finishes reported.

The BBYRA returns up bay next Saturday when the Normandy Beach Yacht Club hosts

the seventh of 10 weeks of racing on the Green Island Course starting at 9:20 a.m.

The only trophy race scheduled is in the afternoon Sanderling class, which will compete for the Ted LaPier Trophy.

The schedule will be somewhat abbreviated. The E Scow fleet will be in Keuka Lake, N.Y., this weekend competing in its Eastern Championships, and the Lightning fleet will be away for the next two weekends competing in its North American Championships at Westport, Conn. The Ensigns, which race primarily down bay; M Scows; and A Cats are not scheduled.