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Thank you for helping out at this weekend's regatta. We were able to get some good races off even though we had to wait a few hours for the wind. We ran three races using dropped marks. We had positive feedback from members of all three fleets about the course and races. Conditions on Saturday were challenging because the wind, tide, and all of the traffic in the Bay.

When we arrived on station west of Goat Island and south of Rose Island in the morning, the wind was out of the north. We set up a course and tried to start a race but we had to postpone the start of the first race because of the wind started to fall and shift to the south. It took about two hours before the wind fully shifted and filled in. Ida was moved a few times as the wind shifted. The mark boat crews also had to pick up marks while this was going on. Once the wind settled down, we were able to anchor Ida, set the course up, and run races with a course axis of 210. Even though the wind was fairly consistent, we did have to adjust the starting pin several times to keep the line square to the wind. We had the pin boat set up a finish line on the other side of the boat from the starting line. This enabled us to start and finish races at the same time which we did to account for difference in the relative speeds of the classes.

Although the wind was absent at the start of the day, Saturday was a great day on the water. The race committee was kept busy and all members performed their jobs very well. We had a little down time while waiting for the wind. Socrates was also able to view the new course board from the water!

All in all, it was a very pleasant day of race committee work and I appreciate all of your help.

Thanks again for volunteering for the race committee.

Warmest regards,

Guy