

2026 RC Laser Southern Circuit The Villages Regatta

February 17, 2026

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The Villages Model Yacht Squadron hosted the 2nd Regatta for the RC Laser Southern Circuit. The wind and direction was a perfect 10 out of 10 for the day. Races started on time with Bruce at the Committee helm for the day. We managed 16 quality races each 2+ laps with a few breaks for rest and refreshment as the heat was turned up. The fleet started with A sails for a number of races but moved to B in the afternoon as the wind picked up. Later in the day the sailors had a mix of A and B sails making interesting sailing – Who got it right. The answer Jim Kaighin with 10 first place finishes no race more than 3rd place. He also finished with 6 bullets in a row for the last races of the day. Larry Lefczik sailed steady and cemented a solid second place. One of our fellow sailors Eric Leitner finished in 3rd place. We never did get to use our **new** crash boat, a testament to the quality of sailing. It was our pleasure to host a terrific group of sailors and we hope to continue to support the RC Laser Southern Circuit.

Thanks sailors and volunteers all for a terrific event!

Summary: RC Laser Southern Circuit The Villages Regatta

Dates: February 17, 2026

Location: Ashland Pond, The Villages Florida

Host: The Villages Model Yacht Squadron (TVMYS.org)

Entries: 12

Winds: East Winds 3-12

Races Completed: 16

Scoring: Low Point (3 total throw-outs)

Race Committee and Volunteers:

Bruce Farr – Race Officer

John Mowry – Race Organization

Doug Roe, Dan Sweet, Mike Vanover, Rich Border – Scoring and Finish

Joe Devine – Lunch and Drinks

Lonnie Cardinuto, Adely Madeiros – Crash Boat and general help

John Santoro – Awards and Fleet Captain

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Place	Skipper	Home State	Points
1	Jim Kaighin	Bahamas	16
2	Larry Lefczik	Florida	30
3	Eric Leitner	Florida	40
4	John Santoro	Florida	52
5	Robet Tallman	Florida	63
6	Tim Follette	Florida	64
7	Glenn Chalder	Connecticat	85
8	Bob Shapiro	Massachusetts	100
9	Clark Fremgen	Wisconsin	102
10	Jacques Rioux	North Carolina	111
11	Alan Perkins	Florida	115
12	Barry Kuehl	New York	147

Lazer		Scoring: RRS Appendix A																	
Sail	Sailor	Rank	Tot	R 1	R 2	R 3	R 4	R 5	R 6	R 7	R 8	R 9	R 10	R 11	R 12	R 13	R 14	R 15	R 16
757	Jim Kaighin	1	16	2	3	1	2	2	1	1	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
03	Larry Lefczik	2	30	1	2	2	3	1	5	2	12	3	3	5	2	4	2	2	3
732	Eric Leitner	3	40	8	4	3	1	5	2	3	2	1	2	4	5	7	4	5	4
36	John Santoro	4	52	9	1	6	7	4	6	8	1	4	4	2	6	8	3	6	2
87	Robert Tallman	5	63	6	6	5	6	7	3	5	9	6	6	10	4	2	5	4	5
85	Tim Follette	6	64	5	5	4	5	3	7	6	4	7	5	3	13	3	7	7	8
42	Glenn Chalder	7	85	3	7	7	9	8	8	4	6	11	7	9	9	5	6	10	6
17	Bob Shapiro	8	100	7	8	8	8	6	10	10	10	5	11	12	3	9	9	8	9
19	Clark Fremgen	9	102	10	10	10	10	11	4	7	7	8	8	7	10	10	8	3	10
11	Jacques Rioux	10	111	11	9	9	11	9	11	9	8	10	9	8	8	6	10	9	7
14	Alan Perkins	11	115	4	11	13	4	13	9	11	5	9	10	6	7	13	13	13	13
02	Barry Kuehl	12	147	12	12	11	12	10	12	12	11	12	12	13	11	11	11	11	11

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