## **REISCHMANN WINS J-24 FLEET CHAMPIONSHIP**

Pat Reischmann edged Mike Funsch for the Suncoast J-24 Fleet 86 Championship, December 11-12, in wet and windy conditions on Tampa Bay. The SPYC hosted event attracted a highly competitive fleet of 13 J-24s for the five race series. The biggest competition turned out to be the weather, which kept three boats in port Sunday when winds blew 18-22 knots steady with gusts to 25-30.

Reischmann, aboard Bruce Neubauer's JATO, put together finishes of 4-1-1-4-3 for 11 points to edge out Mike Funsch aboard IMPULSE. Mike, who arrived home from Georgia Tech at 0400 for the Christmas Holidays, still managed to make the line for the 0940 start and finished 3-3-4-1-2 for 11 points. John Jennings aboard BLACK STAR appeared to have the series well in hand until he hit the starting line before the gun in the fourth race. His finishes of 1-2-2-PMS-1 were still good for fourth overall.

Rod Johnson headed the Race Committee, ably assisted by Darlene Clark, Carolyn Watters, Don Sorenson and Gordon Flaherty.

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