



Full Metal Jacket at Award Ceremony



Tiller Team waves victory



Tiller and Sehested team

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## **Day Four at the 2012 Knickerbocker Cup – Tiller takes the Cup!**

Port Washington, NY- Sunday, September 2, 2012 started the fourth and final day of the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Long Island's premier Match Racing Series, the Knickerbocker Cup held at Manhasset Bay Yacht Club (MBYC) in Port Washington, NY.

Today's drama started with **Tiller** knocking out **Barkow** in a light air battle and winning the Semi-Finals. In those light air conditions one race of the finals and Petit Finals resulted in **Tiller** up one nil and **Barkow** up one nil. Then they waited for wind for several hours with a 3:30PM deadline looming. In a building southerly breeze **Tiller** lead **Sehested** into breeze and onto winning the cup.

Thank you to veteran match commentators, Paul Cuneo, Chris Love, Doug Shannon and Bill Canfield for daily highlight videos, photos and results will be available on the MBYC website: [www.knickbockercup.org](http://www.knickbockercup.org)

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## **Results – Day Four:**

### **Final Scores**

1. Tiller, Full Metal Jacket Racing (NZL)
2. Sehested, TRE-FOR Match Racing ((DEN)
3. Sally Barkow, Team Sperry (USA)
4. David Gilmour, Team Gilmour (AUS)
5. Peter Wickwire, Wickwire Match Racing (CAN)
6. Jordan Reece, Estate Master Sailing Team (AUS)
7. Taylor Canfield, Canfield Racing (ISV)
8. Peter Nicholas, Freshie Racing Team (AUS)
9. Vladimir Lipavsky, Moscow Match Race Team
10. Jon Singesen, USMMA Kings Point Sailing (USA)

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## **Will Tiller Captures 30<sup>th</sup> Knickerbocker Cup**

MBYC, Port Washington, NY - Will Tiller, Full Metal Jacket Racing (NZL), with crew Brad Farrand, Harry Thurston, Jono Spurdle and Shau Mason, was crowned the 2012 Knickerbocker Cup Champion today. Tiller defeated Nicolai Sehested, Tre-For Match Racing (DEN) in the two races to win the 2 point final. In the Petit Finals Competitor, Sally Barkow, Team Sperry (USA) bested newcomer David Gilmour, Gilmour Racing (AUS) to claim third place.

For his efforts, Competitor will have his name permanently affixed to the Knickerbocker Cup along with other match racers such as Dave Perry (USA), Ed Baird (USA), Terry McLaughlin (CAN), Paul Cayard, USA, Peter Gilmour, (AUS), Russell Coutts, (NZL), and most recent Kiwi onslaught: Reuben Corbett ( NZL) Phil Robertson (NZL) and Laurie Jury (NZL). They also receive an automatic entry into the Argo Group Gold Cup at the Royal Bermuda Yacht Club in Hamilton, Bermuda in early October.

The final deciding race was a cliff hanger for everyone, because no one knew if it would happen. With a 3:30 deadline looming, a very light southerly began filling in, just allowing the final race to be sailed. Will Tiller's experience in the Swedish Match 40s, which were on loan from Oakcliff Sailing, proved decisive, overcoming Nicolai's slight advantage after the start in Race 1 of the finals.

2012 marks the 30<sup>th</sup> Knickerbocker Cup, begun at Knickerbocker Yacht Club in 1982. MBYC has hosted the Cup since 2009 with quite a few families in the Club hosting the teams during their visits.

The US Grand Slam is a four event series, of which the KCup is the third. Taylor Canfield leads the standings even with his

Special thanks to Dawn Riley, Executive Director, Oakcliff Sailing Center, for loaning their Swedish Match 40s to the Knickerbocker Cup.

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2012 Knickerbocker Cup Final Scores



1	William Tiller (NZL)	Full Metal Jacket Racing
2	Nicolai Sehested (DEN)	TRE-FOR Match Racing
3	Sally Barkow (USA)	Team 7 Match Racing
4	David Gilmour (AUS)	Team Gilmour
5	Peter Wickwire (CAN)	Wickwire Racing
6	Jordan Reece (AUS)	Estate Master Sailing Team
7	Taylor Canfield (ISV)	Team CMRC
8	Peter Nicholas (AUS)	Freshie Racing Team
9	Vladimir Lipavsky (RUC)	Moscow Match Race Team
10	Jon Singen (USA)	USMMA Kings Point Sailing

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**Photo: Tiller in exciting match with Gilmour**

## **Knickerbocker Cup at Manhasset Bay Yacht Club** **Press Release Friday, 8/31/12**

Port Washington, NY- Friday, August 31, 2012 started the second day of the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Long Island's premier Match Racing Series, the Knickerbocker Cup event held at Manhasset Bay Yacht Club (MBYC) in Port Washington, NY. The breeze today was steady from the northwest between 15-16 knots and flat water conditions.

The race committee completed six round robin flights today. A total of seventeen flights, of which 16 were completed today for a total required 45 round robin races. After the initial round robin we narrowed down to quarter finals with 8 remaining teams: ranked #1: **Nicholai Sehested**; #2: **William Tiller**; #3: **David Gilmour**; #4: **Peter Wickwire**; #5: **Sally Barkow**; #6: **Jordan Reece**; #7: **Taylor Canfield**; and #8: **Peter Nicholas**. Vladimir Lipavsky and Jon Singen were eliminated.

The race committee was able to successfully complete half of the second stage Quarter Final Knockout with the following results:

- In the first two flights **David Gilmour** and **Nicholai Sehested** had a 2:0 lead over their competitors.
- **Sally Barkow** split races with **Peter Wickwire**. In the first race she was ahead and the race was abandoned because **William Tiller** wrapped his keel. Eventually she won the first race. In the second race **Barkow** misjudged the starting line and **Wickwire** won the race, resulting in tying the series 1:1.
- **William Tiller** dropped the first match after making a good comeback and was unable to claim victory because he could not hoist the spinnaker in time.
- In the second match **Taylor Canfield** forced **William Tiller** over the start line and received a penalty in this race, but the race was abandoned due to a race committee procedural error.
- In the third match **Taylor Canfield** was behind at the first mark and **William Tiller** wrapped the mark around the keel, which he eventually had to cut it loose. The race committee awarded him a second penalty (first being over early at the start) and completed his turns but

unfortunately he was inside the zone and had to restart resulting in Canfield winning the match. In the next match **Canfield** was over early and **Tiller** hit **Talyor's** boat in the stern. Tiller received an additional three quarter penalty from the race committee.

- In the final match of the day **Taylor Canfield** and **Tiller** was able to win victory tying the series 1:1. **Canfield** successfully completed all his races today to put him in seventh place and to qualify for the Quarter Finals.

On-site commentary provided by veteran match race commentators, Paul Cunio, Bill Canfield, and Doug Shannon. Daily highlight videos, photos and results will be available on the MBYC website: [www.knickbockercup.org](http://www.knickbockercup.org)

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#### **Summary of the second day of Round Robin Flights 1-17:**

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Total Races</b>	<b>Total Win</b>	<b>Total Loss</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>Nicolai Sehested</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>William Tiller</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>David Gilmour</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>Peter Wickwire</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>Sally Barkow</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>Jordan Reece</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>Taylor Canfield</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>Peter Nicholas</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>Vladimir Lipavsky</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>Jon Singsen</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>

Racing continues tomorrow at 0900 with the completion of the Quarterfinals match race 3. Please sign on to our web site at: [www. Knickerbockercup.org](http://www.Knickerbockercup.org) and watch the streaming video of the day's events.

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Manhasset Bay Yacht Club hosts 30<sup>th</sup> annual Knickerbocker Cup

Ten of the world's top skippers sailed into town this week to compete in one of the world's premier yacht racing events, the Knickerbocker Cup at Manhasset Bay Yacht Club. Part of the 2012 Grand Slam Series of match races on the Long Island and the Great Lakes, the race offers the largest cash prize in the series, with the winner advancing to Bermuda's Argo Group Gold Cup, a World Match Racing Tour event.

In all, 50 sailors representing 10 international teams from Australia, Canada, Denmark, New Zealand, Russia, U.S. Virgin Islands and the U.S. compete in a series of match races over 4 days. Match racers sail one boat against another, with 3 sets of competitive boat on the race course at one time. A round robin of 3 races makes up one flight, with 8 flights scheduled for Thursday, August 30.

In first-day action, in moderate winds early, then light winds in the afternoon, Denmark's Nicholai Sehested of Tre-For Match Racing, sailed to 7 first-place finishes with one losses after 8 flights. New Zealand's William Tiller and Full Metal Jacket Racing recorded the same 7-1 record.. Racing continues through Sunday, September 2.

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