

Race Report from Sam Morrell 26/10/11.

The Optimist World Championships will be held in the DR next summer and I am trying to make the best out of this by getting to know the place which is key to doing well as I plan to compete.

This weekend my race coach Santiago Gallan and my fellow Virgin Island team mates Scott Mckenzie and Paige Clark accompanied me to the DR for a local regatta. Scott Mckenzie got First, Paige Clarke getting Fourth and my fellow DR sailor Justina Pacheco got third with myself coming Second.

The conditions were ideal for Scott but not so much for Justina and I. It was really light on the first day but in the end it got better as the wind picked up to 10 to 15knots on the second day. On the first day it was bellow 10 knots which is Scotts ideal conditions as you can see in the image attached to the email.

On the first day I was in 3rd but the next day I pulled in to 2nd by the end of the regatta.

The experience was good. We got to try some new sails in different conditions in the days in the clinic before the regatta started and our knowledge of the wind there and the current is going to get better as we aim to go to the DR as much as possible between now and next Summer.

From,

Sam Morrell

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OPTIMIST A

Rank	SailNo	HelmName	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	Total	Nett
1	ISV 9	SCOTT MCKENZIE	1	2	1	2	1	1	3	4	15	11
2	BVI 6	SAM MORRELL	7	4	2	1	5	2	1	3	25	18
3	DOM 27	JUSTINA PACHECO	2	1	4	5	4	4	5	1	26	21
4	ISV 333	PAIGE CLARKE	3	3	5	4	2	6	2	2	27	21
5	DOM 43	NATALIE NORDBRUCH	6	7	3	6	3	5	4	13 (OCS)	47	34
6	DOM 99	MATILDE ALVAREZ	4	6	9	3	7	8	7	7	51	42
7	PUR 397	ANDRE REGUERO	5	9	7	10	11	3	9	5	59	48
8	DOM 16	PAULA VARONA	8	8	8	7	8	7	6	9	61	52
9	DOM 29	MARIA PAZ PACHECO	9	5	10	9	9	10	12	6	70	58
10	DOM 88	JUAN MARTIN PACHECO	13 (DNS)	10	6	8	10	11	8	8	74	61
11	DOM 2	DANIELA BORRELL	10	11	11	11	6	9	11	10	79	68
12	DOM 23	GABRIEL ARIZA	11	12	12	12	12	12	10	11	92	80

OPTIMIST B

Rank	SailNo	HelmName	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	Total	Nett
1	DOM 87	SANTIAGO PACHECO	9 (DNS)	4	3	1	3	1	1	3	25	16
2	DOM 4	JOHNNY ZACHARIAS	2	3	1	3	1	2	5	4	21	16
3	DOM 93	LUCIE BRUNET	3	2	2	6	2	4	3	1	23	17
4	DOM 6	LUDOVIC SALLIO	1	1	4	5	5	3	6	5	30	24
5	DOM 18	ELISABETH NIANG	4	5	5	4	6	5	4	2	35	29
6	PUR 208	RICARDO VALENZUELA	9 (DNF)	6	6	2	4	6	2	6	41	32
7	DOM 12	THEO NIANG	5	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	54	47
8	DOM 23	NICOLAS CANAL	6	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	62	54

OPTIMIST C

Rank	SailNo	HelmName	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total	Nett
1	PUNI	CAMILO ARENAS	1	4 (DNS)	1	1	1	1	9	5
2	S/N	JAVIER VARGAS	2	1	2	2	3	3	13	10
3	DOM 15	REBEKAH FRANCO	3	2	3	3	2	2	15	12