



WESTERLEIGH CUP DAY ONE HELPS TEAMS PREPARE FOR SIX METRE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

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Race report Day 1 of the Westerleigh Cup

The wind filled in from the West after a short AP postponement onshore, the 6mR fleet had a lovely light air race day on English Bay.

Modern Division started first with the fleet continuing the long starboard tack towards the shore. The weather mark was fairly far off shore tempting teams to port tack for the weather mark early. SUI 77 Junior lead at times throughout the day, US 118 Courage and CAN 129 New Sweden were all in top spots.

Classic Division took a similar approach to the course sailing the shore side up wind. US 87 dominated the first race, followed by US 81 and US 96 engaged in a race for 2nd. The second race US 55 Lucie moved into lead the second weather rounding, with E 16 Bribon and US 43 Sprig filling out the top spots.

Tomorrow the racing is scheduled to start at 1100 for the final day of the Westerleigh Cup.

For full results and links to daily pictures visit <http://6mvancouver2017.com/>

Hosted by the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club (RVYC), the Six Metre World Championship takes place from September 17 to 21 with 47 yachts from 11 countries participating. This is the first time Canada has hosted the regatta since it began in 1973.

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