



Space Coast Model Sailing Club hosted the 2020 R7 IOM Winter Championship.

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The Region 7 IOM Winter Championship was held this past weekend, December 12th and 13th, in Melbourne, Florida at Wickham Park, home of Space Coast Model Sailing Club. Ten skippers were in attendance and eager to get some competition before the new year.

Saturday we all listened to the wrong weather forecast apparently. We were expecting sunny skies and warm temperatures and got just the opposite. We ended up with cloudy and cool conditions and occasional rain. Not too bad though for sailing. The winds were light (3-6 mph) out of the southeast and by 4pm we were able to get in 18 races. On Sunday we got the sunny skies we were hoping for, but unfortunately the wind was extremely light with large shifts in direction. We were able to complete 6 races, but a few of those turned into a drifting match with the winner catching the last puff.

All in all, it was a fun weekend with the most skilled and consistent skippers taking the podium spots. Steve Landeau was 3rd with 83 points, Baron Bremer was 2nd with 77 points and Tony Gonsalves 1st with 48 points. Walter House took home the sportsmanship award. (A bottle of Mount Gay rum!) Full Results:

<http://nebula.wsimg.com/e07a35beda3f2185980509557b22c89e?AccessKeyId=E50D297A20ABB39625C1&disposition=0&alloworigin=1>

Special thanks go out to Dave Young, commodore of the SCMSC, and the rest of the shore support team for hosting this successful regatta.

Boats Sailed:

1st	Cheinz 2
2nd	MX20
3rd	Cheinz 2
4th	Sedici
5th	K2
6th	Britpop
7th	Britpop
8th	Britpop
9th	Britpop
10th	Topiko