John Taylor is in Venice Beach, FL.

Region 7 (IOM) Championship.

My first regatta since moving from the UK. A great 2 days with light variable winds between 2 - 10mph. This regatta is the equivalent to a UK ranking event. Equally though, there were a lot of expensive yachts on show, so I didn't want to scratch anything with my 3D printed low budget prototype.

This weekend, I was very much the new kid in town as most of the fleet of skippers had never competed with me before. Yet, there were the few who kept an eye on me, because we had raced in past events some years before.

Overall, I'm happy with the performance of my IOM, it seems to do most things well. Congratulation to Barr Batzer for winning the regatta, he remains in good form and is the current class US Champion.

Many thanks goes to Peter Feldman and his race team who put on a very enjoyable event despite the challenges when setting courses due to the ever-changing wind conditions.



