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Peter Duncan's *Relative Obscurity* Nails Perfect Day at J/70 Midwinter Championship

Miami, FL, USA – February 23, 2019 – A fresh breeze in the mid-teens on Biscayne Bay made for an exciting Saturday for 50 J/70s competing to be the 2019 J/70 Midwinter Champion. Three more races were accomplished, bringing the total to six, five of which have been won by Peter Duncan's *Relative Obscurity*. Now able to drop a fourth, the Rye, NY-based skipper keeps five bullets for a mere 5 net points. Brian Keane's *Savasana* moved solidly into second place with 19 points, following consecutive second-place finishes Saturday and discarding an eight. Bruce Golison's *Midlife Crisis* holds the bronze position with 31 points. Four teams (*Empeiria*, *Catapult*, *Mr. Pitiful* and *Honeybadger*) are within 10 points of *Midlife Crisis*. Scott Sellers' *Donkey McFly* held its top spot in the Corinthian division. This event, hosted by Coral Reef Yacht Club in Miami, FL, is a qualifier for the 2020 World Championship to be hosted by California Yacht Club (2 Open berths and 1 Corinthian berth).

Duncan's team of Will Felder, Willem Van Waay and Bill Hardesty opened Saturday the same way they did Friday—with back-to-back triumphs, and then added a third. Looking ahead at them in the day's first race were Ryan McKillen's *Surge* and Joel Ronning's *Catapult*. The trailing teams in the middle duel were Keane's *Savasana* and Michael Goldfarb's *Warcanoë*. And completing the top three to end the day were *Savasana* and John Heaton's *Empeiria*.

Racing concludes Sunday. Photos are available on the USA J/70 Class Facebook page, and complete results may be found at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=6070>.

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