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### NIAGARA SAILING CLUB (59)

Lake Erie District

Based on Niagara River, Grand Island, New York

Fleet Captain	Walter Webb
Fleet Secretary	Stuart Anderson
Fleet Champion	Joe Holler
Runner-Up	Walter Webb

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
42	George May	
276	Jay Bee	Jean Merloff
456	Olive M	Earl & Olive Johnson
714	Slow Poke	Ralph Bloom
1009		Percy Bowen
1224	Lu Jim	James Milliron
1583	Cu-Nim	R. L. Aschenbach
1676	Salt Shaker	Robert H. Seiner
1903	Glockenspeil	Stuart Anderson
1904	Blue Goose	Fred Siemer
2346	Tillicum	Joseph & Irving Holler
2929	Bixten	Audrey Rothwell
3132	Jigtime	John Cryer
4032	Judy Ann	Dick Bowen
4185		George Kroening

The Niagara Sailing Club had a wonderful season starting with a race around Grand Island in the Niagara River on Decoration Day. We always get kidded about racing in the current and not much wind. We had races scheduled every week end from May until October and only one race was cancelled and that was because of rain. Besides a busy season at home, we had contestants in 7 away from home regattas.

Stu Anderson trailed "Glockenspeil" to Toledo and finished 7th in the Great Lakes Championships.

We had four entries at Royal Hamilton Yacht Club Regatta. Bob Seiner brought home the 3rd place trophy, after winning one race in which he beat a couple of "hot sailors", Dick Krauss and Doc Murphy.

Seven boats went to the District Regatta where Joe Holler got off to a slow start but ended up fine with a 1st and 2nd in the last 2 races and coming home with 5th place trophy. All our other entries were in the top half of the fleet.

Bob Siemer attended L.Y.R.A. Regatta at Toronto and finished fourth with lots of keen competition from the best boats in the District.

Niagara River Championships, annually sailed at our club, attracted 30 entries. This Regatta usually turns out fine for our boats, because in the past, one of our boats has always won, and often the club has places 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. This year things were different, we planned to show these "hot skippers" from the Buffalo Canoe Club how to sail in the River. The results turned out a little differently with Bob Graf winning this Regatta just before leaving for Spray Beach to become International Lightning Champion. Second went to Bob Coleman and third to Jack Sharpe all from B.C.C. Our best entrant was Watt Webb who finished 4th.

We always look forward to the presentation of trophy at this Regatta and we present the nicest flags we have seen anywhere. They are hand made by Earl and Olive Johnson and are really beautiful.

In 1953 we hope to have this regatta the weekend before the Lake Erie Districts which are also to be sailed on the Niagara River. There is a division of opinion here whether we are doing this to give the Lake sailors a chance to get used to the 3 mile current or for us to take a lesson from them so we can do better.

We invite and hope to see entries from all the Yacht Clubs in our District. They can attend the Niagara River Regatta with its "Free Lunch" and then leave their boats and have them there the following weekend for the District Regatta.

N. S. C. had four entries in the Championship of Canada held in Toronto, Canada, in conjunction with their World Famous Canadian National Exhibition and they gave us a very nice time. B. Seiner was 2nd, W. Webb 4th, S. Anderson 6th, and J. Holler 7th.

Two boats went to Spray Beach for the Presidents Trophy Regatta. Joe Holler brought home 5th place trophy and S. Anderson was 14th in the fleet of 48 boats. Bob Seiner and Bud Kroening finished off the season at the Snowball Regatta where Seiner again finished 2nd.

One of our new members, Fred Steiner and his wife, Laura, did exceptionally well with the first season of Lightning sailing. He finished 3rd in our Championship series, Watt Webb with his wife Page 2nd, and Joe Holler having a terrific year with a nearly perfect score of 4 wins in 5 races to take 1st place.

Joe Holler won the Wardel Lightning Series with B. Seiner 2nd, and Fred Steiner and S. Anderson tied for 3rd.

Bob Aschenbach was chosen District Commodore and we know he will do a wonderful job.

We are sorry to lose two fine sailors and tough competitors, Page and Watt Webb. Watt has gone back to M. L. T. in Boston and we hope they will be back next summer.

Our past Commodore, Jack Cryer, purchased their boat, Jigtime, and had it really moving at the end of the season.

George May purchased Lightning No. 42 and plans to busy winter in getting it in top shape.

Dick Bowen bought Herm Hollers "Judy Ann" and was a tough competitor in all races.

We invite any Lightning sailor who gets in the vicinity of Buffalo and Niagara Falls to drop in on a summer weekend. Our Club house is on the East River Road of Grand Island, half way between the N. & S. Bridges.

Come to the Lake Erie Districts. Niagara Sailing Club and Sandy Beach are trying to make it the "Best Ever in 1953".

### JAYHAWK FLEET (60)

Kansas-Oklahoma District

Based on Lake Shawnee, Topeka, Kansas

Fleet Captain	Richard M. Parker
Fleet Secretary	Chet Ebey
Fleet Champion	Dr. B. J. Ashley
Runner-Up	R. J. Rice & A. B. Boon

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
906	Sea Deuce	R. M. Parker
1063	Lively Lady II	C. F. Ebey
1268	Ann S.	W. E. Schwartz
1270		Dr. B. J. Ashley
1699	Courageous II	L. R. Rake
1661	Ricaboo	R. J. Rice and A. B. Boon
1236	Mary Jo	T. J. McGinnis

As the number of Lightnings on our lake is small, to encourage skippers to race as often as possible this year we experimented by using the Snipe class scoring system which offers bonus points for each time raced. This proved satisfactory and stepped two skippers up one place each due to excess bonus points over opponents.

To accommodate skippers of a few boats of each class on the lake in numbers too small for class races, they were started with the Lightnings and all boats scored on an average time difference adjusted after each race for a handicap series in which Mel Hoffman's Snipe won first and Dr. Ashley's Lightning scored second place.

#### PULTNEYVILLE YACHT CLUB (61)

Central New York District

Based on Lake Ontario, Pultneyville, New York

(No report for 1952)

#### LAKE PONTCHARTRAIN LIGHTNING FLEET (62)

Louisiana-Alabama District

Based on Lake Pontchartrain, New Orleans, La.

Fleet Captain	Eugene H. Walet, III
Fleet Secretary	Bobby Killeen
Fleet Champion	Eugene H. Walet, III
Runner-Up	Ralph Christman

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1033	Starburst III	T. E. Killeen and T. E. Jr. Robert J. and Daniel B.
1056	Mystery	W. C. Keenan, Jr.
1062	Crescent	Dr. Morell Miller
1837	Pep	W. T. Hartie
1838	Minus One	Macy O. Teeter
1839	Jima Kit	J. K. Ware
2522	Lucky	Ethan and Thomas S. Allen
2602	Madcap	Dr. R. R. Monroe
3196	Gris Gris	Maceland H. Hogan, Jr.
3332	Frigate	Warren Stratton
3647	Spirit I	Eugene H. Walet, III
3744	Gigolo	Ralph Christman
3992	Coquette	Thomas Nelson
4675	Imp	D. S. Wuescher & Nan Wuescher
4825	Twinkle	Amond Bernius
4950	Chance	Charles L. Gamble
5082	Spirit II	Eugene H. Walet, III & Eugene H. Walet, Jr.
5109	Allegro	Jimmy Roberts

Lightning Fleet #62 at the Southern Yacht Club, on the beautiful waters of Lake Pontchartrain, which form the northern boundary of the historic and interesting city of New Orleans, Louisiana, had a most active and successful racing season.

Lake Pontchartrain offers deep waters and good breezes; the races can be viewed from the upper deck of the Southern Yacht Club, which affords an excellent vantage point.

The opening regatta was held on April 6th and was won by "Spirit I", sailed by Eugene H. Walet, III.

Each Saturday and Sunday saw a number of Lightnings competing in the regular scheduled races and in those special regattas held in New Orleans and on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

Consistent winners during the racing season were "Spirit I" and "Spirit II", sailed by Eugene H. Walet, III; "Mystery" sailed by W. C. Keenan, Jr. and "Gigolo," sailed by Ralph Christman.

Special regattas held in this section during the racing season were as follows:

1. Annual Gulf Yacht Association regatta, which was won by Eugene H. Walet, III, sailing his new "Spirit II", No. 5082 for the first time in competition. This is the only Lightning in this section of the country built by the Lippincott Boat Works and it has built up an enviable record.
2. On July 4th, the whole Southern Yacht Club Fleet sailed a long-distance race to the Mississippi Gulf Coast and regattas were held at Biloxi, Gulfport, Pass Christian and Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. "Spirit II" won all of these regattas.
3. The Southern District Lightning Championship was held at Bay St. Louis, Miss., which club affords wonderful



The new threat to all Lightning Skippers, Eugene H. Walet, III of Lake Pontchartrain with his Pappy as crew.

hospitality, good race committee and fine sailing waters. The District Championship was won by "Spirit II", sailed by Eugene H. Walet, III; runner-up was "Chance", sailed by Charles L. Gamble; third, was "Dixie Doodle", sailed by Cliff Prados of Shreveport Yacht Club.

4. The Fleet Championship was sailed on Lake Pontchartrain and consisted of 3 races. "Spirit II" won all 3 races and the championship. "Gigolo" was runner-up and "Mystery" was third.
5. The Labor Day Series was won by Frigate, sailed by Warren Stratton, and "Lucky", sailed by Ethan Allen, was second.
6. The final regatta of the regular racing season was won by "Spirit II", and "Mystery", sailed by W. C. Keenan, Jr., was second.

Fleet #62 is attempting to increase the interest in Lightning Class sailing in southern waters and hopes in the coming season to add many more boats to its fleet.

During the coming season of 1953, we expect to have several interesting regattas and hope that we can induce many Lightnings from other sections of the country to come to New Orleans and enjoy the fine sailing on Lake Pontchartrain.

#### BRANFORD YACHT CLUB FLEET (63)

Connecticut District

Based on Long Island Sound, Branford, Conn.

Fleet Captain	Wilson Powell
Fleet Secretary	Donald McCluskey
Fleet Champion	Al Kusi, Jr. in "His Nibs"
Runner-Up	Wayne Brockett in "Torch"

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
242	Drunken Sailor	Donald McCluskey & Jake Blizard
1010	Holiday	Larry Feldman & C. T. Hill
1987	Torch	Wayne Brockett
2214		Russell Sarles
2550	His Nibs	Alfred Kushl, Jr.
2593		Kenneth & Allen Hubbard
2700	Cis	Wilson Powell
2927		Phillip English
3504	Allegro	Bernard Karl

Because of a wet Spring many boats were late to get in the water. The owners with the early boats found the weekends inclement which made tuning up and pre-race season practicing difficult. With the coming of Summer, however, the weather becomes fair with good winds.

Fleet 63 had an enthusiastic racing season. The races were all very close. The contest for third, fourth, and fifth place being as hard fought as that of first and second. Al Kuehl and Wayne Brockett led the fleet, Al winning by one point. Bud Sarles won third place and Bernard Karl and Wilson Powell won fourth and fifth.

We sent two boats to the District races at Noroton, these skippers and crews were unable to bring anything back to Branford except the memory of an enjoyable race and a hospitable host.

Three more of our Lightnings sailed to Milford to compete in the Milford Yacht Club Invitational Regatta. Wayne Brockett won in the Lightning Class. Don McCluskey withdrew after blowing out his jib and Bud Sarles withdrew with a loose center board well. Many skippers were glad to be back in the friendly club house after that wet and windy series.

We are looking forward to another good season with full fleet strength next year.

#### MAPLE BAY LIGHTNING FLEET (64)

Pacific Northwest District

Based on Gulf of Georgia at Maple Bay,  
Vancouver Island, Canada

(No report for 1952)

#### VALLEYFIELD LIGHTNING FLEET (65)

Central New York District

Based on St. Lawrence River, Quebec

Fleet Captain	J. A. E. McDonald
Fleet Secretary	J. J. Haffey

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
799	Isem II	J. A. E. McDonald
1020	Fee II	J. J. Haffey
3564	Wilmont II	D. N. Montgomery

In the Valleyfield regatta "Isem II" was first and "Fee II" was second. "Isem II" was second in the Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club regatta. "Fee II" won the Sifion Cup at the Brackville Regatta and was second in the new created Eastern Canadian District Championship.

Jim Haffey expects to have his Lightning #5277 completed for the beginning of next season.

Our fleet experienced a distinct honor in having Emmons McDonald appointed Commodore of our new district.

#### ROYAL VICTORIA YACHT CLUB (66)

Pacific Northwest District

Based on Cadboro Bay, Victoria, B. C.

Fleet Secretary	Spencer Davies
Fleet Champion	Spencer Davies

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1197	Ariel	Eric Dowell
1202	Iona	Dr. C. Brown
1234	Ripples	Ramsy Murray
1264	Hardtack	Rod Fraser
1580	Bacchanal	E.J. Flanagan
2334	Clipper	M. Bridgeman
2388	Tarka	Douglas Smith
2607	Mac Too	Harry Gladwell
3242	Hyak	Dick Moore
3244	Taboo	N. Scott-Moncrieff
3253	Haze	Charles Watts
3328	Venue	Lt. Wals Blandy
3714	Frolic	Fred Packford
3793	Allegro	D. & C. Baker
4256	Pukeko	Roy Murdock
4474	Rania	Spencer Davies

Just inside the Canadian border next to the west coast of North America lies Vancouver Island. It's a long island shaped



Fleet Champion, Spencer Davies and crew on the high tide at Cadboro Bay, Victoria, B. C.

like a cigar, 100 miles long and 60 miles wide at its widest point. At the South end is the city of Victoria, and the Royal Victoria Yacht Club, headquarters for fleet #66.

The fleet consists of roughly 28 boats of which half participate in racing. The other members enjoy their boats as day sailors, a quality which the Lightning is famous.

Racing is divided into four groups as follows: Wednesday evening series, Saturday afternoon series, Sunday series, and Sunday long-distance series.

The winners in each series were:

Wednesday evening

1st

2nd

Saturday afternoon

1st

2nd

Sunday series

1st

2nd

Long-distance series

1st

2nd

Spencer Davies in "Rania"  
Roy Murdock in "Pukeko"

Eric Dowell in "Ariel"  
Fred Packford in "Rania"

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Eric Dowell in "Ariel"

Each year the Royal Canadian Navy sponsors a 2 day regatta, commencing with a race from Cadboro Bay to Esquimalt Harbour, a distance of approximately 12 miles. The beautiful trophy was won once again by our consistent winner of this event, Eric Dowell in "Ariel".

The navy races of Saturday and Sunday was won by Dick Baker in "Allegro".

#### NEENAH-NODAWAY FLEET (67)

Midwest District

Based on Lake Winnebago, Neenah, Wis.

Fleet Captain	Bernard F. Smith
Fleet Secretary	Richard H. Schultz

Fleet Champion	Richard H. Schultz in "Islander"
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Runner-Up	John Snyder in "Loreen"
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Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
694	Chance	Richard K. Neller
774	Loreen	John H. Snyder
901	Pickle Puss	George Pratt, Jr.
1194	Corsair	Don H. Kuchera
1299	Waunette	Walter W. Roller
1578	Sorceress	Dr. Jack R. Benton & Kenneth Kuemmerlein
2223	Hi Jinx II	Bernard F. Smith
2224	Windy	Herbert L. Wendahl
2225	Islander	Dr. H. C. Don, Dick Schultz
2226	Challenger	E. O. Woerner

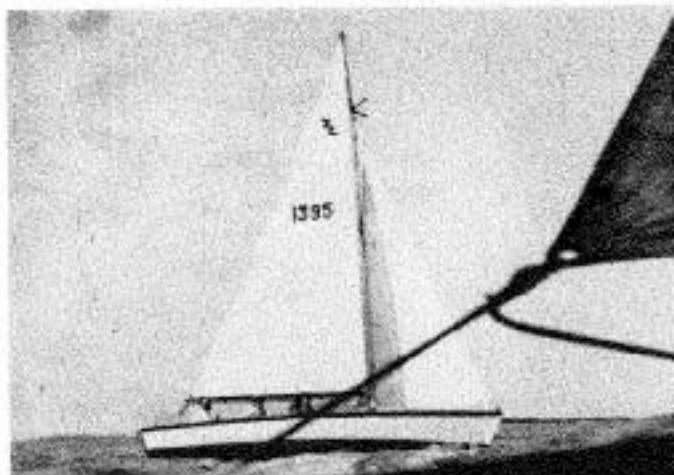
Fleet No. 67 scheduled the usual vigorous racing program for the 1952 season, consisting of a tune-up Series, a Commodore Series and a Championship Series.

The "Islander" with the Schultz combination of Dick (skipper) Don and Dr. H. C. again were a tough boat to beat in fact the only local boat to beat them was "Loreen" sailed by John Snyder.

"Islander" took the three series and compiled a record of 15 firsts and four seconds for the season. "Hi Jinx II" was pushing the leaders all of the way and "Chance" was really starting to move at the end of the season. We are looking forward to next year having "Waunette" again sailing with the fleet.

The fleet was represented at the District Regatta at Chicago by "The Islanders" which made a good showing by placing fifth using a good suit of black dyed cotton sails four years old when her racing suit of Orlon material was ruled illegal.

The last stop for the "Islander" was Spray Beach, N. J. Sailing in the International Championships, the "Islander" finished in 19th place. Her two best races were a 10th and a 6th place. By placing 19th, she showed a ten boat increase over her 1950 showing. The 1950 showing was at the Buffalo Canoe Club in Canada.



Frank Wolcott, Fleet #68, 1952 Fleet Champion in "Fire Fly" #1395

### GROSSE ILE YACHT CLUB (68)

#### Michigan District

Based on Lake Erie, Mich.

Fleet Captain	Charles Wiber
Fleet Secretary	George C. Peterson
Fleet Champion	Frank Wolcott
Runner-Up	George Peterson

#### Boat No. Boat Name Skipper

596	Shrimp	Rolf Rabe
1035	8 Ball	M. Johnson
1395	Fire Fly	Frank Wolcott
2265		C. Wider
4172		George Peterson

This summer the Lightning Fleet 68 at Grosse Ile Yacht Club enjoyed a very successful season. Every race was held on schedule with fair weather prevailing. All our boats participated in some of the races and most of them were out for every race.

Frank Wolcott took a lead in the points standing early in the season. All through the season he increased his lead with his fine sailing skill and exceptionally good spinnaker work.

Next year we are expecting to have an even better season with all our old skippers planning to be back and we hope to have a few new ones join us.

### MILWAUKEE LIGHTNING FLEET (69)

#### Midwest District

Based on Lake Michigan, Wisc.

Fleet Captain	Fred B. Becker
Fleet Secretary-Treasurer	Betsy Morris
Fleet Champion	Harold C. Walker in "Quest"
Runner-Up	Dave Telander in "Tashkago"

#### Boat No. Boat Name Skipper

458	Puffin	Ray Sherman
940	Critter	Dick Sigman
1299	Tashkago	Dave Telander
1701	Circus	Betsy Morris
1705	Macarikai	Garret McIntosh, Robert Arriau, Jr. & William Kaiser, Jr.
2199	Hot Cha	Robert Graldini
2203	Pegasus	Melvin W. Black
2529	Int	David A. Fox
2536	Firebird	John P. Boynton
2537	Chewink	Roland Becker
2557	Reet	Richard C. Wareham
2561	Tosa	John F. Karl
2564	Barb	Guy Scrivner
2750		Edward H. Borgelt
3495	Sans Souci	Dr. Frank Darling, Jr.
3610	Lea	Elmer F. Becker and Fred P. Becker
3622	Riptide	T. F. Eerkahn



Dr. H. C., Don and Skipper Dick Schultz, a winning combination at Lake Winnebago, Wisconsin.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3981	Naughty Gal	Dr. Bruce Brewer
4541	Quest	Harold C. Walker
4574	Deadline	Jerry Rosenthal
4853	Peqoud	Andrew Galvin
5123	Buster	Ronnie Darling
		Herbert R. Bachke

Despite hell and high water, Milwaukee Lightning Fleet No. 69, based at the Milwaukee Yacht Club anchorage, completed a successful season. The "hell" was the usual capsizing of several boats at their moorings during storms in the inadequately protected harbor and the failure of any wind to blow in two of the nine scheduled races. As for the high water, Lake Michigan reached record levels in 1952, inundating the outer dock which Lightnings cover, and causing further anxiety because of waves breaking over the seawall of Milwaukee harbor.

The racing season was divided into two series: June and August, with Harold Walker's "Quest" an easy victor in both. Walker also won the fleet championship on a basis of points scored for the entire season. In addition, he finished second in the Midwest District Championships at Chicago, won the Commodore's Series over the July 4th weekend and was first in the 12 mile "Little Mackinac" race. Milwaukee's team, comprised of skippers from Fleets 69 and 79, broke even with Chicago skippers on a home and home series, losing the first match in Milwaukee but coming back to take the return race in Chicago. Visiting skippers won the Milwaukee Journal Regatta trophies: Doc Murphy from Lake Fenton, Mich., finishing first; Joe Stiegeland, St. Joseph, Mich., second, and Jim Gagnon, Green Bay, third.

Dave Telander, besides finishing second in the season's totals, trailed his Tashago up to the North Channel during the summer and cruised for two weeks with his sister, Pinky. Dave rigged his boat with a canvas cover to serve as a cabin top, installed a small stove for cooking, and slept on the floorboards. Next season, however, he plans to have his floorboards adjustable so that they can be lifted up to fit flush with the seats, providing more bunk space.

The Milwaukee Fleet donated a sterling silver bowl to the Midwest District to be used for a perpetual trophy. Simple in design, it is but on a smaller scale, to the International trophies.

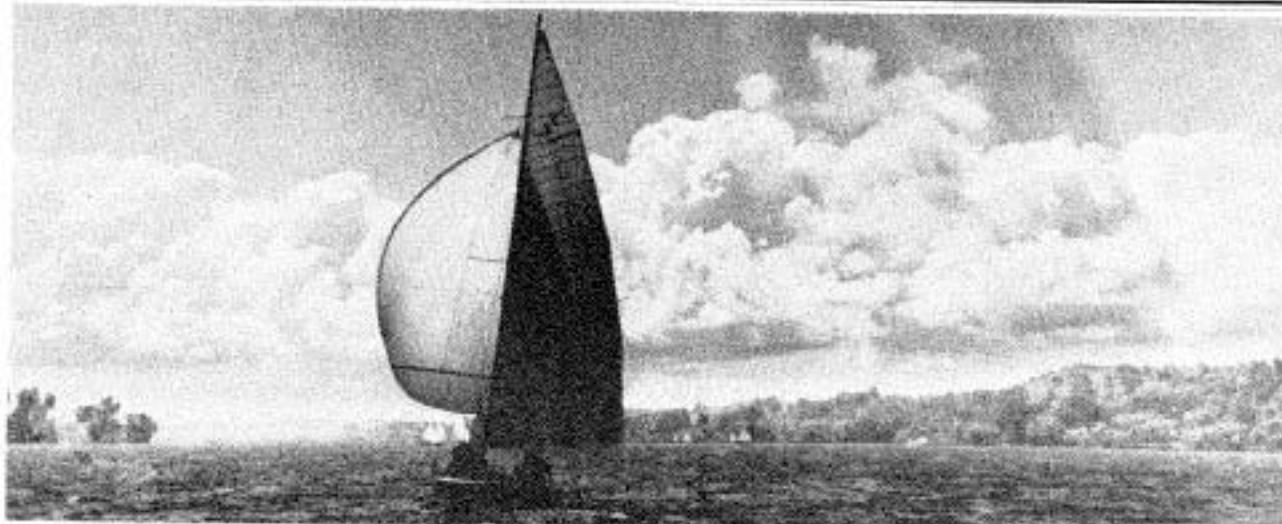
## RED BANK ON THE SHREWSBURY (70)

### Metropolitan District

Based on North Shrewsbury at Red Bank, N. J.

Fleet Captain	John Bull
Fleet Secretary	Jerry Hatch
Fleet Champion	Ed Waters in "Revenger"
Runner-Up	Charles Allaire in "Valhalla"

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
41	Technique	Robert Bruce
215	Sela Maid	Peter Doremus
278	Wahan	Ralph R. Eckert
447	Patience	John Dill
673	Bill's Bet	William Lane
860	Bum	Randall Keator
979	Hien-Bob	Harold Williams
1138	Bon Gre	Jane H. Methot
1235	Ann Lee	Everett Baynton
1237	Serena	George Kelly
1239	Windward	Reid Dickerson
1358	Solidone	E. W. Sparkes
1484	Your Move	Ronald Cohen
1685	Gangated	J. R. Hinton, Jr.
1714	Gust	Ted & Jean Eberhardt
1760	Nangeru	George DeGarmo
2080	Twiner	G. A. Hatch
2230	Barefoot	Barbara Bull
2299	Valkyrie	Ethel Anderson
2450	Oh Go	Peter Metz
2620	Water Witch	John Spurgle
2655	Banshee	G. A. Hatch
2679	Blue Chips	Robert Bainfield
2705	The Ute	Dr. O. K. Parry
3095	Lady Bug	Tonie Murray
3109	Robeini	Sheppard Poor and Alfred Poor
3269	Frog II	Charles Burd
3669	Silver Knight	Arthur Hataling
3706	Flicka	Frank Schneider
3861		Fred C. Lewis, Jr.
4901	Valhalla	Chas. Allaire & Pete Cubbage



FLEET #77

## IRONDEQUOIT BAY, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

Invites you to—the Lake Shore Lightning Squadron Regatta July 4 and 5th. And—the Central New York district Eliminations August 14 and 15.

Central New York's largest fleet is happy to be host to these two regattas and promises good sailing and good fun. Put them on your calendar for 1953.

## NEWPORT YACHT CLUB

SENECA ROAD, ROCHESTER 9, N. Y.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4918	Revenger	Ed Waters
5029	Manana	Neil Clifton
5069	Banshee II	Rod Gordon
5110	El Toro II	John Bull

The high point of the 1952 season for Fleet 70 came when Charlie Allaire sailed Valhalla to victory in the Atlantic Coast Championships held at Beach Haven, New Jersey. Ed Waters, skippering "Revenger", copped second place in the series, and June Methot took seventh in "Bum Gre". This gave the local contingent the best record of any fleet competing in the Regatta.

Other notable achievements of the Red Bank skippers included Allaire's first in the Metropolitan District Championships, his first in the Red Grant Regatta, and his eighth in the Lightnings Internationals. Waters, vying with Allaire for top honors all season took fourth place in the New Jersey State Championships, third in the President's Cup Regatta, and second in the National Sweepstakes. Bill Wikoff, Allaire's jib-tender, manned the tiller of "Valhalla" in Charlie's absence to cop first place in the National Sweepstakes.

The sailing season started on Memorial Day and ended five months later with the Raritan Bay October series.

After a month of intra-fleet competition, eight Fleet 70 Lightnings towed to Lavalette, New Jersey, to race in the New Jersey State Championships. For the first time since the inauguration of this Regatta a Red Bank boat failed to win. Waters skippered "Revenger" into fourth place, while Miss Methot copped seventh. Allaire entered the final race only one point out of the lead, but "Valhalla" broke down on the second weather leg. On the basis of only two races sailed in the three race series, she managed to finish ninth.

The 11th Annual Shrewsbury Sailing Club Invitation Regatta, held on the South Shrewsbury River, was won by Leighton Waters, piloting "So Long". John Dill, sailing his best race of the season copped second in "Patience", with Miss Methot, third.

The Red Grant Regatta, sponsored by the Raritan Bay Yacht Club at Perth Amboy, New Jersey, proved to be a drifting match for the second year in succession. The scarcity of air curtailed the series to only two races. Allaire, with a first and a third won the series. Ed Waters finished in third place and Miss Methot fourth for the Regatta.

The Metropolitan District Championships were held at Red Bank. Eight boats qualified to compete for the local fleet. Allaire, in "Valhalla", won first place in the series, thereby gaining a berth in the Internationals. Barbara Sayre Bull brought "Barefoot" home in fourth place, while Waters copped fifth.

Then came the Atlantics. Fleet 70 put on its best showing with a first, second and a seventh for the three craft participating.

During August, the Monmouth Boat Club, the base of Fleet 70's operations, conducts the National Sweepstakes Sailing Regatta. It consists of a three race series sailed on the Shrewsbury River. Thistles, Comets, and Penguins as well as Lightnings compete for a wide variety of prizes. Of the 79 boats attending, 21 Lightnings answered the starting gun. Bill Wikoff, sailing "Valhalla" in the absence of Allaire, took an early lead in the first race, and held his position during the long spinnaker run down the river. Mrs. Bull picked up a favorable slant off the north shore to pass Wikoff and win the race by over a minute. The second race again saw Wikoff well up with the leaders. He and Roger Brown, sailing "Gust", moved up fast on the spinnaker run. The lead changed hands frequently as the boats beat to weather, but Wikoff well up with the leaders, pulled away on the home reach to defeat Brown handily. In the final race, Waters moved into the lead on the first leg and was never headed. Wikoff started slowly, but, as first, the spinnaker run saw "Valhalla" move into contention. Waters ran into trouble on the final weather leg, but salvaged enough of his lead to win. John Dill took advantage of Waters' experience and played the opposite shore to cross the line in second place with Wikoff nabbing third. Wikoff won the series by four points over Waters. Bob David, consistently sailing "Bam", copped third.

Labor Day weekend marked the end of the intra-club point racing for the season. First place in the Monmouth Boat Club Series as well as the Fleet 70 competition was won by Ed Waters, with Allaire taking runner-up spot in both events.

The Atwater Trophy, sailed for on Memorial Day, July Fourth and Labor Day was won by Allaire.

The Annual Novice Race for the Miltenberger Trophy was won by George Kelly, piloting "Serena".

Along in September, a number of local boats towed by water to Keyport, New Jersey to compete in the Annual Fall Regatta.



A great sailor: Charlie Allaire, Atlantic Coast Champion in "Valhalla."

The three race series was won by June Methot. Second place went to Neil Clifton sailing Manana, while Jerry Hatch copped third in "Twintail".

Miss Methot also won the Raritan Bay October Series, consisting of four races, one sailed each Sunday of the month.

The sailing season was a great success, and there is every reason to believe that next year, climaxed by the Atlantic Coast Championships sailed in home waters, will be just as rewarding.

## ROCKY RIVER LIGHTNING FLEET (71)

### Ohio-Indiana District

### Sailing on Lake Erie

Fleet Captain	Frederic P. Troyan, Jr.
Fleet Secretary	W. Whitney Slagle, Jr.
Fleet Champion	Ed Kennedy in "Vindicator"

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
183	Mehitable III	F. L. Bussinger
480	Sea Star	A. H. Schumacher
763	Feather	N. E. Weber
880	Cockle	W. H. Thomas
953	Zig Zag	W. O. Kuhns
1269	Horne	J. W. Mueller
1359	Ariel	H. S. Nelson
1598	Cholita	L. L. Malm
1601	Kylark	C. Don Kyle
1642	Face Aye	W. N. Caddick & G. Hale
1983	Tartan	James Armstrong
3007	Everluffing Baby	R. R. Greenleaf
3607	Lemon Drop	F. V. Calvert
3752	Charmer	Dr. R. E. Richards
3843	Slap Happy	A. K. Beadle
3852		R. E. Busher
3854	Vindicator	Ed. Kennedy
3858	Golden Glow	W. W. Slagle
4723	Troylight	F. P. Troyan, Jr.
4983	Rebel	C. H. Judd
		E. E. Spangler
		Von G. Cook
		Don H. Gearhardt
		H. G. Reichard
		Paul Auer
5203	Fede	



The time has come to haul Nov. 2, 1952, Whit Slaight, Jr. in "Golden Glo," Fleet #71.

The season got off to a flying start with Ed Kennedy and crew in "Vindicator" trailing to Toledo to sail in the Great Lakes Championships. Ed is a very capable skipper finishing the season as Fleet Champ for the 2nd straight year here at CYC.

We had a very busy racing season sailing 8 series consisting of 3 races each. 5 series were for perpetual trophies, two of them being added this year. The S & S Trophy (Saturday and Sunday Boat Works) was placed in competition by an organization of 22 skippers, who built their own Lightnings together. The F. P. Troyan Trophy was put up by Fred Troyan through appreciation to some of the Lightning skippers that interested Fred in building and sailing his own Lightning.

Al Berg, Fleet Captain in '51, skipper of "Istar" with C. Dan Kyle, also a Lightning skipper trailed to St. Petersburg, Florida for the Mid Winter Regatta. Commodore Don Gearhart of CYC flew down to complete the crew. Due to high winds, a rough sea, a capsizing, and a broken spar, the crew had a trying time, but they still managed to sail three races. They admitted it was worth the trip for the good time they were shown by the sailors of St. Pete.

Bay Week (ILYA) proved to be popular with our fleet this year as 7 Lightnings took to the highways to participate in this famed annual event. This representation of Lightnings from CYC was the largest from any one Club in the Association. Art Beedle, Fred Troyan, Charlie Judd, Ed Kennedy, Whit Slaight, Lorry Malm, and John Mueller were on hand to compete with the many boats entered. Kennedy made the best showing from our fleet sailing his "Vindicator" in second place. Galsfests, parties, roasts, and swimming was the order of the day after racing the mornings.

From the Bay, Art Beedle and John Mueller sailed over to race in Port Clinton's Annual Regatta. Besides being slightly on the wet side during the series, they related much fun was had by all.

Charlie Judd and Ed Kennedy during the same weekend tacked down to Vermilion for the Annual South Shore Regatta. They too found wind conditions hazardous but when the spray quieted down Charlie sailing his "Rebel" came up with the cup.

In August Ed Kennedy and Charlie Judd were again off to the Districts. In October Art Beedle and Ed Kennedy sailing respectively, the "Slap Happy" and "Vindicator" put on their long flannels and trailed to Port Clinton for the Snow Flurries Regatta.

As the racing season drew to a close three of our skippers trailed to Atwood Harvest Moon Regatta, namely, Dr. Richards in "Charmier", Ed Kennedy in "Vindicator", and Art Beedle in

"Slap Happy". Our Vice Commodore, "Two Sheet" Larry James, who owns and skippers a large auxiliary ketch went along and filled in as third crew for Art Beedle. As usual, Atwood skippers proved again to be the perfect hosts.

We actually started the season with 17 boats. However, we gained some throughout the summer, ending the season with 20 boats. Present indications are for an increase of a few more boats for the '53 sailing season.

Some of the changes in our fleet consist of Dr. Richard's purchase of Jack Dobson's "Charmier", Bill Kuhn's purchase of Gordon Hale's "Zig Zag", Bob Greenleaf's purchase of Von Cook's "Genie" (now named "Ever Luffing Baby"), R. E. Busher's purchase of Larry Spangler's "Mustang", John Mueller, skipper of "Hoover", joined our fleet after moving here from Lecher Lips Fleet in Columbus. Wm. Caddick purchased a Lightning in Toledo and joined our fleet sailing "Fore Eye" and Paul Auer built his own boat naming it "Fede". He got in the water rather late, but managed to sail the last few races.

Lay-up season this year as in past years was marked with congenial assistance from all skippers. Fred Troyan with his two story barn and spacious orchard is providing a winter haven hard to beat for those Lightning skippers who do not have adequate quarters of their own.

Needless to say, the spring will find sanders and paint brushes as again our fleet plans to go all out for another year of good sailing.

## INDIAN RIVER YACHT CLUB FLEET (72)

### Dade District

#### Based on Indian River, Oak Orchard, Del.

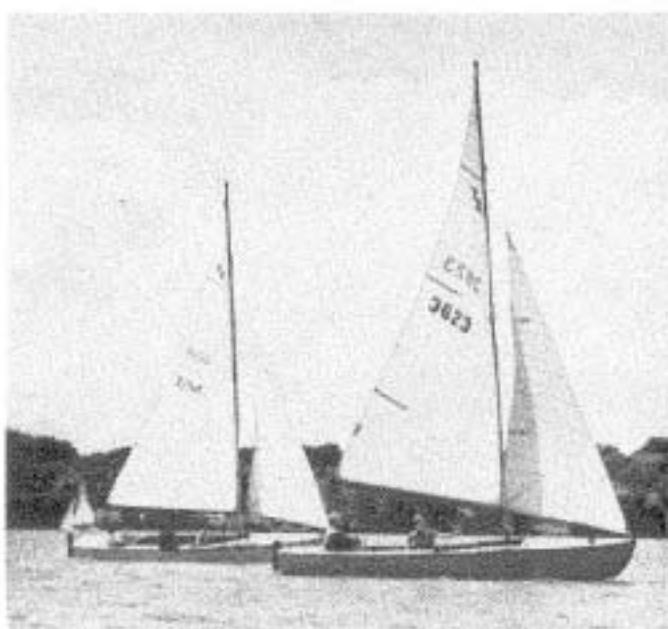
Fleet Captain	Thomas R. Purnell
Fleet Secretary	W. D. Hudson

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5	Flying Cloud	Frank C. Ellis
525	Rebel	Paul Phillips & Lester Russell
527	BoBo II	Robert C. Purnell
3646	Nearamuf	A. C. Seurat, M.D.

## MUNA LIGHTNING FLEET (73)

#### Based on Lake Muna, Bogota, Colombia, S. A.

(No report for 1952)



Fleet 74—Decatur, Illinois. Fleet Champion, Bob Buckles (3214) and Runner-up, Norman Sommer (3623) sailing on Lake Decatur.

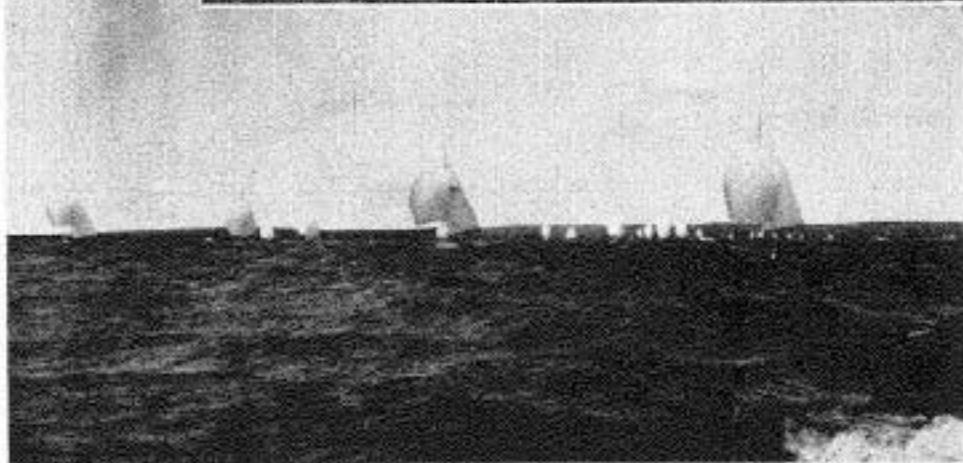
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## DECATUR LIGHTNING FLEET (74)

### Midwest District

#### Sailing on Lake Decatur, Decatur, Illinois

Fleet Captain ..... Norton Rosan  
 Fleet Secretary ..... Roger L. Grohne  
 Fleet Champion ..... Bob Buckles in "Aeolus II"  
 Runner-Up ..... Tad Sommer in "Luffer Buoy"

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
214		Wendell R. Needham
464	Dynamite	Chuck Gross
687	Falcon	Robert Rosiek
1447	Machushla	E. McConnell
2099	Ouzel	R. C. Schaub
2101	Venerable	Harold R. Irish
2143	Rose Ann II	N. J. Rosan
2796	Chinook	C. A. Gollermann
2915	Laura	F. M. Tenney, Jr.
3214	Aeolus II	B. O. Buckles
3623	Luffer Buoy	J. M. Sommer & Norman Sommer
4678	Patience	Roger L. Grohne
4946	Circe	W. E. Dymond
5228		Robert A. Grohne
		Dr. W. A. Haase

The Decatur Lightning Fleet 74 began its 1952 season last October, 1951 by the annual meeting and election of officers in J. M. Sommer's home. Norton Rosan was elected Fleet Captain and Roger Grohne was elected as the Fleet Secretary.

The summer's races ended in August and Bob Buckles again came in victorious for the series to cinch the Fleet Championship. He was closely followed pointwise by Norman Sommer in "Luffer Buoy". Bob had quite a bit more competition this year, and next year it looks as if it will even be better with the marked improvement in John Dymond, a relatively new Lightning skipper, Robert Grohne, who just bought a new Hoernke-Rohr has been crewing for John Dymond, and Roger Grohne, who just got married at the beginning of the summer and who is now ready to settle down and win some races.

The Island Bay Fleet 117 of Springfield, Illinois and our fleet have been competing for several years now and this year's series was won by Springfield championed by Ted Haller in "Hi Ho". Decatur, however, finished 2nd and 3rd. Second place went to Norman Sommer and third place to Roger Grohne.

Four Decatur Lightnings trailed over to the Mid-States Championship Regatta held by Island Bay Yacht Club of Springfield, Illinois. Over thirty Lightnings came in from the mid-western states and Decatur's Fleet 74 sailors made a pretty good showing by placing 10th, 14th, 15th and 17th; Buckles, Sommer, Rog. Grohne, and John Dymond finished in that order.

Fleet 74 was also represented at a new regatta at Alton, Ill. Norman Sommer finished with a tie for third in a fleet of ten Lightnings. His was the only Decatur boat sailing but a good Decatur crowd was there to cheer him on.

The traveling Sommers took their boat up to Chicago on Oct. the 4th for the Red Flannel Regatta where they finished 12th in a thirty-some boat fleet.

It has been a busy year but next year promises to be even busier what with some new boats and new faces and a lot of sincere interest coming into the Fleet.

## NYACK LIGHTNING FLEET (75)

### Metropolitan District

#### Based on Hudson River, Nyack, N. Y.

Fleet Captain ..... Carl R. Swanberg  
 Fleet Secretary ..... Dean W. Milemore  
 Fleet Champion ..... Palmer Epler, Jr. in "Spray"  
 Runner-Up ..... Magnus Pedersen in "Valhalla III"

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
27	Whale	Robert Fowkes & Alton Moody
724	Winkle	Winston C. Perry, Sr. & Winston C. Perry, Jr.
806	Spray	Palmer Y. Epler, Jr., Cyrus Epler & Palmer Y. Epler, Sr.
1220	Joy Ride	A. R. Clay, Edwin A. Clay & Hilary Murphy
1392	Swiss Navy	Hans Brugger, Sr.



Mid Hudson Regatta winners: Kneeling L. to R.; Cecil Taylor, Florence Dumm, Pam Epler, Sr. and Cyrus Epler. Standing L. to R.; Joe Hoffer, 3rd; James Heeschgrae, M. Crust, Maynas "Pete" Pedersen, first and Pam Epler, Jr. second.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1655	King's Ransom	J. H. King, Sr., J. H. King, Jr. & J. V. R. King
1860	Super Sine	Jack L. Irving
2357	Pied Piper	Albert J. Murry
2441	Phantom	Robert Swanberg, Carl Swanberg, Carl Meyer
2819	Intacomin	Richard Murphy
3026	Fireball	Edgar Van Slyce, Robert B. Bacon and George Hartmann
3104	Gypsy II	Dean W. Milemore & Henry J. Becker
3105	Weevil	Carl Boll, Carlton Boll & Barbara Herndon
3120	Rojo	Edward M. Mott
3716	Rima	Joseph M. Hoffer
5096	Flying Cloud	D. Harlow Dantone
5200	Valhalla III	Américo Filippi, Oliver Filippi
		Magnus Pedersen

The Nyack Lightning Fleet had a very successful season this year with its annual home series and its skippers also entering a many "away" regattas.

The first race of the season is the traditional Grassy Point Memorial Day Race held at the home of the High Tor Fleet (41). This race was won by Pam Epler in his "Spray". A week later the season officially opened at Nyack with the first of the season's point races.

The Mid-Hudson Regatta was held on the weekend of July 12-13 at the Nyack Boat Club. This regatta attracted boats from the High Tor Fleet 41, the Chelsea Fleet 39, the Black Hawk Fleet 172, and the Shattoeuc Fleet 224. Nyack made a clean sweep of the 25 boat regatta with Pete Pedersen taking first in the three race series, Pam Epler taking second and Joe Hoffer taking third.

Two weeks later six boats from Nyack made the trip to Red Bank, N. J. for the Metropolitan District Championship. Red Bank put on her usual fine regatta and also gave the usual stiff competition found there. Charlie Allaire of Red Bank won the series and Nyack's Joe Hoffer and Pam Epler took second and third. These were therefore the three boats to represent the Metropolitan District at the Internationals.

The following week Pete, Joe and Pam went to Little Egg Harbor, N. H. for the Atlantic Coast Championships. They might just as well have stayed home though as none of the three were able to do at all well in the series. Last year's Champion Pete Pedersen's chances were ruined when he broke his rudder fittings in the first race.

The next race other than the regular point series, was the Pedersen Triple International. The race starts with each crew on the dock with their sails and a paddle. When the gun is fired they all run for dinghies, paddle to their boats, rig the boats, sail once around the course, untie the boats, sail once around the course, and the first crew to return to the dock with their sails wins. The start was set down wind so most boats just raised the spinnakers and headed for the first mark rigging main and jib on

the way. Cy Epler in Spray with his crew was the first to return to the dock thus winning Pete's Annual novelty race.

The following Sunday Nyack's Lightnings went to the Shattuck Fleet 224, at Ossining for their annual regatta. However, the wind was blowing from 35-40 mph. so only 12 Lightnings raced. Then the race was called after once around because one boat had tipped over and another had lost its mast. Pim Epler had a nice lead over Carl Swanberg, the second boat; when the race was called at one lap.

The traditional ending of the season is the big Labor Day Weekend. Two twelve mile races one each on Saturday and Sunday and two races on Labor Day mark the end of Nyack's Summer sailing. The Moby Merry Marathon from Nyack to Grassy Point was won by Pim Epler with Eddie Clay second. The following day the Minneconga Trophy Race back to Nyack saw Pete Pedersen the First Lightning to cross the line and Nyack's youngest skipper Oliver Filippi second. The two races scheduled for Labor Day had to be called off however, because of fifty mph. and more winds resulting from the first Atlantic hurricane of the year.

The day after Labor Day Joe Hoffer and Pim Epler left for the Internationals held at Spray Beach. However, they both missed Pete Pedersen Nyack's usual entry in the Internationals. Although his new boat hadn't been going at the districts, both Joe and Pim knew from the way Pete was going in the later races that Pete was again International material. Joe sailed a fine series at Spray Beach taking a third in one race and ending up in 9th position in the final standing. Pim was back a few boats in the 16th position when the five races were over. Both had a wonderful time down there and are determined to go again the first chance they get.

The Annual Boat Club Dinner was held on October 18th and it was here that the fleet trophies were awarded. Pim Epler sailing Spray gathered 83 points to win the Fleet Championship. The second place trophy was awarded to Pete Pedersen in Valkalla III with 80 points and third place went to Joe Hoffer with 78 points. These three boats had remained close in points throughout the season and it wasn't until after the last race was sailed that the winner was known. Fourth place was held by Dean Miltimore and Winston Perry received the fifth place award.

This ended a very successful racing season for the Nyack Boat Club and Fleet 75. Now all we can do is sail dinghies over the winter and plan for an even better season next year.



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### LEANDER LIGHTNING FLEET (76)

(Sailing with Fleet 118)

### NEW PORT YACHT CLUB LIGHTNING FLEET (77)

Central New York District

Sailing on Irondequoit Bay, New Port Yacht Club

Fleet Captain	Frank L. Unbehau	
Fleet Secretary	Arthur J. Ries	
Fleet Champion	Dr. John McIntosh in "Blue Jacket II"	
Runner-Up	Dave Huggins in "Wiki"	
Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
79	Black Knight	Gerald Wunderlich
378	Dubl-Cross	Walter Cross
400	Asbestos	Ray Hebert
458	Quest	Ernie Hamilton
470	Blitz	C. F. Stanford
508	Cygnus	William A. Straub
617	Sea Bee	J. Wesley Farrell
877	Sknot	Arthur Ries
981	Hi-De-Ho	Ed. A. Geier
1274	Wiki	Maurice Huggins
1466	Rok-N-Rye	Frank L. Unbehau
1515	Karasol	Glen Rosenbauer
1825	Javis	Randy Beachner and Jay Donovan
2149	Zenith	Roy L. & Wm. J. Unbehau
2252	Bill-Bob	Wm. Kaiser and Don Dreher
3480	Calypso	Fred Darling
3541	Firecracker	D. L. H. Specter
4724	George	Arnold E. Salis
4879	Blue Jacket II	Dr. John McIntosh
5230	Iffinpoof	Edward P. Bishop

We started the 1952 season off with a bang by welcoming five boats from Irondequoit Bay Fleet #46 (the entire active fleet) whose club was flooded out by high water. This brought the already large fleet of 15 boats up to 20, and practically every race was a regular regatta with 15 to 18 boats on the starting line. It was an active season for the fleet both on home waters and

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Canton, Ohio

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New York 7, N. Y.



Doc McIntosh at the tiller of *Blue Jacket II* with Clarence and Ruth Atiles as crew. Doc's champion of Fleet 77.

at area regattas. At home a total of 25 races were sailed; 15 official for club champ prior to the district eliminations, and Doc McIntosh in his "Blue Jacket II" came through in No. 1 spotlight again this year; seven in the Froshine series running into October of which Ed Geier merged the winter; and three for the Straub Trophy which is a handicap series and was won by Ed Bishop hands down. The fleet also retained the Democrat and Chronicle Trophy in team racing with the Genesee Yacht Club Fleet on Lake Ontario and participated in the Sreib Trophy race on Labor Day. The Sreib Trophy is not new, but the regatta itself was sure different. Dubbed the "Brown Jug" or "Little Rochester Race" it was sailed twice around a seven legged course covering the whole bay, and all clubs and boats on the bay were invited. There were some 35 craft including Thistles, Lightnings, Comers, Snipes, and K's, and the Lightnings showed up very well—that is, after the Thistles who took the first six places. It was good fun and is planned for another year.

The fleet was very active at the area regattas. First, there was the Lake Shore Lightning Squadron at Sodus Bay, and nine of our boats attended but weren't able to bring home the silver. The racing was a little on the rough side with Arnie Sahs and Dave and Mauring Huggins coming home with broken spars. Second, came the District Eliminations at Canandaigua, and the same number of boats joined the regatta to emerge with our own fleet champ "Doc" as District Champion. Doc made the jaunt to Spray Beach to represent C. N. Y. D. And the third area regatta, and Onida Lake sure presented its usual assortment of extreme weather. Saturday was beautiful with moderate winds, but on Sunday after a start in an overcast drifter, we ended up in a rain squall so heavy the shore was blotted out and winds averaged 30-40 miles per hour. Ernie Hamilton and crew carried away top honors for the third year. Not only are the Newporters good skippers, but they are also proficient with mask and wig having thus won the skit contest at the banquet.

It was a wonderful season with excellent weather, not a race

was lost because of rain or high wind. And next year will be bigger and better, but skippers better watch Bill Straub, who took the improvement trophy in his Cygnus this year, and he wasn't far out of that runner up position. He also made quite a vacation out of his trip to Spray Beach and the Presidents Trophy series.

The fleet is proud of its right to be host club for 1953's District Eliminations and anxious to reciprocate for the fine times they had at regattas in 1952.

### SANDY BEACH YACHT CLUB LIGHTNING FLEET (78) Lake Erie District

Based on Niagara River, Grand Island, New York

Fleet Captain	Floyd Law
Fleet Secretary	Joan Spole
Fleet Champion	Jay T. Fish
Runner-Up	Wayne Baumler

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
748	Pescoe Pete	Al Sargent
752	Coquette	Floyd Law
1290	Lu-Jim	Wm. P. Hope & Mary C. Hope
1224	Izatso	James Milliron
1472	Me Too	Georgia Bates
1489	Hypo	Jack Kermar
1548	High Jinx	Dr. J. Taunenhaus
1603	Hi Ho	Harold E. Wells
1684	Indian III	Charles Soch
1693	Junior	Herbert K. Astmann
1796	Touché	Jay Fish
2020	Jeannie K II	Joe Clements
2930	Escape	Russell I. Ward
2933		Lloyd Lashway



Fleet #78 Champion—Jay Fish, Crew: Tommy Branton, Larry Fellenz.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2988	B-Witch	Wayne Baumler
3650	Frisky II	Leslie H. Mayer
4870	Debby J	Charles Robinson
4974	Hi Ball III	Howard Compson
4976	Little Joe III	Bob Brunton

Our racing season, which proved to be the busiest in our history, began Memorial Day. We raced two races for the Chester Bates and Georgia Bates Trophies. Floyd Law the winner of the Chester Bates Memorial Trophy, a repeat win for him. Bob Brunton, sailing "Little Joe III", a new Morehouse Lightning, captured the Georgia Bates Trophy.

Over July 4th weekend we sailed a Round Robin series for the Neuman Trophy. It was our first attempt at a series of this kind, but proved to be a huge success. The ending found Jim Milliron to be on top.

July 12th, we attended the Triangular Meet between Niagara Sailing Club, LaSalle Yacht Club and our own club, ending with Niagara taking the honors. In August, over half of our fleet sailed at the Lake Erie District Regatta and the Niagara River Championship at Niagara Sailing Club. Unfortunately for us and several other fleets, those regattas were also attended by our 1952 International Champ, Bob Geaf and crew. All we can say from Sandy Beach is, "Bob has a most beautiful transom!"

The Law Trophy Series (Saturday races only) found a newcomer winning the trophy—Charlie Robinson and son, Bob, who will sail at the drop of a hat. Over Labor Day weekend we raced three races for the Duschscherer and Compson Trophies. Jim Milliron captured the Duschscherer Trophy and Harold Wells the Compson Trophy.

Our racing season ended the end of September, with the finish of Commodore and Lightning series. These trophies were decided by a 15 race schedule throughout the season. Both trophies were won by our new Fleet Champion, Jay T. Fish. Congratulations to Jay from the fleet for a job well done.

Finally, Attention all Lake Erie District Lightning members—Sandy Beach Yacht Club on the Niagara River has been chosen as the location for the 1953 District Regatta, in conjunction with Niagara Sailing Club Fleet #39. Skippers—make your plans now to attend this regatta—we guarantee you a good time.

### SOUTH SHORE LIGHTNING FLEET (79)

#### Midwest District

#### Sailing on Lake Michigan, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Fleet Captain	Len Gardener
Fleet Secretary	Marie Christianson
Fleet Champion	1707
Runner-Up	3628

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1702	Doodle Bug	Max Ruess
*1704	Impromtu	M. J. Armstrong
*1707	Bad Penny	Len Gardener & John Christianson
2967	Trade Winds	Milton H. McCormick
3628	Debra	Art Hoernke
4071	Alert	Warren Krogstead
*4645	Bon Bon	W. Rehberg
		W. Lawrie
4714	Tinklepot	Frank Englehart

\* 1704, 2967 sold to yacht club in Tulsa, Okla.  
 \* 1707 change of ownership to L. Gardner only.  
 \* 4645 bought from Gordon Hatch.

### SOUTH SHREWSBURY RIVER LIGHTNING FLEET (80)

#### Metropolitan District

#### Sailing on Shrewsbury River, Long Beach, N. J.

Fleet Captain	Morris P. Sherwood
Fleet Secretary	Morris P. Sherwood
Fleet Champion	Harry Sadler, Jr.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
19	Sally Fourth	Robert Wilcox
127	Chapin	C. William Horz
978	Gemeni	Jesse & Robert Drew
1014	Peter	Harry Green & John B. Fahy
1378	Miss Shar- rogue	E. Harvey
1747	Rainbeau	Harry S. Sadler, Jr.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1757	Raven	Johan Smit and Pieter Smit
1884	Wits End	Olaf and Chris Ravndal
2065	Sharon Su	S. Warne
2269	Windward	J. B. Dodd
2356	Barbara	Edward W. McClellan
3106	Sea Breeze	Warren Ayres
3108	So Long	Dr. E. G. Waters and Leighton Waters
3110	Rigoleur	Richard Friede
3241	Josie	Chester E. Budd
3362		Arthur & Jean Turner
3675	My Shirt	Walter W. Wood
3804	Wanderer	Morris P. & Mildred Sherwood
*3950	Veto	Mrs. William Riker

\* Sold to Mr. Schuyler Van Vechten, Jr.

Sailing under the auspices of the Shrewsbury Sailing Club Lightning Fleet 80 started the 1952 season on June 14, 1952. One series of eight races was sailed on Saturday and another series on Sundays. Both series were won by Morris P. Sherwood (3804). Runner-up in the Saturday series was Harry Sadler, Jr. (1747) and in the Sunday series, Chris Ravndal (1884).

A Junior series of seven races was sailed during the summer. This series was won by Scott E. James (3804), runner-up was Peter Germond (1884).

On July 19, 1952, the Shrewsbury Sailing Club sponsored its Annual Regatta on the brine waters of Lightning Fleet 80. 52 boats of 5 different classes participated in this regatta which was won for the Lightning Class by Leighton Waters (3108) of Fleet 80.

The local season closed on September 1 with the completion of a series of two races which were sailed for the Dr. E. G. Waters "Perpetual Lightning Trophy". This trophy was won, for the second time, by the son of the donor of the trophy, Leighton Waters.

Due to circumstances beyond the control of either Fleet 70 or 80, it was not practicable to hold the "Annual Two River Regatta" this year. It is hoped that next year this inter-fleet event, which we all enjoy so much, can be held.

The Shrewsbury Sailing Club cordially invites any member of the Lightning Association, who is in the vicinity, to visit our club house, the home of Fleet 80.



Morris P. Sherwood, Fleet Champion sailing on the Shrewsbury River, Long Branch, N. J.