

SHEEPSHEAD BAY FLEET (38)
Greater Long Island District
Sailing on Sheepshead Bay, Atlantic Ocean,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Fleet Captain	Larry Fretts
Fleet Secretary	Jack Schwartz
Fleet Champion	Mike Zwerling
Runner-Up	Al Gagliano

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1221		Bob Levin
3506	My Gal	Al Fine
3682	Manuia	Ed Feldman
4018	Eclair	Jack Schwartz
4919	Walrita III	Walden Monte
5696	Play Mate	Mike Zwerling
5697	Blue Bird	Doug Oberwager
6798	Touche	Larry Fretts
6818	Bob Kat	Bill Forsyth
6925	Pippa II	Al Gagliano

Lightning Fleet #38 had a very good racing season. The winds were ideal all summer long. Not one race was cancelled due to bad weather conditions. Mike Zwerling was again Fleet Champion with Al Gagliano runner-up.

Mike Zwerling won this year's P.F.C. Eric Lobel Memorial Regatta. Our season's invitational regatta was renamed in memory of a past Commodore of the Miramar Yacht Club, and will now be called the "Bert Bachman Regatta". This year's prize went to Wally Habernak sailing Al Gagliano's "Playmate". The second trophy went to Jack Schwartz.

Fleet #38 lost two boats to the cruising group, but regained two more. We want to welcome Ed Feldman and Doug Oberwager to our fleet.



Champion Pippa II and Crew.

HIGHTOR FLEET (41)
Metropolitan District
Based on Hudson River, N. Y.

Fleet Captain	Harold DeJager
Fleet Secretary	George Butler
Fleet Champion	Walter Tripp
Runner-Up	Ted Ziemer

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1222	Mary E	Ted Ziemer and Aage Jorgensen
1930	All-Right	Robert Wright
2817	Audebil	Harold DeJager
3029		Jack Klingel
5153	Caprice	Charles Widmann
5916	Sam	Charles Strachen
5990		Jack Sutherland
6005	Flame	Walter Tripp
7014	Teachers Pet	Gil Parker

The High Tor Fleet had a full year with thirteen point races including three regattas, a couple of round robins, such time-honored events as a Mutiny Race and a Past Commodore's Race, and several social affairs.

The opening event was the traditional Memorial Day Regatta. Two red boats, belonging to G. Garrecht of Nyack and Walt Tripp, finished first and second with E. Dean of Nyack close behind.

On Aug. 8th and 9th Minisceongo Yacht Club played host to 29 boats in the annual Mid-Hudson Lightning classic. Winner of the three race series was our own Walt Tripp. G. Garrecht, a strong contender in the first two races, was caught inshore with a dying wind and a strong current on the last leg of the third race. He still managed to take an overall third with T. DeStasio, last year's winner from Nyack, coming in second. Festivities following the first race included a buffet dinner and dance.

Labor Day weekend saw 23 Lightnings along with 52 other boats participate in the 12 mile race from Stony Point to Nyack for the Minisceongo and Mory Marathon Trophies. Light to fresh SE winds brought the winning boat home in a little over 2½ hours. T. Hoffee, G. Garrecht, and E. Dean from Nyack finished first, second, and third in the Lightning Class.

This year the High Tor Fleet instituted a round robin to choose an entry for the Mallory Cup quarter finals, an event that provided fun and thrills in all five races. Harold DeJager won, with Ted Ziemer close behind. Sam Strachen got off to a fine start with two firsts, but literally bogged down when he buried the centerboard in shoal waters in the fourth. The final disaster occurred when a strong puff demasted his boat in the last race. Ted Ziemer, sailing as alternate for Harold DeJager, went on to finish a scant ¾ points behind Mr. Darling in the quarter finals held at Nyack.

Equally intense rivalry was generated by the Sears Cup quarter finals in which Nels Kringle came in first for the second season running. Poor Nels was again unable to enter the semifinals, this time because of school exams.

Barbara Butler was the surprise victor in the Mutiny Race, a tradition which involves the crews wresting the tiller from the skipper.

The season was topped off with a cocktail party in which the fleet paid tribute to some of the many deserving members of the Minisceongo Yacht Club who have contributed their time and effort to making sailing a success.

TOLEDO FLEET (42)

Ohio-Indiana District

Based on Maumee Bay, Toledo, Ohio

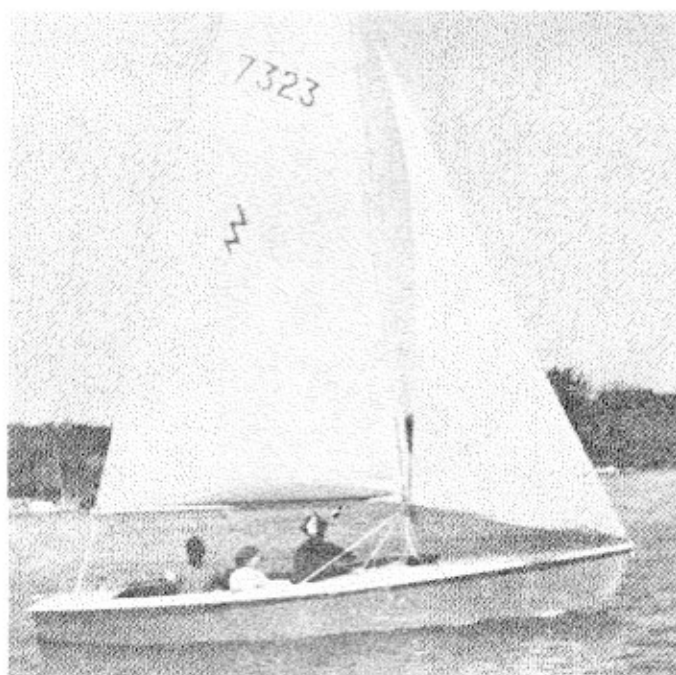
Fleet Captain	Frank H. Keller
Fleet Secretary	Richard Wachter
Fleet Champion	Frank H. Keller
Runner-Up	James Keller

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3385	Creeping	Robert Clark
	Crutch	
5315	Tee Gee II	Terry Gallagher
5678	Four Deez	Frank Keller, Richard Legowski and George Booth
6010	Allegro	Bill Stone
7323		Arthur (Bud) Nelson
7372	Wind Jaime	Richard Wachter
	R. Judy	

Fleet 42 started its 1959 season with the 12th annual Great Lakes Championship Regatta, May 30 and 31, 1959. This famous early season all Lightning Regatta drew twenty-one boats from Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Canada. There was a drop in attendance this year which may have been due to holding it on the holiday weekend, but we are going to try it again in 1960 the same way. The series was raced in light air and finished with Walt Swindeman first, Bill McKinley second, and George Fisher third. Our Mr. Swindeman took a brand new fiberglass boat, helped rig it and launch it one hour before the first race, and then sailed it to a first, a second and fourth places to prove again that he is tops in Lightnings and will always be hard to beat.

The Michigan District Barefoot Philharmonic Orchestra provided their wonderful rhythmic combo for the Saturday evening dance after a very enjoyable cocktail party. We really had a swell regatta and hope to have a few more hot-shots participate next year.

Fleet 42 was active in the area AYC regattas which numbered seven with three races each except for the Harbor View Yacht



One day Bud Nelson didn't race—Fleet #12.

Club series which held one race and cancelled the other two because of high winds. Our fleet was represented at Put-in-Bay, Port Clinton, Indianapolis, Buckeye Lake, Devil's Lake, Sandusky, Detroit and Quantico. Bud Nelson did most of the traveling and brought back hardware from all regattas except the Internationals at Detroit.

Our fleet champion and runner-up was decided on the basis of standings for the 19 area races and the result was—Champion, Frank H. Keller; Runner-Up, James Keller.

We revived our old long distance race for the Bud Kraemer Trophy this year and awarded it to Frank Keller.

In an exchange of boats we lost Jim Keller and Dick Legowski who sold to Terry Gallagher and Bill Stone, and also lost one of our best sailors, Don O'Neill who sold to an out-of-towner. We are hoping to see Don in a new Lightning in 1960. Another new member, our newly elected Secretary Rick Wachter, built a fiberglass boat and participated in all the area regattas as well as Put-in-Bay and Port Clinton. Bob Clark, another new member, who sailed some 10 years ago against Swindeman, Krauss, Yaudas, Vogel, and other old timers, picked up a boat from Ron Balsley who brought his boat over from the Chicago area. Bob's going to make it over this winter and intends to display a beautiful transom to us next season.

Good sailing, hope to see you at our Great Lakes Invitational on Memorial Day weekend in 1960.

SILVER LAKE FLEET (47)

Lake Erie District

Sailing on Silver Lake, Perry, New York

Fleet Captain.....	William Follendorf
Fleet Secretary.....	Harold C. Parker
Fleet Champion.....	Wm. Van Arsdale
Runner-Up.....	Joseph Elias

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
392	Harry L. Brown
410	Dr. W. H. Humphrey
515	William Follendorf
829	Ralph Traber
935	Wales Wasson & George Somerhalder
968	John Wiltse
1548	Dr. Kenneth Bone
1549	W. Nelson Stamford
1616	Wolcott J. Humphrey
2074	Carl Lyons
3561	Charles L. Van Arsdale
4737	Joseph Elias
6789	William G. Van Arsdale



Launching time at Silver Lake's Harvest Regatta.

The Silver Lake Yacht Club's 1959 season proved to be a clean sweep for Bill Van Arsdale in his new boat, "Shot Straight", not brand new, but new to Bill and Silver Lake. A long time sailor on Silver Lake, Bill managed to be where the wind blew the strongest and as a result took 1959 Fleet Championship, Neal Memorial and Benedict Trophy Series.

A healthy sign this year has been the marked improvement of some of the newer members of the club. Carl Lyons in his first year has steadily improved his position each week. Ralph Traber and his crew is gaining added attention. In fact, the competition has become so keen that there are rumors that next season will see a number of new Lightnings, and even more new sails.

The usual number of mishaps occurred. Dr. Humphrey broke a mast, Wasson and Somerhalder received a deep gash in their hull for failing to come about in time. Joe Elias' bow was scratched by floating beer cans. Your writer, during one of the races was ordered up the mast to secure a lost spinnaker halliard, a feat for which I look back on with pride. Skipper Harry Brown, on shore after the race was accused of sending me to the crow's nest to locate the rest of the fleet over the horizon.

We finished the season in September with two invitational regattas. The Cuba Lake Invitational, the annual exchange race with the Cuba Lake Yacht Club, Bill Van of course winning, with Ward Wilday from Cuba second and Carl Farhner of Cuba, covered in each race, almost last. In the Harvest Regatta with a number of boats from other western New York clubs attending, Bud Jones of Niagara took top honors with Stu Anderson and Jack Swanson runners-up.

Our social chairman, Phyllis Somerhalder worked overtime this season, what with a fine (dry) tureen breakfast, and a bounteous buffet for the Cuba Invitational. The cocktail party after the buffet found a few in good voice as well as good humor, all to be entertained by folk songs accompanied by a "string ensemble."

We look for another banner year in 1960 with Bill Follendorf our new Commodore and C. L. (Bud) Van Arsdale, Vice Commodore.

COLUMBIA LAKE FLEET (49)

Connecticut District

Based on Columbia Lake, Columbia, Connecticut

Fleet Captain.....	Pete Pederson
Fleet Secretary.....	Sarah Savage
Fleet Champion.....	Chuck Forbes
Runner-Up.....	F. C. Savage

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
518	Pirate	Richard Molt
562	.....	Pete Pederson
690	.....	Dr. R. Cheney
815	.....	Randy Forbes
832	.....	Valentino Clementino
1000	Thunderbolt	Roy & Janet Ferguson
1952	.....	Herb Englert, Jr.

2688	Oswald P. Scheller
2873	S. M. Silverstine
2877	Reluctant Crew F. C. Savage
6085	Norman Preuss

The 1959 sailing season for the Columbia Lake sailors consisted of 10 seasonal races, 3 Labor Day Regatta races and 8 Junior races.

After a season long tussle between the Forbes' and the Savages, Chuck Forbes, last year's Junior champ, won the Fleet championship. Reluctant Crew places second. The Labor Day Regatta was claimed by Phil Hopper, a Comer skipper. He was sailing Pete Pederson's boat. Pete is last year's fleet champion.

In the Junior races, the Forbes' came through again with David winning.

We are anticipating another season of good tactical sailing full of expectation, thrills and surprises.

WASHINGTON FLEET (50)

Dixie District

Based on Potomac River

Fleet Captain	James B. Gilbert
Fleet Lt.	Lou Borges
Fleet Secy-Treas.	Frank Williams
Fleet Champion	James Gilbert

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
133	Jezabel	Henry A. Harrison
185	La Spouse	Sea Scouts
522	Ichi Ban	William S. Barrett
826	Zip	William Peacock
1228	Lazy Days	Lt. Col. J. A. Barnett
1279	Cork	Wil Goding
1281	Helena	Richard Fowler
1283	Seasaw	Bainbridge Crist
2188	Storm Bird	Harold Hernly
2918	Frisbie	May P. Robinson
3343	Scheherzade	John C. Hoban
3348	Whisper	Marshall Hornblower
3643	Country Girl	Charles A. Hudson
4403		David McKean
4430	Little Aggie	Kenneth J. Burkhardt
4589	Banshee	Charles W. Marshall
4968	Eight Ball	Thomas P. Flood
5284	Sparks	James B. Gilbert
5918	Goofer	Clif Hunt
5964	Storm Bird II	Harold Hernly
6205	What's What	Lt. Comdr. E. L. Cochran, Jr.
6401		Robert Ware
6428	Hodag	Lyman Crittenden
6614	Pegasus	Saul and Connie Serota
6807	Tot Ziens	Seymour R. Young
6868	Marquita	Comdr. W. C. Galvin
7324	Blue Skies	Frank P. Williams
7350	Flying Lady	Lou Borges

Sunday, May 3rd, saw the opening of the Washington season of the Potomac River Sailing Association with the beginning of the Spring Series. The series was rather poorly attended because many of the active racing skippers were trading boats or waiting for new ones to be delivered.

Jim Gilbert, sailing his Sparks won the series after a rather hot contest with Lou Borges sailing Flying Lady III.

Dr. Gilbert took second place in the Gunston Cove race, a 13 mile down river handicap for all classes. An unfavorable handicap system based on average times of boats sailing a closed course makes this race a tough one for a Lightning to place in, unless you have a rare break and get use of the spinnaker. In spite of this Doc came out second over-all on corrected time.

Much speculation was in the air this Spring because of the secrecy of Frank Williams and Lou Borges about new boats. Frank picked up a new boat from Bob Lippincott in Riverton, N. J., and Lou went all the way to Chicago to get a new Sportcraft.

The "stay at home" sailed three summer series at National Yacht Club while those with nomadic tendencies chased silver all over the Chesapeake, mostly unsuccessful.

The 1959 Potomac River Sailing Association's President's Cup Regatta on September 26th and 27th, had a record turnout with 186 boats with the Lightning Class topping the list of entries with 34 boats. Lou Borges, sailing #7350 started strong with a first place, but lost steam in the remaining races. Bob Tunnell, Indian River Yacht Club walked away with top honors followed by J. R. McWhorter, June Methot, and Barney Mead.



Jim Gilbert, Fleet Champion, sailing Sparky #5284.

The Fall series was marked by participation of several newcomers. One of them, Charlie Marshall copped second place honors and Bill Galvin sailing his first season was close behind for third. Frank Williams, after a season of tinkering with his new hull, finally cranked up and walked off with first.

The Annual Quantico Marine Corps Regatta, which started as a fleet competition between the Marine Service fleet and Fleet #50, turned out to be one of the largest Lightning Regattas of the year. Fleet #50 won the Shearer Bowl, but didn't fare so well when the rest of the silver was distributed.

After the season ended Jim Gilbert bought a new fiberglass hull for which he has high hopes. St. Petersburg Regatta will see its maiden race.

CRESCENT SAIL YACHT CLUB (51)

Michigan District

Based on Lake St. Clair

Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

Fleet Captain	Chuck Ellery
Fleet Secretary	Bob Knop
Fleet Champion	Henry J. Cawthra
Runner-Up	John Lesesne

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
886		Wilbur J. Smale
1035		Harry Booker
1301		Tom R. Anderson
1821	Barracuda	George R. Grenke
1957		Dick Leighton
2904	Wa-Ha	Charles T. Ellery
3583		Daniel G. Lamet
3613	Pyewacket	Elijah Poxson, Jr.
4008		Dr. John Lesesne
4398	Sneel	Richard J. Graham & Robert Hornbeck
4533	Playmate	Dr. A. P. Warthman
4595	Gay One	Leon Somerall
4924	Broom	Gordon N. Cameron and Gordon, Jr.
4971		Allan Kass
5130	Mom's Mink	Richard G. Westerman
5131	Blue Dust	Arthur Rautenburg
5426		John Levernez
5790	Lucky Lady	H. J. Siekmann
6006	Make Room!	James C. Millies and James, Jr.
6066	XL	Henry J. Cawthra
6425	Dutch Shoe	Jack Healy
6499	My Sally	Charles & Ed Grant
6550	La-De-Da	Alex Allardyce
6866		William Beardslee



Truly a great crew. Many championships, many regatta trophies.
A credit to our "Lightning Class".

7140 Sonsie III Don Fairchild
7388 Gringo Robert Knop

To say that this was a busy season at Crescent would be the understatement of the year.

It all began on January 18 at Bayview Yacht Club where our fleet was well represented at the District Winter Meeting. It was decided that the Districts would be at Tawas this year, and of course by now we knew that Crescent would be the scene of the 1959 Internationals. The latter, of course, meant starting the planning for all phases of the Regatta right now. As the season progressed things began shaping-up beautifully under the able guidance of Commodore Frank Taylor, a non-Lightning owner, whose persistence and effort could not have been equalled by anyone.

The first sailing activity found us host to the Detroit River Lightning Squadron Regatta on May 23 and 24. We were stormed out on the 23rd so three races were held on the 24th with the following results: 1st Dr. John Lesesne C.S.Y.C.; 2nd Wes Wiedrick B.Y.C.; 3rd Hank Cawthra C.S.Y.C.; 4th Dick Dickman B.Y.C.; 5th Chuck Grant C.S.Y.C.

Two of our members entered the Mallory Cup Eliminations and the quarter finals found them one two out of the ten entries. This series consisted of 5 races sailed in Folk Boats (26' Keel Boats), 1st Hank Cawthra; 2nd Chuck Ellery.

Ten of our boats travelled to the Districts on July 10, 11 & 12 at Tawas. Hank Cawthra, Al Allardyce, Chuck Grant and Don Fairchild, nice going.

Then came the big one. The Internationals. This will be very well covered elsewhere but there is one thing. I guess everyone has been thanked many times by now for the job they did and they certainly deserve it. However, the other Chairman wish to join me as Measurement Chairman in thanking YOU. The co-operation of you sailors with the various Committees was wonderful and certainly made our jobs much easier. Thanks again.

The Labor Day week-end found Crescent host, and co-sponsor with the Detroit Yacht Club, of the Kendall Series Invitational open to all Lightnings. This Regatta was great, as always, and the first five out of 30 boats are as follows: 1st Hank Cawthra C.S.Y.C.; 2nd Jim Schudel B.Y.C.; 3rd Wes Wiedrick B.Y.C.; 4th John Lesesne C.S.Y.C.; 5th Alex Carlin H.L.B.C.

On November 22, Fleet 51 held its annual Pot Luck and Trophies Award Dinner. This, as usual, had a tremendous turn-out and thanks to Mrs. Healy, Mrs. Booker, Mrs. Allardyce, Mrs. Hornbeck and Mrs. Cawthra it was a really grand affair. This years movies of the "Internationals" by Al Kass were shown, and we're sure you'll agree when you see them that these are some of the finest Sailing pictures you've ever seen.

The trophies for our season's series were awarded as follows:—

Series A	Series B	Nite-Hawk
1. Hank Cawthra	Hank Cawthra	Hank Cawthra
2. John Lesesne	John Lesesne	Al Allardyce
3. Al Allardyce	Al Allardyce	John Lesesne
4. Al Kass	Chuck Grant	Al Kass
5. Chuck Grant	Don Fairchild	Chuck Grant

Nice job one and all, Hank also won the Kerr Trophy this year awarded to the Skipper doing the best job for the season on local waters.

Let's get everyone, everywhere, paid up in '60 and keep our Class strong.

LAKE FENTON YACHT CLUB (53)

Michigan District

Based on Lake Fenton, Michigan

Fleet Captain	Edward Fournier
Fleet Secretary	Edward Fournier
Fleet Champion	Robert Furey
Runner-Up	David Nickels

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
244		Ray Kelly
387	Kildeer	Dr. W. H. Winchester
798		D. Beveridge
804	Knor Our's	Sea Scouts
1251		Bill De Haan
1347		Robert Griener
1566	Worry Watt	Robert Furey
1654		Leonard Lippincott
1918	Skoal	Arthur Brandt
2123		Bryant Baker
2776	Subtle Suds	Jack Rajala
2903		Charles Walker
4090	Seven C's	Claude Cohoon
4686	Skandia	Earl Bjornseth
4704		General Motors Tech Sailors
5099	Mar-Dee	Dr. David Freidman
5533	Two Bits	Dr. Sam Sarcher
5885	Too Bad	Robert Miller
6402		Dr. M. G. Fee
6633	Dennis the Menace	David Nickels
7207	Joker Too	Herman O. Nickels, Jr.
7344	Commercial Loan #7	Don Allen & Jim Tomblinson

Fleet #53 had a very successful sailing season this year. We

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 — PLENTY OF BREEZE —



Lake Fenton "White Cap" Regatta, 1959 fleet at anchor.

had only one class, with everyone sailing under the same rules. No handicaps, etc., and all of the newer skippers did a fine job. We tried something new this past season and it worked out very well. Instead of making everyone sail with a regulation crew, we allowed them to have more people in the boat if they so desired. This was to take care of those who had company drop in just before race call. By doing this we had more boats in every race.

Several of our skippers attended regattas all over the States, and they made a fine showing. Herm Nickels started off the year by winning the St. Petersburg Regatta, and he just kept right on winning all through the summer, ending up by winning the Internationals, and also the right to represent the U. S. in the Pan American Games. Our hats are off to a fine man and skipper, and to his wonderful crews.

Our season was laced with several Sunday picnics and Moonlight Sails. We finished up on Labor Day with our annual Banquet and Award's Program. Our season's winners were: First—Robert Furey, Second—David Nickels, Upside Down Trophy—Geo. Nickels, Sportsmen's Trophy—Sam Sorscher, Conover Trophy—Dave Friedman.

The annual Lake Fenton "Whitecap" Regatta was well attended by twenty-seven boats. It was a real crazy series this year. Some of the best skippers went from first to last and vice-versa. The wind never blew for the whole fleet at the same time. The Saturday Night Banquet and dance were highlighted with the music of the "Michigan Barefooted Philharmonics". The winners of the series were First—Jerry Murphy, Second—Geo. Nickels, third—Wes Wiedrick.

PONTIAC YACHT CLUB (54)

Michigan District

Based on Cass Lake, Mich.

Fleet Captain	Clarence Holman
Fleet Secretary	John Seaton
Fleet Champion	Clarence Holman
Runner-Up	A. J. Roualet, Jr.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
703	Storm King	Richard Patterson
835	Princess	Fred Prince
837	Flicka	C. J. Strang
838	Aqua Leto	George & Dr. Leo Wasserberger
839	Buccaneer	Richard Beaubien
841	Nautigal	Chas. & Ronald & Jerry Callahan
842	Dotie	Frank E. Banner
857	Beachcomber	Anton Bego
941		Bill DeBeaubien
1082	Fu-Fu-II	Ray Ransom
1314		Ralph Johnson
1515	Maggie Kate	Kenneth Willette
1548	Long Delay	Paul Miller
1565	C-Lark	Alex Clark
1790	After-All	Enar West & Dr. Wigent
1816	Bob-Bet	Stephen Collier
1820	Whim	Donald Harrison
2884	Aftermath	J. A. Goulding
3146	Playmate	William Meagher

3433	Marlinda	Dave Barton
3528	Kitten	John Penniman
4947	Gizmo	Claude Bennett
5090	Half & Half	Ralph Behler & Burton Boukamp
5166	Hey Mable	Dr. Kenneth Wood
5260	Imp	Samuel L. Dibble
5299	Judy-Kay	F. Leslie Huntwork
5300	Inverness	Robert Hackett & John Rex
5472	G-Whiz	Jack Grigsby
5517	Goblet	Ken Bonnett
5518	Go-Go-Go	A. J. Roualet, II
5665	Sabre	Kenneth Raymond
5719	Winsome	
	Wench	Frank Palazzola
5770	Wood Work	Harold Dudley
5777	Gizmo Too	Allen R. Oberson
5793	Sea Jay	Dr. James H. Van Doren
6132	Kay V	Alton & Jerry Gray
6611	Cro-Cus	Robert Plew
6889	Mafla	Phil Smith
6966	Bambi III	Larry O'Dell
7136		Laird Ahrens
7204	Marlyn	Gene MacCracken
7227		Clarence Holman
7300	Triagan	Dr. Floyd Arnold
7335		Carl Marr
7336	Polaris II	Phil Miller
7360		John Seaton
7407		Paul Rich
7439		Charles Buck
7502		Robert Flack

TROPHIES! TROPHIES! TROPHIES! Our Annual Presentation of Awards Banquet looked like the "Emmy" show on television, complete with Jerry Lewis (Claude Bennett) as Fleet Captain, passing out the hardware.

I won't say that everyone received a shiny trophy—some received bits of rope, empty shells, tape measurer (for measuring illegal boats) and all sorts of fun awards.

A very select group received Ash Trays in the form of a Duck for proving a Lightning can be capsize. The lucky ones were Ken Willett, Ralph Behler, Burt Boukamp, Phil Smith, Dave Barton, Bob Plew and "you can do it in five miles per hour air too" John Seaton.

The real shiny stuff went to the following:

Club Championship Series	Commodore Series
1. Clarence Holman	1. Fred Prince
2. Andy Roualet, II	2. Jack Grigsby
3. Phil Smith	4. Carl Marr
Sunday Morning Series	Twilight Series
1. John O'Dell	1. Phil Smith
2. Clarence Holman	2. Betty Holman
3. Phil Smith	3. John O'Dell
Snowball Series	Alternate Series
1. Alton Gray	1. John Seaton



Well on Our Way.

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| 2. Ken Bonnett | 2. Paul Rich |
| 3. John Seaton | 3. Ron Callahan |

The award for the club member placing highest in the Michigan District went to Clarence Holman and his Crew (the unsunk hero we all owe so much), wife Betty, and Leo Wasserberger.

The Annual Club Invitation Regatta was a real success with our own sailors Phil Smith, Clarence Holman, and Mack Goodwin finishing in that order.

The 1959 season with our active sailing program, pot luck picnics and Junior Sailing program can be considered a tremendous success, but plans are to make next year even better. So if you're in our neighborhood stop in and see us. We are very friendly folks.

Our Annual Pontiac Yacht Club Invitational will be held June 25th and 26th. Try real hard to be with us for this one.

BURNHAM PARK YACHT CLUB (56)

Midwest District

Based on Lake Michigan, Chicago, Ill.

Fleet Captain	Bob Logelin
Fleet Secretary	Joe Ottenheimer
Fleet Champion	Art Wong
Runner-Up	Ronald Blair

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
610	Paralus	Dave Haskin
2554	Scalare	Arthur V. Appel
2869	Corky	Don Pontarelli
2984	Shelst	Joe Ottenheimer & George Tauber
3619	Sugar Baby	Joe Wesolowski
4341	Blixt	Edward Wright
4390		Sam Zafros
4946	Cookie II	Bill Paine
5047	Martie-Tu	Martin Moore
5211	Fair Lady	Allen Ely, Richard Schmidt
5319	Jobe	Jos. F. Jirousek
5555	Ski	William P. Fuchs
5649	Harriet II	Dr. Joseph Krohn
6032	Petrel	Logelin & Hackett
6036	Trio II	Abe Jacobs
6039	Mickie II	Dan & Frank Hubbell
6069	Jabberwocky	Ralph Stewart
6363	Bon Bon	Ronald Blair
6566	Mal De Mer	Bob Erickson and Al Chilenskas
6608	Saw Bones	Dr. Bernard Yaffe
6775	Slow Poke	Ray Brady
6935	U 2nd	Jack Friedman
7326	Lucky Too	Ralph Weninger
7327	Arleen	Art Sima and Art Wong



Fleet Champion Art Wong and crew out in front of championship race of Burnham Yacht Club. Fleet 56, Chicago.

There were two new boats in the Burnham Fleet this year, Art Wong with his new Arleen and Ralph Weninger with Lucky Too. Art Wong got Arleen in the water early enough for the Pest Trophy Race, the first race of the season. As in the past, this race predicted the season's final standings with Art Wong and Arleen first, Ronnie Blair in Bon Bon second and Dan Hubbell at the helm of Mickie II third.

The Burnham Park Small Boat Regatta was monopolized by the invaders from the North Side of Fleet No. 5, as Jay Doty and Bill Wingard in Miss Trudy and Jubilee respectively, allowed us only a third place by Ron Blair in his Bon Bon. The Red Flannel Regatta, sponsored jointly by Fleet Nos. 5 and 56, was completely cornered by outlanders this year. Harry Spitz, from Gary, Indiana, sailed his Cats Meow to a first place finish, followed by Herm Nickels of Lake Fenton, Michigan and Bob Adams of Indianapolis, Indiana.

Lake Michigan breezes freshened often enough to require several of us to clean the "Lake Bottom" from our masthead sheaves. Members of this year's "Save the Spinnaker!" club were Art Wong, George Tauber and Joe Ottenheimer, Martie Moore, Dave Haskin and Ray Brady. Who gets the prize for the swimmingest skipper in the fleet?

The prize for the most improved boat of the year goes to Mal De Mer with Bob Erickson and Al Chilenskas at the helm. They also provided the most exciting finish of the season as they won their first race by one foot while flying their spinnaker upside down.

All in all 1959 was a great season and we are all looking forward to maybe even a better one next year. Fleet No. 56 would like to invite you all to our new club for the 12th Annual Red Flannel Regatta, the last weekend of September. We feel it is the best attended regatta on the Great Lakes with usually about 50 boats entered. Hope to see you there and may everyone have a fine sason in 1960.

NIAGARA SAILING CLUB (59)

Lake Erie District

Based on Niagara River, Grand Island, New York

Fleet Captain	Harold Rowland
Fleet Secretary	Richard Barlow
Fleet Champion	Bob Stark
Runner-Up	Joe Holler

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
276	Jay Bee	Jean Bowen
456	Olive M	Earl & Olive Johnson
680	Thunderbolt	Harold Rowland
748	Alert III	Bernard Starck
749	Three Winds	John Swanson and John Palmer
1224	Lu Jim	James Milliron
1903	Glockenspiel	Stuart Anderson
1959	JAM	Edwin A. Murray
2346	Tillicum	George May
2988	B-Witch	Randy Dilliot
4185	Pogo	Richard Barlow
4402		Anthony D'Eloia
5676	Steal Away	Rev. John Steve
6316	Twildo	Fred L. Scharf

The 1959 regatta season started off with a snap crackle and pop for our commodore, Stu Anderson. Stu broke two masts at the Invitational Regatta at the Buffalo Canoe Club. His bad luck started when his mast broke at the start of the first race. In the second race, Stu was leading the fleet and he was in the last down wind leg when he capsized and broke the second mast for the day. It was the first time Stu has ever capsized in his 15 years of sailing.

Once again the Niagara River Lightning Championship was won by the lake sailors. It took Tom Fallon of the Buffalo Canoe Club ten years to do it, but he took home the first place trophy. Former Niagara River Champion Tom Allen of the Buffalo Canoe Club and Joe Holler of the Niagara Sailing Club took second and third respectively.

One of the finest District regattas we ever attended was held at the Erie Yacht Club of Erie, Pennsylvania. Niagara Sailing Club had seven representatives this year as follows: Stu Anderson, Joe Holler, Jack Swanson, Dick Carrel, Jim Milliron, Bob Stark, and Bud Jones. Randy Dilliot. Jack Swanson took fifth place and qualified for the President's Cup race.

Jack Swanson carried the red and white burgee to Detroit where he competed in the President's Cup race. Even though Jack had one of the oldest boats in the race, it didn't prevent him, with

Joe Holler and Doug Nelson as crew, from winning the second place trophy. Congratulations, Jack.

Now for a run down on other regatta action: Jack Swanson and the Randy Dilliot-Bud Jones duo went to the Sodus Bay regatta where Jack took first place among a fleet of 39 boats.

Stu Anderson travelled to the Central New York regatta and took third place in the series.

The Niagara Sailing Club placed one-two-three in the Silver Lake Harvest Regatta. Bud Jones and Randy Dilliot finished first, Stu Anderson second, and Jack Swanson third.

Stu Anderson took a third place in the Sandy Beach Haul-Out Regatta.

This season proved to be the most rewarding thus far for Bob Stark and his sons, Bob and Joe. Bob took first place in the Bowen Club Championship and the Wardell Lightning Trophy Series. Bob's proudest moments came when he and his sons received all that silver at the annual trophy banquet.

In rounding out the finishes for the Bowen Championship, Joe Holler was second and Jack Swanson third, and in the Wardell Trophy race, Randy Dilliot-Bud Jones second, and Joe Holler third.

The season was brought to a shocking finish with the team races at the Buffalo Canoe Club where their Captain, Tom Allen, once again led his team to victory over the Niagara Sailing Club.

JAYHAWK FLEET (60)

Central States District

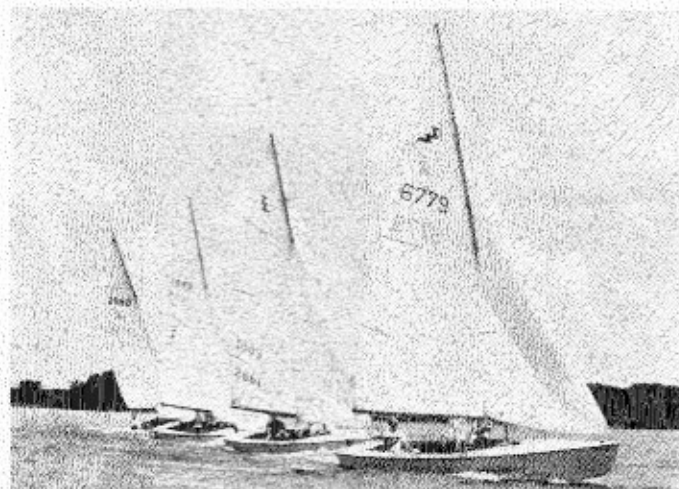
Based on Lake Shawnee, Topeka, Kansas

Fleet Captain	Wendell Ives
Fleet Secretary	Frank Farrell
Fleet Champion	Chet Ebey
Runner-Up	Wendell Ives

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
906	Sea Deuce	John Gall
1268	Lively Lady	III C. F. Ebey
1699	Folly	F. W. Farrell
2661	Ricaboo	R. J. Rice and A. B. Boon
3236	Stormy Lea	Capt. Louis Roberts
4545		Dr. Richard Greer and Gary R. Stearns
5465		Jack Worley and Ed Morrill
6779	Rosieann	Wendell Ives
7001	Jayhawker	Bill Schwartz
7461		Ralph Persson

We were extremely glad this year to welcome two more Lightnings to our fleet. Ed Morrill and Jack Worley located a boat at St. Louis, and Dr. Richard Greer and Gary Stearns found one at Pontiac, Michigan. Ralph Persson is busy this winter assembling 7461 from a kit. This will give us ten boats for sure and there is a real good chance Capt. "Red" Brooks will have a boat by the time the starting gun sounds in early May.

Our racing competition is going to be a lot stronger in 1960 and we are planning three holiday series plus our regular season series.



Jayhawker, Lake Shawnee, Topeka, Kansas, "Perfect Start."

Bill Schwartz with Ken and Rainey Jones along with Wendall and Rosie Ives and Chet Ebey started out the season with a trip to Fort Gibson, Oklahoma where they sailed in the Central States District Regatta. Bill Schwartz and crew then went on to the regatta at Lake Ouachita near Hot Springs, Arkansas, the Jayhawker then added many more miles with trips to regattas at the Savannah Yacht Club, St. Petersburg, Alton Lake at St. Louis and the International Race at the Crescent Yacht Sail Club at Detroit.

At our meeting to elect new officers for next year several skippers are planning and looking ahead to our District Regatta to be held in June at Lake Ouachita, which is the home base for our District Commodore, Gaines Houston. A new lake has opened up at Kansas City, which by turn pike is only an hour away and there will be a Lightning fleet based there. We hope to be able to have them bring their boats here for a Sunday of racing and we can load up and trailer over there with our boats to try out their lake breezes. Through the winter months we can armchair sail and long for the coming of Spring.

LAKE PONTCHARTRAIN FLEET (62)

Southern District

Based on Lake Pontchartrain, New Orleans, La.

Fleet Captain	Thomas S. Allen
Fleet Secretary	Maurice Stockton, Jr.
Fleet Champion	Thomas S. Allen
Runner-Up	Harold D. Spurl, Jr.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3491	Wieroo II	Hampton A. Gamard
5332	Cavalier	Harbert Gregory
5373	Shu Shu	Francis E. Manion
5484	Miss Cookie	C. Armond Bernius
	III	
5556	Finale	James P. Mullally
5596	Nike	Erston Reisch
5799	Nautigal	Robert H. Kammer, Jr. & Fabian G. Fromherz
6218	Royal Flush	Harold Spurl
6799	Moe Fun	Maurice Stockton
6938		Ed Spurl, III
7120	Spirit V	Alfred W. Brown, Jr.
7121	Ha Yala	Robert A. Banck
7122	Black Jack	John Dane, Jr.
7282	Ticonderoga	Thomas S. Allen
	Capt. Polasek	Honorary Member

Fleet #62 has enjoyed a long and successful sailing season from April 26th through October 31st. The year 1959 found the fleet with an increased number of active skippers and the addition of four new boats to spur on the interest of an already active fleet. The proud owners of new boats are Bob Banck, Jack Dane, Tom Allen, and Gene Walet.

Gene Walet, twice North American Champion, returned to the fleet at the very end of the 1958 season, after having been in the Air Force. He captured quite a few honors by winning the Opening Regatta, the Southern District Championship, held at the Southern Yacht Club in New Orleans, and the Eager Beaver Championship. Late in the season, he sold his boat, Spirit V, to a newcomer to the fleet, Alfred W. Brown, Jr., who sailed her in the Final Regatta and won by a comfortable margin.

Tom Allen our Fleet Captain for the year also had a very successful season in his new boat, the Ticonderoga. He chalked up wins in the first Eager Beaver Series, a Trophy race, August 15th, the Stratton Series, another trophy race, and the Fleet Championship. Tom was second in the opening regatta, the District Championships, and the Eager Beaver championship.

The Skipperettes of the fleet had two races this season; the first was won by a newcomer, Jean Lawson, sailing the Ticonderoga. The second race sailed later in the season was won by Lydia Allen of the sailing Allen family.

Two Crew races were sailed this year. In the first Mike Gautreaux, crew on Jim Mullally's Finale, took the honors, and Robert Banck, Jr. captured the Crew Championship in the second race.

Other winners were Robert Kammer, Jr. in a trophy race May 16th, Ethan Allen in a trophy race August 16th, Jack Dane in a trophy race August 30th, and Ann Hughes in the Junior Regatta.

In addition to the winners mentioned above there were other outstanding skippers. C. Armond Bernius won the first of the three races in the first Eager Beaver Series. Harold Spurl, Jr. in



The sailing Allen family: Lydia, Ethan and Tom—in Teanderoga.

his Royal Flush showed that he is a very good competitor by being Runner-up in the Fleet Championship for the second year in a row. Erston Reisch, Jr. earned a third place in the Fleet Championship to show that he is always in there. Bob Banck showed us some nice sailing this year, taking second place in the Final Regatta. Francis Marion, another new member of the fleet, is doing very nicely in his Shu Shu.

All of us are looking forward to a larger and more active fleet for the sailing season in 1960 with good competition and fun for all.

BRANFORD YACHT CLUB (63)

Connecticut District

Based on Long Island Sound, Branford, Conn.

Fleet Captain.....	(Sam) Barry Jennings, Jr.
Fleet Secretary.....	W. Perry Curtiss, Jr.
Fleet Treasurer.....	Al Kuehl, Jr.
Fleet Champion.....	Wayne Brockert
Runner-Up.....	Al Kuehl, Jr.
	and Sam Jennings (Tie)

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
284	Betcha	Robert E. Clinton
1321		Dick Copeland
2189		Mary-Lou Venter
2550	His Nibs	Bill Cogger
2593	Camachi III	Frank Woodman
2928	Herring-Choker	Harris Anstey
3684	Mianbo	Barry Jennings, Jr.
4016		Jack Morgan
4609	Rise'n Shine	Perry & Doug Curtiss
4802	Rascal	George Kennedy
6238		Mary & Francis McGuire
6385	Snow Flakes	Alfred Kuehl, Jr.
7249	Keewaydin	Wayne Brockert

As an experiment this year's races were held on Sunday morning in order that the racing crews might have the rest of the day uninterrupted with their families. This plan met with mixed reactions and no decision has yet been made as to next year's program.

Three series were again held; one for the spinnaker division, one for the non-spinnaker division and a third "At Home" series in which all boats not attending regattas in other ports participated.

Wayne Brockert with his new Lippincott boat "Keewaydin" won the spinnaker division. Tied for second place were Al Kuehl, Jr. and Sam Jennings.

The non-spinnaker series was won by Doug and Perry Curtiss, who alternated on the helm with their parents as crew. Second place was taken by Bob Clinton.

The "At Home" series was won by Bill Altieri, a regular member of Al Kuehl's crew, who sailed the boat in this informal series. Again there was a tie for second place between Steve Jennings, sailing his father's boat, and Perry and Doug Curtiss.

Our chief claim to fame for this season lies in the winning of the Governor's Cup for the second time by Wayne Brockert. He also did well in the Early Bird and Piquor Invitation Series.

We look forward to an enlarged fleet next year. Two additional boats are certain at this time. There will also be an effort made to enlarge the spinnaker division. Several have already indicated their intention of transferring from the non-spinnaker division.

MAPLE BAY LIGHTNING FLEET (64)

Pacific-Northwest District

Fleet Captain.....	George Maggs
Fleet Secretary.....	Gerald Coleman
Fleet Champion.....	George Maggs

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1372		Dr. O. E. Qualley
1697		Colin A. Dabell
2615		Dr. J. U. Coleman
3244		George Maggs
3582		Michael Stone
3780		Henry A. Irwin
7258		John King

Interest in Lightnings in Maple Bay is on the upswing this year with six Lightnings taking part in the Series Races. Lightning No. 7258 is still in the building stage but will be ready for next summer.

George Maggs sailed "Ben Gunn" to win our championship in August. He also won the overnight race around Saltspring Island. The latter race in which the racing boats circumnavigate Saltspring Island, a distance of 45 miles, is a test of racing skill and endurance as unpredictable winds and currents play the dominating role. Total time for the winning boat this year was around 24 hours, but a record time of 16 hours was recorded the previous year. The island may be rounded either way and great consideration must be given to the Tide Tables before the race.

Lightnings also took part in the Maple Bay Yacht Club's Handicap races. The Roome Cup and the 12 mile North Reef's Race were won by Dr. J. U. Coleman's Lightning "Hitime".

Maple Bay Lightning Fleet was looking forward to hosting members of other fleets at the Annual Labor Day Regatta but poor weather conditions kept all away.

We are looking forward to next year's racing as increasing numbers of Lightnings competing will bring about the addition of extra series races and new courses for the Lightnings.

MILWAUKEE FLEET (69)

Midwest District

Based on Lake Michigan, Wisc.

Fleet Captain.....	Bill Ward
Fleet Secretary.....	Betsy Morris
Fleet Champion.....	Dave Ashton
Runner-Up.....	Guy Scrivner

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
152		E. S. Grodin
964		John Tocorski
1299	Hey Daddy	Joanne and Barbara Lindemann
1701	Caprice	Betsy Morris
2530	La Vie	Dr. C. Hugh Hickey
2535		Morgan Hamm & Dr. E. E. Burzynski
2536	Firebird	John P. Boynton
2537	Chewink	Elmer Becker
2564	Barb	Guy Scrivner
3495	Sans Souci	Dr. John Esser
3610	Swizzle	W. B. Porter, Jr. and Lee Kaiser and Morgan Jackson and Edward R. Abare
3981	Nauti Gal	E. H. Jablonka
4574	Deadline	Jerry Rosenthal
4714	Pxpillroller	Bill Ward
4853	Pequod	Charles Ingwersen and Thomas O'Brien
4999	Baby Doll	George & David Ashton

5123	Noblesse	Gary Arnold
5210	Sailbad the Sinner	Dan Mitchem
5764	Con Moto	Clifford G. Ward
5953	Scarlet	Jack Luchte
6034	Oar Bay	Gerald P. Caffery
6060	Holy Smoke	II Ensworth Reisner
6159	Top Flite III	Dr. Donald A. Franklin
7003	Last Penny	Len Gardenier

Milwaukee Fleet #69, sailing out of Milwaukee Yacht Club, enjoyed one of the best racing seasons on record. Our annual P & T Regatta, with its picnic supper, was something that we will look back on with fond memories all winter. This was the outstanding social event of the season.

Dave Ashton, one of our Juniors, won the P & T series, and as noted above, Dave again was top man in our season series. Guy Scrivner and Dr. John Esser ran a close second and third.

Fleet #69 is expecting several new boats this season. Rev. Riesner and Jerry Rosenthan have boats on order, and Len Gardenier's has already arrived. We understand it is a beauty.

Winter meetings are planned, both social and study groups. We are planning rather extensive study groups on basic sailing theory and racing rules as well as racing tactics. This critique technique is expected to help all of our members in making Fleet #69 competition even tougher than it has been in the past.

We of the Milwaukee Fleet are planning an additional invitational meet this year. Our annual P & T Regatta is to be held very early in the season, and with this change in date, we are expecting several additional outside boats. The second regatta will be so timed that it will provide maximum opportunities to tune up for the latest major racing regattas around the country.

ROCKY RIVER FLEET (71)

Ohio-Indiana District

Sailing on Lake Erie

Fleet Captain	Carlos D. Smith
Fleet Secretary	Paul Auer
Fleet Champion	John Mueller
Runner-Up	Paul Auer

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1359	Ariel	H. S. Nelson
1398	Cholita	John & Richard Salisbury
1601		Francis Feighan
1610		John Pearne
2719	Cloud 7	W. P. Clyne
3007	Grundoon	Carlos D. Smith
3459	Lucky Bets	A. L. Lunningham
3607	Lemon Drop	F. V. Calvert
3752	Charmer	J. H. Webb
3852	At Last!	F. Clyde Jones
3854	Vindicator	Wm. H. Summers
3858	Davy Sue	D. C. Leffingwell
4723	Windswept	H. F. Doolittle
5203	Fede	Paul Auer
5265	Trollop	H. C. Wiers and W. U. Hoeffler
5558	Little Dipper	Walter S. Sellars
5559	Torrent	E. A. Kennedy
6297	Lucky Star	Pete Carsten
6493	Tickled Pink	John Mueller
6503	Lil' Angel	Mark Auer
6753	Vaquero	Walter F. Bleckrie
6931	Wind Bag	Paul McCulloch, Jr.
7023	Penelope	F. L. Bissinger

In retrospect, 1959's sailing season ended on a better note than it began. The big flood, which played such havoc with Cleveland Yacht Club, floated several of the Lightnings which had been left on the island, and Francis Feighan never again saw his lately acquired No. 1032. For the first time in years, however, all race series were completed, which tells the story of the fine weather we had during the summer. And only a couple of drifters, too!

John Mueller won the Fleet Championship in a round-robin test, with runner-up going to Paul Auer, and third place to Pete Carsten. Next year the fleet's hot skippers will compete for a beautiful new trophy presented by Ed Kennedy and Walter Coulter. The prize, which will always be on display in CYC's clubhouse, is a perfect model of a Lightning, done with painstaking detail, even down to halyard shackles and mast fittings.

Fleet 71 is proud to report that John Mueller was the recipient of the first Sportsmanship Award presented by the Ohio-Indiana District Association. The presentation was made at Port Clinton during the District Regatta. We think Johnny is a worthy choice for the award and a good skipper too, since he represented us in the President's Cup this year.

The travelling fleet, made up primarily of Mark Auer, Ed Kennedy, Mueller, and Packy Bleckrie, tossed their hats in the ring at various regattas around the district, and brought home their share of hardware. Ed was also our representative in the Internationals.

On the social scene, the annual steak roast was its usual howling success and the innovation of a fish-fry met with wide-spread approval. The gals, under the prodding of Dorothy Sellars and Helen McCulloch, did an outstanding job.

The Ohio-Indiana Districts will be held at C.Y.C. in 1960, and we invite you all to attend. We'll guarantee a fine time for all, and some real Lake Erie weather!

DECATUR LIGHTNING FLEET (74)

Midwest District

Sailing on Lake Decatur, Decatur, Illinois

Fleet Captain	Welland Hause
Fleet Secretary	Parke Boyer
Fleet Champion	Hawley Albright
Runner-Up	Bob Buckles

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
212	Twilight	Robert Williams
214	Dangerous	H. W. Albright
297	Blitzen	Dr. Robert D. Miller
3214	Pegasus	Dr. Herbert Fritz
3930	Aquarius	Parke Boyer
4678	Patience	Roger Grohne
5454	Argo II	Dr. Welland Hause
6446	Aeolus III	Bob Buckles

Another fine year of day sailing, special club sails, and a Class race series sponsored by the home club, the Commodore Decatur Yacht Club. Race Director Roger Grohne ran the series very smoothly and we were even favored with better than usual August breezes. The series results were, Hawley Albright, Bob Buckles, Roger Grohne in the one, two, three spots.

The high point of the local season, both on the water and on the beach, was the Inter-City Regatta sponsored by the CDYC. There were visiting boats from Alton, Indianapolis, and Peoria, and, though we properly wine and dined the guests, we kept the first place trophy at home with Bill Buckles doing the honors.

Our roaming skipper was abroad again with considerable success in bringing home trophies. Bob Buckles won first at both the Governor's Cup Regatta on Kentucky Lake and the Mid-States Regatta on Lake Springfield. He also took second at Nashville and at Indianapolis, and third at Alton.

The fleet was well represented at the Mid-States Regatta sponsored by the Island Bay Yacht Club at Springfield. This Labor Day weekend event is always anticipated by the fleet and was again a real pleasure from all aspects.

We have temporarily lost one of our usually active skippers, but have gained a good crewman and better city government. Bob Grohne was elected Mayor of the City of Decatur, and as a result of the press of duties of this office, is temporarily without a boat. We are sure he will be skippering again one day.

The fleet is looking forward to the 1960 season. Welland Hause will christen his new boat, a fiberglass Lightning from Girkens-Nelson, the first on the lake. We are expecting it to stimulate interest and attract some new skippers and new boats.

NYACK FLEET (75)

Metropolitan District

Sailing on Hudson River, Nyack, New York

Fleet Captain	Robert Shuris
Fleet Secretary	Edward K. Dean
Fleet Champion	Edward K. Dean
Runner-Up	George Garrecht

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
272		Donald P. Spence
724	Winkle	Winston C. Perry, Jr.

806	Spray	Knox Fabius
1285	Westerly	J. H. Van Ness
1813	Lark	Karl K. Gleeson
1860	.....	Robert H. Smith
1899	.....	William Prior
1901	Finias	Walter Gropler
2109	Four Winns	W. R. Winn
2357	Pied Piper	Robert Shuris
2649	Bluebird	Joseph Loeffler
2713	Rebecca	Mylon Bullock
2819	Viking	Kai Hekker
3021	Dolphin	F. W. Manak
3104	Gypsy	Paul Murphy
3269	.....	Joseph Verwayen
3716	Rojo	Joe Hoffee
4680	Luff Me	Richard Waugh
5096	GiGi	George Garrecht
5339	Born Tired II	William E. Brandau
5959	Pan	Thomas De Stasio
6003	Coquette	Ed Dean
6387	Tagalong	E. A. Mowerson
6554	Rebel	Hube Clay
6620	Cear	Brian Murphy
6898	Voodoo	Oliver Filippi
6899	Alleluia	John J. Sullivan
7134	Susan II	Richard Murphy
7235	Pipe Dream	R. C. Cassidy
7359	Five Star	E. L. Hennessey, Jr.

Fleet 75 began its year not by racing but by rolling up its sleeves and going to work on the construction of a dry sailing dock. After several months of arduous work, the fleet was amply rewarded with new dry sailing facilities for approximately 30 boats.

The season began with the first YRA regatta at Minisceongo Yacht Club on Memorial Day. George Garrecht started the season off with a bang by getting a very respectable first place with Walter Tripp of Minisceongo second and Bob Shuris of Nyack third. The following day in a 9 mile beat down river to Shattemuc Yacht Club saw Bob Shuris edge out Ed Dean by 2 feet for first place. John Sullivan took third place honors.

The next event was the annual July 4th regatta staged at Nyack Boat Club. With no wind all day Saturday and again on Sunday morning, this turned into a one race affair which John Sullivan won hands down. Joe Hoffee came in second and Ed Dean took third position.

The next YRA event was held at Shattemuc Yacht Club on August 1 and 2. Ed Dean, sailing in his former home waters took top honors with two firsts and a second. Bob Shuris gave another good account for himself by coping second place and John Sullivan again took a third place.

On August 8 and 9, Fleet 75 participated in the annual Mid-Hudson Regatta for Lightnings staged at Minisceongo Yacht Club. In this event final results showed Walt Tripp of the host club in first place hotly pursued by Tom DeStasio and George Garrecht both of the Nyack fleet.

The Mory Merry Marathon, a race from Nyack to Minisceongo dried up for lack of wind on September 5. Consequently on the following day the prizes from this race were combined with the prizes offered for the race down from Minisceongo giving six place awards. In order they were Hoffee, Garrecht, Dean, Gleeson, Brandau and Shuris. On Labor Day Oliver Filippi, picked up a first in home waters with Hoffee and Dean second and third respectively.

Competition for the club championship, which began on June 7th was fierce this year. With a record 30 boats registered in the fleet and an average of 20 boats starting every race, the outcome of the championship hung in the balance until the very last race which was completed on August 30. Practically everyone took his turn during the season either winning a race or going into the tank. When the spray subsided Fleet 75 had a new champion—Ed Dean. George Garrecht was in runner-up position followed by Joe Hoffee. This is the first time in about 8 years that the Fleet 75 championship had been wrested from Joe Hoffee's hands.

In a fall series consisting of six races, competition was equally as keen. At the end of the last race, Ed Dean emerged as winner of this series also, followed by Joe Hoffee and Bob Shuris.

Five boats from Nyack participated in the Districts. Of the 20 boats competing in the districts, Nyack sent one boat to the Internationals and two boats to the Presidents Cup. All of the three failed to place.

Needless to say we are eagerly looking forward to an early racing start in 1960 and hope to get our first spring series under way this coming year.

GOOD LUCK AND GOOD SAILING.

NEWPORT YACHT CLUB (77)

Central New York District

Sailing on Irondequoit Bay, Rochester, N. Y.

Fleet Captain.....	Gerald Wunderlich
Fleet Secretary.....	Ernest Butler
Fleet Champion.....	John McIntosh, M.D.
Runner-Up.....	Ernest Hamilton

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
79	Black Knight	Gerald Wunderlich
234	Mac	Francis J. Lee
400	Asbestos	Ray Hebert
458	Quest	Ernie Hamilton
875	Twilde	Robert Edwards
981	Hi-De-Ho	Ed A. Geier
1466	Rok-N-Rye	Frank L. Unbehaun
1515	Karasol	Glen Rosenbauer
2153	Rebel	Dr. Edward Riley
2772	Our Gal	Paul Jungjohann
2795	Restless	Ted Gunkler
3410	Miss Hannah	Allen Fields
III		
3480	Calypso	Fred Darling
3541	Firecracker	Dr. L. H. Spector
3542	Doodle	Dr. Max Presberg
3608	Guppy	Ernest Butler
4719	Citation	Elmer and Dick Andrews
4724	George	Arnie Sahs
4879	Blue Jacket II	Dr. John McIntosh
5201	Corsaire	Howard Gass
5584	Irish IV	Dick Doherty
5836	Trop Chere	Bob Woolman
5935	Kelpie	Allen Hamilton
6274	Spindrift	Warren Duerr
6710	Seacall	Herbert Johnson
6803	JP	Dr. Thomas Morgan
7025	White Cap II	Dr. Robert Jamison

The 1959 season opened with the Burns-Hanna handicap which was won by Dr. Bob Jamison. The fleet championship series followed this and was won by Dr. John McIntosh. The summer series and crew series followed. The summer series was won by Dr. John McIntosh. The crew series was won by Dennis O'Kane. The fall series was won by Dr. John McIntosh.

The race over Labor Day for the Missal trophy was won by Arnie Sahs.

The most improved boat of the year trophy was won by Dr. Spector.

The tip over honors this year were divided among Tom Morgan, Ernie Hamilton and Warren Duerr.

Other races this year included a skippers race and a Snownut series.

The total official races at the club outside of regattas numbered 38 which covered a very active season from May to October.

SANDY BEACH YACHT CLUB (78)

Lake Erie District

Based on Niagara River, Grand Island, New York

Fleet Captain.....	Allen Bernel
Fleet Secretary.....	Janet Rasmussen
Fleet Champion.....	George Rasmussen
Runner-Up.....	Allen Bernel

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1472	Isatso	Georgia Bates
1589	Fawn	George Rasmussen
2636	.....	Dave Christie
2930	Bicuspid	Dr. Chas. Umland
3333	Wilawa	Don Heine
3650	Frisky II	Steve Astmann
4032	Trident	Jack Taggart
4870	Debby J	Dick Robinson
4974	Hi-Ball	Howard Compson
4976	Little Joe III	Tom Brunton
6217	Lee Buoy	Victor Peterson
6220	Why Knot	Red Norwalk, Andy Dannels
6254	Clippard	Roz Lippard
7244	Foamy	Allen Bernel

The 1959 Sailing season got under way with the Chester Bates and Georgia Bates Memorial 3 race series on Memorial Day weekend. The Chester Bates Handicap races were won by Howard Comson, followed by Allen Bernel and Jack Taggart. The

Georgia Bates scratch races ended up with Howard Compson in first place, Vic Peterson in second place and Allen Bernel third. The next series of three scratch races gave Allen Bernel the Art Little trophy with Vic Peterson and Howard Compson following in that order.

The Law Series of 2 scratch races saw Vic Peterson take home the hardware.

The Fourth of July week-end produced some light weather sailing and Howard Compson ended up with the Neuman Round Robin trophy for skippers and Lee Peterson and Jim Sprole won the Best of Crew trophy.

On July 11, we had our traditional Tri-Club Regatta between Niagara Sailing Club and LaSalle Yacht Club. We were surprised and taken aback when the youngest club of sailors from across the river at LaSalle took the old oaken bucket back with them.

The Commodore's trophy was won by Allen Bernel. Al was followed by Andy Daniels and George Rasmussen.

In the Labor Day week-end series Allen Bernel won the scratch Compson series, Jack Taggart won the handicap Duchscherer trophy and Jeff Bernel and Steve Sprole won the Crew trophy.

George Rasmussen also won the Grand Island Marine Trophy as most improved skipper of the club. The Saturday Series was won by Jack Sheehan.

The first appearance of any "Old Timers Race" appeared on our schedule. This is where you get all of the old time sailors, who sit on their "Stink boats" to race. George Bates, Alice Brunton, and Jesse Law were the toast of the club for their tremendous effort and win.

Our busy season closed with our Hawfuit Regatta. We had a thirty-two boat turnout and the weather cooperated on Saturday so that we got 2 races in but the 35 mile wind blew out Sunday's race after four boats capsized. The final standings of the two races gave Tom Allen of BCC first place.

BUFFALO YACHT CLUB (81)

Lake Erie District

Sailing on Lake Erie, Buffalo, New York

Fleet Captain	Alan Coho
Fleet Secretary	Bob Dallas
Fleet Champion	Jack Sloan
Runner-Up	Bob Dallas

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
154	Ripple	Clement Arrison
397	Linament	John Y. Sloan
909	Dolly	Les Mason
1683	Jabberwock	Richard K. Koegler
1904	Anodyne	Dr. Francis O'Donnell
2131	Suds Bucket	Alan Coho
5207	Lo & Slo	Robert W. Dallas

For the third consecutive year, the Fleet Championship changed hands. A series of three races was held to decide the Lionel Smith Trophy and, in some of the closest contests we've seen, Jack Sloan in "Linament", with his sons as crew, nosed out Bob Dallas in "Lo and Slo", with Clem Arrison in "Ripple" placing third.

The Ryan Cup, the oldest sailing trophy in our club, is awarded to the winner of a handicap race for center board sloops. This year, a Lightning, skippered by Bob Dallas, won over all classes in a drifting match on Lake Erie.

Al Coho, always a tough competitor had some tough luck at fitting out time and was unable to race. Seems that Al underestimated the power of a circular saw in removing caulking and wound up with some major carpentry work.

We at Buffalo Yacht Club are proud to be your hosts at the 1960 Lake Erie Districts to help us celebrate our 100th anniversary.

A cordial invitation is hereby extended to all Lake Erie District sailors to help make our anniversary celebration boast the largest District Regatta ever held.

BAYVIEW YACHT CLUB (83)

Michigan District

Sailing on Lake St. Clair, Detroit, Michigan

Fleet Captain	Jim Kohls
Fleet Secretary	Maxine Kohls
Fleet Champion	Wes Wiedrick
Runner-Up	Fred Wilhelm

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5115		Burt Jones
5705	Buffoon	Jim Kohls
5832	Crazy Man	Jack & Jim Moeller
6161	Itch	Jim Schudel
6225		Clipper Rannels
6444		Fred Wilhelm
6650	Ballerina	Dick Dickman
7050	Little Luffer	Wes Wiedrick
7060	Hard Tom	Warren Jones

Most of Fleet #83's racing was again done in the Detroit River Yachting Association regattas. These regular weekly competitions for Lightnings are hotly contested with the season point average determining the DRYA and our fleet champion, Wes Wiedrick, again won both championships for his consistent good sailing.

The majority of our boats sailed in the Michigan District Championships which were held for the second consecutive year at Tawas Bay Yacht Club and which again produced an International Champion. Two of Bayviews skippers were really successful in that—Jim Schudel finished second and Wes Wiedrick finished fourth. Both qualified thereby for the Internationals where Jim took a seventh, but Wes, due to a disqualification in the fourth race, didn't fare so well.

Clipper Rannels, who crewed for Dick Dickman in the Districts, became so excited about Lightning racing after this series that he proceeded to purchase Lightning #6225 from George Davis. Clipper's doing real well skippering his own boat now.

The Moeller twins, Jack and Jim, bought Lightning #5832 this Spring. They named the boat "Crazy Man" and painted it with colors that really live up to the name.

It looks like Warren Jones new boat is a hot one. The Brazilians who sailed it in the Internationals finished fifth overall and they hadn't even had any previous experience in the boat. Warren makes the boat go too but he seems to have some troubles occasionally missing marks and such.

A farewell party was held at Jim and Betty Schudel's home for Rosemary and Dick Dickmans who left for California this Fall. Rosie and Dick were given a pewter pitcher as a token of the very pleasant memories which all of us have of this wonderful couple. Our best wishes go with them.

Dick, before leaving the Captaincy of our fleet, had organized the third Annual Bayview Lightning Invitational. One race was held Saturday and two Sunday in a typical Fall blow. Hermy Nichols, Lightning Champion, capsized in Sunday mornings race thereby losing his lead to Jim Schudel who went on to win the series.

Newlyweds, Maxine and Jim Kohls were elected to fill the vacancies of Fleet Secretary and Captain respectively.

Here's hoping that the new year will bring a work boat to Bayview. This would then enable us to tow out of our congested river into Lake St. Clair for the tune up racing we so badly need for an even more successful sailing season.

NIANTIC BAY FLEET (85)

Connecticut District

Sailing on Niantic Bay, Long Island Sound,

Eastern Conn.

Fleet Captain	Martin J. O'Meara
Fleet Secretary	Bill Healy
Fleet Champion	Bill Healy
Runner-Up	George & Michael Flynn

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
257		K. Albert Baronian
1223		Peter Sexton
2197		George Ratke
2248		Michael Shapiro
3530		Maxwell O'Meara
4846		Robert Fittell
5611		Dave Kimball
5753		Robert Winkler
6476		Henry Savin
6500		Martin O'Meara, Jr. & Walter C. Rice, Jr.
6849		Bill Healy
7170		Martin O'Meara
7339		Michael & George Flynn
7358		Michael Shapiro

Three brand new Lightnings smelling of fresh cedar made their

appearance in our fleet this year, but unfortunately there were no additional sailors, just new boats for old!

Marty O'Meara, the newly elected LCA treasurer again got an early start on the season by sailing his new boat to a creditable showing in the Mid-Winter Championships. The annual Early Bird Regatta was held on June 27th and 28th at Niantic Bay. In a topsy-turvy 3 race series Bill Healy with Wayne Brockett of Branford 2nd and Ken Ireland of Milford 3rd.

Bill Healy's "Charlie Brown" also won the annual Eastern Conn. Y. R. A. Regatta for the second straight year placing 1-2-2. Marty O'Meara won the last race in a thriller and placed 4th overall. Mike Shapiro placed 3rd overall by consistent sailing in the 28 boat fleet.

Mike and George Flynn and Mike Shapiro put on a good show of consistent sailing at the District Championships at Noroton and thus qualified for the Internationals at Detroit where local conditions and bad breaks proved insurmountable.

The monstrous Governor's Cup was again put up for challenge on August 30th at Niantic Bay. Wayne Brockett of Branford placed 1st and 3rd in the 2 race series and thus regained the trophy he had won in 1957. Kevin Jaffee of Noroton took 2nd place despite an altercation with the tide in the morning race. Tom Munnell of Southport took 3rd place overall.

The season's fleet #85 series was foreshortened due to the multitude of inter-fleet regattas, but when decommissioning day arrived, Bill Healy had again won the fleet championship, George and Mike Flynn's "Nutzy Fagan" was second despite their absence from many of the races.

SUE ISLAND FLEET (87)

Dixie District

Based on Middle River, Md.

Fleet Captain	Earl Engler
Fleet Secretary	John E. McKenney
Fleet Champion	Marbury Fox
Runner-Up	Barney Mead

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1827		Rev. Thomas Simmons
1861		John Hodges
2740	Orion	Dick Ober
2954	Shenanigan	Earl Engler
3140		Harry Jobe
4259	Next Time	John Harvey
4270	Adele III	Richard J. Guth
5079	Woozle	Franz Schneider
5409	Dolphin	David Bruce
6229		Donald McCusker
6318	Band Aid	Dave Price
6362		Elsworth Acker
6622		Carroll Bures
6956	Sandman	John E. McKenney
7015	Sugar 'n Spice	Herman Henschen
7020	Tally Ho	Marbury Fox, Jr.
7202	O'Hooligan	Barney Mead

Fleet 87 enjoyed another excellent season of racing and good fellowship. We held eighteen fleet races and participated in over fifteen regattas through a season which began in May and was not completed until November.

During the winter months emphasis was placed on a junior sailing program. After observing the performance of Burgess Allison's new Optimus Pram, Herm Henschen, Earl Engler, Barney Mead, Marb Fox, Jack McKenney and several others combined their resources and energy to build a fleet of these small boats. In them we hope to teach future Lightning Class champions the fundamentals of racing. While this group was engrossed in their task the Prices, Bureses, and Schneiders were busy preparing the way for their additions to the Lightning group. Mary Price, Bill Bures and Mark Schneider all arrived during the third week in April, just in time for the spring series.

There were several changes in the fleet at Sue Island this year. Barney Mead had a beautiful new boat which he named O'Hooligan. Sugar'n Spice replaced Herman Henschen's Harem Girl. The Asian touch was added by Ben Derrickson's Japanese built boat. Far from being the least noteworthy, Carol Bures again demonstrated his craftsmanship and ingenuity by reconditioning Lightning 6622. This boat which had been purchased as a complete wreck was one of the fastest and most beautiful in the district.

Nineteen-fifty-nine will definitely go down in the records as being one of our best. The Chesapeake Bay high point trophy was won again by Marbury Fox. Close behind in second and

fourth position were Barney Mead and Herman Henschen. Marbury Fox again won the district championships, while Herman Henschen also qualified for the Internationals with a third place. At home Marbury Fox, Barney Mead and Herman Henschen were first, second and third in the spring series, the fall series, and the championship series. Regardless of the consistent results, these men really had to work for their positions. Hardly a race went by without either Earl Engler, Carroll Bures, or Jack McKenney being very much a threat.

Several of our boats participated in regattas outside of the district. Dave Bruce raced in the East Greenwich Regatta in New England. Earl Engler, Jack McKenney, Dave Bruce, and Franz Schneider represented us in the regatta at Little Egg Harbor, N. J. Marbury Fox and Carroll Bures sailed with the Susquehanna Fleet. At Savannah our representative was Marb. Fox.

As for the future, it looks bright. The prospects for new members in the fleet look excellent. Sixty should see all of us back again with freshly polished enthusiasm and equipment. Why don't you come and visit with us for a while. You will find the sailing waters and facilities ideal, the people friendly, and the competition keen.

VANCOUVER FLEET (90)

Pacific Northwest District

Sailing on English Bay, Vancouver, B. C.

Fleet Captain	Tom Lironi K.Y.C.
Fleet Secretary	Darrell D. Jones R.V.Y.C.
Fleet Champion	Adrian Thomson
Runner-Up	James Weir
Member-at-Large	Doug R. Jewett W.V.Y.C.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
626	Hard Tack	Don Black
1851	Vixen	Doug Jewett
2314		Ken Austin
2382	Hyak	John J. Fairley
3253	Hawk	Tom Sturgess
3783	Pastime	Adrian Thomson
3812	Squall	Ralph Clasby
3936	Vectis II	Gerrard Farry
4474	Rania	Tom Lironi
4651	Moonraker	Gordon A. Smith
5513	Thunderbird	Geoff Ince
6370	Spindrift II	J. E. G. Harrison
6780	Car's Paw	Jim Weir
6856	Ramada	Darrell D. Jones
6948		T. D. Enns
7071		Peter D. Thomas
7089	Lola	Hart Long & John Lachance
7090	Bessie 2	Daniel R. Kirton

The 1959 season provided some fine racing in our rapidly growing fleet. The presence of the Royal Yacht, the Dragon, Bluebottle, in these waters served to compliment the Lightning Class and bring considerable publicity to this sport.

On the local scene, races for the fleet were hosted by the Kitsilano Yacht Club, the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club and the West Vancouver Yacht Club. This included a nine race series for the fleet Championships, and a summer long Thursday evening series. The W. V. Yacht Club provided an excellent buffet luncheon which was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone participating in their series. Sailing conditions in English Bay are generally ideal, however the exception was provided when fourteen boats started on a race around Passage Island in wind between 25-40 miles per hour. Only four boats finished this race which taxed equipment to the breaking point.

A "frostbite series" is being tried this winter for the first time. This is perhaps one of the few places in the world where in the winter you can sail in the forenoon and ski in the afternoon.

Another first this year was a weekend race to Bowen Island with crews sleeping on board at anchor in Snug Cove. The Saturday night party at Thomson's cabin high on the shore overlooking the cove was undoubtedly a deliberate attempt by Thomson to sabotage the race home Sunday. The cabin wasn't the only thing hungover in the cove the next morning.

Away from home, Adrian Thomson trailed "Pastime" to Eugene, Oregon, where he competed against 22 other boats in a three race series in good racing conditions. According to Adrian, the fine competition was only exceeded by the excellent time shown to him by the local fleet. Incidentally, Adrian won the series and the Oregon Lightning Championship.

The Pacific Northwest Championships were held in Seattle,



Lightning #3783, "Pastime", Adrian Thomson, Fleet Champion of Fleet #90.

Washington. Thomson's "Pastime" and Tom Sturgess' "Hawk" participated. This five race series was held in good weather and varying winds. Only one race was a drifter and was called well in time. When the smoke cleared, "Pastime" was 2nd and "Hawk" 7th out of fourteen starters. The hosts provided a fine Chinese banquet preceding the prize giving.

Several boats cruised the beautiful Gulf Islands during the year. Tom Lironi and family, James Weir and family and Hart Long and John Lachance managed to squeeze in some relaxing between a busy racing calendar to cruise these very scenic waters.

The Isabel Vogel Trophy was donated to Fleet 90 by Mr. Hunter Vogel in honor of his wife. This trophy, which is to be a perpetual award to the fleet champion was presented to this year's winner by Mrs. Isabel Vogel. The Vogel family are well known in yachting circles. Mr. Vogel built the first Lightning west of the Great Lakes, #626, and was responsible for the development of the Lightning Class in the Pacific Northwest. #626 is still very active on the racing scene.

PROUTS NECK YACHT CLUB FLEET (94)

New England District

Sailing on Saco Bay, Prouts Neck, Maine

Fleet Captain..... A. Osborne Willauer
Fleet Secretary..... Charles H. Willauer
Fleet Champion..... W. Bradford Willauer
Runner-Up..... Paget Gates & Dick Kester (tie)

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1166	Zebu	Prouts Neck Yacht Club
1302	Pequod II	Prouts Neck Yacht Club
3790	Daiquiri	G. A. Sawyer
5610	Naiad	Richard Kester
6038	Thetis	Marvin H. Gates
7297	Moth	A. Osborne Willauer

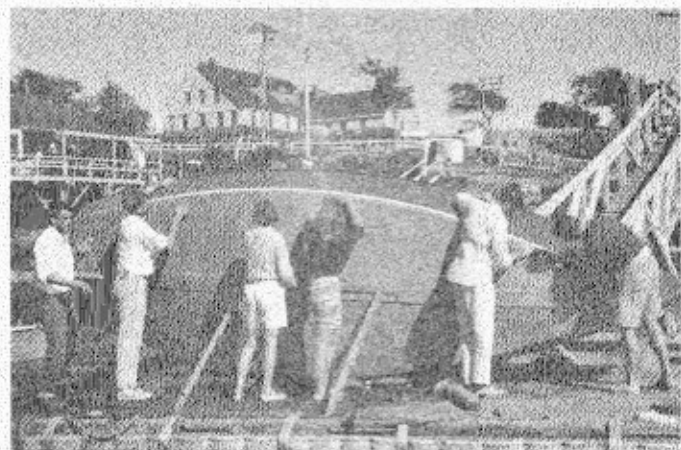
This summer's racing was dominated by a new boat in the fleet, A. O. Willauer's **The Moth** (7297). Brad Willauer won both the Saturday and the Wednesday Series and the Fleet Round Robin Regatta at the end of the summer. **The Moth** (7297) did equally well in other Lightning races in New England. She came in eighth at Annisquam, Mass. on August 8th and 9th, at the New England District Championships. Peter Willauer skippering again won the State of Maine Lightning Championship Regatta at Centerboard Yacht Club in Portland Harbor on August 22nd and 23rd. At Lake Massabesic in Manchester, N. H. on Sept. 17th and 18th, Charles Willauer took second place in the State of New Hampshire Lightning Regatta.

Due to a fairly light season we didn't separate our series in July and August. Paget Gates, **Thetis** (6038), took second place in both the Wednesday and the Saturday Series, and Ann Knowles, **Daiquiri** (3790) and Dick Kester, **Naiad** (5610) came in third in the Saturday and Wednesday Series respectively. Dick Kester took second in the Fleet Round Robin Regatta. At Centerboard Yacht Club in the Maine State Lightning Championship Regatta, Paget Gates, Dick Kester and Ann Knowles came in seventh, fourteenth and twenty-first respectively.

Acting as host club for the Maine Yacht Racing Union, we held the Finals for the Junior Championship in our Lightning Fleet on the 6th and 7th of August. As the photograph shows all hands turned out to prepare the boats for this event and make them all as even as possible. In spite of exasperatingly light airs and other difficult conditions the crews sailed a sportsmanlike, competitive series. Blue Hill won the series on the basis of the number of second place finishes after being tied with Harraseeket in the last race, and earned the right to go to Madison, Conn. for the Sears Cup Division "A" Semi-Finals.

By contrast our Fleet round Robin Regatta was sailed in heavy winds and fog. Given a shot in the arm by the permanent two weeks presence of Tommy Williams, who chartered a club boat for that period, and Peter Willauer, who spread his knowledge around by crewing for different young skippers, our annual fleet Round Robin was keen and competitive.

Labor Day weekend brought our season to a close. However, some owners kept their boats in later than usual this year to enjoy the delightful clear crisp fall sailing weather. Occasionally as late as the twelfth of October weekend a Lightning could be seen darting about in the bay. With prospects of possible new boat owners and more interest we look forward to a fine season next year.



All hands are willing hands at Fleet #94