

ANZIO LIGHTNING FLEET (278)

Italian District

Fleet Captain Enrico De Mori Cin
Fleet Secretary Piero Rampolla del Tindaro

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5692	Eos	Sandro Cerulli Irelli
6689	Caramba	Fabrizio De Giovanni
6984	Zig Zag	Cesare Benedetti
7238	Ballerine	Enrico De Mori Col.
7534	Satanasso	Mario Matini
7568	Hidalgo	Piero Rampolla del Tindaro

The fleet entered with two boats the European Championship in Switzerland and was very active during the season. We organized the race for the "Giovannetti Cup" challenge for young boys which was won by Caramba—Piero Rampolla.

Training races were held about each Sunday. The fleet entered three boats in the Winter Races in Naples, December 1960.

CHEQUESSET LIGHTNING FLEET (280)

New England District

Sailing on Wellfleet Harbor, Wellfleet, Mass.

Fleet Captain Malcolm S. Smith
Fleet Secretary H. Winsor Nickerson, Jr.
Fleet Champion John B. Waterbury
Runner-Up Safford Frazier

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
847	Valkyrie	Dr. S. Armstrong
2347	Tasa	Dr. L. S. Pilcher
2634	Hussy	John B. Waterbury
2829	Merri Maids	Fred Sargent
2927	Fox II	John R. Frazier
3296	Little Terror	H. Winsor Nickerson, Jr.
4078	Nike	Barbara B. Noves
4977	Helwin II	H. Wm. Oliser (skipper)
5573	Qui Vive	Malcolm S. Smith
5658	Thunder	Franklin Gardner
5948	Jacks Ark	Rev. John R. Williams
7457	Siren	John W. Waterbury

Fleet 280 enjoyed a busy summer with eight new members added this year giving us a dozen boats.

The Provincetown fleet of Lightnings raced with us for two weekends, and were the winners. In August we held our first interclub regatta with two other clubs represented. We sailed Sailfishes, Blue Jays, Puffins, Weasels as well as Lightnings. We hope to make this an annual event.

A July and an August Series were sailed for separate trophies, for the first time in the history of the club. Competition was close and the champion was not determined until well along in each series. Fleet 280 is up and running and welcomes any skippers who may be on Cape Cod for any period during the summer. Races are held Saturday and Sunday, the time varying with the tide.

VIERWALDSTATTERSEE FLEET (281)

Swiss District

Sailing on Lake of Lucerne in Switzerland

Fleet Captain Peter Richard
Fleet Secretary Franz Xaver Huber
Fleet Champion Walter Wenger

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5572	Passat	Josef Lauber
6204	Sagitta	Franz Engelberger
6376	Hawaii	Dr. Theo Christ
6377	Kon Tiki	Walter Wenger
6389	Dardo	Peter Richard
6737	Eilean Mor	Franz Xaver Huber
6740	Miaoulis	Dr. Otto Meyer

The summer of 1960 was the fifth season of the fleet 281 which shows an increase with the addition of boat 5572 Passat owned by Josef Lauber. We now have seven boats and the fleet counts thirteen members.

The most important event was of course, the 1960 European Championships. The following nations took part: Finland, 2 crews and 1 boat. Italy, 4 crews and boats. Greece, 1 crew and



Old "sea dog" and champ, Walter Wenger.

boat. Switzerland, 11 crews and boats. The weather and winds left much to be desired, but of course, nobody can lay this fault at the door of the organization's committee. There were, too, some difficulties about by-laws and especially concerning the number of miles to be sailed. According to the rules of the LCA six miles have to be sailed, but our foreign guests insisted on seven miles. In this way, about the half of all courses had to be cancelled. Dear LCA: How do we treat this point in the future?

F. Cavallo, Italy won the 1960 European Championships. Second was C. Lambelet, Switzerland. The best man of fleet 281 was F. Engelberger on the seventh place.

C. Lambelet, Neuchâtel won the 1960 Swiss District Championships. Second was J. Beck, Foug. The best man of fleet 281 was F. Engelberger in the fourth position.

Three boats took part in the summer races of the Sempachersee (Kon-Tiki: W. Wenger; Miaoulis: Dr. O. Meyer and Dardo: R. Peter.)

Also this season, we made some nice trips and had much fun on these occasions. And here we present you our Fleet Champion and "Old" sea-dog—Walter Wenger who sailed this season 1600 miles in KON-TIKI. Three cheers for him!

LAKE DALLAS CORINTHIAN Y. C. FLEET (282)

Texas District

Sailing on Lake Dallas, Texas

Fleet Captain Dan Kamperman
Fleet Secretary Arthur P. Nazro
Fleet Champion Dan Kamperman
Runner-Up Arthur P. Nazro

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3357		Henri Bromberg and Trammell Crow
4892	Shady Lady II	William G. Steed
4894	Scud	Walter Wheeler
4895		Robert Webb
4896		Raleigh Ury
5150	Scandal	Harry Nissen and Conrad Lau
5196		Edgar R. Pitcher
5397		Hobart Turman and J. L. Higginbotham
5398	Lynild	Peter Stewart
5399	Susie Kay	Jack F. Perkins
5468	Jaybird	Don W. Jopling
5498	Bützen	William Clawson
5534	Ole	A. B. Patterson

5635	Shady Lady III	Dan Kamperman
5720	Geneva II	A. K. Spalding
5896	Scoot II	Samuel J. C. Townsend
6030	Impecunious	Neil Hutson
7205	Lynild II	A. P. Nazro
7496	Bamri	Robert Giles

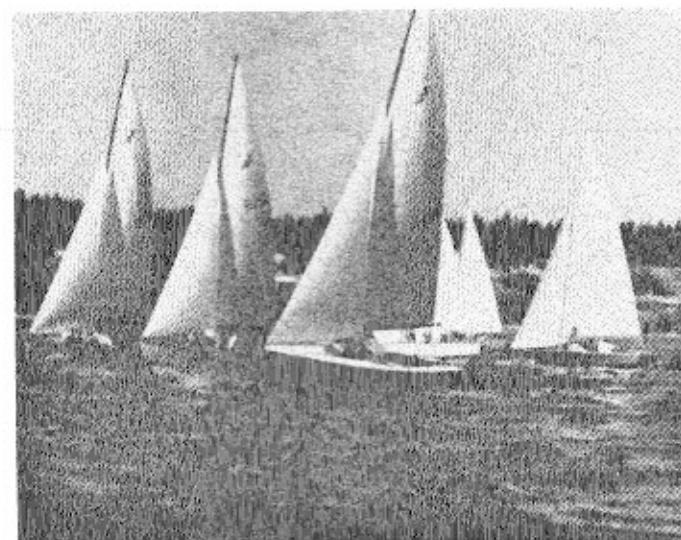
Our 1960 season opened with three boats making the trip to Shreveport for their regatta where Sam Townsend won, Dan Kamperman second, and Art Nazro third (too bad more of our boats couldn't make it!) Then came our own Regatta with Sam Townsend winning, Conrad Lau second, and Dan Kamperman third. At the Fort Worth Boat Club Annual Regatta, six of our boats competed and it was Neil Hutson first, Art Nazro second, and Leslie Nissen third.

The annual team race against the Corpus Christi Yacht Club saw our team with Sam Townsend, Neil Hutson and Conrad Lau skippering, win all three races held in Lightnings on our lake in June. In December three races will be held in Highlanders at Corpus.

Neil Hutson won the Round Robin Series held over the Fourth of July weekend and represented our club in the State Championships.

The Texas Districts were held at our lake in mid-July with eight boats competing. After three races, it was Dan Kamperman first with 22 1/4 points, Neil Hutson second with 19 1/4 and Art Nazro third with 19 1/4.

Our season championship series wound up with ten races being held on our own Lake Dallas. With a strong finish, 1, 2, 1, 1, Dan Kamperman emerged the Club champion by 3/100ths of a point over Art Nazro; Sam Townsend placed third.



Splitting tacks at the Northwest Districts.

COLUMBIA FLEET (283)

Pacific Northwest District

Sailing on Columbia River, Portland, Ore.

Fleet Captain.....	James E. Tauscher
Fleet Secretary.....	Robert Webb
Fleet Champion.....	Jack Gainer
Runner-Up.....	Harry Brault

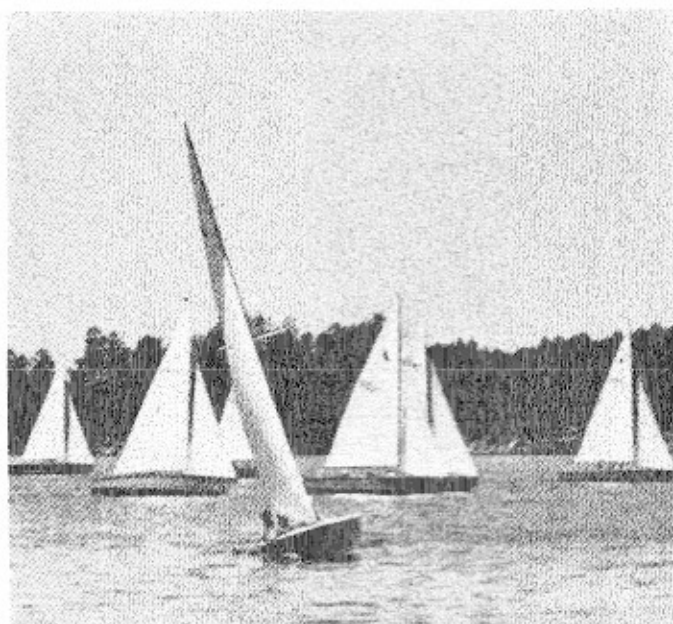
Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1021	Sandpiper	Harold W. McKenzie
2635		Dick Meyers & Bob Rowning Jr.
5457	Cathy Ann	Duncan A. McLaughlin
5593	Hard Tack	Robert Webb
5938	Erin	Wm. Robertson
6061	Sassy	James E. and Fredi J. Tauscher
6442	Jaunty	Frank Meeker
6488		Robert Snethen & Robert Coe
6584	Tally Ho	Jack Gainer
6592	Perky	Harry K. McAllister
6716	Blitzen	Charles S. Hoskins
6816	Zig Zag	Wm. J. Parker

6999	Slippery	Harry G. Brault
7049		Garry Ambrose
7083		Richard S. Foster
7111		Ron Hite
7497	Pixie	Ben B. Bullwinkle

We as host fleet for the Pacific Northwest Districts and West Coast Championships, had a very busy and interesting season. The Districts were blessed with fair wind and weather even if the start of the first race was delayed by a loose log raft drifting through the line, (alocal bazard).

The Rose City Yacht Club regatta was loaded with wind and fun and won by Jack Gainer followed closely by Harry Brault, and then we had the Portland Yacht Club Regatta which ended in a three way tie for first place no matter how you scored it, between Gainer, Brault and Tauscher. Flip the coin! No, because of the unusual situation the trophy-plaques were changed to read 1/3 of First.

Not much more but we are all getting ready to go to the Internationals on the Pacific Coast this year.



Ouachita Lightning Fleet No. 284 "To cover or split, that's the question."

OUACHITA FLEET (284)

Central States District

Sailing on Lake Ouachita near Hot Spring, Arkansas

Fleet Captain.....	Gaines Houston
Fleet Secretary.....	Fred M. Dierks
Fleet Champion.....	Richard H. Wootton
Runner-Up.....	Robert B. Gierow

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
95	The Other Woman	Tracy D. Jones
2101	Jim Bug	Ed Teaford
2638	Roxana	W. H. Collins
5855		Richard H. Wootton
6514	Sea Shell	Fred M. Dierks & John D. Galbraith
6601	Vamp	Col. Reed Landis & I. Granger
6602	Equanil	McDaniel & Dr. Martin Eisele
6603	Mareta	Cecil L. Gingerich & Bud Gingerich
6604	Neenerwind	Edwin B. Cromwell
6605	Betty Lu	E. Russell Lambert, Jr. & Jack Trotter
6766	Overdraft	Sigun Rasmussen & Dr. T. M. Durham, Jr.
7655	Little Dearie II	N. C. Withrow, Jr. & F. Gene Withrow

Two of Ouachita's top crewmen, Bob Gierow and Dick Wootton, turned skipper this year with the result that the Fleet not only acquired two additional boats but a new fleet champion in Wootton with Gierow a close runner-up in the championship series of three races sailed in mid-October.

Bob started sailing at the beginning of the season with Dick entering competition at the start of the summer racing series. Bob began by developing George, D'Ann and Stella—son, daughter and wife—into proficient crewmen, whereas Dick fortunately could start with Jo, his wife, two-time winner of the Lady Skipper Series and co-crew with Dick for the past several years on "Little Dearie".

Gaines Houston won the Spring series of six races with Cecil and Bud Gingerich in the runner-up spot. The Memorial Day race went to Cecil Gingerich in a close finish by seconds over Houston and Dierks who were second and third respectively.

The Lightning Fleet, the Power Squadron and the entire membership of Lake Ouachita Yacht Club worked long and hard the early part of June in preparation for the Central States District Championship Regatta which was sailed on the Lake Ouachita race course near Brady Mountain Lodge on June 17, 18 and 19, with 27 Lightnings from the four-state area participating.

Jack Galbraith, veteran inland scow sailor, won the Fourth of July race by outsailing the fleet handily on the seventh and final leg of the course after a nip and tuck battle in a ten knot breeze with Gierow, Gingerich and Houston during the six previous legs. Jack has long deserved special mention for his untiring work in the development and training of new crewmen and skippers as well as his willing service along with Wallace Collins as judge.

The Summer series of eight races, six of which were permitted to count, went to Bob Gierow by virtue of consistent sailing and good crew work. Cecil Gingerich was runner-up; Fred Dierks was third. Bob went on to repeat his performance in the Fall series of seven races with one throwout mandatory. In this latter series Dick Wootton was runner-up despite the fact that he only participated in three races. As mentioned at the outset, Wootton took the Fleet Championship series by sailing down two first places and one second place to outpoint Bob Gierow in the runner-up position with a first, a second and a third place.

Joan Wootton successfully defended her crown, won last year, in the Lady Skipper series of three races which were sailed under widely varying conditions of wind and weather thus proving a good test of skill. D'Ann Gierow was runner-up; Carol Gingerich third and Louise Dierks fourth.

Gaines Houston in fluky winds over a shortened course edged Wootton by 19 seconds in the Labor Day Race for a leg on the perpetual Little Dearie Memorial Trophy. Gierow was only a few seconds back in third place.

Truly the new skippers showed the way this year and have been an outstanding challenge over the entire season. There is nothing more gratifying than to see a crewman who delights in competition get his own boat and step out as a skipper. If it's our crew, it means we have been successful. It also means traveling again the long road of acquiring and shaping new crew into a smooth functioning team but that too, when accomplished, is equally rewarding. It's this process, repeated at the fleet level, that increases our numbers and adds to our strength.

DOLPHIS FLEET (287)

Greek District

Fleet Captain	A. Rozakis	R.H.N.
Fleet Secretary	H. Douzinas	R.H.N.
Fleet Champion	H.R.H. The Crownprince	Constantine
Runners-Up	H.R.H. Princess Sophia and	Ensign O. Eskirzoglou
		R.H.N.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4633	Skyron	RHNCC
4642	Aeolos	RHNCC
4933	Apiliitis	RHNCC
6135	Dolphin	RHNCC
6136	Xifias	RHNCC
6624	Lips	RHNCC
6748	Voreas	RHNCC
6943	Tiaina	RHNCC

The Royal Hellenic Naval Academy following the custom of the year has organized the races for the cup with the name October 28th on the occasion of the anniversary of the Greek Resistance against the Axis forces during the second World War.

The three races took place in Phaleron Bay on the 23rd, 30th of October and 6th of November under fair weather conditions.

The first three winners, among sixteen boats, were in succession, first "Triaina" owned and skippered by H.R.H. The Crownprince CONSTANTINE of Greece, second "Skyron" owned by Sport Association R.H.N., skippered by Mr. Th. Adamopoulos (Royal Yachting Club) and third "Chrissanthi" owned by R.Y.C. and skippered by Mr. S. Brinis (R.Y.C.)

FLOTILHA de LIGHTNINGS de ANTONIA (290)

Brazilian District

Sailing on Bay of Paranaguá

Fleet Captain	Ralph A. Hauer	
Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3000	Moleque	Ralph A. Hauer
3850	Tirano	Jorge Goncalves
5119	Toro	Heinz Rucker
5120	Teimoso	Robert S. Osorio

Apart from our local regattas in the Bay of Paranaguá, our Lightnings occasionally make forays further away and in October of this year acquitted themselves well in the Brazilian Championship for Lightnings held in the Bay of Guanabara, Rio de Janeiro.



Getting ready to race at Fleet 291.

ROCKY POINT FLEET (291)

Western Long Island Sound District

Sailing on Long Island Sound, Old Greenwich, Conn.

Fleet Captain	James C. Fitter
Fleet Secretary	Lynn Osgood
	(now Mrs. C. S. Bailey)
Fleet Champion	George Brown, Jr.
Runner-Up	Grant Thompson

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2193	Lima Bean	Rocky Point Club
3105	Fantasy	Douglas Milsom and Thomas Ashwell
3406	Cabaret II	James Fitter
5607	Cavalier	William G. Symmers
5609	Fiesta	Mrs. C. S. Bailey
5636	Sea Jay	Robert Weeks
5638	High Spirits	Gerald Parker
5822	Fandango	Luis Gallop
5973	What Next	W. C. Brandt
6333	Geisha	Grant and Jeff Thompson
6339	L'Eclair	George Brown, Jr.

After outstanding service over the past few years, Mason Skiff and Bill (Salty) Symmers stepped down as fleet officers amid the cheers of thanks from members attending our first meeting of the season.

Jim Fitter and Lynn Bailey were elected Fleet Captain and Fleet Secretary respectively by unanimous vote.

Sailing weather was good through most of the season, after a late start because of poor fitting out weather (a very rainy Spring). The season series, consisting of regular fleet starts each Saturday augmented by Yacht Racing Association of Western Long Island Sound Sunday Regattas, featured a close contest for first place, with only 51 percentage points separating the winner, Grant Thompson, and George Brown, Jr. This same "down-to-the-wire" contest occurred for third and fourth positions, with Salty Symmers edging out Jim Fitter by only 29 percentage points.

In the Fleet Championship Regatta, George Brown, Jr., reversed the season's standings and became Fleet Champion, after an equally hard-fought, if abbreviated contest of three races. Grant Thompson was second, Lynn Bailey third, and Luis Gallop, doing a very creditable job in his first year with the fleet, was fourth. Lou and his Fandango went on to be awarded two cherished prizes at the windup party, the "Objet D' Art" symbolizing the skipper with the most room for improvement, and the "Turnover Thompson Memorial", a can of specially-prepared Inside Anti-fouling Paint which is retained for one year by the skipper who capsize most often during the season.

In the traditional Allen Trophy Race, a post-season single-handed event in which no crew may be brought along, (spinners may be used, but they haven't been as yet), Grant Thompson preserved his "alibi rating" by repeating his win of the previous year, with George Brown, Jr., second and Lynn Bailey, third. This race closed what all participants agreed was a good season on the Sound.

FORT GIBSON SAILING CLUB (293)

Central States District

Sailing on Fort Gibson Lake, at Wagoner, Oklahoma

Fleet Captain	Dan Toll
Fleet Secretary	Bob Parkhurst
Fleet Champion	Lee Bentley
Runner-Up	Dan Toll

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
180	Call Me	
	Madam	J. A. Bentley, Jr.
3458	Rotsa-Ruck	Bob Parkhurst
4342	Between the Sheets II	Dan Toll & Ed Ligon, Jr.
5775	Derriere	Bill Quisenberry
7284	Debonair	Harold Lewis
		Bill Tolbor

After two consecutive years of holding the districts on our Fort Gibson Lake, the year of 1960 was rather quiet. However, the whole fleet moved to Lake Ouchita, Arkansas in June for the Central States District regatta to help make a total of 29 boats attending Arkansas' first major regatta.

A greater number of fleet races were held this year with the consistent winner being the oldest boat in the fleet.

All the things that could happen to a fleet happened: a mast grazed the under-part of a bridge; the problem of marks moving during a race; the crew member that fell overboard during the dash for the finish line; and the discovery by one of the members that the distillation made from juniper berries is indeed one of America's better beverages!

Several boats in our fleet changed hands as the season closed and one of our group was on the market for a new boat. It looks like a banner year coming up in 1961.

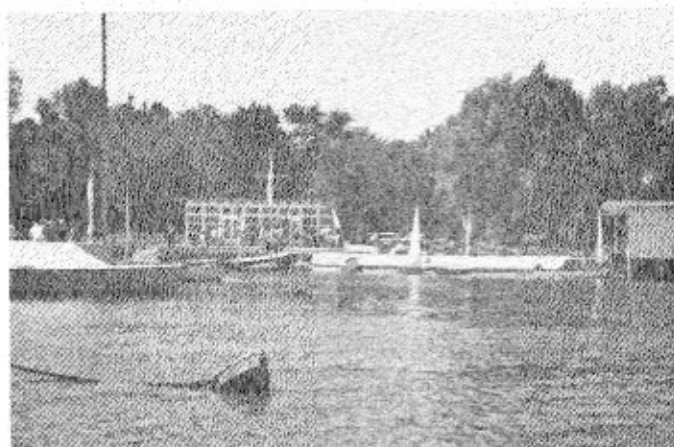
SAUGATUCK YACHT CLUB (294)

Michigan District

Sailing on Kalamazoo River, at Saugatuck, Michigan

Fleet Captain	John Osgood
Fleet Secretary	Skip Martens
Fleet Champion	Kathy Kindred
Runner-Up	Skip Martens

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2246	Whing-Ding	Rob & Char Dallach
2405	Mor-Fun	Fred & Gary Reynolds
2514	Sinbad	John Osgood
3507	Mimseo	Jane Underwood



Fleet 294—Saugatuck Yacht Club "Pre-race activity".

4945	Phfft	Si & Skip Martens
4977	Touche	Robert E. Woodhams
5345	Skydammit	Sky Suydam
5363	Two-Lyns	Ann Lindsey
5370	Cloud 9	Bill Reininga
6031	Passen	Kathy Kindred
6665	Sooner	Dr. A. C. Stutsman
6820	Shoosh	Kit Denison
	Trim	Pete Hansman

Again this year, no change was made in the Fleet Officers, and an attempt was made to stimulate interest in our two sailing classes, the Lightnings and the Sailing Prams. The club has enjoyed a year of growth, development, and improvement. More property was purchased by the club, and plans for improved facilities are well under way to provide various additional activities for our members.

Our Pram class for the younger members up to high school age enables them to get the feel and desire for sailing, and thus acts as a stepping stone for graduation into the Lightnings. Sailing instructions for Prams and crewing in Lightnings have been offered for the last six years, thus enthusiasm is high. Next year promises additions to both fleets.

1960 was another exciting year for racing. The Saturday Series was extremely close until the last few races when, again for the second year in a row, Kathy Kindred in Passen pulled out ahead to win. Runner-up Skip Martens in Phfft was just slightly ahead of third place Trim, sailed by Pete Hansman. The Wednesday was won by Skip Martens, followed by Sky Suydam in Skydammit and Gary Reynolds' Mor-Fun. The last race of this series was a surprise to every member as Suydam and Martens exchanged boats, since a change in the final standings was impossible. Needless to say, boys will be boys, and these two in each others boats were seen to be chasing each other all over the lake until all the other boats had finished, then finished in a tie for last place. They were disqualified from that race by the Regatta Committee for reasons still unknown. The time limit hadn't ended when they finally finished, but the committee had already closed up shop.

Skip Martens was again tossed in the muddy waters of Lake Kalamazoo for winning the traditional Commodores' Regatta, a three race series sailed the last day of the season. This regatta consists of drawing for three different boats, and was characterized by hot competition and close results.

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ODD WINDS FLEET (296)

Central States District

Sailing on Wyandotte County Lake at Kansas City,

Kansas & Jackson County Lake at

Jackson County, Missouri

Fleet Captain	Paul Vardeman, Jr.
Fleet Secretary	John Taylor, III
Fleet Champion	Gordon Reabe
Runner-Up	James S. Cambron

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
191	.....	Orvid V. Owsley
1270	Chon Coune	Robinson Douglas
1787	Wah-hee Nee	Bill Haas
2715	.....	Bruce Brand, C. W. Arnold & Wood Mathews
2883	Sans Souci	Jim S. Dart
2888	Connie	James S. Cambron
3339	Black Duck	George H. Gurley
3457	Sea Fever	Dr. Richard H. Kiene
3465	Wanderer	Paul E. Vardeman, Jr.
3718	Salty Dog	Wm. Collet
4002	Hope	Lynn V. Bowman
5083	Firecracker	Albert Preston
5124	The Merry Gale	Dean Arnold
5472	G Whiz	James Nicol
6060	Raider	Ernest Hubbell
6408	Rise N'Shine	John Taylor and Porter T. Hall II
6464	Thunderhead	Donald G. Skouse
6608	Able Annie	Bill Mullens
6706	Widgeon	Charles S. Dalman
7043	Sunbeam	James E. Daugherty
7551	Rutchen II	Gordon F. Reabe
7626	Noekk	Elliott Norquist & Helena Norquist

It's been a big year for this fleet—our best yet! Not only did we move to new Jacomo Lake, but we added five new boats, bringing us to a total of 23 at season's end. With the growing enthusiasm here for sailing and the Lightning we expect to start the '61 season with close to 30 boats, and we all feel this is only a beginning.

Our new larger lake gave us greater opportunities to learn and we took full advantage of them by setting up the biggest race schedule we could manage. Memorial Day we opened the season with a free-for-all against all other classes in the Jacomo Sailing Club of which our fleet is a very active part. Lightning skipper Paul Vardeman outdistrifted the other 24 entries to win top honors. The following Sunday began the first of our fleet races which totaled 24 before we reluctantly gave up November 6. These were divided into three series during which we all tried to catch Gordon Reabe in his new Nickels & Holman but had to settle instead for a good battle over second and third. Series results:

Tune up: 1st Reabe, 2nd Cambron, 3rd Vardeman

Summer: 1st Cambron, 2nd Reabe, 3rd Arnold

Fall: 1st Reabe, 2nd Vardeman, 3rd Collet

Reabe had a lead of 26.2 points for the entire series while second and third were only 3.4 points apart. The first five places were:

Reabe 162.4, Cambron 136.2, Vardeman 132.8, Norquist 116, and Collet 113.8

Because we feel so much of a fleet's strength lies in its new skippers and their enthusiasm we instigated a new revolving cup to be awarded each season to the first year racing skipper accumulating the highest number of points. This year's winner, Jim Nicol, shows real promise.

We had good representation at the districts with Cambron, Nicol, Vardeman and Reabe but other than getting Cambron elected District Commodore and Reabe District Secretary, our only accomplishment was the seventh place that Reabe captured. Who can remember when there was so little air?

What wind was missing at the districts turned up at the Jacomo Sailing Club's July Fourth Invitational Regatta which promises to be a popular annual event. We registered all 98 boats in 35-40 mile breezes that only calmed a little all weekend. Even those who capsized, broke masts and other equipment proclaimed it a smashing success. Eighteen of the entries were Lightnings with Mitch Bohenkamp from St. Louis taking first, Reabe second, Vardeman third, and Cambron fourth in our class.

Many of our social activities are held with the Jacomo Sailing Club but we did have monthly fleet meetings last winter to familiarize ourselves with rules and tactics and to just enjoy each others good company.

We've learned a lot this year—about sailing and the many pleasures it offers—about boats—and about the people who share our enthusiasm for the sport that has become a way of life for many of us.

**CALIFORNIA
HERE WE COME**

KOKKOLA FLEET (297)

Finland District

Fleet Captain	Leopold Ronnholm
Fleet Secretary	Ingmar Bjorndahl
Fleet Champion	Eero Savolainen
Runner-Up	Leif Moller

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3924	Pluto	Eero Savolainen
4331	Albatross	I. Bjorndahl
5055	Vekkuli	Leo Kilponen
5059	Virva	Rauno Polso
7159	Hula	Leopold Ronnholm
7160	Delfin	Leo Wewar
7161	Flamingo	Leif Moller

Boats of the Kokkola Fleet have participated actively in the races at home waters during last season. Several of our boats have also participated successfully in the Gulf of Bothnia Regatta in Pietarsaari and Oulu Regatta in Oulu.

Winners in the season races have been:

12.6 Kokkolan Purjehtijat, open Spring race: "Pluto", Eero Savolainen.

19.6 Pietarsaari Yacht Club, open Spring race: "Pluto", Eero Savolainen.

9.7 Kokkolan Purjehtijat, Annual Race: "Flamingo", Leif Moller.

10.7 GSF, Annual Race: "Flamingo", Leif Moller.

21.8 GSF, open Autumn race: "Flamingo", Leif Moller.

Pietarsaari Yacht Club organized this year three days Gulf of Bothnia Regatta. Winners in Lightning class were:

15.7 "Pluto", Eero Savolainen and 16 and 17.7 "Flamingo", Leif Moller.

Leif Moller with his "Flamingo" has won also the three races series about the "Silver Cup" presented to Kokkola Fleet by our former District Commodore Raimo R. Nordstrom.

Eero Savolainen with his "Pluto" won Leopold Ronnholms Trophy which was also raced in three races. "Pluto" has also won the Crew race and Long Distance race, and she collected also most points in the Kokkolan Purjehtijat weekly series.

Members of Kokkola Fleet participated also at the Oulu Regatta in Oulu and the winners in every three races of regatta were from our fleet: "Flamingo", Leif Moller skippering, won two races and "Pluto", Eero Savolainen, one.

KOTKA FLEET (298)

Finland District

Fleet Captain	Urpo Kurki
Fleet Secretary	Heikki Lehtoranta
Fleet Champion	Urpo Kurki

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5058	Santa Clara	Martti Romberg
5541	Sacramento	Reijo Rusi
6837	Suit Sait	Urpo Kurki
7175	.....	Johannes Lehtonen

Kotka Fleet suffers yet of the small amount of boats. We have only four Lightnings and one of these did not get to the water at all last summer.

The season began with the Spring Race and at the same time started the "Thursday Series". Highlighting the season was "Eastern Finland Regatta" which was held this year in Kotka. Our only participating fleet member, Urpo Kurki with "Suit-Sait" participated also in the District Championships in Loviisa, finishing ninth, which was better than expected from the first timer. In August fleet members visited nearby town Hamina, where they participated in Hamina Yacht Club's "Ulkouokko Race". After that there were Kotka Yacht Club's Autumn Race and the season's ending with Kotka Round—race.

We have added to our fleet, boat No. 7175, from Hamina, and one of our skippers will probably have a new boat to sail next season.

LOVIISA FLEET (299)

Finland District

Fleet Captain	Veikko Larmia
Fleet Secretary	Ilmari Elo
Fleet Champion	Raimo R. Nordstrom
Runner-Up	Veikko Larmia

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4130	Pepita	V. Larmia
4138	Vesijehu	W. Mosaleff
4139	Dinorah	A. Hyrsky
4308	Cinderella	P. Helpio
4334	Pinocchio	H. Wasenius
6831	Riita	K. Blomster
6832	Sea-Hawk	B. Nyberg
6833	Sill-da Capo	V. R. Nordstrom
6838	Katrina	R. R. Nordstrom

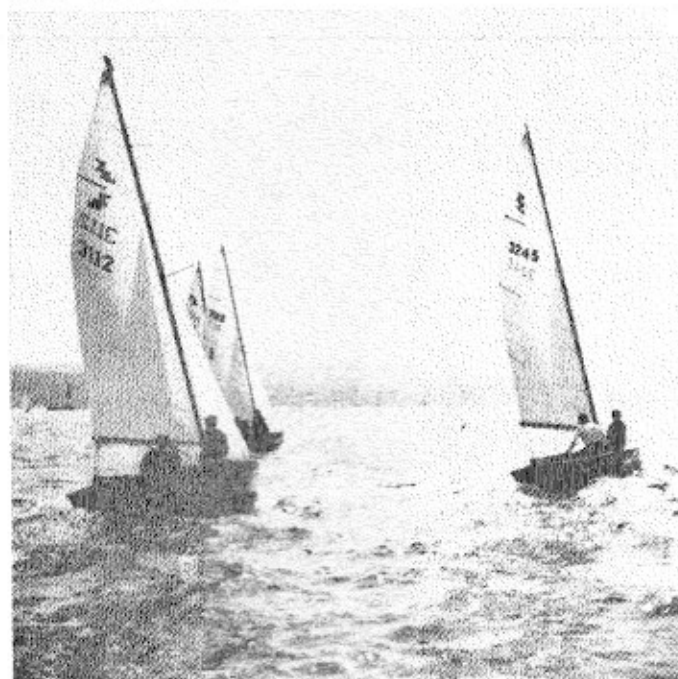
Though it is regrettable that new boats have not been built or bought in Loviisa we cannot say that the interest of Lightning sailing and racing should have decreased. Especially Raimo-Ragnar Nordstrom has shown continuous interest and proved this by taking part with his "Katrina" in the European Championship races in Luzern, finishing fifth. As we remember last year he also took the trouble to go to Italy, trailing his boat, and now he has done the same to Switzerland.

The Finnish Championship races were held this year in Loviisa, the results of which were as good as the year before.

Raimo-Ragnar Nordstrom won the title with a maximum of points, his brother Veli-Ragnar Nordstrom was runner-up and V. Larmia came in third. The best Helsinki boat was "Kesäheila", R. Aromaa, who placed fourth. Nineteen boats from four fleets took part in the races.

The Fleet Championship races were a copy of those of last year. Raimo-Ragnar Nordstrom won with two first places, V. Larmia was runner-up and P. Helpio came in third. This year too only two starts could be approved as in the third the wind died out and the time limit was overridden.

The boats of the Fleet took part, also, in the Regatta of Eastern Finland, where the best boat was "Pepita" since "Katrina's" rudder broke in one start. In the home waters the usual six races about "Tuesday Cup", were sailed.



Part of Fleet 301 in "Waterama" Race 1960.

CHAMPLAIN FLEET (301)

Sailing on Lake Champlain, Burlington, Vt.

Fleet Captain.....	R. G. Sidle
Fleet Secretary.....	Vernon Emerson
Fleet Champion.....	R. G. Sidle
Runner-up.....	Vernon Emerson

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
582	Bali Hi	Stuart Hall
2821	Gypsy	Harvey Butterfield
3245	Mach One	Vernon Emerson
3952	Tellam	Barbara and Lansing Mallett
6021	Spiritfire	Fred Koerner
6459	Duchess	R. G. Sidle

Fleet #301 had a considerable loss of membership due to several things such as sale of boats, moving of members from the area, etc. With the result that we were unable to run our regular series races.

Two good races were held, however, with eight boats showing up for the "Waterama" Race at Burlington, sailed in moderate breeze over a six mile triangle. Warren McClure's new boat, 7216, close reached his spinnaker beautifully to overtake Vern Emerson, 3245, near the finish line with 6459, Bob Sidle, a close third.

The Malletts Bay Boat Club Race Week, three race series, drew seven boats for the Lightning Class. Each race had a different winner and the top three boats were only separated by one point in the scoring totals. Order of finish was, R. G. Sidle 6459, Vernon Emerson 3245, and Warren McClure 7216.

We look forward to renewed activity next year. Everyone is planning to get in early and tune up for the combined State of Vermont and New Hampshire championship, which will be sailed on our waters on July 15 and 16, 1961. We cordially invite all who read this to join us for this race.

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COWAN LAKE FLEET (303)

Sailing on Cowan Lake, Wilmington, Ohio

Fleet Captain.....	F. W. Mesloh
Fleet Secretary.....	T. P. Young
Fleet Champion.....	Dr. Wm. P. Barnes
Runner-Up.....	Chas. P. Beedle

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
352	Sea Scout Ship #6	
380	Zeft	Charles P. Beedle
488		Walter J. Johnston
1925	Mutiny	Truman P. Young
2243		Richard G. Fogg
3379		Afterguard, c/o L. Lodge Weber
4575	Windammer	James K. Lewis
5069	Quick Decision	F. W. Mesloh
5222	Blue Bird	Frank H. Pfefferle
5298	D-Lay-D	Ralph H. Donges
5504		George W. Leugers & Joe V. Luegers
5575	Ole Snort	Dr. Wm. P. Barnes
5900	Decision II	Dr. John F. Sanker
7512		Richard L. Schenck

Fleet #303, affiliated with the Cowan Lake Sailing Association, and based on Lake Cowan, one of the State's recreation facilities, enjoyed a very active racing season. A total of 24 races were on the schedule, and all were entered by at least three Lightnings. A total of eleven Lightnings participated in the racing season.

In addition both Barnes and Pfefferle participated in the Hoosier Regatta at Lake Wawasee and at the District meeting at Cleveland. And Betty Beedle, the captain's consort, demonstrated her versatility by winning the Powder Puff Regatta, staged by the Sailing Association for any of its feminine members, and sailed this year in Optimist Prams, a class in which some 15 or 20 boats are available.

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PORI FLEET (306)

Finland District

Sailing at Pori, Finland

Fleet Captain.....	Sulo Aarnisalo
Fleet Secretary.....	Sulo Aarnisalo

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4050	Samba	Simo Valli
5061	Leena	Heikki Vanharkartano
5546	Lokki	Sulo Aarnisalo
5547	Ticca	Timo Lohikoski

NO REPORT



Ramona, winner of Electric Cup II.

OULU FLEET (307)

Finland District

Sailing at Oulu, Finland

Fleet Captain Nils Hammar
Fleet Secretary Nils Hammar

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4304	Pohjantahhti	Harry Hammar
4305	Ramona	Asa Inkala
5552	Kikka	Yrjö & Markku Paloma

Our Fleet hasn't increased during the year, but the sailing activities have been very lively. The great joy during the summer was the cooperation with other Fleets. Kokkola Fleet took part with two boats and Raahen Fleet with three boats in Oulu Regatta July 29-31. With the guests there were eight boats together in the Lightning Class. It was a beautiful sight in our waters.

Kokkola boats were the best ones, Flamingo being the winner on the first day, second day being won by Pluto, while the third day was Flamingo again. Ramona was second on the first day and second day while Kikka was second on the third day. Kikka got hold of the "Unica Record Cup".

In the sailing of Raahen 70-Year Jubilee Regatta, Kikka won the second prize, Ramona being fourth. There were four boats from Raahen.

Kikka took part in Finnish Championship Race in Lovisa 3-7 August and proved to be a very good sailor with 54 points in sixth place. The transport of Kikka, 1400 km, to the sailing harbor and back succeeded very well.

The race about the "Electric Cup II" on the 11-12 of August was won by Ramona. In addition our boats took part in all races arranged by Oulu Yachting Club and Oulu Seagoers Club.

We just hope that the fruitful cooperation with Raahen and Kokkola Fleet will be carried on. Oulu Fleet will next year increase with three mahogany Lightning boats, which are under work in Lovisa boat yard.

RAAHE FLEET (308)

Finland District

Sailing at Raahen, Finland

Fleet Captain Aaro Heikkilä
Fleet Secretary Aaro Heikkilä

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5542	Kousa	Aarno Heikkilä
6834	Tavi	Alpo Lukkarinen
6835	Lippa	Esko Røihu
7173	Meritahhti	Aaro Heikkilä
7174	Kajava	Erkki Nyman

Our fleet has held several races in the home waters during last summer. Arvo and Aaro Heikkilä; very active sailing brothers, and their sons, have won practically every race. Three boats from our fleet participated in the three day Oulu Regatta at Oulu, and brought home quite a lot of silverware. (Not the first places, however!)

We haven't any new boats to Raahen Fleet yet, but next Spring we probably will see at least one new Lightning in our waters.

KEMI FLEET (310)

Finland District

Fleet Captain Pentti Leskiö
Fleet Secretary Pentti Lehto
Fleet Champion Pentti Lehto
Runner-Up Juhani Hedberg

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4012	Leena	Lars Hansen
4136	Rea	A. Saarinen
4324	Vire	Velj. Nylander
4326	Lokki	Teemu Ulen
4328	Irene	Velj. Hedberg
5062	Rose-Marie	Pentti Lehto

The activity in the Kemi Fleet has decreased during this season. Only four of our boats have participated in the races: "Vire" #4324 didn't get to the water at all and "Marjaana" No. 4325 has been sold to another area. However, we are going to get two new Lightnings next spring, so that our future doesn't look so bad.

Season's first races were held in mid-June. The weather was warm, sunny and the wind was light. Results: 1) 4012 "Leena", Lars Hansen; 2) 5062 "Rose-Marie" II, Pentti Lehto; 3) 4328 "Irene", Pentti Hedberg; 4) 4326 "Lokki", Heikki Ulen.

Next was the "Long-distance Race", which started early one Sunday morning in almost total calm. Only two boats participated in the Lightning Class. "Irene", skipper Juhani Hedberg, won and "Leena", Lars Hansen was second.

Only two Lightnings participated also in the KPS Annual race. A severe thunderstorm broke when the boats had sailed half of the race. Both Lightnings lowered their sails, but nevertheless both capsized.

"Selkasaari-Round" race was held next. All the boats of the Yacht Club participated and Lightnings took four first positions, then came the other classes. Results: 1) Irene, Pentti Hedberg; 2) Rose-Marie II, Pentti Lehto; 3) Leena, Lars Hansen; and 4) Lokki, Heikki Ulen.

In the fleet Championships the boats were drawn by lot, because the age and condition of the boats differed quite a lot and we wanted to know who was the best skipper of the fleet. Pentti Lehto renewed his championship overwhelmingly, with three first places and one second. Runner-up was Juhani Hedberg, third Esko Hukka and fourth Heikki Ulen.

The Fleet organized a crew-race for the junior-crews, 15-year-old Aulis Naykki won this race. We must say that our junior crew members have participated very actively and enthusiastically in all races and other events of the fleet.

DUNKIRK HARBOR FLEET (311)

Based on Southeast shore of Lake Erie, New York

Fleet Captain Donald W. Greve
Fleet Secretary Sherry Foster
Fleet Champion John Foster (Madam Zaji)
Runner-Up "Cork" Greve

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
613	.....	Jerome Lewis
1823	.....	Donald Greve
1910	Mme Zaji	John Foster
2801	Mystic	John W. King
3574	Onaire	John Baran



L. to r.: Fleet 311 Captain, John Baran, Jux Weinberg, Sherry Foster, Lester Gray, and 1959 Captain John Foster.

The 1960 season started with an awards party serving Fish House Punch, and an attempt to get racing started in June. Neither was too successful—we had one race in June, and we had enough ingredients for Fish House Punch left over for another party!

The Dunkirk Yacht Club doubled its docking space which was completed early in June. After the Fourth of July series sailed Sunday and Monday, we finished the Fish House Punch at the end of the dock. Other cruisers docked there helped to consume this also. Need I say more?

For the rest of July the races were held at 11 a.m. This proved to be very popular with the sailors and the non-sailors.

Early in August, the Lake Erie Districts were attended by a composite group from Fleet 311. They used John Foster and his sails, John King and his hull, and Jerry Lewis and his trailer. We hear that the boat was sailed in a constant blue haze! While the three men continue to be very good friends, each has said that next year they will sail with their own crew!

After the Labor Day series, we held a family picnic on the lawn near the Yacht Club Dock—a successful event.

In the meantime, the JayCees of the Dunkirk-Fredonia area voted to buy six "El Toros" for training sailboats for the youth. This would be connected with their water safety program. The Lightning Fleet, however, would have complete charge of the boats and the program. While we were all talking and planning the aspects of this program, some land lubber J.C.'s called for a revote, and it was voted down. However, the spark is there and maybe we will get the "El Toros" yet. Other service clubs were ready with additional funds for safety devices, insurance coverage, etc.

On October 29 the awards supper was held. In keeping with the nautical theme Fish House Punch (again) was served first, then Fish Chowder in the New England fashion at a sit down supper. Some 35 people attended.

Fleet Champion, John R. Foster, received a scale half-model of #1910. Miniature naval cannons attached to wood plaques were awarded to boat owners and others who consistently served as race committees. These included Lester Graf, Julius Weinberg, Nathan Lake, Leftheris Kourelis, Lester Gloff, and Michael Sam.

The July Fourth series (2 races) was won by John Foster. The July series (4 races) was won by "Cork" Greve. The August series (3 races) was won by John Baran in "Onaire", the Labor Day series (2 races) by John Foster in "Madam Zaji". Of the total 12 races Foster won eight, Greve won three and Baran one.

We have had a wonderful summer under the leadership of John Baran, ably assisted by his wife, Fran. We are looking forward to an equally good 1961 with Don Greve and, as ever, hopeful for more Lightnings.

LEGA NAVALE ITALIANA FLEET (312) Italian District

Fleet Captain Alberto Costa
Fleet Secretary Giuseppe Lombardo

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5419	Strale	Alberto Costa
5435	Alcione	Cariazzo Gregorio
6810	Mascherina	Roberto Giovagnoli
7068	Michela	Rocchi Alvaro

The fleet was very active, and entered all the season events, and the winter races in Naples, December 1960.

JOLLY ROGER SAILING CLUB (313)

Ohio-Indiana District

Sailing on Ottawa River, Toledo, Ohio

Fleet Captain William A. Beckham
Fleet Secretary Lawrence A. Haigh
Fleet Champion William (Bill) A. Beckham

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1651	Gayle	Glen W. Green
1658	Marcia B.	John H. Beddoes
1661		Lawrence A. Haigh
3765	Pot of Gold	William A. Beckham

Fleet No. 313 is located at the Jolly Roger Sailing Club, 5961 Edgewater Drive, on the Ottawa River, in Toledo, Ohio.

The Thursday evening regatta series, starting in June and running through October, weather permitting, was won by Bill Beckham, with Virge Secrest as runner-up.

This was a year of firsts for the Club. A new clubhouse was built following a successful bond drive. On Labor Day weekend the Club sponsored its first invitational regatta. This is to be an annual event and will be known as the "Cattail Regatta". The first two places went to boats from Toledo Yacht Club, with our fleet champion Bill Beckham picking up the third place hardware.

Fleet standings for the season, figuring the Thursday night races and the regular Associated Yacht Club events placed Bill Beckham first, Virge Secrest, second, and Glen Green, third.

Fleet 313 sends its best wishes to all fellow Lightning sailors and looks to a bigger, better 1961 season.



Cocktails and trophy at Fleet 314.

SASSAFRAS RIVER FLEET (314)

Dixie District

Based on Sassafras River, Md.

Fleet Captain R. Duke Miller
Fleet Secretary "Doc" Walbert
Fleet Champion R. Duke Miller
Runner-Up "Doc" Walbert

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
89	Scalawag	Kromer Pierson
545	Tar Baby	R. Duke Miller
590	Care Free	Robert Mast
2187	4 Queen's	Gordon Short
2453	Yankee	J. Ellis Voss
	Doodle	
2737	Marion Rose	W. L. "Doc" Walbert
3338		George Smith
6160		Bing Bortel

Fleet 314 started the season off with an invitation to the Great Oaks Regatta handicap, sailed on Fairlee Creek, in May. Duke Miller, 545, brought home the third place trophy.

June 26 started off the first series of two races each Sunday, for six weeks, a total of 12 races, scoring the best eight out of 12. Finishing in the first three places were: Miller, 545, Walbert, 2737 and Short, 2187.

The August 20th Bay Race found the sea calm and weather good, with the winds five to 10 mph in the S.W. The course was nine and one-half miles out the Sassafras River to Chesapeake Bay and return. Taking first place was Mast, 590, with Miller, 545, and Pierson, 89, bringing up second and third.

Saturday, September 3, the Civic Association of Kentmore Park held an annual regatta, divided into two classes, 16 foot and under and 16 foot and over handicap, for members and their families. The race was for all classes of sail boats and a \$35 donation cup and first, second and third place trophies were awarded.

Fifteen boats sailed one race on a five mile course, of which five were Lightnings. Duke Miller, 545, sailing "unofficial" with a guest as crew, was the first Lightning to finish. Nancy Louis, a 15 year old girl, having sailed about six times in her life, skippered the 2737 with Doc Walbert as crew. Nancy, in her first race was the first official Lightning over the finish line, taking the third place trophy. The result gave the sailing club a new member and I hope, another Lightning to our fleet next spring.

August 7th started off the second and final series with Walbert, Miller and Short finishing in first, second and third place.

Gordon Short, 2187, will be a member of the LCA and our fleet 314 next year, and we have prospects of more Lightnings and expect to sail as a class.

This is it for the 1960 season, which has been a very delightful one, with Duke Miller in his old trusty "Tar Baby" and Doc Walbert in his faithful "Marian Rose" battling it out all season, hitting the finish line time after time only one or two seconds apart.

MUSKEGON LAKE LIGHTNING (316)

Michigan District

Sailing on Muskegon Lake, Muskegon, Michigan

Fleet Captain	Erhard H. Steins
Fleet Secretary	George A. Johnson
Fleet Champion	E. H. Steins
Runner-Up	S. G. Pelotes

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
772	Hi Ho	Steven G. Pelotes
1256	Stardust	Normand Adair
1561	Bob-Lo	Odean Knudsen
2223	Blixten	George A. Johnson
3239	Ahoya	John J. Jacobi
7167	Chiquita	Erhard H. Steins
7315	Notus	Jim Chvala
7570	Windrider II	C. William Smith

The first year for our fleet was marked by an increase of members and we have great hopes to become the biggest class within the Muskegon Yacht Club.

We participated in the season trophy races of the MYC., and furthermore placed very well in the handicap events of our club as the Commodore's Trophy, Muskegon Chronicle Trophy and WMUS Radio Trophy.

Ed Steins took part in the Michigan District Championship on Higgins Lake, but did not do so well; better luck next year.

Bill Smith finally launched his new creation in August and gave the champion a hard time. His boat is a fast one.

For the coming season we plan to diversify our program a bit by races in Lake Michigan and night races.

Good sailing and good luck in the coming season!

ROYAL LAKE OF THE WOODS Y. C. FLEET (320)

Mid-West District

Based on Lake of the Woods at Kenora, Ontario

Fleet Captain	Tim Furgale
Fleet Secretary	Doug Latta
Fleet Champion	Hugh McDonald
Runner-Up	Bob Richards

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4387		T. C. "Cam" Weir
4928	Caprice	Ian McDonald
7506	Sandpiper	Doug Latta and Bill Palk
7507	Lazy Loon	Bob Richards
7508	Diane's Mink	Hugh McDonald
7509	Elinor	Tim Furgale
7510		Larry Johnson
7513	Lady Kitty III	Don Paterson

On Sunday morning July 31st, the Royal Lake of the Woods Yacht Club was host to its own Lightning Fleet No. 320, assorted Dinghys, X's, 20' and 28' Scows; plus the Clearwater Bay Lightning Fleet No. 277 and some Y-Flyers from West Hawk Lake—in all, a total of some thirty boats. The Annual Race was a Handicap one in pursuit of the Kenora Cup.

A light breeze was blowing and spinnakers were flown during the first half. Keith Campbell of Fleet 277 and Hugh McDonald of Fleet 320 battled all the way to the finish, with Keith going over first and Bill Moss of Fleet 277 in third place.

It was a most enjoyable sunny day and a buffet luncheon was served after the race.

On August 6th and 7th, the Clearwater Bay Fleet No. 277 was host to the Royal Lake of the Woods Fleet and the Thunder Bay Fleet No. 279. The Annual event was for the Clearwater Bay Trophy for Lightnings. Some thirty-two Lightnings were in attendance. A series of three races were held over the two day period. Points were given to all boats finishing each race, 40 1/4 points for first; 39 points for second; 38 points for third; and so on down to the last Lightning to finish.

Race 1—		Race 2—	
Keith Campbell	Fleet 277	Bill Moss	Fleet 277
Bill Moss	" 277	Hugh McDonald	" 320
L. Walsh	" 279	Keith Campbell	" 277
Race 3—		Series—	
Keith Campbell	" 277	Keith Campbell	117 1/2 pts.
Hugh McDonald	" 320	Bill Moss	114 1/2 "
J. Lammens	Unaffiliated	Hugh McDonald	110 "



La Spezia Fleet 321 on a weather leg with a good wind.

LA SPEZIA FLEET (321)

Italian District

Fleet Captain	Ettore Buavasco
Fleet Secretary	Giulio Pawquali

7188	Zenith	Bruno Cintoi
7189	Nadir	Sirio Guidi
7190	Azimuth	Pier Maria Conti
7191	Sakr el Bahr	Maurizio Del Santo
7363	Milky Way	Balbarini Remigio

The fleet is building new boats for the next season. We have been very active and entered races at Anzio, local races, and probably we will enter the Christmas Regatta in Naples.

A young boy crew was third in the Coppa Giovannetti at Anzio. The fleet organized the Porto Venere Regatta, with many boats entering many class races, and was third in the Coppa S. Venerio.

The fleet probably will organize next year the District Championship.

CHAPARRAL LIGHTNING FLEET (322)

Texas District

Sailing on Lake Travis, at Austin, Texas

Fleet Captain	Donald S. Marsh
Fleet Secretary	Charles B. Larrison Jr.
Fleet Champion	Donald S. Marsh

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5532	Jou Jou	Donald S. Marsh
6175		Jack Downs
6964		James R. Moss
7261		Capt. C. B. Larrison
		Capt. Jack C. Jackson

The first anniversary of our fleet is at hand. We have had more than our share of growing pains. Two boats and the frame of a third were destroyed by two separate fires. Things looked bleak for a while, until Jack Downs and Jack Jackson appeared on the scene with both their Lightnings in tow. Fleet 322 has a new lease on life.



"Hey Skipper, how do you get the crew to help?"

Winter haulout has just finished as a fleet effort. Now the work starts. Two boats need to be measured, and all the skippers are planning work that should lead to victory for each of their boats.

Our fleet sent out two boats to regattas this year. The two skippers and crews were disappointed with the results, but the experience gained was great. We hope that next year we will be able to send at least three boats to the out of town regattas that we can attend.

Our growth potential for the coming year is bright. One new member is thinking of buying a boat. We are all on the lookout for a boat for him. The usual optimism prevails as far as new boats and skippers are concerned. Perhaps our greatest anticipation is the fact that we are the hosts for the Texas District regatta this coming summer. In this regard, Y'all come!

PIRATES COVE LIGHTNING FLEET (323)

Western Long Island Sound District

Sailing on Port Jefferson Harbor at Setauket, N. Y.

Fleet Captain..... Charles C. Rice
Fleet Secretary..... Holland A. Redfield
Fleet Champion..... Stalemate—tied for points

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1671	By George	Steven Shatz
3362	You All Come	C. C. Rice
3573	Thunderbird	
	II	Mrs. H. V. Kaltenborn
4672	Blue Chip	Al Nazarek
	Green Hornet	H. A. Redfield

Organized in time for the 1960 sailing season in association with the Setauket Sailing Club, Fleet 323, and the newly established sailing club had a great time with their first summer of racing with all of us learning together.

Fleet 323 sails on Long Island Sound, just outside beautiful Port Jefferson Harbor. The often time rough waters plus strong tides caused rapid development of racing tactics among the participants.

We have high hopes of enlarging the fleet next summer with 12 to 14 eligible boats in the area.

PENSACOLA LIGHTNING FLEET (324)

Southern District

Located at Pensacola, Florida

Fleet Captain..... Robert L. Crongeyer
Fleet Secretary..... William Soule
Fleet Champion..... Robert L. Crongeyer
Runner-Up..... William Soule, Jr.



Fleet Captain and Champion Bob Crongeyer with his two sons as crew, Bobby and Jimmy.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3649	Swiftly	Milan Visnage
3870	Nautilee	Wayne Lee
4058	Black Flash	William Soule, Jr.
4477	Apache	Robert L. Crongeyer
4705	Bomasusa	John R. Magee
4739		C. W. Ruckel

Fleet #324 was organized this year by a small but enthusiastic group of sailors. This enthusiasm has increased the fleet from four to six boats and indications are that we will have at least ten boats next year.

Our season started with an Invitational Regatta on May 28 and 29. The old master Ed Overton from Fairhope with his new boat 7121 that had never been in the water until the day of the first race, won this series followed by Stanley Butts from Biloxi with his new boat 7501. Our Fleet Captain, Bob Crongeyer, finished third.

The Fiesta Regatta sponsored by the Pensacola Yacht Club furnished our next contest. Because of a conflict our local boats were the only ones entered. Bill Soule, Jr., took this one followed by Ski Visnage and Wayne Lee.

The highlight of the year was the fleet championship which was a six race series. Bob Crongeyer and Bill Soule Jr., were tied at the end of four races but Bob won the final two races and really demonstrated his right to be champion. Wayne Lee finished third in this series.



The clear blue and protected waters of Grand Traverse Bay, new home of Fleet 326.

GRAND TRAVERSE YACHT CLUB (326)

Michigan District

Sailing on Grand Traverse Bay at Traverse City, Mich.

Fleet Captain	Chuck Van Horn
Fleet Secretary	Chuck Van Horn
Fleet Champion	Gordon Cornwell
Runner-Up	Warren Cline

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
119	Akela	Chuck Van Horn
643	Hebat	Bud Sweeney
2120		Gordon Cornwell
3346	Wretched	
	Eagle	Warren Cline
3386	White Cap	Buell White
4391	Apache	Lee DeVoss
6499		Gordon Cornwell
7227		Ken Lindsay

The Lightning Fleet of Grand Traverse Yacht Club at Traverse City, Michigan, successfully completed its first year of scheduled racing. The fleet began in 1958, although without membership in the association until 1961, has been growing by leaps and bounds. The groups started with two boats in 1958 and has ended the 1960 season with seven boats.

Eleven scheduled races were sailed, with some of the Omena group joining in the fun. The inter-club races were held with the Omena sailors at Omena, Michigan, and it looks like it might become an annual event.

Everyone has learned much about racing this year in anticipation of next season. The future of this Northern Michigan clan looks even brighter with a sure start of 11 boats in 1961. A regatta, open to all, is planned for August 19 and 20th in 1961. It is hoped that those who participate at Higgins Lake and Leland regattas will be able to attend our first attempt in presenting such an affair.

This season ended with dinner and dancing and the presentation of the season trophies. Season results found Gordon Cornwell first, Warren Cline second, Chuck Van Horn third, Lee DeVoss fourth, Buell White fifth and Bud Sweeney sixth.

We will always welcome any Lightning skippers and hope to see and meet some of you this coming season.

FLOTILHA DE LIGHTNINGS DO JANGADEIROS (327)

Brazilian District

Sailing on Guaiba River, Porto Alegre, Brazil

Fleet Secretary	Frederico Linck Neto
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Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6591	Corisco	Frederico Linck Neto
7489	Kobold	Thomas Behrend
7710		Winston Oberg

The Fleet #327 was recently founded and is formed of the above mentioned boats. We are proud to inform you, that next year it will be largely increased. Enthusiasm is great among sailors in our town toward the Lightning Class and we are happy and proud to inform you that next years Brazilian Championship of LCA will be held on our river.



"Mary" (7180) Jyväskylä Fleets (328) runner-up.



Jyväskylä Fleets (328) secretary, Matti Nurminen enjoying a warm summer day.

JYVASKYLA LIGHTNING LAIVUE (328)

Finland District

Sailing at Lake Pajanne, Jyväskylä, Finland

Fleet Captain	Veikko Miettinen
Fleet Secretary	Matti Nurminen
Fleet Champion	Veikko Miettinen

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4335	OK	Osmo Konkola
7179	Sami	Veikko Miettinen
7180	Mary	Matti & Matti Nurminen
	Mona Lisa	Risto Hamalainen

We are proudly introducing the first Lightning Fleet to be situated in Finland's lake area. Here in Finland we have about 60,000 lakes and thousands of them are suitable for sailing, but people there have "found" the Lightnings only now, and we are the first fleet to get official status.

Three of our four boats have been built last winter and our fleet has been established since last summer. On account of that we had only eight races during the season, starting at the end of July. Most important of them was the Annual Race and Night Race, the other six were practice races, which were held on Wednesday evenings. "Sami" and her skipper, Veikko Miettinen, proved to be a class of their own, winning seven of the races. M. Nurminen, with "Mary" had luck with him once and crossed the finish line 12 seconds before "Sami".

Lightnings have won many admirers here in Jyväskylä area, and we are expecting several new boats to our fleet for next season.

SEVERN RIVER FLEET (329)

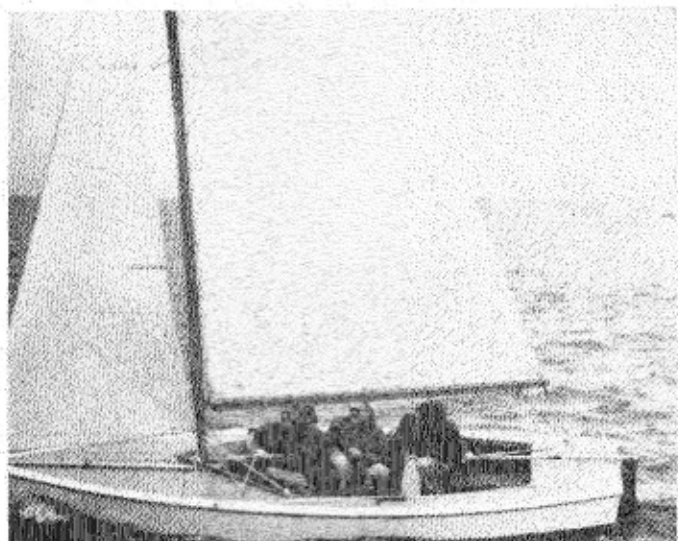
Dixie District

Sailing on Chesapeake Bay, Annapolis, Md.

Fleet Captain	Frank Mullins
Fleet Secretary	Franz Schneider
Fleet Champion	Frank Mullins
Runner-Up	Franz Schneider

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
286	Rover	Donald Hatchard
663	Nudnick	Joseph G. Caplan
788		E. A. Lankford
2172	So-wester	John Searles
2971	Wyken	Morgan H. Baldwin Jr.
3088	Diastole	Dr. Richard S. Ross
3352		William H. Daiger
3509	Valkyrie	Col. Donald H. Heaton
3966	Arib	Frank J. Hughes
5079	Woozle	Sheila & Franz Schneider Jr.
5641	Sandbur	Annetta Durken
5786	Jills	Lt. Col. Ira McMann
5791	Blinken	Morgan H. Baldwin Jr.
6523	Aldebran	Frank G. Mullins Jr.
6860		Dr. Robert Boudreau
7373		Dr. James Gilbert

There was no organized Lightning fleet in the Severn River area until October of this past year. In fact, as recently as the fall of 1959 there was only one active racing Lightning in the area. However, in the spring of 1960 Frank Mullins induced Franz Schneider to join him and sail from the Severn Sailing Association in Annapolis. By fall a third racing boat owned by



Fleet 329 Runner-up Franz Schneider trying his best in light going at Annapolis.

Dr. Robert Boudreau appeared on the scene completing the necessary nucleus for a fleet.

In spite of there being no organized fleet in the area there was plenty of class activity. The season began in May with the Annapolis Yacht Club's spring series. Three races, held over one weekend, were sailed on their inside course which runs out into the bay from a start near the club house. An old timer, Barney Mead, with his two teenage sons, Biff and Jimmy, sailed their O'Hooligan home in first place. They represented the very hot and active fleet #87 based at the Baltimore Yacht Club.

Next in line was the Severn Sailing Association's spring series. This was the first time for Lightnings to enter this event. Sailing Aldebran, Frank Mullins made a clean sweep of three closely contested races. Close behind were Franz Schneider, in Woolzie, and Walter Flynn in a borrowed boat.

A rapidly growing event is the Severn Sailing Association's Summer Regatta, which this year had a turnout of over twenty Lightnings. Bob Tunnell representing the fleet at Indian River Delaware, showed the style which later won him the Dixie District Championship. His Challenger literally trounced the field with a clean sweep.

A favorite of most people is the Annapolis Yacht Club Summer Regatta. This is sailed on one of the best courses in the district. Course "J", as it is called, is actually in the Chesapeake Bay where there is ample room for long windward legs in good clear air. Bob McWorter of the Northeast River fleet proved that his Simbi, #3704, still had quite a bit of life in her as he won this regatta handily. In third place was one of our boats, Woolzie, with Franz Schneider at the helm.

Races were held several Sundays in midsummer on the Round Bay portion of the river. These were sponsored by the Sherwood Forrest Community Association and started at their pier. Dr. Richard Ross, a new member of the class, led the fleet with his Diastole.

Late August saw the women take over. Mrs. Penny Sayler sailing Aldebran and Mrs. Sheila Schneider in Woolzie took the leading two positions in the Indian Landing Regatta held on Round Bay at Lindstead. The only visiting boat in the fleet was the third place Quantico Marine boat, Leatherneck.

The Annapolis Yacht Club Fall Series, held on the first three Sundays in October closed the official season on the river. It was sailed on their course "J" under conditions which varied from a 30 mph. howler to a drifting match. Fielding a fleet made up completely of local boats, this was the first time Lightnings had been represented in this event. Frank Mullins sailing Aldebran won the series which was not decided until the last race when he nipped Franz Schneider's Woolzie at the finish line. In third place was Bob Boudreau in his new Emmons built Lightning #6860.

Our boats not only sailed in local events but some also traveled the regatta circuit. This consisted primarily of events held in the north end of the bay, on the eastern and western shores, and within an hour's drive from Annapolis. While none of our boats won any of these, their presence was felt by the leaders, and our record as a group was quite respectable. This record was highlighted with Franz Schneider's second place standings at Glenmar

Regatta, Little Egg Harbor Regatta, and Susquehanna Regatta.

For next season we are making plans for more organized fleet activity. This should include some racing and cruising on Round Bay as well as on the preferred and superior courses at Annapolis. Since many of our members own wet and heavy boats it appears highly desirable to offer special racing awards to those using this type of equipment. Definite steps are being taken in this direction. Depending on the results obtained on the fleet level, action will be taken to have some of the local regattas offer separate trophies for wet and heavy Lightnings. This idea we take from our older brothers of Fleet #3, with the hopes that it will become a growing trend.

The Severn River Lightning Fleet has all prospects of growing into a large, strong, and active organization. We are located at the hub of the Dixie District, with excellent sailing waters and good club facilities. Yes, if enthusiasm continues to grow at the present rate, you may expect to hear much more from this fleet located in the heart of sailing country, on the Severn River, near the Chesapeake Bay at Annapolis, Maryland.

CRAB ORCHARD FLEET (330)

Midwest District

Sailing on Crab Orchard Lake, Carbondale, Illinois

Fleet Captain	W. R. Scott
Fleet Secretary	G. M. Buys
Fleet Champion	W. R. Scott
Runner-up	E. Limpus

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2064	Yo-Ho	David Cook
5217	.....	Theodore East
5226	Manta Sea	Ernie Limpus
5228	Sassy Gal	W. R. Scott
7731	.....	W. R. Scott

A new fleet for a mighty class, a new club within the realm of recognized sport—this is the Crab Orchard Sailing Club and its newly formed Lightning Fleet 330, chartered in October 1960.

COSC was originated in January of 1959 with a grand total membership of eight persons. Due to the experienced guidance and exuberant leadership of Wilson Scott, Commodore, COSC has rapidly become somewhat of a power-competitor in the mid-west areas.

With two seasons of active competition behind us we are now a 40 member, 28 boat club with a small recognized Lightning fleet. We have several miscellaneous craft, and four skippers trailing to distant regattas.

Active racing by the LCA fleet at our club was limited this past season. Due to lack of steady crew and that almighty spinnaker, Ted East only competed in inter-club activities. Dave Cook is our newest member, joining the fleet in late August. Ernie Limpus started the season with all sorts of enthusiasm, taking seventh place in COSC's second annual Egyptian Cup Regatta; then Ernie developed (of all things) an allergy to Sun-exposure. What a frustrating plight for an anxious sailor! This leaves us with that two boat man, our Fleet Captain, Club Series Champion, and Commodore, Wilson "Scotty" Scott. This past season Scotty crewed at the St. Petersburg Championships, at the Midwest District Championships in Chicago (14th place), and at Memphis in the Cotton Carnival Regatta (third place) with Tom Brizendine of the Kentucky Lake Sailing Club. Also, Scotty and his ambitious crew, "Mac" Scott (wife) and George Buys, trailed to Nashville and the Tennessee Regatta, Kentucky Lake and the Governors Cup Regatta, Decatur, Ill. and the Inter-City Regatta (4th place), Springfield, Ill., and the Mid-States Championships Regatta (4th place), Kentucky Lake again for the Watkins Cup Regatta, and then closed the season with a third place at the St. Louis Valley Sailing Association's Governor's Cup Regatta. A round of applause for the sailor willing to trail.

Nine Lightnings participated in COSC's second annual Egyptian Cup Regatta. They were skippered by Bob Buckles of Decatur, Ill., Bob Llover of Nashville, Tenn., Mitch Bohenkamp of St. Louis, Mo., Tom Brizendine of Kentucky Lake, Ky., August Paoli of St. Louis, Mo., Wilson Scott of Carbondale, Ill., Greer George of Kentucky Lake, Ky., Ernie Limpus of Carbondale, Ill., and Ted East also of Carbondale. The place standings are as they appear above.

YOU may be interested in knowing—during the past season we ran a club series of races. We usually had 10 to 15 participants in a race and almost an equal number of different classes. The outcome of each race was based on principles of adjusted time and handicaps and of course the winner of the series was a Lightning, #5228.

There is nothing more vigorous than youth, watch Fleet 330 in forthcoming seasons!

SQUAM LAKE LIGHTNING FLEET (332)

New England District

Sailing on Squam Lake at Holderness, New Hampshire

Fleet Captain Robert Custance
Fleet Secretary Howard O. Wood

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1721	Avenger	Robert Custance
3220	Havoc	Howard Wood
3279		Richardson Blair

Fleet #332 was formed in the fall of 1960, so there were no fleet activities this past summer. However, seven Lightnings participated in informal races on the lake. A strong fleet with regular series racing is planned for 1961.

PALM BEACH FLEET (333)

Southeastern District

Sailing at Palm Beach, Fla. on Lake Worth

393 Graham-Eckes School
1155 Robert D. Tylander

3437 Graham-Eckes School
4499 Graham-Eckes School
6615 John Craft
6667 Graham-Eckes School
7808 Susan & Elliott Brown

This fleet was organized this fall and a series of races was sailed on four alternate Sundays, beginning October 23, and finishing December 4. The races were conducted by the Sailing squadron of the Sailfish Club of Florida on Lake Worth. The winner for the fall series was Bob Tylander, sailing boat No. 1155.

Two new Lippincott Lightnings were added to the fleet during the Christmas Holidays and a two day series was sailed off the Sailfish Club over the New Year's weekend. The winner was boat No. 7808, owned by the Misses Susan and Elliott Brown and sailed by Bill Cudahy.

Representatives of the fleet will participate in the Miami Yacht Club Regatta on January 14-15, 1961 and other Lightning association sanctioned regattas during the winter. Also a winter series is planned for the fleet at the Sailfish Club. We are all indebted to Graham-Eckes School for providing most of the boats in the fleet as well as very able skippers and crewmen.



Start of the "Skippers Only" Race of Fleet 229, Fern Ridge Lake. Some of the more brave skippers used spinnakers.



Fleet 10 newest, 7528, owner, Dick Jensen.



Karl Smither and Crew of 1959 winner of Southern Circuit celebrate. L. to r.: Jack Cryer, Al Bernel, Tom Allen and Bill Hughes with Karl serving.