

## OMENA-TRAVERSE YACHT CLUB FLEET (174)

### Michigan District

Fleet Captain	Norman Johanning
Fleet Secretary	Ed Lyon
Fleet Champion	Norman Johanning
Runner-Up	Ed Lyon

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1602	Talisman	Crampton Finn & Carl Koch
2206		Ben Taylor
2723	Whistlewing	Robert Morse
3008	Bedlam	Ed Lyon
4238		Mary Foltz
6244	Queen Bee	Jane Saxton & Norman Johanning

This summer we enjoyed an exciting set of races and a regatta. The Queen Bee brought home the honors for the third consecutive season and Ed Lyon was Runner-Up. The final results showed a spread of only three points between Second and Fourth.

The Grand Traverse Yacht Club held its second annual Regatta with the Omena-Traverse Yacht Club. Although the Regatta was not limited to the two clubs, there was a trophy given to the boat that did the best of the two clubs. This trophy, the George Smith Memorial Trophy, was won by Ken Lindsay of Traverse City with Chuck Van Horn runner-up. The Boats from Omena suffered some damage, one broke a spreader and one lost the Head Stay, but repaired themselves and were able to race later.

The credit for the success of this year's racing goes to the Chairman of the Racing Committee, Mr. Johanning, who, when he wasn't organizing some sailing, was on hand with the piece of equipment you needed or the boat you needed.

## SHREVEPORT FLEET (175)

### Southern District

Based on Cross Lake, Shreveport, La.

Fleet Captain	Luther B. Griffith
Fleet Secretary	Robert G. Lawton
Fleet Champion	R. J. Lawton, Jr.
Runner-Up	Walter Heiman

Boat No.	Boat Name	Boat Owner
4062	Tiny Joe	Joe Labarbara
4158	Ho-Hum	W. C. West
4161	Joheda	C. M. Zaenglein
4264		Paul Shaugnessey
4627		James E. Smitherman, Jr.
4721		W. L. Trowbridge
4747	Zoom-Zoom	Alton Parker
4996	Mary E. II	Walter Heiman
5151	Smokey	Walt Hackney
5202	Dixie Doodle	R. G. Lawton, Jr.
6116	Boom-Boom	Luther B. Griffith
7482		Arthur Hyatt

Our fleet had a very active and very successful racing season. We held one major event at our club and a number of minor races.

The first big event of the racing season was the Shreveport Yacht Club Spring Regatta held the last weekend in May. The regatta was won by Sam Townsend of the Dallas Corinthian Yacht Club of Dallas, Texas.

On the same date that we held the annual regatta, we held the Inter-District Lightning Championship races at Shreveport which was won by Sam Townsend.

## GREAT SOUTH BAY FLEET (178)

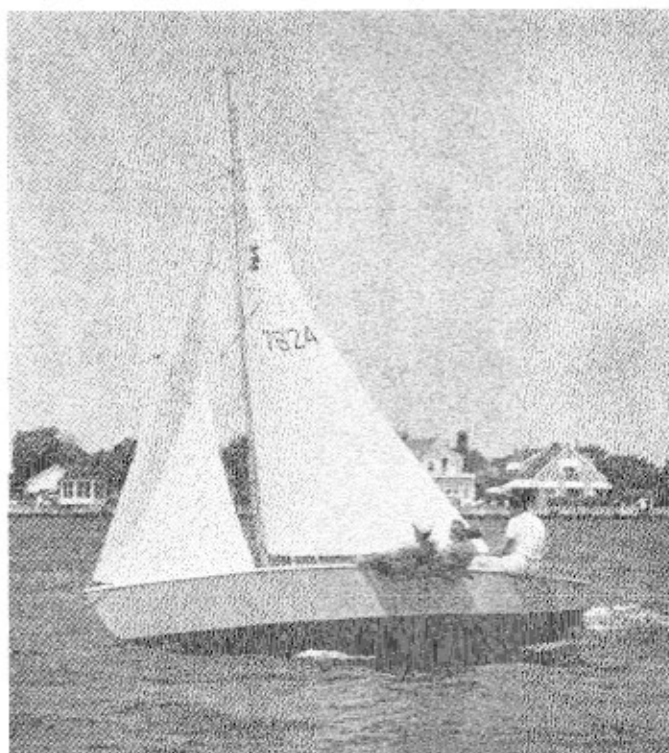
### Greater Long Island District

Sailing on Great South Bay, Long Island, N. Y.

Fleet Captain	Warren Pulver
Fleet Secretary	Robert T. David
Fleet Champion	Robert T. David
Runner-Up	Warren Pulver

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
24	Scarlett	Robert T. David
35	Knotso Grande	Temple Robinson
494	Firefly	Louis Hock
731	Sugar Loaf	Alan Morton
744	N.Y.C.	Narrasketuck Y. C.
863	Good Bye II	Robert Anderson
865	Jim III	Herman Berger

3148	Gretchen	Babylon Y. C.
3358	Tara	Helen McCormack
3421	Joanne	Joseph T. Gebhardt
3904	Black Orchid	William E. Thomas
4695	Mist	George McCormack
6051	8-Ball	Warren Pulver
6443	Huntress	Herbert Buerger
7354		Donald Skinner
7624	Mistress	Robert T. David
7793	Nautilus	Mel Hoagland
7993		Ottavio Hoglievina



"Mistress" sailing in the breeze she likes best

The 1961 sailing season of Fleet #178 was a long one indeed. It started on May 21st with the first race of a nine race Club Series, which was won by Bob David. The Evening Series, with the starting gun going off every Wednesday evening at 8 P.M. was also won by Bob in his "Mistress".

The G.S.B.Y.R.A. opener, Long Island Y.C. Invitation was won by Bob David as was the Babylon Y.C. 5th of July Invitation. Then came the Narrasketuck Y.C. Invite which was won by Ray Harrington from Hewlett Bay. Warren Pulver with a first and a third just managed to nose out Bob Anderson who had a pair of seconds, in the Unqua Corinthian Invitation. The Bay-shore Invitation was won by Dave Gebhardt who came over from Northport.

Paul Gilbert was the class winner of Race Week. The Labor Day Series was won by Bob David.

The winds were blowing manfully (30 knots) on the afternoon of the Ladies Day Race. This limited the number of racers in each class and a single Handicap race was held. Marilyn David sailing "Mistress" won on corrected time, beating out among others, a couple of Thistles.

By far the most interesting event was the 14 race Frostbite Series. The trophy was won by Herb Buerger sailing "Huntress", who after a slow start ran up an impressive string of 5 wins in the last 6 races.

## PASS CHRISTIAN YACHT CLUB (179)

### Southern District

Sailing on the Gulf of Mexico, Pass Christian,

### Mississippi

Fleet Captain	Frank B. Johnson
Fleet Secretary	Hester C. H. Johnson
Fleet Champion	Kelly Kane
Runner-Up	Harry Clark

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4580	.....	Guy H. Kraus
7357	.....	Harry Clark
7481	Geisha Girl	Kelly Kane
7483	Aweigh	Ben Johnson

Eugene Tayler Regatta—Winner, Ed Overton from Fair Hope, Ala.

Gulf Yachting Association Lightning Championship—Winner, Ed Overton from Fair Hope, Alabama

Frost Bite Regatta—Dec. 3-5, Pass Christian Yacht Club, Pass Christian, Mississippi.

#### GULF YACHTING ASSOCIATION LIGHTNING CHAMPIONSHIP

The Gulf Yachting Association Lightning Championships were held on the Gulf Coast in Mississippi. Host Club was the Pass Christian Yacht Club. Sailed on the weekend of July 15 and 16, there were a total of 17 entries.

Following his remarkable performance in the Southern District Championships the previous month, skipper Ed Overton on the Fairhope, Alabama Fleet 135 was not to be denied. Sailing his Mauvillian to three consecutive first place finishes, the "Old Pro" won by a comfortable margin.

The first ten places were as follows:

Skipper	Boat Number	Total Points	Final Position
Ed Overton	7399	57 1/4	1
John Ballatin	6712	51	2
F. Favaloro	2363	44	3
Bob Kammer	5799	43	4
G. Whitworth	6949	40	5
Fred Worth	7561	38	6
James Kupper	7349	35	7
Jack Dane	7122	34	8
Al Brown	7120	32	9
H. Jacobs	3196	32	9



Betty Jo Heineman Meyers—fleet champion

#### CONNEAUT LAKE FLEET (180)

##### Lake Erie District

Based on Conneaut Lake, Conneaut, Pa.

Fleet Commander	Charles Berry
Fleet Captain	Eddie Shaffer
Fleet Secretary	Mrs. Charles Berry
Fleet Champion	Henry Heineman
Runner-Up	Charles Berry

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
705	Tee-Hee	Eddie Shaffer

2703	Ching-Tu	Dr. W. M. McLaughlin
2707	Rank 'n' File	C. E. Filer
2886	Hied-A-Weigh	R. Duane Good
3404	Shu-Fly	Charles Berry
5022	Confusion IV	Dr. John Hanek
5070	Pinky	L. R. Trezona & R. P. Hollister
6996	Tsk-Tsk-Tsk	Franklin M. Miller
7998	Jan-Bee	H. G. Heineman

The season officially opened on May 26th with a dinner meeting at the Iroquois Club on Conneaut Lake. Mr. Paul Knapp of Pymatuning Fleet #36 was the speaker of the evening and he described his trip to the National Races.

Henry Heineman sported out with a new boat and old tricks; however, with skipper Betty Jo, and crew Lou Meyers, he easily took the 1961 Fleet Championship.

Chuck Berry—with a new set of sails and old determination was hard to beat as the runner-up.

Dr. Hanek in an effort to repair a loose shroud wire finished with a looser wire, clean sails, and dry bottom—SPLASH!!!

The junior crew members had an active year on Sail Fish and proved their learning by good crewing on several Lightnings regularly.

Ten races comprised the season and we had two novelty races Labor Day weekend. One of these was run around a course of buoys from which balloons were suspended and each boat removed a balloon, then flew it as proof of making the marks. There were five to seven members to each crew and the small fry "helped" with the balloons. The other novelty race was a "Skipper Switch" and it finished just as a storm broke to cool off the overworked crews, and sharpen everyone's appetite for the season's closing fish fry and trophy dispensing meeting.

The season was adjourned amid background comments of "new sails"—"different paint"—"different crew"—and of course, "NEXT YEAR"!!

#### LELAND YACHT CLUB (184)

##### Michigan District

##### Sailing on Lake Leelanau, Michigan

Fleet Captain	Toby Tyler
Fleet Secretary	Judy Hilsinger
Fleet Champion	Mike Fisher
Runner-Up	Toby Tyler

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
820	.....	Fred Fast
1557	Mary Ann	John Clark
3398	.....	Chuck & Russ Vowinkel
3403	.....	Carol Brady
4298	Tangle Toes	David Workum & Lee Workum
4393	Frelvido	Don Mitchell
4679	Ibis	Frank Bracken
4772	Wind Lass	Dick Evans
4842	Two A.M.	Jack Larson
5023	Confusion	Avery Lynn Kimerly
5227	.....	Biff Thomsen
5318	.....	Joanne Gits
5333	Celerity	Phillips Riley
5367	.....	Fred Ball
5718	Decibelle	Dr. Raymond Hilsinger
5883	Grayling	Jack Mead
6037	Pelican	John Gulligan
6224	Brazil Nut	George & Wally Bennett
6606	Follow Me	Jim & Jeff Fisher
6664	Luffer Buoy	Toby Tyler
7007	.....	Mike Fisher

Our racing season, which began on July 12th and lasted through August 30th, proved to be both fun and educational for all participants. A much improved B class have good competition to the A class skippers within both the July and August series. At the end of the summer, first place trophies were awarded to Mike Fisher of A class and Wally Bennett of B class, who were followed up by Toby Tyler and Jim and Jeff Fisher, respectively.

August 7th was the date of our annual Marathon. Lightnings and National One Designs sailed three times around the nine buoys on the lake for a total of thirty miles. Because of light winds and handicap allowances (or so 'tis said), National skippers Biff Steel and Don Pendergast finished first and second, but Dave Workum, Toby Tyler and Jack Mead managed to salvage the next three positions for the Lightnings.

Perhaps the high point of the season was our Regatta which was held the weekend of August 12-13. Twenty-two Lightnings entered the series which welcomed nine visiting boats. The races went smoothly, partly because of good weather winds and partly because of excellent supervision by Dave Workum. However, it must be noted that the Lelanders had to sit back and watch Pontiac contestants Mac Goodwin, Phil Smith, and Ken Bonnett take the first three places. Mike Fisher was the only Leland boat to place with a sixth.

The second annual Commodore's Barbecue was every bit as enjoyable and successful as the first one. The entire fleet assembled in front of the Yacht Club dock at ten o'clock, and everyone, having decorated their boats with novel, if not somewhat awesome paraphernalia, began to cruise down to the lower lake. After consuming picnic goodies and other energy foods, the motor fleet headed back for a tremendous barbecue on Lake Michigan and some sterling entertainment.

Bill Miller managed to drop what he was doing in Chicago so that the Bill Miller-Labor Day Regatta would not fail to be mentioned in this report. The three races were sailed in varying winds and resulted in a first place tie which was decided by a sudden death race between the finalists, Biff Thomsen and Frank Mead. Frank, having returned from a two year vacation in Stockholm, won the trophy, and Biff, who hadn't been faring so well for a long time, decided not to sell his boat after all. The B class award in the Regatta was won by Joan Fisher.

The annual Awards Banquet climaxed the sailing year at Leland. The Commodore's Award, given to the most improved sailor of the year, and elected by the sailors themselves, was presented to the Fisher twins, Jim and Jeff. Junior sailing awards were also given to Cindy Walker and Judy Fisher.

Thanks to the hard work of our Commodore, Don Pendergast, our Fleet Captain, Toby Tyler, the race committees, and numerous other individuals, this past season has been a good one. We trust that next year will be the same.

And to Phyllis Riley, wherever you are, keep your chin up.

## SHEBOYGAN LIGHTNING FLEET (187)

### Midwest District

#### Sailing on Lake Michigan, Sheboygan, Wisconsin

Fleet Captain	Dr. Wm. Moir
Fleet Secretary	Dr. J. Kovacic
Fleet Champion	David Wilson
Runner-Up	Roger Bierman

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
694	B & B	John Buchan & John Bolgert
1975	Lu Lo	Eric Larson
2225	Islander	Frank C. Jacobson
3621	Wrapid	Allan West, Dave Wilson and William Hayssen
3624	Griffin	Sea Scouts
6202	Vixen	Art Perry
6441	Marba	Jerry Kovacic
6776	Corixa	Art Kroos
6915	Til-Lykke	Roger Bierman
6975	7-Up	Dr. Wm. Moir
7879	Nike	Herbert Gibbs
8027	Triumph	Ralph Brotz

Marked enthusiasm was noted at the Sheboygan Yacht Club during the 1961 sailing season. One hundred percent participation in the races was the rule, and with the expansion of our fleet during the past season, competition was quite keen.

The Tune-up Series of six races run early in the season ended with our Fleet Captain, Dr. Wm. Moir taking first place on his "7-Up", with "Corixa" and "Nike" following in that order for second and third positions.

Our annual Piper Series for fleet members was hotly contested. When scoring under the Cox-Sprague system was completed, veteran Vic Radwick, skippering the "Wrapid" came in with enough points to secure first position, with Roger Bierman on "Til-Lykke" close behind. Herb Gibbs skippered "Nike" for a comfortable third.

The "Nike" and "7-Up" also showed their superiority in the Fourth of July Series by taking first and second respectively, with Jerry Kovacic bringing in his "Marba" for a third.

Good fellowship races were also held every Wednesday evening, and to encourage participation by our youth, a Junior Series was held. The winner of this series was Ricky Larson, with Jim Kuhlmann and Chris Jacobson following in that order.

The outstanding event of the year was our Second Annual Brotz Memorial Regatta held on August 5-6th (Bratwurst Day), in which

twenty-five Lightnings participated. The Feature of the regatta this year was the unveiling of a scale model of the Sabre, a large yawl raced in the Great Lakes by the late Roman C. Brotz. The scale model was donated by the Brotz Foundation, and will serve as a permanent Regatta trophy to remain at the Sheboygan Yacht Club.

In spite of a very uncooperative weather man, which resulted in delays and a few broken masts, Jim Hopkins of Green Bay brought his "Misty" in with a second, a first, and another first, to surpass the performance of Tom Lindemann and his "Hey Daddy". Third position went to Vic Radwick of our fleet, who skippered "Corixa" for its owner, Arthur Kroos, Jr.

## MARBLEHEAD HARBOR FLEET (189)

### New England District

#### Based on Marblehead Harbor and Massachusetts Bay, Marblehead, Mass.

Fleet Captain .....	Robert J. McCarthy	
Fleet Secretary .....	Katherine M. Sullivan	
Fleet Champion .....	Dr. Louis Pocharski	
Runner-up .....	Kenneth Drewry	
No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3	Dunkee	Allan Heffernan
6	Rambler	Alfred Hill
3	Four Winds	Susan Wigglesworth
1		William Seaver
3		Paul Satz
0	Sansar	Paul Murray
4	Eagle	Dan Colussy
3	Ode To Joy	T. F. Stirgwoit
2		William Bray
2	Panic	John Earon
0	Witch	Ned & Kay Sullivan
0	Elooa	Norman Harvey
3	Sprint	W. E. Thorp
0	Parlay	Richard Martin
6	Fouette	Ed & Bill Gleason
1	Thirsty	Henry Ashley
5	Janie	Ken Drewry
2	Thumpa	Laurence Coffin
5		Andrew E. Kauders
0	Nitida	Paul De Napoli and James Reynolds
6	Suzy Too	Frank Morse
0	Nuggett	John Abbott
1	Sizzler	Paul Deschenes
4	Lancer	Bill & Dave Caldwell
0	Merri-Daze	Thomas Egan
0	Finnegan's Wake	Daniel O. Mahoney
3	Knotty Lady	Frances and Robert McCarthy
9	Cuddles	Harold Nagle
8	Kimvara	Samuel Hyland
9	Spook III	Dr. Louis Pocharski, Jr.
3	Creeper	Duncan McInnes
3	Neirac	John & Paula Carien
7	Bali II	Drs. Robert Liming & John Ballou
7	Celest	Richard Price & Dr. Frank Colombo
4	Nereid	Suzanne & Frank W. Warner, Jr.
4	Warrior	Stanley Goodwin

Marblehead Fleet 189 opened the 1961 season on May 18th at the Boston Yacht Club, where sails were measured for the coming season. After the measurements were completed, a fine dinner was enjoyed by all.

On May 30th, the inaugural race of the Marblehead Open championship was won by Henry Ashley sailing the Thirsty.

Our first Twilight Series began on June 1st. When points were totaled up on June 22nd, the Morse Twins, sailing the Suzy Too came out on top, with the Caldwell Brothers taking second place, sailing the Lancer.

4th of July morning, Henry Ashley showed the independence of his Thirsty by leading the fleet home with a well-earned victory.

Foggy July 8th and 9th our fleet was well represented by nine boats in the State of Massachusetts Regatta held in Rockport. When the smoke had cleared and the regatta was over, Louis Pocharski brought home the first place trophy.

July 15th found Duncan McInnes and Henry Ashley, who had trailed their boats to Lake Champlain for the combined New Hampshire and Vermont Regatta, doing battle with a large fleet. Duncan, sailing the Creeper, trailed home a little extra weight in the form of a fine first place trophy.

Race Week started on July 22nd. The Fleet was broken up into



two divisions, odd and even numbers, for the first three races. Odd Number division honors went to Senator Ben Smith sailing the Teaser, with Louis Pocharski taking a strong 2nd place. In the even number division, the Caldwell Brothers took 1st place, with the Gleason Clan coming in 2nd.

Tuesday evening, the fleet and all its friends enjoyed a cookout at the home of the Frank Warners. On Wednesday the final races for the week started. The Teaser, sailed by Senator Smith, led the fleet home in the Championship Division, with visitor Len Pratt taking first place in the Consolation division.

Our second Twilight Series was taken again by the Morse Twins, with John Carlen sailing the Neirac, taking 2nd place honors.

The New England District regatta was held in Annisquam on August 4th. Seven boats represented the Marblehead Fleet and the Spook III, sailed by our Fleet Champion, Dr. Louis Pocharski, led in the point standings when the 5th race was over.

Duncan McInnes went "Down Home" on August 14th and for the second straight year came back with the State of Maine Regatta tucked in his back pocket.

With all this outside activity, we were still keeping our schedule of four races a week going at home and in our third and last Twilight Series ending on August 21st, Bill Gleason brought home a winner, the Fouette.

On Labor Day, John Abbott provided sun and good wind after a weekend of fog. Our Labor Day Trophy was won by Louis Pocharski. Sunset found the fleet out at Abbott's Island, having a clambake.

September 16th Marblehead Lightning sailors, friends, and families assembled at the Boston Yacht Club for our annual banquet and for the awards of the trophies that everybody had worked so hard for all season long.

Ken Drewry, sailing the Janie, won the Corinthian Yacht Club Series and the Combined Corinthian and Eastern Yacht Club Trophy. Paul Deschenes, in the Sizzler won the Eastern Yacht Club Series. Our Early Bird Sunday A.M. Series, was taken by Louis Pocharski, with the Morse Twins finishing in second place.

Our Fleet Champion for the 1961 season was Dr. Louis Pocharski. Ken Drewry took 2nd place and John Abbott took 3rd place honors, to wind up a very successful and enjoyable season for all.

## NAPLES FLEET (191)

### Italian District

#### Sailing on Naples Bay

Fleet Captain..... Gaetano Pesce  
Fleet Secretary..... Mario Civita

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4122	Temporale	Carlo Postiglione
4966	Fandango	Luigi Ucciello
6390	Posillipo 2nd	Antonio Molini
7212	Fandango 2nd	Gaetano Pesce

The fleet entered all the events of the season, and the 4 boats of our fleet finished first many times.

Fandango 2nd entered the Italian Championship and finished runner-up with Gaetano Pesce—Molini—Sinceri. The same boat entered the European Championship at Corfu and was runner-up too.

## NORTH EAST RIVER FLEET (192)

### Dixie District

#### Based on North East River, Chesapeake Bay.

#### North East, Md.

Fleet Captain..... Lee Brown  
Fleet Secretary..... Robert N. Manning  
Fleet Champion..... J. Robert McWhorter  
Runner-Up..... Mary Wilkinson

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
338		Willis E. Cupery
1523		Edward J. Cox
3444	Ladika	Robert Manning
3704	Simbi	J. Robert McWhorter
3705	Wind Song	Walter Bartoshesky
5160	Whisker	Frank E. Nelson
6126	Apache	Lee F. Brown
6310	True Luff	L. William Stafford
6617	Mira	Richard T. Heald

6619 Pandemonium Mary M. Wilkinson  
7844 East Wind James W. Holzman

Starting in one-two-three order and finishing in the same way, Bob McWhorter, Mary Wilkinson, and Murray Schwartz dominated an eleven boat fleet for the 1961 Championship Series. McWhorter was never out of first place while Wilkinson and Schwartz were touch-and-go for the first three of the five races. A win for Mary in the fourth put Murray where he could not recover. Regatta weekend at the Hances Point Yacht Club provided the climax to the series with the awarding of the trophies.

The Spring Series opened on June 4th and continued through July 16th with six races—one optional. The winner was Mary Wilkinson followed closely by Jim Holzman and Murray Schwartz. An unseasonable drifter on October 8th brought the Fall Series to a close. Holzman had made a clean sweep of the series with Frank Nelson showing increasing strength.

The 1961 sailing season was a successful one for Fleet 192 with a good balance between representation in District regattas and participation in an active home schedule being maintained.

## MISSION BAY FLEET (194)

### California District

#### Based on Mission Bay, California

Fleet Captain..... Paul Brady  
Fleet Secretary..... Trevor Lewis  
Fleet Champion..... Al Cohu  
Runner-Up..... Carl Eichenlaub, Jr.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
648	Hazie	Richard Weems
1457	Viva	Don Webb
1596	Torchy	Eugene La Fond
1675	Twinkle	Ernest Virucci
1958	Wailie	John S. Bradshaw
1974	Relampo	Archie Walker
2429	Fury	William V. Pirie
2476	Delilah	Gary Grisham
2633	Flash	Bob Stahl
2802		Eugene Swantz
3554	Hi	Fred Boynton
3614	Pejaro	John L. Guinther
3838	Black Magic	E. L. Anderson
4938	Zoom	George Rayfield
5064	Jolly	Bill Radcliffe
5249	Arriba	Harry James
5474		Lloyd Munson
5618	Tyche	Trevor Lewis
5536	Firefly	C. A. MacKenzie
5634	Elsie-Ev	Everett K. Ames
5699	Virus	Edwin Fletcher
5773	Balderdash	Ralph King
6028	Billie	Glen McPherrin
6177	Delta	A. Cohu
6560	Golden Crown	Manning and Merritt Barber
6985	Hustler	Normand Des Champs
7317	Pegasus	Jackson Goffman
7420	Bull	Carl Eichenlaub, Jr.
7424	One Hoss	
	Shay III	Dave Shay
7600	Wright-One II	David Wright
7787	Now-Or-Never	Fred Knauer
7833	Blitzen	Lowell North
7860	Tiki	Paul Brady
7990	N-Eveready	Trevor Lewis
8143	Mayday	Elton Ballas

Fleet 194 enjoyed the most exciting season in its history during 1961. The real beginning of this racing year was the completion of the last championship race at Tawas Bay and the sudden realization that Carl Eichenlaub had brought the 1961 North American Championships to our home waters.

Racing started in February with the Mission Bay Winter Series. This series was interrupted by Carl Eichenlaub's packing of the "Bull" which he headed East for the Southern Circuit while more of us traveled North for the SCYA mid-winter regatta in Los Angeles Harbor. Trevor Lewis eked out a win there with Al Cohu placing 3rd as, across the continent, Carl was repeating his 1960 victory at Savannah and going on to an unfortunate foul-out at St. Pete and a 3rd at Miami for an overall third in the Southern Circuit. The Mission Bay Winter Series ended with Al Cohu 1st followed by Fred Knauer, Carl Eichenlaub and Dave Shay.

The Spring Series was won by Carl and the "Bull" with Al Coha, Dave Wright and Dave Shay finishing in that order.

The annual Memorial Day series was next with Carl Eichenlaub, Merritt and Manning Barber, Dave Wright, Trevor Lewis and Paul Brady winning the dust catchers. The following weekend Al Coha and Paul Brady upheld fleet honor by placing 1st and 2nd in the Mission Bay to South Western Yacht Club race. Boats were left at San Diego Bay for Coronado's Ken Reynard and Small Boat regattas on following weekends. Fleet 194 swept the former with Eichenlaub 1st, Lewis 2nd, and Coha 3rd. Carl also won the small boat regatta with Elton Ballas 3rd and Coha 4th.

Back home again for the summer series the fleet decided to start two sections. An enthusiastic group started racing in Mission Bay while the other group sailed an ocean course. The ocean series was never completed due to vanishing marks, a 12 boat dead heat finish and other race committee nightmares. Gary Grisham, Don Radcliffe, Archie Walker and Dick Weems finished the bay series in that order.

The District Championships saw a really competitive series with all hands giving their all for a berth in the North Americans. Remarkable sailing took five firsts for Carl Eichenlaub with Dave Shay pushing hard for 2 seconds and a 4th. Lowell North and the Barber twins finished 5th and 6th.

Eichenlaub followed with a win in the John Bate Regatta with Trevor Lewis and Dave Shay filling the next spots.

The North American's and President's Cup next arrived for the year's big event. These are reported elsewhere but all hands enjoyed meeting the wonderful people and excellent sailors arriving. It will be a never forgotten experience. Dave Wright finished a very creditable 4th with Lowell North 5th for Fleet 194.

The remainder of the season should have been anti-climactic but as much enthusiasm as ever prevailed with Al Coha winning the Stanley Andrews regatta followed by Trevor Lewis, the Barber Twins and Randy McLaren. Al, Sue Brady and Lewis took the Fall Series with the season winding up at the Coronado Thanksgiving Regatta where Carl Eichenlaub, in the latest hull from his yard, came in ahead of Lowell North and the Barber twins.

It will take a lot to surpass this season but 1962 looks to be another highly competitive and enthusiastic year.

## SURF CITY FLEET (196)

### Central Atlantic District

#### Sailing on Barnegat Bay

Fleet Captain	Ralph Messersmith
Fleet Secretary	Helen Sullivan
Fleet Champion	John Sullivan
Runner-Up	Alan Stoneback

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
477	Tempest	Frank Temme
780	Sea Nymph	Fred Lorenz
787	Jeannie	John Elfman
2741	Taboo	Jack Van Dalen
3353	Shady Lady	Sue Sullivan
3614	Dee Jay	George De Jure
5730	Gepek	Ed Lavery
5943	Scotch-Irish	Jack Elfman
6015	Sinnerella	Al Serwazi and Tom Sweeney
6327	Tangerine	Richard Del Castillo
6899	Alleluia	John Sullivan
6918	Impulse	Alan Stoneback
7020	ME 109	Ralph Messersmith
7511	Tackless	Howard Mullin
7800	G. P.	Claude Sullivan
	Hurricane	Robert Freeman

Club sailing officially opened with the "Early Bird Series". Thirteen boats representing four clubs participated, the winner was Dr. Gordon Buzby of Ocean City. Jack Elfman took second place honors. With this behind him, he traveled to Susquehanna and brought home a first place trophy.

Next came the New Jersey State Championship, with Howard Mullin successfully retaining his title over twenty-six boats, representing ten clubs. Robert Adams of Barnegat Bay Yacht Club took second place, and his club will be host next year.

New skippers added to the fleet this year were Ralph Messersmith sailing ME 109, Richard Del Castillo with Tangerine, Jack Van Dalen sailing Taboo, and Sue Sullivan aboard Shady Lady. Ralph proved his skippering ability by winning the first two races at the Brant Beach Regatta. After a rather wet beginning

Dick and Jack gained confidence and showed marked improvement by the end of the season. Sue is the youngest skipper and showed up the old pros by taking a third in one of her races.

Our Saturday series was made more enticing this year by the donation of a perpetual trophy, a fifteen inch silver bowl mounted on a walnut base. This was given by Dr. Claude Sullivan in memory of his father. Howard Mullin won the bowl and first place in the series. John Sullivan took second place, followed by Jack Elfman for third.

In our Sunday Championship Series, the Julius Christian Hansen Memorial Trophy was won by John Sullivan. Alan Stoneback's consistent sailing brought him second honors, while Howard Mullin placed third.

George Boles, owner of the Surf City Hotel, showed his interest in the Lightning fleet by donating a perpetual trophy and this was awarded to the winner of the Labor Day Series. John Sullivan now has the honor of keeping that beautiful covered bowl polished until next year.

Our annual regatta was once again a tremendous success. Visiting skippers were awarded four of the first five places.

Jack Elfman brought home the trophy for the South Jersey Championship, which was held at Brigantine Yacht Club. Combining this, with his sailing record for the season, the skippers voted him the recipient of the achievement award for the year.

## CHAUTAUQUA FLEET (198)

### Lake Erie District

Based on Chautauqua Lake, Chautauqua, New York

Fleet Captain	Fred Tim
Fleet Champion	Curt Clark
Runner-Up	Jim Patton

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
710	Wind Song	Paul Norton
1150	Clubtub	Boys and Girls Club
1344	Mimmie	Boys & Girls Club
2526		Boys & Girls Club
2758	Tarde Venit	Camel Brandon
2763	Telos	Jim and Walt Braham
2840	Wind Lass	Art Wade
2922		The Neubauers
		David Duhme
2923	Raven	Fred Tim
2924		David Duhme
3395	Mari-Bet	Clouses
4644		Joe Barr
5579	Tina	J. P. Jones
6207	Kitty	Dick Karslake
6333	Lee	Bob Birmingham
6461	C-Clark	Curt Clark
6660	Black Jack	Jack McCredie
6670	The Doll	Becky & Tilda Sample
7143	El Waga	Walter Shaw
7755	High Voltage	Jim Patton
7828	Dem-SOBS	Clark & Paddock

One of fleet 198's most successful seasons started in early July with tune up races. After this first tune up series, the fleet began its closely contested series of official races, sponsored by the Chautauqua Yacht Club, on July 3rd.

In order to prevent obsolescence of the older (heavier) boats, the fleet is divided into two divisions. All Lightnings race together, but are scored toward two sets of trophies.

In the first division (newer boats), the competition was close because any one of seven boats which raced regularly could, and did, win races. Final results for the summer season found Curt Clark (6461) in first place for the second and Clark and Paddock (7828) third.

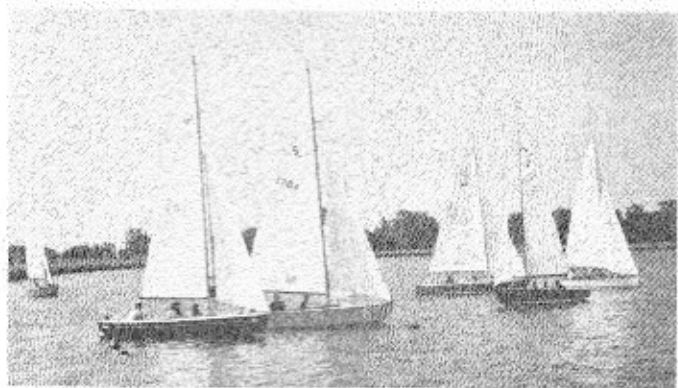
In the second division, Fred Tim (2923) won first place for the second year, with Art Wade (2840) second and Dave Duhme (2924) third.

The fleet had an opportunity to race against the re-established Fleet 19, also on Chautauqua Lake, and against Fleet 115 from Cuba Lake.

Following the conclusion of the regular racing season, Fleet 198 sponsored a Labor Day week end series of 5 races. This event was won by Jack McCredie (6660) with Curt Clark (6461) second. Third place ended in a tie between the Samples (6670) and Clark and Paddock (7828). In the second division, Fred Tim (2923) was first and Art Wade (2840) was second.

The weather during the season was ideal with no races can-

celled and no races real drifters. All in all, Fleet 198 enjoyed a very successful season. Interest in the Lightning Class is growing on Lake Chautauqua and we are looking forward to an even better series in 1962.



"Wrong-way Flanagan at the Start."

### TULSA SAILING CLUB (205)

#### Central States District

#### Sailing on Lake Yahola, Tulsa, Oklahoma

Fleet Captain.....	Gerold Coman
Fleet Secretary.....	Velma Romeis
Fleet Champion.....	Rod Hall
Runner-Up.....	Harris Squire

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
30	Kate	F. C. Ziegler
120	Gail	Eugene Hunt
130	Tally Ho	C. R. Westgate
439	Mary Dee	J. D. Gold
440	Semaj	Jim Favell
583	Whispering Wind	Horace Hanlon
836	Liz Ann	Richard Peterson
1704	Impromptu	Joe Lennart
2967	Yo No Se	Robert Watson and Paul Tucker
3419		Roger Wheeler
3427	Rodna II	Rod Hall
3535	Debonaire	Kent Johnson
3931	Sea Lamb	Velma Romeis
4275	Mrs. E.	Harry Ellis
5093		Robert Sullivan
6901	Restless	H. G. Squire
7045	Sugarfoot	Art Murphy
7115	Shoo	George Groom
7199	C-Wolf II	Herold Coman and Phil Caudle
7283	Go To Hell III	Tommy Flanagan
7402	Piranha	Cleve Spillers and Dave Lhevine
7831	Impromptu Too	R. P. Lennart
7832	Kayjee II	Stanley Brander
7999	Jeudi	Russell Howard

The 1961 season was marked with an unusual number of windy and rainy weekends. There were several capsizings, including veteran sailor Tommy Flanagan who dunked his Shamrock spinaker. Two new Lippincotts were added to the fleet by Stan Brander and Bob Lennart. Bob's teen-age son Joe is sailing his former Lightning. The Club acquired a new committee boat with a fringe on top. It is a flat deck pontoon boat and will carry several spectators in addition to the race committee.

This year a new trophy was unveiled and presented to 1960 Fleet Champion Harris Squire by donors Phil Caudle and Herold Coman.

Winners in the Spring, Summer, and Fall Series races are:

Spring—Tommy Flanagan, 1st; Harris Squire, 2nd; Rod Hall, 3rd.

Summer—Tommy Flanagan, 1st; Harris Squire, 2nd; Caudle-Coman, 3rd.

Fall—Harris Squire, 1st; Bob Lennart, 2nd; George Groom, 3rd.

Winners in the trophy races are:

Paul Reisher Memorial on May 28: Tommy Flanagan, 1st; Harris Squire, 2nd; George Groom, 3rd.—Tulsa Bronze (3 races) on

June 24-25: Tommy Flanagan, 1st; Bob Lennart, 2nd; Stan Brander, 3rd.—Standard Magnesium Trophy on Aug. 12-13-20: Tommy Flanagan, 1st; George Groom, 2nd; Caudle-Coman, 3rd.—Handicap Trophy (all boats) on Labor Day: Art Murphy, 1st; Stan Brander, 2nd; Charlie Westgate, 3rd.—Ziegler Trophy on September 24 and October 1: Stan Brander, 1st; Harris Squire, 2nd; Bob Lennart, 3rd.—In the Run-Off for Fleet Champion, six boats were eligible. Rod Hall is Fleet Champion Harris Squire is runner-up.

On June 8-9-10, six skippers trailed their boats to the Central States District Regatta on Lake Jacomo at Kansas City, Mo. Stan Brander came home with all the prizes, including election to the office of District Commodore.

During the year Fleet Captain Tommy Flanagan, by the help of the Farmer's Almanac, scheduled six moonlight sails, preceded by picnics. The moon and weather cooperated each time.

Several new Lightning members were added: Cleve Spillers and Dave Lhevine own Stan Brander's former boat; Virgil Berry is building a Lightning and will launch it early in 1962. Russell Howard commutes from Bartlesville on week ends to sail his Lightning; Bob Watson and Paul Tucker are the owners of Tommy Flanagan's No. 2967; and Dick Peterson moved here from Detroit several months ago and brought his Lightning. Other new members are Vincent Butler and Al Pitchford.

On October 22, Bill Schwartz and Ralph Pierson from Topeka, Kansas, Fleet No. 60, trailed their boats to Tulsa to participate in an after-racing-season race. The wind was blowing between 25 and 35 with frequent strong gusts. One boat capsized before reaching the starting line and another shortly after crossing the line. Bill Schwartz was the victor.

Tulsa Sailing Club's 1961 season was one of close competition with boats constantly changing positions. The 1962 season promises continued growth in boats, facilities, and enthusiasm.



Great Enthusiasm... little place

### OLIVOS LIGHTNING FLEET (206)

#### Argentina District

#### Based at Olivos (Buenos Aires) Rep. Argentina

Fleet Captain.....	Carlos Collet
Fleet Secretary.....	Juan S. Kaiser
Fleet Champion.....	Santiago Perez Penalba
Runner-Up.....	Jorge Salas Chavez

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4351	Swan IV	Rodolfo Udaeta
4993	Tijuca	Felix Gioannini
5229	Picaflo	Jorge Pablo Levy
7538	Susutro	Roberto Orrequia
7618	Repunte III	Alberto Migone & Daniel Migone
7619	Bolita	Carlos Collet
7620	Mallorca	Horacio Campi
7621	Mr. Magoo	Roberto Rodriguez Hue
7721	Sufafa	Raul H. Perrachioni & Jorge Salas Chavez
7722	Chicago	Joaquin Lagos
7741		Guillermo Chiappori
7743	Vanigre	Santiago Perez Penalba
8010	Sewanee	Nicolas Solomon
8075		Jorge Caride

One year ago fleet 206 had only a few boats well conditioned and in activity. Today there are 14 first line boats that have done the considerable number of 60 races in this short meantime.

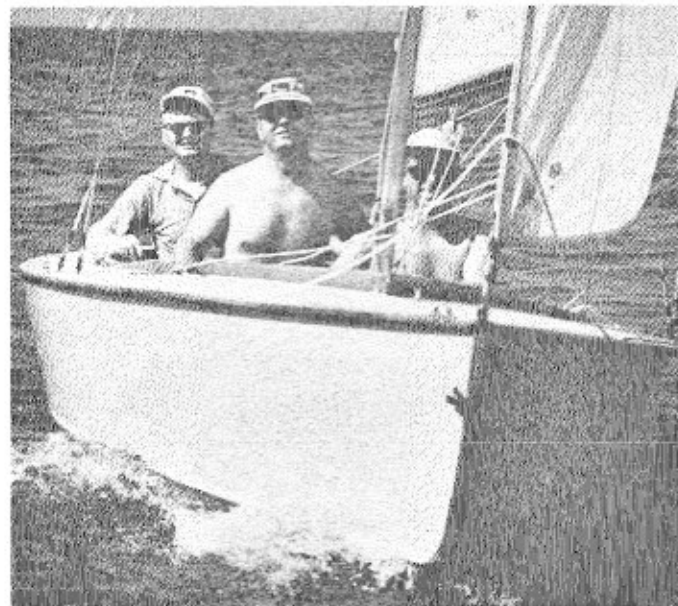


This reality has been possible with the efforts and effective action of a group of Lightning enthusiasts who are today the active members of the fleet that sets on the "Club Nautico de Olivos".

Three crews went to the South American Championship at Rio de Janeiro, and another three to the World's Championship at Milford where we had the satisfaction of obtaining the second place by Jorge Salas Chavez twice Olympic representative and silver medal on the last Olympic Games (in Dragons).

Just now we are racing the Selection Championship for the South American at Lima, Peru.

### NORTHEAST YACHT CLUB (207) Ohio-Indiana District Sailing on Lake Erie, Cleveland, Ohio



1961 Fleet Champion of #207—"La Biche".  
Lud Lekson, Al Hoegler and Max Lekson.

Fleet Captain ..... Jack Hively  
Fleet Secretary ..... Al Hoegler  
Fleet Champion ..... Lekson-Hoegler Syndicate  
Runner-Up ..... Ken Rehor

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
418	Miss Stress	Ken Rehor
6012	Demon	Phill Schloss
6013	.....	E. A. Capadona
6014	La Biche	A. Hoegler
		Max A. Lekson
		Lud Lekson

The Lightning Skippers of Fleet 207 again offered keen competition for one another to make this a very successful sailing season. With our closely contested Sunday and Wednesday series as an incentive we were one of the most active fleets in the Lake Erie area. Although lacking in great numbers our member skippers captured all the local Lake Erie regattas attended, including our own annual Northeast Regatta.

Experience proved the keynote to success as the syndicated trio of Max Lekson, Al Hoegler and Lud Lekson sailing the "La Biche", repeated as fleet champions winning both the Sunday and Wednesday series. This was their third consecutive season as fleet champion. Although sailing an older and heavier boat, Ken Rehor with Mrs. Rehor and "Pikey" assisting, performed consistently well and captured second place. Showing much improvement and pointing to next season was E. "Cappy" Capadona, with daughter Clare, who placed third in the standings.

The Wednesday evening series sailed before dusk attracted the best turnout and provided the most exciting races. With only one lap in which to prove superiority, the skippers were hard pressed to make good starts, find beneficial wind shifts, and protect their advantages. After these races there was always enjoyment in re-sailing the race while quenching one's thirst.

The season was fine for all, and each yachtman while sharpening his tactics and improving his boat, looks forward to the next.



Buck Ballatin, Francis Favaloro, Scotty Seale, Kelly Kane, Ronnie Ripple, Louis Pendarvis, Gil Whitworth, Andy Schneider and Horace Jacob

### NEW ORLEANS LIGHTNING FLEET (209) Southern District Sailing on Lake Pontchartrain, New Orleans, La.

Fleet Captain ..... Scotty Seale  
Fleet Secretary ..... "Buck" Ballatin  
Fleet Champion ..... Francis Favaloro  
Runner-Up ..... "Buck" Ballatin

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
526	Schuss	Richard Harper
2363	Annie	Francis Favaloro
3196	Stars 'n Bars	Horace Jacob
3647	Pink Lady	Ronald Ripple
6343	Aphrodite	Louis Pendarvis
5679	Blue Chip	Scotty Seale
5798	Karen Rose	Dr. Andrew Macaluso
6157	Tipajaan	Winter Trapolin
6712	Shirley B	"Buck" Ballatin
6979	Dutch	Gil Whitworth, Jr.
7481	Geisha Gal	Kelly Kane
7485	Winsok	Andrew Schneider
7910	Tootsie	John J. Mahler

Fleet 209 had a very successful 1961 season, highlighted by two moonlight races with a buffet supper at New Orleans Yacht Club after each, and two handicap series providing an opportunity for non-winning skippers to get lucky and pick up some hardware.

Foul weather played hob with several regattas, forcing postponement. A wind of 30 knots out of the north makes shallow Lake Pontchartrain impossible for Lightnings. Waves run over five feet high, with white-caps clear across the lake. It gets pretty hairy. Our long schedule runs from April through October, which provides plenty of weekends for racing and rescheduling of postponed races.

Francis Favaloro and "Buck" Ballatin chalked up another fine record this season, between them hauling off the lion's share of victories and second places. Those of us who followed them around the course week after week eagerly await next year and another crack at these two perennial winners. Pressing the two leaders were Gil Whitworth, Horace Jacob and Ronnie Ripple, who had several firsts and seconds among them.

The fleet has acquired additional dry storage space, and is actively seeking new members from among the more than 100 Lightnings now sailing on Lake Pontchartrain. We hope to have more than 20 boats in the fleet by the start of the 1962 season, which will provide plenty of competition every weekend.

### ATWOOD LAKE FLEET (212) Ohio-Indiana District

Based on Atwood Lake, Carrolton, Ohio

Fleet Captain ..... Veryl Lord  
Fleet Secretary ..... Marian Whisler  
Fleet Champion ..... Tom McCain  
Runner-Up ..... Dave Dutton

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
844	Black Blitz	John Rundt
1646	Blue Chips	Robert Hobson
1668	Bare Bodkin	Howard E. Whisler
1983	Nereid	Paul Chenor
2301	Kem-C	Kenneth M. Smith
3431	Jo-An	Joseph Streb
3666	Ruth	D. B. Dutton
3752	Fancy Free	Victor Free
4370	The Bug	C. Whitson
4444	North Star	Karl Rollius
4766	Ever Luffing	R. H. Vredevelde
5314	Siren	Merle Spring
5431	Buttercup	Dr. R. F. Deetz
5700	Four Winds	Ed and Tom McCain
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6886	Tammy	Carl Hummer
7193	Nellie V.	Veryl Lord
7307	Glassy	Hersh Deal

Lightning sailors of Atwood sailed a windy 1961 season. Heavy blows and strong gusts were the rule rather than the exception. There was one exception, the weekend of September 9th and 10th, which will be long remembered by the skippers and crews of the 108 boats registered in our annual Harvest Moon Regatta. Lady Luck dealt us a low blow in the form of two extremely windless days. In spite of the lack of wind, two races on Saturday and one on Sunday were carried out. The three top Lightnings were Tom McCain of Atwood, Dave France of Leatherlips and Dick Zuber of Berlin.

Atwood racing season began May 7th and concluded October 29th. Trophies were presented to the winners of the several events at the Sailors' Banquet held on November 11th as follows:

#### Summer Series

1. Tom McCain
2. Cliff Whitson
3. Karl Rollius

#### Crew Race

1. Kenny Schwab—#7307
2. Judy Whitson—#4370
3. Marian Whisler—#1668

#### Commodore's Race

1. Karl Rollius
2. John Rundt
3. Tom McCain

#### Club Championship Race

1. Tom McCain
2. Dave Dutton
3. Karl Rollius

As Club Champion of the Lightning Fleet, Tom McCain also received the rotating Lightning trophy. Dave Dutton took two trophies for improved sailing. One as the most improved Lightning sailor and the other for the most improved sailor of Atwood Yacht Club. Carl Hummer earned the Dunking trophy by way of two cold swims this season. Karl Rollius also managed a submarine act with spinnaker flying near the end of the season.

**NEWS TIDBITS** We welcomed four new members to Fleet 212 in 1961. Vick Free, Ken Smith, Carl Hummer and Merle Spring. We lost our only woman skipper, Jo Firth, although she can still be counted on as an excellent crew. Bob Vredevelde also left us to move to Chicago. Both boats remained in our fleet but we all miss these two very capable and eager skippers.

Our 1961 Fleet Captain, Veryl Lord, was indeed a big contributor to the Lightning activities. Captain Lord, who built Dave Dutton's 3666 in 1949 and his own 7193 in 1959, refinished the racing bottoms on McCain's 5700 (1961 Champ) and Dutton's 3666 (runner up) with great success. He also rebuilt the center board trunk for J. McCleaster of Fleet 33 and offered valuable advice to other sailors in Fleet 212.

**TRAVELING NOTES** Veryl Lord and Howard Whisler trailed their Lightnings to the Regatta at Berlin Reservoir. This was the first Regatta away from Atwood for both skippers and they finished fifth and fourth respectively. (Please don't inquire about the number of Lightnings entered.) Bob and Ella Griffin crewed for Lord on Saturday and Lloyd Foltz crewed on Sunday. Marian Whisler and Rom Rhome were the crew on the Whisler Lightning. Howard Whisler also trailed 1668 to the Snowball Regatta at Buckeye with Veryl Lord and Herb Courtney as the crew. There was plenty of wind on Saturday and even more on Sunday. During the Sunday race, some track pulled off the mast and 1668 dropped sails and discontinued the race. Other Atwood Lightning sailors seen at Buckeye but minus their boats were Cliff Whitson and Dave Dutton. Cliff Whitson trailed his boat to the Regatta at St. Pete and although he hasn't revealed his final position we were all proud to have our fleet represented by Cliff.

Dave Dutton was elected as the 1962 Fleet Captain at the Sailor's meeting in November and Marian Whisler was re-elected as Fleet Secretary.

## ROYAL ST. LAWRENCE YACHT CLUB

### FLEET (215)

#### Sailing on Lake St. Louis, Dorval, Quebec

Fleet Captain	Al Greenman
Fleet Secretary	Ted Wilson
Fleet Champion	Ted Wilson
Runner-Up	R. Scrim

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1620	Gallant	W. R. Drysdale
2327	Jane Ann	A. E. (Ted) Wilson
3024	Hispaniola	Charles Davidson
3083	Jo-Anne	John Perry
3325	Zeus	Clary McGuire
4199	Frisky Miss	Howard Rogers
4628	Alcala	Dr. D. Calder
5277	Thunder	W. Clark
5389	Godiva	J. Sutton-Brown
5521	Jenolin	E. S. (Stu) Laurie
7211	Freya	R. Leckie
7775	Sheila	R. Scrim

Our Lightning Fleet showed further signs of enthusiasm and active participation in sailing. We became the most active fleet in our Club which is quite an achievement. The 1962 season promises to be even better and we are looking forward to holding the Canadian Open Lightning Championship at our Club.

Keen competition was prevalent throughout the season. Ted Wilson with his daughters as crew took the Championship in JANE ANN, with Russ Scrim and his youngsters as "runner-up" in SHEILA. Other winners of prizes included J. Laurie, C. Davidson, H. Sutton Brown and W. Clarke.

The biggest Regatta in this area comprising some 175 boats of all classes was won by young Jennifer Laurie sailing her Lightning JENOLIN. This is the first time this Trophy, which dates back to 1897, has been won by a Junior. The incident caused a lot of interest in Lightnings.

We were sorry to lose our Fleet Captain, Al Greenman who has moved to Wisconsin, but were pleased to welcome R. Leckie with a new Lightning.

The season's weather was spasmodic and in one unusual blow, three Lightnings ended up with broken spars.

Everyone is keyed up for the new season and much sailing gets discussed in spite of the falling snow outside the window. We expect an early opening because of our Club's innovation of using the "bubble system" to keep the ice from forming alongside the piers during the winter. I wonder if any other Club can top this one!

## SAGINAW BAY FLEET (216)

### Michigan District

#### Sailing on Saginaw Bay at Bay City, Michigan

Fleet Captain	Jim Ault
Fleet Secretary	Carl Raack
Fleet Champion	Philip Patterson
Runner-Up	Jim Ault

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
367	Oh Oh	Ronald Anderson
2119		James Glave
2900	Alibi	Hubert Dembouski, Carl Raack
2903	Whiff	Thomas H. Wisniewski
2949	Mermaid	Harry Hooker
3340	Endeavor	Fred Reinbold
4590	Calypso	Walter Ladwig, David Harmer and Forrest Wortman
4594	Niva Belle	James Johnson
5086	Hambone	Guy T. Moulthrop
5166	Tern II	Mark Kelley
5574	Drewpy	Robert Drew
5577	Carousel	Joseph Disette
5802	Maverick	James Ault
6002	Eega Beeva	Gordon Wing
6262	B. J.	Charles Anderson
6855		Maurice Melcher
6889		Wesley McMullen
7169	All-R's	Charles Requadt
7575	Mom's Mink	Phillip Patterson
8059		Sherman R. O'Dell, Jr.





Phil Patterson and Jim Ault jockeying for starting position

The 1961 season was the greatest one ever for the Lightning sailors of Saginaw Bay Fleet 216, the highlight of the season being the hosting of the Michigan District Championships. Forty-seven boats came prepared to do battle for the honor of going to San Diego to bring the Championship back to familiar Michigan waters. Our Joe Disette upheld the honor of the local fleet by sailing to one of the qualifying positions. Saginaw Bay lived up to its reputation of unpredictability and just plain "sassiness" for our visitors. From good winds for three races, it gave us a dead calm for part of the fourth race, and then really kicked up her heels for the final race. Started in light air, the winds slammed to 40 miles per hour in about 15 seconds, forcing cancellation of the race. The Bay even got in the last laugh by giving the District Champ, Herm Nickles a little "Sunday afternoon bath" before he made it back to port.

The great success could not have been possible without the wives, who prepared the wonderful lunches, the Local 110 Fleet, who made up the race committee, and the local powerboat owners who made sure that anyone who wanted to watch the races received front row seats. To these people goes the fleet's warmest "Thank You".

To top all of this excitement, a great series of eighteen races was run during the regular season. Again two classes were raced, giving good competition in both the newer "A" boats and the older "B" boats. In the season's first regatta, Jim Ault took home the "A" hardware and the honors in "B" went to Huey Dembowski and Carl Raack.

Enjoying the weather, a large turnout battled in the July 4 Regatta. In good winds Chuck Requadt sailed his All R's into the first position in Class A, with Gordy Wing a very close second, and "Old Pro" Patterson right behind in third. In Class B action, Tom Wisniewski took top honors, followed by Harry Hooker and Carl Raack & Hu Dembowski.

Tuning for the districts, Ault, Disette and Patterson came up

for the "A" trophies in that order in the Bay City Yacht Club Regatta. At the end of three close races in B, the Wisniewskis edged out Hooker and Fred Reinbold for top spot. Jerry Wing became the season's first mishap when he was dunked into the Bay waters, and without this heavyweight crew, Gordy was forced to pull out of the race.

Closing out the year in the Labor Day Regatta, Phil Patterson showed Mom's Mink's stern to the fleet, with Chuck Requadt and Jim Ault claiming the other honors. Joe Disette's visions of the top honors disappeared when he lost his rudder in the first race. Also in this race Mark Kelly got a taste of how tricky it is to reach with a spinnaker in the river, showing his bottom to the fleet, and ending up with a broken mast.

At season's end, Patterson was acclaimed the honor of fleet champion, and championing at the bit for next season were Ault in second and Disette in third. Class B honors went to Wisniewski with Hooker in second and Johnson in third promising revenge next season.

In addition some of the most exciting racing was done in the Wednesday night series, with Patterson emerging as the winner in the final race by 18 inches over Disette. On one night of this "anything goes" series, Chuck Requadt earned the Octopus Award by finishing with main, jib and spinnaker flying while sailing all by his lonesome.

In other regattas, Bob Drew and Disette competed at Traverse City with Joe bringing home the fourth place hardware. He also represented our fleet at the Pontiac Invitational. In addition to all this racing, our skippers also sponsored the Pram Racing program for the young "luffers".

Two new 8000 series boats will be on hand for next year, their happy skippers being Sherm O'Dell and Jim Johnson. Sherm tried his out this fall and promptly flipped it. Showing true Saginaw Bay enthusiasm, he was out again within two hours. With spirit like this, how can we fail to have another wonderful season next year?

## SORRENTO C.R.V. ITALIA FLEET (223)

### Italian District

#### Based on Banchina Santa Lucia, Naples, Italy

Fleet Captain	Cesare Ratti
Fleet Secretary	Mario Cavallo
Fleet Champion	Cesare Ratti
Runner-Up	Franco Cavallo

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3591	Tropea	Riccardo De Sangro
4965	Saraco	Cesare Ratti
5184	Lampo	Enzo Di Lorenzo

The fleet entered few events during the season, but organized many of the events of the locality.

## BISCAYNE BAY FLEET (226)

### Southeastern District

#### Sailing on Biscayne Bay, Miami, Fla.

Fleet Captain	Dick Bothfeld
Fleet Secretary	Jim Vensel
Fleet Champion	Jack Price
Runner-Up	Alex Carlin

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1916	Zephyr	Howard Foht
2675	Honey	Dick Bothfeld
2895		Rick Merritt
4509	Dotty Dee	Skeets Cummings
5253	Dee Dee	Al Tibbets, Tom Foley & Neil King
5680	Moonraker	John Nunly
6413	Nonsense	H. E. Averette
6797	Mist	Sam Zorovich
6909	Sue II	Charles Kehoe
6919	Bucanneer	Jack Price-George Crawford
		Two
6969		Frank Cavanaugh
7010		Alex Carlin
7336		Walt Coburn
7406		Oscar Nelson
7503		Earl Ross
7945	Hy-Tail-N	Jim Vensel
8038		Charlie Beedle

A record turnout was had this year at the Miami races of the Lightning Midwinter Regatta in February. There were 38 boats attending with the honors being taken by Bob Lippincott 1st, Al Bernel 2nd, and Carl Eichenlaub, 3rd. It was the windiest race we've had in quite a while with gusts to 32 mph.

We were fortunate here in Miami to have beautiful sailing weather all year round so we are not forced to jam all of our regattas into only a few months.

Our calendar of events this year was:

January	<b>SUNSHINE REGATTA</b> 1. Howard Fohr 2. Bill Cudahy 3. Jim Vensel
February	<b>LIGHTNING MIDWINTER REGATTA</b>
March	<b>MIAMI YACHT CLUB MIDWINTER REGATTA</b> 1. Alex Carlin 2. Earl Ross 3. Jim Vensel
April	<b>BISCAYNE BAY Y.C.'S SUNSHINE REGATTA</b> 1. Carlin & Price (tie) 3. Nelson & Fohr (tie) <b>STAR-LIGHTNING TEAM RACE</b> Lightnings won 121 1/4 points to 106 1/4
May	<b>LIGHTNING STATE CHAMPIONSHIP</b> 1. Jack Price 2. Alex Carlin 3. Oscar Nelson
June	<b>SOUTH BISCAYNE BAY SPRING SERIES</b> 1. Oscar Nelson 2. George Crawford 3. Frank Cavanaugh <b>S.E. LIGHTNING DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP</b> 1. Jack Price 2. Jim McIntosh 3. Oscar Nelson
July & August	<b>SOUTH BISCAYNE BAY SUMMER SERIES</b> 1. George Crawford 2. Oscar Nelson 3. Charlie Kehoe
September & October	<b>SOUTH BISCAYNE FALL SERIES</b> 1. Jim Vensel 2. Howard Fohr 3. Rick Merritt
November	<b>ANNUAL COCONUT GROVE FALL REGATTA</b> 1. Oscar Nelson 2. Charlie Beedle 3. George Crawford
December	<b>CORAL REEF YACHT CLUB CLASS BOAT CHAMPIONSHIP</b> 1. Alex Carlin 2. Howard Fohr 3. Earl Ross

As you can see we do our racing all year round.

One of our most interesting events this year was a team race held in April between the local Star Fleet and ourselves. There were two races held with six boats each participating from each class. Cardenas past International Star Champion won the first race but the Lightning team of Price-Nelson-Carlin-Ross-Cavanaugh, & Vensel won both races on points.

The Lightning finishes in the races were as follows: 1st, 2,3,5,7,8 & 10; 2nd, 1,2,6,8,9, & 10. Jack Price followed by Oscar Nelson finished 1-2 in the second race. The wind was about 14-16 and the surprising thing was the way our fleet out-pointed the Stars to weather. It was quite a lot of fun and they, of course, have asked for a rematch soon.

#### BOMOSEEN YACHT CLUB (227)

##### New England District

##### Sailing on Lake Bomoseen, Vermont

Fleet Captain	Byron McCoy
Fleet Secretary	Louise McCoy
Fleet Champion	Samuel Stowell
Runner-Up	Dr. Alberic Bellerose

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7	Yankee	Samuel Stowell
	Dandee	
5354	Stag Too	David Stagg
5364	Kaimanee	Byron McCoy
5590	Ondine	Robert Franzoni
5886	Beau Geste II	Alberic H. Bellerose
6236		Edward A. Ellis
6278	Susie Q	Dr. Ralph Seeley, Jr.
6695	Gambit	Roger Keyes
6877		Edward Seel
7868		William White

The Lake Bomoseen Sailing Fleet enjoyed a fine summer of sailing. Our Race Chairman, Larry Culver, did an excellent job for us and we will certainly miss next year.

We were pleased to welcome Bill and Norma White to our fleet this year.

Our 1961 season began with the Memorial Day Series of three races. Dr. Bellerose won this series followed by Roger Keyes and Sam Stowell.

The Fourth of July Series was won by Sam Stowell with Dr. Bellerose second and Dr. Seeley third.

The Labor Day Series was won by Sam Stowell with Dr. Bellerose in second place. Roger Keyes and Dave Stagg tied for third place.

Our Fleet Championship was won by Sam Stowell with Dr. Bellerose a close runner-up, followed by Dave Stagg and Roger Keyes.

We missed our usual State of Vermont Regatta as we combined the State of Vermont and State of New Hampshire this year. This first State of Vermont-State of New Hampshire Regatta was held on Lake Champlain and was a great success. Many of our local boats were there. The Vermont-New Hampshire Trophy, given by Sam's Mother, Dr. Sarah Stowell, as a perpetual trophy to be held in alternate years in Vermont and New Hampshire on suitable sailing waters as determined by the District Executive Committee, was won by Duncan McInnes. Len Pratt was runner-up with Sam Stowell third.

Our fleet enjoyed two social gatherings this year. The first when everyone gathered for a picnic lunch at Sam and Tula's camp and again at our annual dinner and meeting which was held at the Stowells. After dinner and the awarding of trophies by Larry Culver the skippers elected Byron McCoy and his wife Louise as our new Fleet Captain and Secretary-Treasurer. I am sure that we will have a wonderful season next year with Byron at the tiller.



Awards Dinner, Riverton Yacht Club. Nelson Hoffman, Dale Allen, John Parker, Charles Highsmith and Don Mount

#### RIVERTON YACHT CLUB (228)

##### Central Atlantic District

Based on Delaware River, Riverton, N.J.

Fleet Captain	Don Mount
Fleet Secretary	Betty Allen
Fleet Champion	C. Dale Allen
Runner-Up	Nelson Hoffman

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
97	OL 97	Jack Crawford
735	Gambol	Robert Wood

1941		Larry Boonin
2053		Arthur Goldman
3218	Apple	Charles Highsmith
4088	Whee	Mark R. Pickens
5092	Whistling	
	Wings	Russell Bobst
5123	Strike One	Urban Miller
5553	I Don't Know	Henry & Joan Meinecke
7564	2nd Lollipop	John Parker
7605	Quo Carake	Don Mount
7660		Roy Doerre
7826	Gamma	Dale & Betty Allen
7989	King & I	Nelson Hoffman
8104		Marcy Lippincott
8105		Howard Lippincott and Robert Lippincott

Four skippers from our fleet started the sailing season early this year when they attended the Annual Early Bird Series sailed this year at the Surf City Club. Sailing seven races in heavy air, Dale Allen placed third. Our skippers also traveled to Surf City to the Jersey State Championship, one boat; two to Little Egg Harbor; three to the District Regatta at Meredeconk; four to the Fall Regatta at Surf City; six to Red Dragon; one to Annapolis; and seven to Quantico.

Four series are sailed at our club each year. Aside from the Junior sailors and their Duster Class boat, the Lightning class was the most active fleet at RYC. John Parker won the Club Championship series with Don Mount second and Dale Allen third. The Wednesday Evening series was won by Dale Allen with Don Mount second and Charles Highsmith third. During the months of July and August, Charles Highsmith won the Summer series with Nelson Hoffman second and Dale Allen third. Don Mount placed first in the Fall series with John Parker second and Dale Allen third.

Our competition is getting tighter with two new boats last year and Hoffman and Allen each getting new boats this year. The final results of the Club Championship Series had only a 2 1/4 point spread between first and third and the placings were completely dependent upon the results of the final race of the series. The summer series was even closer with only a 1-point difference between first and third. That last race of the series was sailed with many anxious moments.

The Annual Governor's Cup was held the first weekend of July. The first race started as a drifter, the air picked up at the first mark. By the end of the race Dale Allen had hailed out his boat with a spinnaker bucker, after a knockdown. John Parker and Nelson Hoffman had a knockdown while on opposite tacks and their masts tangled. The final two races were sailed in fairly heavy air. Marcy Lippincott won the Regatta, Arnold Schwartz of Monmouth was second and Charles Highsmith was third.

The highlight of the past season was the Fall Invitational Regatta on the weekend of September 16 and 17. Twenty-two boats attended representing eight fleets. With airs of 15-20 mph in all three races—a fine time was had by all. Trophies were awarded to the first five boats. Arnold Schwartz of Monmouth made a clean sweep of the Regatta by placing first in all three races. Second was Bob Adams of Bay Head, third was Marcy Lippincott, fourth, Jack Elfman of Surf City; and fifth, John Pfister of Ocean City. Plans are now in the making for another Fall Regatta next year to be held on September 15 and 16. Hope to see more of you then.

## CHINOOK FLEET (229)

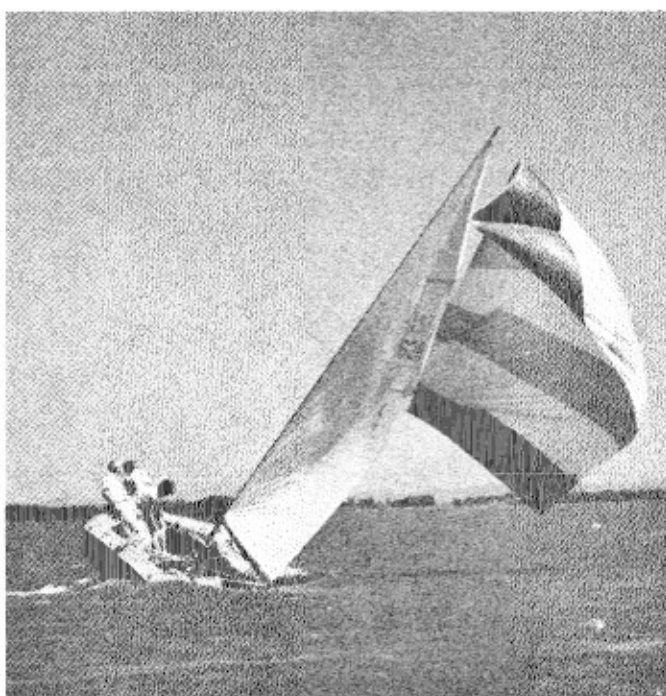
### Pacific Northwest District

#### Eugene, Oregon

Fleet Captain	Dr. Lou Campbell
Fleet Secretary	Cecil Arnes
Fleet Champion	Tye Campbell

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
49	Sally Ho	J. Hobart Wilson
2169	Prowler	Page Walton
2426	Molia	Arnold Powell
2611	Tang	Lamond Henshaw
3248	Dixie	Edward Anderson
3266	Zephyr	Lynn Moore
3317	Windigo	C. R. Arnes
3318		James C. Howland
3758	Valiant	Ted Marchner
4559	Snooper	Ralph Batchlor
4815	Jet	Dr. John E. Tysell

5019		Oscar Rolfsness
5041	Jay Whiz II	Dr. L. T. Campbell
5121	T-Ked	Robert Brooks
5165	Jani-K	Charles Edwards
5182	Tempo	Virgil Gowdy
5451	Bardick	George Britton
5557	Maax	Ellis Jones
6211	Nancy Lee	Floyd Dickson
6484	Westward	Wilson Jewett, Jr.
6583	Gale	Dr. Gene McCallum
6657		Frank R. Lacy
6719	Windjammer	David G. Lowe
6725		Vance Graville
7042		Dean Wentworth
7680		Fran Kelly
7695		Mike Strahan



Floyd Dickson Boat #6211  
1st race of Northwest Lightning championship

Racing on Fern Ridge Lake was at its peak this past season for Fleet #229, starting early in May and ending the last day of Sept., under the good guidance of our Commodore, Dr. William Post and Vice Commodore, Clifton Christian and Dr. L. T. Campbell as Chinook Lightning Commodore.

Our big event of the year was the running of the North West Lightning Championships held July 21-22-23rd. Winner of this was Ken Bostrom from Seattle, 2nd was Fredi Tauscher from Portland and Ty Campbell of Eugene was third. Many out of town guests attended this event, including boats from Portland, Seattle, and Vancouver, B. C. Yacht clubs. Five races in all were run and a good stiff breeze all three days was enjoyed. George Britton did a marvelous job as District Commodore and was assisted by Floyd Dickson as Secretary-Treasurer. Presentation of awards was held Sunday noon July 23rd, 1961.

Series races were held among the club Lightnings, Blue-Jays, Flaties and the unlimited class.

The first Lightning series was won by Ty Campbell, closely followed by Jim Tysell and Dr. Post. The second series found the winner again Ty Campbell this time followed by Floyd Dickson and Ted Marchner.

The Blue Jay series was won by Don Mulkey and the opening day race was won by Dr. Post. This year's Lady's Skipper race found Joanne Furrer over the finish line in first position. The traditional Lowe Trophy run on July 4th was won by Floyd Dickson and the Junior Skipper race by Doug Campbell. Single handed race first place went to Bob Brooks and the last race of the season called "The Last Chance" was taken by Nancy Dickson.

Several Flaties are now in our club and the winner in this division went to Bob Siewert.

Blue Jay's are more popular every season and their first place winner was Don Mulkey from Roseburg, Oregon.