

Several boats of different types form the unlimited class and the winner of this season's race series was taken by Dr. Emil Furrer, sailing a Blanchard.

This rounded-out a full season for Fleet #229. We are all looking forward to the next season as we now have our new club house well under construction.

LAKE WORTH SAILING CLUB (232)

Texas District

Sailing on Lake Worth, Fort Worth, Texas

Fleet Captain	Frank Saffarans
Fleet Secretary	Jim Moss
Fleet Champion	Will Ivie

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5067		Bill Funk
5204		Will Ivie
5205		Frank Saffarans
5468	Lotus	Will Ivie
5635	Aunt Sis	Bill Miller
5648		Cress Cresswell
6964	Chaparral	Jim Moss

This year's effort to rehabilitate Fleet 232 got off to a disappointing start when two of the three active boats suffered a broken mast and rigging failure in unusually rough weather on opening day.

During the last half of the season the three original boats were back in competition and soon were joined by a newcomer, Bill Miller.

Will Ivie with his wife, Jeannette, and Lloyd Fink as crew had a perfect season in the fleet series. Will and his crew also won the Lake Worth Sailing Club's Commodore's Cup Series.

Next year we plan to have some of our old-skippers back again to help make this as exciting a season as we have had in previous years.

MARIVELA LIGHTNING FLEET (235)

Italian District

Fleet Captain	Paolo Mainini
Fleet Secretary	Eugenio Cannada

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4617	Turbine	Massimo Maddalena
4621	Baleno	Mauro Leuci
4908	Tramontana	Baldo Paglianti
4962	Dardo	Romano Pilli
5185	Favonio	Eugenio Cannada
5745	Turbine II	Paolo Mainini

The fleet was present during the season in all the most important events.

CASTELLAMMARE DI STABIA FLEET (237)

Italian District

Fleet Captain	Catello Russo
Fleet Secretary	Alfonso Castellano

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4522	Squirrel	Alfonso Castellano
6022	Maria Rosaria	Giulio De Stefano
6728	Vincenzina	Catello Russo

The fleet entered with boat Vincenzina the Italian Championship and the European Championship in Greece and finished in both at the third place.

The fleet was present in all the races in the Naples Bay.

MILFORD YACHT CLUB (238)

Connecticut District

Sailing on Long Island Sound, Conn.

Fleet Captain	Kenneth L. Ireland
Fleet Secretary	Leona Ireland
Fleet Champion	Warren Hyde
Runner-Up	Kenneth L. Ireland, Jr.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
219	Footloose	A. Zylica
1383	Tigger	Clifford Doolittle
1917	Delila	Donald Young

3042	Lass	Richard Lassy
3545	Sea Cook	George A. Cook
6016	Angel III	Walter Gerstenberger
6263	Echo	Charles Echeverria
6314	Ziz Zag III	Burpee Franz
6349	Thunder	William Donovan
6673	Borgy II	Norman Borgersen
6704	Minx	William Bechtel
7017	Ambergis II	Kenneth Ireland
7116	White Cloud	Warren Hyde
7366	Andoral	D. Brown
7520	Padalin	Harrie C. Patrick
7925	Flavonius	H. Griefzu

Our racing season started early as usual on the 6th day of May, with a 6-race First Chance Regatta which occupied three week-ends. Thirteen skippers from 5 different fleets competed in some of the lightest and shiftest air, and the winner was Wayne Brockett with Warren Hyde of Milford second and Bud Olsen third.

We expect to hold this event next Spring starting Saturday, May 5th, 1962, and we are inviting all "Early Bird" Lightning Skippers to come and sail with us.

Memorial Day week-end was our first special event at Milford but it did not start out well. The first two days it blew up a gale and not a sail was to be seen. On the third and last day it was decided to race anyway with the series to be decided on the one race. Charlie Echeverria was the winner with Warren Hyde close behind and Hal Patrick a good third.

On the Fourth of July Warren Hyde set his spinnaker on a close fast reach and the sheet would not pay out. The pay-off was the first capsized of the year and the fastest on record. Eventually the series was won by Ken Ireland and second place went to Burpee Franz who had just received a new suit of Boston sails and for the rest of the season he kept his boat really moving. Third place in this series was a mystery for some time as our records were lost but at the last minute we found that the Greifzus were in the third spot.

Labor Day Series saw a new young skipper coming along when the winner was Hal Patrick with Burpee Franz second and Elen Ireland third. Elen won her first race and now would rather be skipper.

Our regular season was divided into an early series of 8 races with 3 throw-outs. Ken Ireland was the winner with Warren Hyde a very close second and Charlie Echeverria was third in this early series.

The late series was to be 8 races but our districts and Mother Nature reduced it to 5 races with no throw-outs. Warren Hyde emerged the victor and also was Club Champion. Ken Ireland was second and Burpee Franz finishing strong was third.

We sent two or more boats to all local regattas including "Nantatic Bay Early Bird", "Black Rock Lightning", "Groton Long Point", and "ECYRA". Ken Ireland was second at Groton Long Point and young Dave Brown, in one race, came in fourth. I remember this series as having the lightest air and the strongest tides ever (especially tide rips right at the marks), as well as being luffed by the Block Island Ferry. The members of the Groton Long Point Club put up all crews and spectators in private homes and served meals all week-end at the club. We were all sorry to leave when Sunday evening came along.

In ECYRA young Hal Patrick came in second and Ken Ireland was third. This took place at Watch Hill, Rhode Island amid shifty winds and strong currents over on the Fishers Island shore.

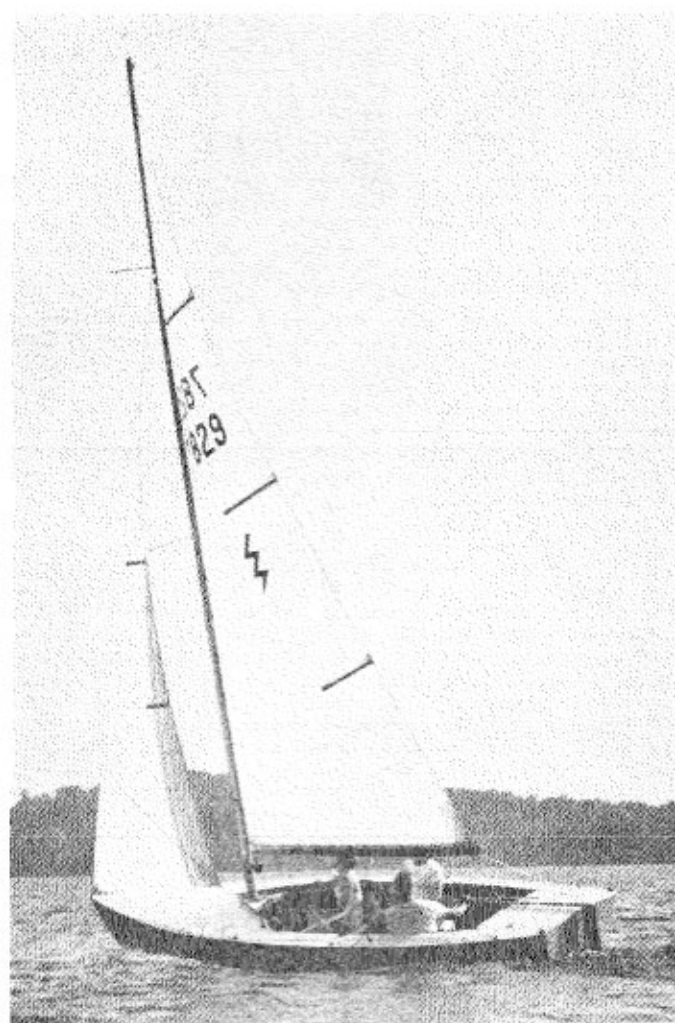
In our districts, Warren Hyde led the pack through most of one race in the light air which is his specialty. He finally finished third in that race and 9th over all.

In the Long Island Sound Championships, the Greifzus got a third in one race and came in 4th overall.

Our last race at Milford was the Last Chance Regatta which was won by young John Ireland trying out a suit of Marty O'Meara's sails.

Milford was delighted to be chosen host for the first World's Championship last September. Our fleet wants to thank all the fleets and individuals who helped us in this undertaking. We have had many letters from all over the world, all hopeful that another such event will be held so that we can get together again.

Four of our young skippers, Hal Patrick, Whit Barchelor, Steve Fulton, and Ken Ireland, who had the opportunity to crew during the World's, are anxiously looking forward to next year with some new boats and some Murphy & Nye sails, and they are testing their masts to see how far they will bend without snapping.



Fleet Champion—Dick Hubbard
Lightning #7829 "Rampage"

LAKE DUNMORE FLEET (243)

New England District

Sailing on Lake Dunmore, Brandon, Vermont

Fleet Captain	Don Brush
Fleet Secretary	Chris Brush
Fleet Champion	Dick Hubbard
Runner-Up	Don Brush

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3426	Watchit	Sarah Proctor
4874	Winds Will	Gordon Roberts
5107	Touche	Francis T. Brown
5477	Dunmore	
	Dandy	Robert Mitchell
6465	Guyser	Dr. William Powers
6621	Cum Ci, Cum Ca	Dr. J. S. Estabrook
7016	Quo Vadis	Donald Brush
7829	Rampage	Richard Hubbard

Before the season started, we were all sad to have Bob Holden, one of our best skippers, transferred to San Francisco, but Don Brush bought his boat so we know Bob's heart is still with us. We are glad to welcome the Gordon Roberts family as new members.

After 23 races, held Saturdays and Sundays during July and August, Dick Hubbard again came out on top in his new Lippincott #7829 "Rampage".

Highspot of the season was the safari to Lake Champlain for the VT-NH Championships in July. We took 4 Lightnings, 2 motorboats, 6 cars, and 21 members and all had a wonderful time at the beautifully organized regatta on Shelburne Bay.

We have a very active Junior Sailing Club. Competition is keen with these teenagers and they learn a lot from each other. John Mitchell and Don Brush, Jr. tied for first place with Bill Powers, Jr. close behind them. The Juniors race on Saturday mornings, often coming in barely in time for the Seniors to start out for the afternoon race. Lightnings don't even have time to cool off between races on weekends at Lake Dunmore!

WINNIPESAUKEE YACHT CLUB (246)

New England District

Sailing on Saunders Bay, Lake Winnepesaukee,

Glendale, N. H.

Fleet Captain	Walter Estes
Fleet Secretary	William R. Loughlin
Fleet Champion	Paul Urion
Runner-Up	Walter Estes

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
81	Nimble	Lawrence W. Guild
587	B&B	Richard Beatty
1947	Repeat	Peggy Wells
3834	Spalpeen	Arthur G. Dwyer
4549	Zing	Stanley Goodrich
5643	Kickaroo	Kenneth Taylor
6246	Willen	W. R. Loughlin
6266	Black Hawk	Whitman Ide
6705	Trident II	Paul B. Urion
7297	Moth	Don Sibson

Paul Urion won the season's Championship without needing the last race.

Thirty boats from 6 states came to our Regatta which was won by Peter Van Iderstine of Spofford Lake.

SEMPACHERSEE FLEET (250)

Swiss District

Sailing on Lake of Sempach in Switzerland

Fleet Captain	Paul Zurlinden
Fleet Secretary	Hans A. Luthy
Fleet Champion	Hans A. Luthy
Runner-Up	Paul Zurlinden

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4513	Pilax	Franz Beck
5181	Quand-Meme	Hans A. Luthy
5275	Kon-Tiki	Dr. O. Huser
5276	Bounty	Rudolf Heer
5563	Pinggi	Charlotte Meier
6041	Seaview	Marianne Kurt
6738	Seabird III	Hoesli Hans
7274	Mistral	Dr. C. Klemm
7586	Chrabby	Paul Zurlinden
7587	Kairos	Dr. Alfred Bisegger
7804	Jolly	Rudolf Herzog



Proud skippers Paul and Fred on their new boats 7586 and 7587

There are already ten years since a little Lightning fleet of 3 boats has begun his activity on the lake of Sempach. Now after these ten years it is a pleasure to our fleet that he could inspire a group of sailors of the neighbour lake of Hallwil about Lightning sailing and in last fall the first Lightning race has been sailed at Hallwil.

The fleet activity consisted of two race series in spring and autumn, besides the traditional summer regattas which were started on the 15/17th of July. This event was again successful with hard winds, stormy rains and much pleasure during the nights. The fleet was very happy receiving the visit of six skippers with crews and boats from Lucerne, Zurich and Hallwil. We hope for 1962 that the Sempachersee fleet will have the pleasure to receive the old friends and a great deal of new ones of the Swiss District fleets to these summer regattas. The final standing 1961 were: 5181 H. Luth (250), 7802 F. Clottu (281), 7586 P. Zurlinden (250), 7587 Dr. A. Bisegger (250), 6740 Dr. O. Meyer (281) followed by the rest of 12 boats.

Quand-Même and Chaby participated in the District Championship at the Greifensee. Skippers and crews were very glad to finish this Championship as first and 8th.

KEUKA LAKE FLEET (252)

Central New York District

Sailing on Keuka Lake, Hammondsport, New York

Fleet Captain	T. R. Daddow
Fleet Secretary	Barbara Daddow
Fleet Champion	Henry Young
Runner-Up	T. R. Daddow

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
501	Zipper	Peter Everson
585		Frederick Clark
695	Gee-Jay	George Kalinich
2753	Ta-Bo	Lewis White
2842	Jimminy	James Rader
3361	Flash	James Hall
3429	Jem	Henry Young
3547	Ha-Lo	Kirkland Gardner and Channing Farmer
3769	Osprey	Paul Darling
4836	Tiger	Gerald Early
4904	Kim	William Brown
6527	Thespian	T. R. Daddow

After one year of absence the Ted Daddows returned to active competition with their new "Thespian". Getting off to an invincible start in the new season, he began to succumb to Hank Young's rediscovered secret formula.

Due to the press of business, the old master George Kalinich and Pete Everson missed some critical races. Bill Brown, Lew White, and Jim Hall were active in contention, and it was encouraging having the Clarks, Gardners, Farmers, and Atwoods in a few of the races. We look forward to more active competitors next year.

The Earlys, Jackins, and Raders enjoyed many hours of day sailing.

The social season started with a spring fleet dinner-party at the Daddows and included a Saturday afternoon picnic at the yacht club and an evening party including moonlight movies of the 1960 Nationals. It ended with the annual bash on the Young's rustic shores.

The season's climax was a hotly-contended Lady's Race where the front seat drivers had their day.

SUSQUEHANNA FLEET (253)

Dixie District

Sailing on Susquehanna River,

Long Level, Wrightsville, Pa.

Fleet Captain	Edwin W. Schwoebli
Fleet Secretary	Dr. Charles K. Doland
Fleet Champion	Starling Mikell, Jr.
Runner-Up	Jonathan E. Owen

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2269		Ellis Aughenbaugh
4867	White Cap	Howard Banzett
5368	Mid-Van	Jack Bacsik
5693	Debstar	Starling Mikell, Jr.

5792	Hope	Col. Chas. Collins
5816		Phyllis Branin
6358		Dr. Charles K. Doland
6840	Ach Yah	Edw. J. Kowalewski, M.D. & William G. Ridgeway, M.D.
6946	Calypso Gal II	Jonathan E. Owen
7119	Blue Pearl	Donald Firestone
7603	Wisp	Donald C. Dallmeyer
7902	Rainbow II	Edwin W. Schwoebli
8065	Thunder	H. Eugene Frey

Susquehanna Lightning Fleet finished a very good year with the same winner & runner-up as last year. Sailing a first half Starling Mikell, Jr. was the winner with Jonathan Owen runner-up. The second half with Mikell winner and Donald Firestone runner-up. Owen won out for runner-up for the season with higher percentage in more races sailed. Making threatening gestures all or some of the time; Dallmeyer, Schwoebli and Banzett in that order of importance. The remainder of the Fleet just enjoyed the party names on the above transoms.

We consider it a successful season of sailing with fair winds, much enthusiasm and good parties.

Several boats sailed at nearby regattas on the Potomac River and Chesapeake Bay, never winning but gaining racing experience.

Phyllis Branin bought 5816 from Bob Wheeler and started racing it regularly with the Fleet.

BURT LAKE YACHT CLUB (254)

Michigan District

Sailing on Burt Lake, in Northern Michigan

Fleet Captain	T. O. Dunlap
Fleet Secretary	Mary ImOberst
Fleet Champion	Rev. Charles U. Harris
Runner-Up	Richard DeVore

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
45	Sualdan	Daniel French
1985	Red Wich	Robert C. Graham
2138	Antrim	Chetter Babcock
3906	Pirogne	John Long
4948	Margaret	John Parlin
6279	Verve	Tom Dunlap
6663		Richard DeVore
6997	Thrice Struck	Rev. Harris
7306		Mary ImOberst
7345	Cyn-Bob	Robin Dunlap
7346		Al Polk

The 1961 season for Burt Lake Yacht Club was highly successful with races held twice weekly between July 12 and August 19th.

The traditional Inter-Lake Races were held with the Senior and Junior teams from Yacht Clubs of Burt Lake, Walloon Lake, and Harbor Point competing.

In July we had a special Tennis Tournament which was sponsored, organized and run by Bill Higgins and his partner Kay ImOberst.

In August the Yacht Club had its usual mid-summer change-about race and picnic at the home of Tom Dunlap.

With the addition of several Sailfish by Lightning owners, the Yacht Club held sailfish races twice a week for the younger sailors from whom we hope to develop potential Lightning skippers.

The annual Burt Lake Yacht Club meeting and party was held on August 20th at the Columbus Beach Club House. The Lew Wallace Memorial Trophy for Sportsmanship was awarded to David Hoster. A proposal was made at the annual meeting, that the Club employ for the 1962 season an experienced sailor and water-front director to meet the growing interest in and need for sailing instruction and improved racing technique among the young people on the lake.

DARIEN BOAT CLUB (255)

Connecticut District

Sailing on Long Island Sound, Darien, Conn.

Fleet Captain	Hooper White
Fleet Secretary	Luin P. Fitch, Jr.
Fleet Champion	Luin Fitch, Luin Fitch, Jr.
Runner-Up	Virginia Straub

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1380		Walter Gwinner
2136		Bdl Brown

2479	Buttercup	Arthur W. Rhodes
2682	Zephyr	Luin P. Fitch and Luin P. Fitch, Jr.
3101	Avenger	James F. Snowden
4153	Apteryx	Charles Annett, Jr.
4676	Fancy Free	Virginia Straub
4886	Gigi	Jack Armstrong
5940	Carite	Sea Explorers
5951	Release	Hooper White
6261	Que-Linda	Melvin M. Fennichell
6277	Gavalin	Sea Explorers

This summer Fleet 255 completed thirteen races of a fourteen race schedule, with nice sailing breezes for the first series and calms and blows for the second.

The Fleet Championship was won for the fourth time by the Zephyr, sailed by Lou Fitch & Son.

Ginny Straub moved up to runner-up spot with some really consistent sailing.

At the Long Island Sound Championships at Noroton, the Fitch crew found rough going. In one race their kite went up sideways, making a perfect blind fold for the skipper. He couldn't see the starboard tack boats charging up to the mark, but he could sure hear them yelling. In another race the Zephyr finished last, thus saving a Milford skipper from "disgrace".

The Zephyr fared better at the District Championships at Black Rock, finishing thirteenth in a fleet of twenty-seven boats.

This season was marked by more day sailing and cruising the Long Island shore by some of the fleet members. Let's have a few more boats at the starting line next season!!

CLARK'S HILL FLEET (257)

Southeastern District

Sailing on Clark Hill Reservoir.

Clark Hill Reservation, Ga.

Fleet Champion.....	Ted Kelker
Runner-Up.....	John Tobin

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1013	Doldrum	Hugh Gilbert
1551	Lolipop	David S. Hanson
1731	Forty Winks	Raymond A. Dietz
2202	Glory Be	Edward W. Durant
2307	Jade	Gilbert L. Klemann
2381	Jonah	Gilbert L. Klemann
2619	Kiwi	Ted Kelker
3198		J. M. Weaver
3250	Red Witch	L. V. Annis
3882	Topsy Belle	D. Hugh Conolly & W. W. Lamar
4816	Sea Witch	W. L. Coryell
7595	Blacksheep II	John Tobin

The Clark Hill Lightning Fleet had its most successful season. An even fifty races were held this year.

The 1961 season saw a few changes in our fleet. Bill Harden sold his boat to Bill Coryell. Ed Durant has obtained 2202 and is reclaiming her. Ray Dietz transferred from Fleet 173. Bill Eve sold his boat to J. M. Weaver.

With many refinished old boats competing rigorously we have found need of an official measurer in our area. We hope we can take action on this in the near future and acquire one within our fleet. Also, we hope to see the advent of the aluminum center board in the near future. We are hoping to test some this coming year.

Only two of our three series of races were completed this year. Results of the Spring and Summer Series were identical.

1. Kelker
2. Tobin
3. Klemann

On May 20 and 21 Kelker, Tobin, and Klemann entered the Midlands Regatta at Columbia and finished second, third, and fourth respectively.

On October 22 and 23 we held our fourth annual Halloween Regatta and Kelker, Klemann, and Tobin finished first, second and third respectively.

We are all looking forward to the start of this year's sailing in March. It is planned to add a one-man regatta, a change boat regatta, and a long distance race this year.

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Dr. C. A. Cobb heading the pack at Memphis Cotton Carnival

NASHVILLE FLEET (262)

Midwest District

Sailing on Old Hickory Lake, Nashville, Tenn.

Fleet Captain.....	Bob Llovet
Fleet Secretary.....	Arnold H. Anderson
Fleet Champion.....	Dr. C. A. Cobb, Jr.
Runner-Up.....	Ross H. Bryan

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3748	Miltown	John Dortch and Roland Brown
4125	Chaos	Wilbur Sensing Jr.
4174	Kitten	Kenneth R. Winter
4254	Fantasy	Billy T. Sumner
4340		Richard H. Jones
5095	Nancy	Dr. Jas. W. Ward
5598	Lorna Dorne	Phillip Williams
5888	Misty	Monk Waller
6562	Troika	Jim Green
6786	Jamiejo	Jim Burke
6951	Excalibur	Wesley Dyer
7209		Dr. Gordon R. Sell
7498	Romari	Bob Llovet
7499	Quantara	Dr. C. A. Cobb, Jr.
8064	Je Reviens	Ross H. Bryan
8099	Kismet	Arnold H. Anderson

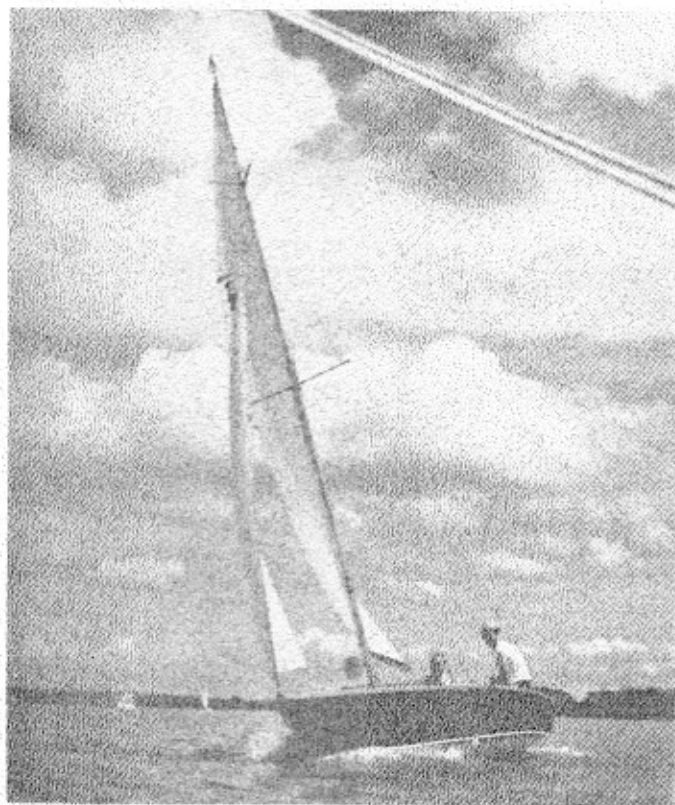
1961 was another very active season for Nashville sailors. Our Lightning Fleet is still growing and the quality of equipment and seamanship is steadily improving.

New boats entered the scene and some changed hands. Ross Bryan sold his 6562 to Jim Green (who is now demanding attention) and stepped up to a new Lippincott (8064) which arrived late in September. Arnold Anderson sold his 3748 to John Dortch and Roland Brown and hopes to stimulate some first place challenges next spring. The new boat was delivered November 15, too late for a shakedown cruise. Dr. Gordon Sell bought Bill Hall's "Luna" and really gave the others some competition this year. Phillip Williams leased "Lorna Dorne" from Gray Stahlman and Monk Waller bought "Misty" from Dave Fogg.

Our "Leaders"—Cully Cobb and Ross Bryan were very much in the running in the Dixie League. Cully won the Ken-Lake

Regattas (Spring and Fall), the Memphis Cotton Carnival, a 5th at the Midwest District and a 11th at St. Pete. Ross took first at the Nashville Tennessee Regatta. Bob Llover, who found his niche at Carbondale last year, took first this year. (Any bets he won't attend in '62?)

We want to invite our many friends to attend the Tennessee Regatta on Old Hickory Lake next April. This early Spring activity should appeal to those who are still ice bound at that time. Lightning sailors are also always welcome to visit our new Yacht Club at Harbor Island.



Missouri Governor's cup winner 1961—John Norris

VALLEY SAILING ASSOCIATION (266)

Midwest District

Sailing on Alton Lake (Mississippi River),

Fleet Captain Dr. Wayne Gorla
Fleet Secretary Arthur Ahrens
Fleet Champion August Paoli
Runner-Up Mitchell Bohnenkamp

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
430	Tables	Sid Saltzstein
609	Lucky Pierre	John Norris
612	Lucky	Art Meier
1191	Mekala	Dr. Wayne Gorla
2064	Psyche	Bob Rodgers
2143		Don Hanneke & Arthur Ahrens
2589	Hi Ho	Augie Paoli
2591		Ray Juergens
2775		Tom Spillman
4649	Bonus	Bob Heritage
4826	Quo Vadis II	Ralph Schibig
5174	Bogey	Paul Jones
6080		Bert Sawley & Rolf Hartman
6446		Ralph Kolde
6563		Ralph Schmidt
7821	Mai Kai	Mitchell Bohnenkamp
8		Joseph French

The biggest event of the 1961 sailing season just had to be the "Whale of a Sail" Regatta held June 24-25 at Valley. Twenty-five boats entered the series including twelve from fleets at Nashville, and Memphis, Tennessee; Kansas City, Missouri; Topeka, Kansas; Davenport, Iowa; Carbondale, Illinois; and Kentucky Lake, Kentucky. Many thanks to all of these skippers who attended and made the weekend such a success. Dr. Cully

Cobb of Nashville won the three (3) race series with 2nd going to Mitch Bohnenkamp and 3rd to Augie Paoli, both of the host fleet. We intend to repeat this Regatta in 1962 on approximately the same weekend.

Because of the excellent wind conditions we were able to race both a Summer and Fall series. The Summer series to determine fleet champion was extremely close between Augie Paoli and Mitch Bohnenkamp, who continued their duel of the past four seasons with Augie coming out on top by winning the last race.

Summer Series

1. Augie Paoli	95.6	1. Mitch Bohnenkamp	98.1
2. Mitch Bohnenkamp	95.3	2. Dr. Wayne Gorla	91.2
3. Bert Sawley	81.1	3. Bert Sawley	87.5
4. John Norris	79.8	4. John Norris	86.4

Fall Series

1. Mitch Bohnenkamp	98.1
2. Dr. Wayne Gorla	91.2
3. Bert Sawley	87.5
4. John Norris	86.4

Several of our skippers attended invitational regattas sponsored by fleets in the Midwest and Central States Districts. The total results were never as good as we would like them to be but two high points were Augie Paoli's win at Lake Jacomo on Labor Day and John Norris's wonderful win in the Missouri Governors' Cup sailed against boats from Davenport, Iowa as well as from our own fleet.

We have a number of new skippers and boats in the fleet for 1962 and are anticipating an even better year of competition than in 1961.

SACHEM'S HEAD YACHT CLUB (269)

Connecticut District

Sailing on Long Island Sound, Sachem's Head, Conn.

Fleet Captain Geo. G. Wilcox
Fleet Secretary Geo. G. Wilcox

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
937	Restless	Thomas Rutherford
2097	Grey Ghost	Thomas Jannke
4394		H. Dunn
5127	Citation	J. English
5360	Shocking	J. W. Walden
5961	Bebop	G. G. Wilcox
6431		Sue Connor
6882	Honey Bucket	W. B. Mylchreest, Jr.
7154	Whitecap	J. E. Bunting
7640	Nutsua	W. H. Austin
7641	Static	Leighton Lee II
7919	Delilah	H. F. Kneen
7921	Neechee	H. F. Schutz

A fine season with new boats, new competitors, new courses—July Series won by Bill Auson tallgated by Ike Schutz & Joe Walden. The August Series won by Hal Kneen in his new automated "Deldah"; with Bill Mylchreest breathing down his neck.

We had the pleasure of team racing against Madison Y. C. two occasions—we tried hard to match their warm hospitality and still beat them on the return engagement.

Ike Schutz won a third leg on our Annual Ragamuffin boat swapping race—proving that it isn't always the boat that counts—but it helps!

Our Ladies Day event was won by Gail Wilcox in Hal Kneen's Delilah.

The Lightning skippers again proved their superiority by sweeping the Inter-Class Contest.



Fleet champion V. Pallavicini with Lightning "Nunola"

ROMA FLEET (271)

Sailing at Anzio

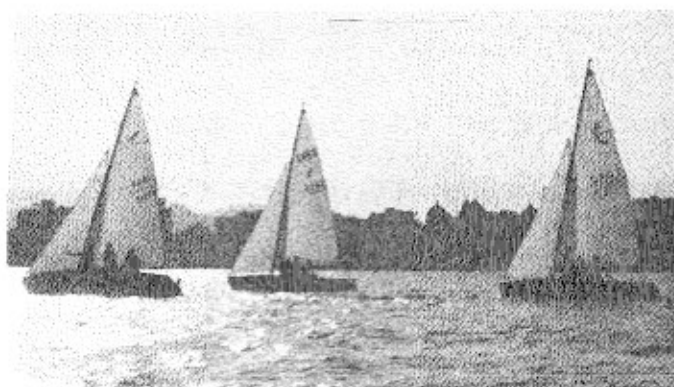
Italian District

Fleet Captain	Emilio Cristofori
Fleet Secretary	Marco Petroni
Fleet Champion	Vichi Pallavicini
Runner-Up	Emilio Cristofori

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5691	Trinacria	Salvatore Molinari
6072	Jolly	Marco Petroni
6375	Nuvola	Vichi Pallavicini
6582	Tevere	Emilio Cristofori

The Lightnings of the 271 Rome fleet have run in many races in most harbors of Italy; Naples, La Spezia and so.

In September we organized the second edition of the Rome Fleet Cup, valuable for the Fleet Championship that gave us the new Champion Vichi Pallavicini, 15.



Part of Fleet 272 in activity. Guayaquil in background

GUAYAQUIL YACHT CLUB (272)

Sailing on Rio Guayas, Guayaquil, Ecuador

Fleet Secretary	Eduardo Rodriguez Game
Fleet Champion	Francisco Sola Medina

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5859	Irene	Oscar Bjarnar
5860	Pipo I	V. Emilio & Felipe Estrada E.
5861	Gual II	Guillermo Amaya
5862	Viking II	Werner Moeller
5863	Che Che	Enrique Plaza L.
5864	Jackeline	Escuela Naval Militar
5865	Guayaco	Gaston Fernandez B.
5866	Borinquen	Carlos y Rafael Lecaro V.
5867	El Cid	Enrique Maulme Gomez
5868	Tiburón	Paul Klein
5869	Star II	Felix Gonzales Rubio D.
5870	Monsieur	Escuela Naval Militar
5871	Popeye	Antonio Pino Vernaza
5872	Avivato	Francisco Sola Medina
5873	Chinchin	Ernesto Estrada Ycaza
5917	Gaviota	Francisco Pino Maulme
5957	Susy	Joe Estrada G.
5958	Kon Tiki	Santiago & Albert Maspons G.
5970	Pilotin	Eduardo Rodriguez G.
5971	Pinocho	Lorenzo Tous Jr.
	Nacional	Humberto Diminich
6904	Pipo III	V. Emilio & Felipe Estrada E.
6937	Repunte	Humberto Plaza L.

Fleet 272 activities got started early this year with a series of races held in Salinas Bay during the beach season months of February, March and April.

Salinas Bay, situated on the westernmost salient of this continent, has ideal salt water sailing conditions with steady S.W. winds ranging from 6 to 24 miles.

The races were made possible by the co-operation and assistance rendered by officers of the Naval Academy, whose Director presided the race committee and also prepared a boat for junior officers to participate.

Francisco Sola won the series revealing qualities that make a good skipper.

In February, our country was represented in the Seventh South American L. C. Championship held in Rio de Janeiro Bay by three crews formed by the skippers Sola, Moeller and Maspons.

Our 1961 fleet championship has suffered two setbacks; both tragic and unfortunate. During the first race of the summer, held by moonlight on the Salado Estuary, an accompanying boat filled with spectators sank. The Lightning crews abandoned the race and proceeded to rescue two occupants in a speedy and heroic action that limited the loss to five lives, among them the fathers of Enrique and Humberto Plaza and Santiago and Alberto Maspons, who lost two younger brothers in the tragedy.

Overcome with grief and sorrow the fleet activities were temporarily suspended and when they were re-initiated the sudden decease of its Captain, and also Vice-Commodore of the Guayaquil Yacht Club, Mr. Emilio Estrada Y., again brought grief and sorrow as he was an excellent friend and sportsman whose loss will long be felt.

Ecuador, with a crew formed by Fleet 272 members Humberto Plaza, Captain and Luis and Francisco Sola, showed its colors during the recent World's Championship held in Milford, Conn.

Our team, one of the youngest among the participants, put on a good show, winning one race, finishing another in spite of losing its rudder and placing 9th in the final standing.

Preparations are now being made to enter three crews in the forthcoming VIII South American Championship scheduled to be held in January 1962 in Ancón Bay, near Callao, Peru.

MEMPHIS LIGHTNING FLEET (274)

Southern District

Sailing on Arkabutla Lake and McKellar Lake at Memphis, Tenn.

Fleet Captain	Jim Humphries
Fleet Secretary	Crit Currie
Fleet Champion	Lloyd Lovitt
Runner-Up	Crit Currie

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6194	.....	Wilson Fly
6397	.....	William C. Cowan
6533	Blue Bird	Lloyd Lovitt
7208	Seven Suns	Crit Currie
7252	.....	George G. Clarke and MacDonald Yawn
7295	.....	Chester Alba
7408	Too Much	McNeill Ayers
7501	Grimlyn	Carl Grimmer
7719	.....	Jim Humphries

The Memphis Lightning Fleet is making real solid progress. Our fleet has and is providing the leadership for the Delta Sailing Club with its five active racing fleets, this past year being its best so far in promoting racing sailing in this large general area. This year promises to be even more successful with Lightning skipper, Carl Grimmer as the Delta Sailing Club Commodore. Last year Lloyd Lovitt did an excellent job as Race Chairman with 60 races completed in the Spring and Fall Series.

Fleet #274 is solidly built of nine competitive Lightnings that show for all the races with enthusiastic, learning skippers and crews, all sold on racing Lightnings as a competitive sport. We have excellent prospects on doubling our size this year; and with some help from the "powers that be" in the L.C.A., we will. The fleet and club are all working hard to provide facilities more adequate to stage good district regattas in anticipation of the new Mississippi Valley District.

In the Spring Series of 34 races, Lloyd Lovitt, with his new first mate, sailed to a good first place. Jim Humphries was second, Crit Currie third. In the Fall Series of 26 races Lovitt was first, Currie second and a tie for third place between Wilson Fly and Commodore Carl Grimmer. Lloyd Lovitt was awarded the Club's "Outstanding Skipper of the Year" Award for '61. Most of us attended the Nashville, Tennessee Regatta and both Kentucky Lake Regattas at Murray, Kentucky, at which some 15 to 18 good well-sailed Lightnings were present. Our own Cotton Carnival Regatta in May was a great success both "in the water and on land." We sincerely appreciate the Lightning Skipper and Crews that came and hope even more will attend in May of this year. At this time, it looks as if some four boats will attend the St. Pete Midwinters.

The whole fleet profited from the experience and help of Al Prevost for the two short years he was with us. We will miss him now that he has moved back East.

Best of luck to all the members of constantly growing L.C.A.

CLEARWATER BAY YACHT CLUB (277)
Midwest District
Sailing on Clearwater Bay, Lake of the Woods,
Ontario, Canada

Fleet Captain.....Edwin S. Cooper
 Fleet Secretary.....Fred David
 Fleet Champion.....K. W. Campbell
 Runner-Up.....A. W. Moss

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4928	Janian	C. Ian D. McDonald — <i>Yacht 326</i>
5159		Peter A. Brett
5630	Ruthless	W. C. Guest
5631	Peerless	D. L. Furney
5632	Dolphin	R. C. Leatherdale — <i>Yacht 320</i>
5653	Nautilus	S. L. Arnett — <i>Yacht 3167</i>
5930	6	I. V. Dubinski
6374	Zephyr	Edwin S. Cooper
6821	Heartsease	C. F. David
7059	Fearless	R. D. Leaper
7435	Typhoon II	K. W. Campbell
7539	White Hope	A. W. Moss
7571	Wa-Konda	Donald C. McInnes
7794	Dauntless	David H. Gilbert
8124	Spotvogel	J. Lammens

Racing got off to a good start this season with warm-up races on July 1st, and the Commodore Cup series commencing on July 9th. In the Commodore Cup series for Fleet Champion, Keith Campbell immediately assumed an early lead and this he retained throughout the season.

A little more interest than in the past was shown in the Junior racing this season and Kelly Moss, with his brother Terry as crew, ended up the season winning the Cup and subsequently the right to represent the Western Division in the Canadian Junior championships at Montreal.

The annual regatta held on the 12th and 13th of August was blessed with favourable winds which were variable enough to provide an interesting yet exciting weekend of racing. Boats were brought in from the Lakehead (Fleet 279) Kenora, Caddy Lake and West Hawk Lake so that there were 43 entered in the handicap race and 23 in the series of three races for Lightnings. The Bonnycastle Cup for the handicap series was won by Graham Lount and the Harris Trophy for the Lightning series was won by Keith Campbell.

As in previous years the trip by water to Kenora to compete there in the Lightning series was an unqualified success. Interest in sailing is steadily increasing and there are four new Lightnings on order to join the fleet next summer.

ANZIO LIGHTNING FLEET (278)
Italian District

Fleet Captain.....Enrico De Mori
 Fleet Secretary.....Giorgio Focanti
 Fleet Champion.....Piero Rampolla del Tindaro
 Runner-Up.....Mario Mainini

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4401	Uragano	Marchese de Smours
4654	Yafa	Ing. Piero Cordignano
5692	Eos	Circolo della Vela di Roma
6689	Caramba	Mario Mainini
6984	Zig Zag	Cesare Benedetti
7068	Michela	Enrico De Mori
7534	Satanasso	Giorgio Focanti
7568	Hidalgo	Piero Rampolla del Tindaro

During the season the fleet was very active, and entered seven events with 57 presences have been recorded, in amount, in the events above.

Boat Hidalgo was the winner of the Italian Championship at La Spezia, and the 6th place was taken from Boat Satanasso.

The fleet entered the European Championship at Corfu, Greece. An increasing of the fleet activity is to foresee for the next season.

THUNDER BAY YACHT CLUB (279)
Midwest District

Sailing on Thunder Bay at the Lakehead, Ont.

Fleet Captain.....David Burnford
 Fleet Champion.....Robert Prettie
 Runner-Up.....Lou Walsh

The 1964 Season for the Thunder Bay Yacht Club started one week earlier than usual. The races started on June 3rd, and were held every Sunday throughout the season until September 5th.

The winds at the Lakehead this year were, on the whole, light but there were one or two exciting races in the early part of June with winds from 20-25 mph.

The outstanding activities this year were a trip by two of the boats to the Mid-west District in Milwaukee, namely, Chinook and Vixen. These two boats did not distinguish themselves, but the hospitality shown in Milwaukee was outstanding, and the trip, although some 700 miles by road, was most enjoyable.

Other out of town events were, two races at Kenora at the Royal Lake of the Woods Yacht Club. This is the oldest Yacht Club in Canada, and the outstanding event was won by Robert Prettie. This is the first time the trophy has ever left Kenora, and the win was accepted enthusiastically by all concerned. The following week about six boats from the Lakeland went to Kenora again to race in another regatta, namely, the Clearwater Regatta. Again Bob Prettie was the outstanding boat of the Lakehead. Two smaller regattas were held at Dryden, Ontario, and Two Island Lake, the latter being about twenty miles out of Port Arthur.

Bob Prettie won the total points in the Paterson Trophy, being well-ahead in the total score. He was racing with his crew, Laura Prettie and Bill Harris; these three have now raced together for some years. Their spinnaker handling and general crewing ability was well proven this year by the outstanding success. The Chinook won every major event and finished up well ahead of the other boats in total score.

The runner-up, Lou Walsh, as usual always comes to the fore. He had a poor start this season, but as the season progressed did better and better. He was racing with his wife, Audrey, and Marc Gauthier.

Two of the skippers of Lightning Fleet 279, namely, John Paterson and David Burnford, were fortunate enough to be accepted in the Skippers Sailboat Training Facility Course at Larchmount Yacht Club, Long Island Sound, at the end of July. These Courses are now well established and extraordinarily well organized. All who attended were extremely impressed with the amount that could be learned. It is regretted that perhaps John and David did not show all they might have done as regards improvement on their return to the Lakehead, but let us hope that the stored knowledge will come to the fore in the next few years.

In conclusion, no report of Fleet 279 would be complete without special mention of Jim Eccles, who started every race both rain or shine, attended throughout, waited for our somewhat delayed finishes and kept us all under control, both during the races and at our festivities following sailing. He was ably assisted by our official time-keeper, Bruce McNally, who although his first year in association with our Yacht Club, is obviously to become a permanent member.

The 1962 season promises to be outstanding, in that we have had a definite promise from Clearwater Bay Yacht Club, Fleet 277, that they will bring six of their boats to the Lakehead, to compete against us. This will be the first outside competition that we have had on home waters.

No report from Fleet 279 would be complete without special mention of the loss of Porter Bailey, who died this year. He was one of the mainstays of sailing in the Lakehead. His two sons were the original members who built our first Lightnings.

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 W. Waterbury
 Runner-Up.....John B. Waterbury

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
847	Valkyrie	Dr. S. Armstrong
2347	Tasa	Dr. L. S. Pilcher
2634	Hussy	John B. Waterbury
2829	Kwan Yin	Fred Sargent
2927	Fox II	John R. Frazier
3296	Little Terror	H. Winsor Nickerson, Jr.
4077	Halwin II	R. Campbell (skipper)
4078	Nike	Barbara B. Noyes
5573	Qui Vive	Malcolm S. Smith
5658	Thunder	Franklin Gardner
5948	Jacks Ark	Rev. John R. Williams
7383		R. Harlow Cutting
7457	Circe	John W. Waterbury

Fleet 280 managed to have a successful racing season despite the loss of the Yacht Club pier and dock in last winter's ice. Once again we enjoyed a weekend of racing at Provincetown.

This summer we inaugurated a new weekday series of Lightning races for juniors who had previously sailed Blue Jays and Puffins.

In August we held our annual 2-day regatta with several classes participating.

Another Lightning was added to our fleet this summer.

Fleet 280 welcomes any skippers who may be on Cape Cod for any period during the summer. Races are held Saturday and Sunday at high tide.

VIERWALDSTATTERSEE FLEET (281)

Swiss District

Sailing on Lake of Lucerne in Switzerland

Fleet Captain Richard Peter
Fleet Secretary Franz Xaver Huber
Fleet Champion Francis Clottu

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5377	Swoose	Dr. med. Eduard Kloter
5572	Passat	Fritz Schmid-Halter
6204	Sagitta	Franz Engelberger
6376	Hawaii	Dr. Theo Christ
6377	Kon Tiki	Walter Wenger
6389	Dardo	Richard Peter
6737	Eilean Mor	Franz Xaver Huber
6740	Miaoulis	Dr. Otto Meyer
7802	Dame De Pique	Francis Clottu

The summer of 1961 was the sixth season of the Fleet 281 which shows again an increase with the addition of boats 7802 "Dame De Pique" and 5377 "Swoose". We now have nine boats and the fleet counts eighteen members. Who will bring boat number ten?

Compared with the season of 1960 which brought us the European Championships, the past one was quite calm. No matter, the racing activity was not so bad. Our fleet again took part in different races of the Yacht Club of Lucerne, such as Club Championship: 4 boats, winner Francis Clottu, Sailing Week of Lucerne: 3 boats, winner Kuno Meyer, Race for the Crystal Cup, a long distance race: 6 boats, winner Richard Peter.

Races on foreign lakes: Swiss District Championship on the Greifensee, Kuno Meyer 9th—Races on the Sempachersee, Francis Clottu 2nd, Kuno Meyer 4th, Richard Peter 7th, Fritz Schmid 8th—Autumn races on the Zurichsee, Kuno Meyer.

As our lake lies in the midst of a marvelous mountain world, sailing-trips are undertaken very often by our members. The beauty and silence of our lake calls us time and again for long trips during our weekends. In this point, we are the most active fleet of our Yacht Club.

LAKE DALLAS CORINTHIAN Y. C. FLEET (282)

Texas District

Sailing on Lake Lewisville at Denton County

Fleet Captain Robert Giles
Fleet Secretary Arthur P. Nazro
Fleet Champion Samuel J. C. Townsend
Runner-Up Arthur P. Nazro

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4892	Shady Lady II	William G. Steed
4894	Scud	Walter Wheeler
4895	.....	Robert Webb
4896	.....	Raleigh Ury
5196	.....	Edgar R. Pitcher
5397	.....	Hobart Turman and J. L. Higginbotham
5398	Lynild	Peter Stewart
5399	Susie Kay	Jack F. Perkins
5498	Blitzen	William Clawson
5534	Ole	A. B. Patterson
5635	Shady Lady III	Dan Kamperman
5720	Geneva II	A. K. Spalding
5896	Viking	Jack F. Perkins
6030	Impecunious	Neil Hurton
7205	Lynild II	A. P. Nazro

7496	Bambi	Robert Giles
7796	Pippa	Samuel J. C. Townsend

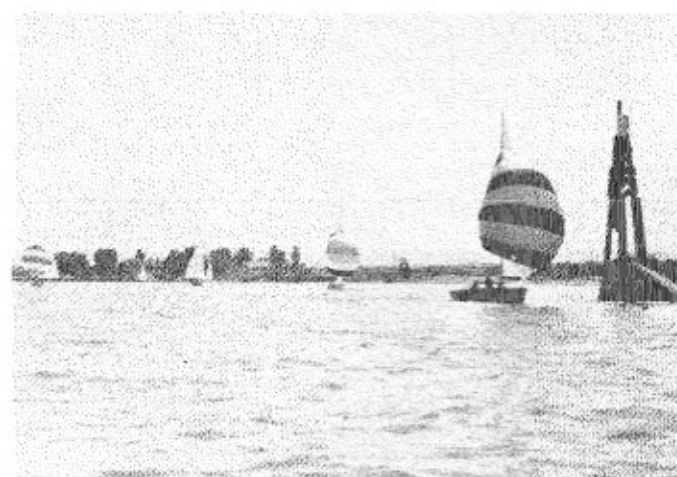
Our 1961 season started in early May with three of our boats going to the Annual Shreveport Regatta where Sam Townsend won with Art Nazro second, and Pat Patterson broke his mast in the first race, so we could not repeat our sweep of 1960 with the top three places.

Two weeks later at our own Regatta it was Sam Townsend, first, Dan Kamperman, second, and Glenn Lattimore sailing Lynild II, third. Then in early June most of our fleet went to the Fort Worth Boat Club Regatta where again it was Sam Townsend, first, Dan Kamperman, second, and Art Nazro, third. In mid-June in our annual Team Race with the Corpus Christi Highlander sailors sailed in our Lightnings, Neil Hurton, Conrad Lau and Art Nazro finished one, two, three, in all three races giving us a nice lead going into the final three races to be held at Corpus Christi in Highlanders late this fall.

For the Texas Districts held in Austin in July, only two of our boats made the trip, and it was again Sam Townsend the winner, with Bob Giles the runner-up.

For our Club Championships, a series of eleven races was held extending from mid-May until Labor Day and at the end it was Sam Townsend, Art Nazro and Bob Giles, in that order.

At writing time, Pat Patterson and Dan Kamperman have both sold their boats and are awaiting the arrival of two new fiberglass boats, which means we are all looking forward with much interest to 1962.



Fleet Champion Harry Braut in the Lead on the Columbia River

COLUMBIA FLEET (283)

Pacific Northwest District

Sailing on Columbia River, Portland, Ore.

Fleet Captain Duncan McLaughlin
Fleet Secretary John De Benedetti
Fleet Champion Harry Braut
Runner-Up Fredi Tauscher

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1021	Sandpiper	Harold W. McKenzie
2635	.....	William Kingston
3457	Cathy Ann	Duncan A. McLaughlin
5481	Araab	John De Benedetti
5593	.....	Herm Fischer & Ron Weil
5938	Erin	Wm. Robertson
6061	Sassy	James E. and Fredi J. Tauscher
6442	Jaunty	Frank Meeker
6488	.....	Robert Sneathen & Robert Coe
6584	Tally Ho	Jack Gainer
6592	Perky	Harry K. McAllister
6716	Blitzen	Charles S. Hoskins
6999	Slippery	Harry G. Braut
7049	.....	Garry Ambrose
7083	.....	Richard S. Foster
7111	.....	Ron Hite
7497	Pixie	Ben B. Bullwinkle
8084	.....	George Clarke

This, the 1961 season, was perhaps our best yet, mainly because the North American Championships were held on the Pacific Coast for the first time, and thus giving some of the Northwest sailors a chance to sail in the Championships. Two boats from our fleet managed to make the trip to San Diego. They were skippered by Harry Brault and Fred Tauscher. Although no one "took home the hardware", both Harry and Fred were glad for the experience of sailing on the wide Pacific ocean. This ocean sailing is quite like riding a roller coaster—we're used to nothing like it here—

Besides the Championships, there were the Northwest District Championships held this year at Eugene, Oregon. As usual, the Eugene people extended their great hospitality, and made the event very memorable. And of course there were the regular season races, held in conjunction with Rose City Yacht Club. Harry Brault, a seemingly perennial champion who was dethroned by Jack Gainer last year, came roaring back to take over again this year. Second place was taken by the Tauschers, with the very able Bob Wallin as crew. But, there are also some other able sailors who hope to do something about this in '62. There was also the Portland Yacht Club and Rose City Yacht Club regattas, which were plagued by fluky winds, a local problem.

So, you see we had quite an active year. But we were not without leisure sailing either—this ranged from weeiee roasts on the sand bars to the time the Fleet Secretary fell out of his boat in an attempt to "hike out". You're supposed to put your legs around the hiking strap.)

We're all looking forward to another good year in '62.

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	Gaines Houston
Runner-Up	Robert B. Gierow

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2638	Roxana	W. H. Collins
3855	Jojo	Richard H. Wootton
6300	Sweet I	Robert B. Gierow
6514	Sea Shell	Fred M. Dierks & John D. Galbraith
6601	Vamp	Col. Reed Landis & I. Granger
6605	Betty Lu	McDaniel & Dr. Martin Eisele
6766	Overdraft	Sigun Rasmussen & Dr. T. M. Durham, Jr.
		N. C. Withrow, Jr. & F. Gene Withrow
7655	Little Dearie II	Gaines Houston

The 1961 racing season was officially opened by the annual ceremony of the Blessing of the Fleet at Brady Mountain harbor on May 21. A tune-up series was followed by the Memorial Day Race won by Bob Gierow in SWEET-I with Gaines Houston the runner-up.

After trailing to Kansas City in early June for the Districts, where he won the first race and placed an overall fourth in the series, Bob kept up the pace to win the Summer series of seven races with Dick Wootton a close second. Gierow also gained a leg on the perpetual Fourth of July trophy by taking that race with Wootton again the runner-up.

Fred Dierks in SEA SHELL and Wootton in JOJO dominated the Mad Skipper Series of races which began in mid-July and continued through August. Dierks and Wootton ended the series tied in points with the nod going to Fred who had finished ahead of Dick in four of the seven races.

Wootton with an assist from his wife Joan who skippered the JOJO to a first place in the fifth race of the Fall series, swept this series by accumulating a total of 46 out of a possible 48 points. The runner-up spot went to Fred Dierks although he and Bob Gierow were even in the point score.

Gaines Houston sailing LITTLE DEARIE II won the Labor Day race in light, variable air which dropped to nothing on the seventh and final leg before picking up to a faint whisper. Bob Gierow was runner-up. Both finished within the 2½ hour time limit but each required more than one hour to negotiate the final leg.

Joan Wootton repeated again this year by winning the Lady Skipper series. She also won her spurts by successfully skippering a number of the regular series races.

The Fleet Championship series of three races was sailed October 14 and 15. The first race on Saturday the 14th got under

way in a 30 mile blustering wind driving in from the North that took its toll of the better skippers before the first race was completed. Dick Wootton broke his rudder while approaching the starting line to start. Fred Dierks well in the lead on the sixth leg and on a spinnaker reach got hit by a vicious puff that tore his rudder loose and broke it. Bob Gierow went on to place first but disqualified himself for touching the flag on the windward end of the starting line. As a result Houston was credited with first place, Landis second and Rasmussen third.

By late afternoon the wind had settled down to around 15-18 miles from the North and the second race was uneventful. Gierow was first, Houston second, Landis third and Dierks fourth. Dierks sailed this race under a disadvantage as he got to the starting area after the start because of making repairs. Wootton was unable to make repairs for this race, hence did not sail. Rasmussen withdrew.

The next day saw a light, variable wind blowing in from the SW in the afternoon after a morning calm. Fred Dierks sailed to a first place over Bob Gierow by one minute. Houston was third, Wootton with a jury-rigged rudder was fourth and Landis was fifth.

Unfortunately the mishaps of the first race eliminated the three top skippers who had practically no chance thereafter for first place. Houston won the series with 15 points. Gierow was runner-up although he and Landis were tied in points at 11 each. Perhaps we can all try it again next year.

PARTHENON LIGHTNING FLEET (286)

Greek District

Sailing on Phaleron Bay, Greece

Fleet Captain	Panos Golemis
Fleet Secretary	Nikos Sariavazis
Fleet Champion	Sotiris Brinis

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4635	Eyros	Karamouzis
4991	Adrianopoulos	Golemis
5768	Astrapi	P. Ioanides
5769	Thiela	T. Adamopoulos
6544	Drosopoulos	P. Ioanides
6545	Adm.	S. Brinis
	Chrysantis	
6749	Alkioni	N. Sariavazis
7219	Krinis	G. Andreadis
7569	Trudy	A. Sinopoulos
7738	Pola	G. Prokopiou
8048	Marinela	G. Stalounis

With the addition of boat No. 7738 our fleet is one of the most active fleets in the District with more boats participating in the races than before.

Six of our boats participated in the European Championship at Corfu also in races held at Volos organized by fleet 289, in September 1961, at Mitilini Island by fleet 298 and in Salonica in races organized for the International Fair where the cup was won by the skipper of our fleet, Andy Sinopoulos.

Skipper Sotiris Brinis won this year the Cup of Prince Constantine and the Ladies' cup was captured by Neli Doaylari.

Will now see more and more people sailing Lightnings in our Club and our new skipper Kavoukis is promising a lot. We expect two new boats to be built at 1962 by members of our fleet.

Boats owned by Olympic Yacht Club and Falero Yacht Club belong to our fleet and we would be very happy to invite any LCA members to sail with us when traveling through our area.

DOLPHIS FLEET (287)

Greek District

Fleet Captain	D. Soutsos—R.H.N.
Fleet Secretary	E. Karavas—R.H.N.
Fleet Champion	H.R.H. The Crown Prince Constantine
Runner-Up	O. Eskitzoglou—R.H.N.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4633	Skyron	H.R.H.—The Princess Sophia
6135	Dolphin	RHNC
6136	Xifias	RHNC
6943	Triaina	H.R.H.—The Crown Prince Constantine
7028	Boreas	RHNC
8045	Kleio	RHNC
8046	Erato	RHNC
8047	Iro	RHNC

The Royal Hellenic Naval Cadets' College organized again this year a race for the "28th of October" Cup, 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 12th and 19th of November, under fair weather conditions. Sixteen boats took part in the races. The first three winners were:

1. "DROSOPOULOS" (545) skippered by Mr. E. Kavoukis (Royal Yachting Club)
2. "NIKI" (6259) skippered by Mrs. Gritsi (Piraeus Sailing Club)
3. "DAPHNI" (4637) skippered by Mr. D. Traiforos (Piraeus Sailing Club)

ARGONAUT LIGHTENING FLEET (289)

Greek District

Sailing on Pagasitikos Bay at Volos Yacht Club

Fleet Captain..... A. Golemis
Fleet Secretary..... D. Sarigianis

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5733	Iason	G. Georgas
6138	G. Papas	G. Tsiklas
6139	Aeolis	A. Bardas
6407	Stratis A.	D. Sariyanis
6952	Thetis	N. Hatisis
6953	Iolkos	A. Katsinaris

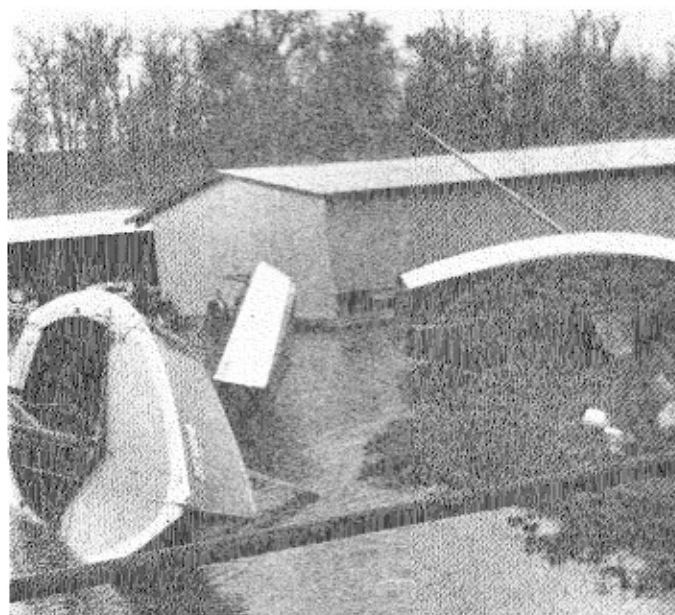
The Argonaut Fleet is affiliated with the Volos Yacht Club and all the boats belong to the Club for the use of its members.

The last race of OHI cup that was organized on November 12, 1961 was the last race of our sailing season that started in April. Boats of our fleet participated in races at the beautiful Pagasitikos Bay which is ideal for racing. Also at races in Skiathos Island.

Two boats of our fleet traveled to Salonika to participate in the Salonika fair races and we participated in the European Championship with two boats, in Corfu.

Our fleet organized a 32 mile race from Volos-Megalohari-Trikeri which was won by skipper D. Skirianos. Skipper A. Vardas captured the cup of Pagasitikos from Volos-Mizele-Volos, a 22 mile race.

The winners in Junior races were G. Georgas and G. Economides.



Fleet 293 careened for cleaning

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

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
180	Call Me Madam	Lee Bentley, Jr.
836	Liz Ann	Dick Peterson
3458	Rosa-Ruck	Bob Parkhurst
4342	Between the Sheets II	Dan Toll & Ed Ligon, Jr.
5775	Derriere	Bill Quisenberry
7284	Debonair	Harold Lewis

The best thing about Oklahoma weather is the season starts early and there's plenty of wind. The Fleet started in March to careen the boats and get them ready. There were a lot of dirty bottoms as we sail the year 'round. Did Lightning sailors know it is possible to capsize while still tied in the slip, and sink? The former Commodore does. He cried a little.

Not too much competition was held among Fleet members other than one race. Bill Quisenberry had the lead on the windward leg when the wind died. All skippers and crews tried to lighten ship by doing away with excess passengers such as Mr. Curtysark, Schmirnoff, and Schlitz, and Ligon was thrown out of the race for trying to push his boat to the mark.

Fleet 293, gained a new member, and good competitor, Dick Peterson, of Detroit. We expect two new members this spring.

The Central States Championship will be held on Ft. Gibson this summer and around 75 Lightnings are expected.

Tulsa sailors will have a new lake to sail on in a couple of years when the new Keystone Dam is completed. If things work out the fleet will be about 15 minutes from downtown Tulsa.

All skippers took part in many regattas in the area, including the District, and a new special two-day meet on Grand Lake. All skippers finished in the top ten. See you at the District.

SAUGATUCK YACHT CLUB (294)

Michigan District

Sailing on Kalamazoo River, at Saugatuck, Michigan

Fleet Captain..... John Osgood
Fleet Secretary..... Sky Suydam
Fleet Champion..... Kathy Kindred (Sat.)
Char Dallach (Wed.)
Runner-Up..... Skip Martens (Sat.)
Robert Green (Wed.)

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2405	Mor Fun	Gary & Sue Reynolds
2514	Sinbad	John Osgood
3677		W. D. Corlett
4945	Phfft	St & Skip Martens
4977	Touche	Ann & Carol Woodhams
5345	Skydammit	Sky Suydam
5363	Two-Lyns	Ann Lindsey
5370	Cloud 9	Bill Reininga
6031	Passer	Kathy Kindred
6665	Sooner	Melissa & Nancy Stutsman
6820	Good Bay	Kit Denison
6977	Trim	Pete Hansman

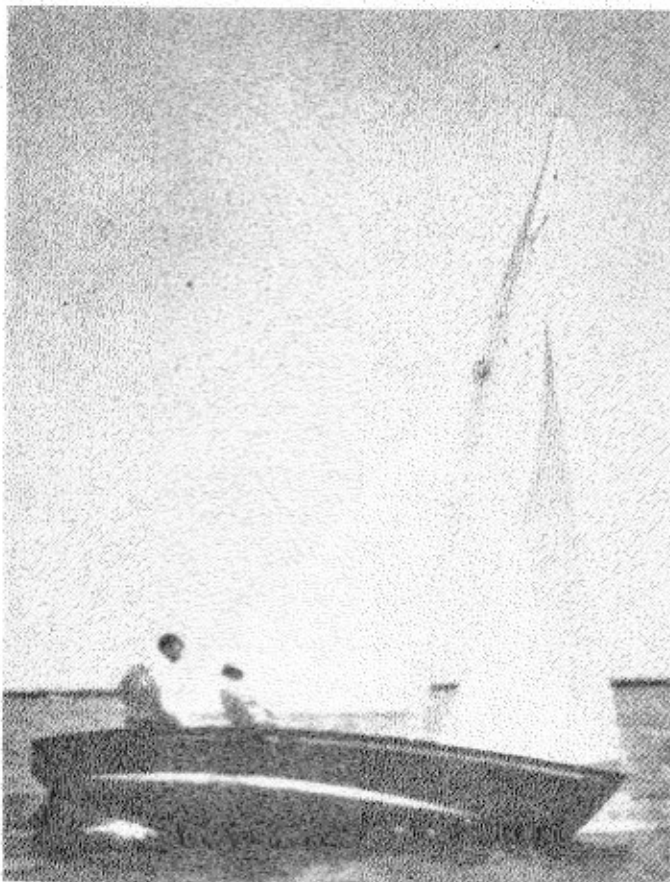
The Saugatuck Yacht Club had a very successful racing year in 1961. The club had its usual three series of races, the Saturday series, the Wednesday series, and the Commodore's Regatta. An excellent year of expansion was also part of the activities at the Saugatuck Yacht Club.

The Saturday series, sailed on the Kalamazoo Lake, was as exciting as it was eventful, taking place for eight weeks and having two races each Saturday. Kathy Kindred won first place in "Passer" (6031) in spite of the fact that her pink boat had to be hauled and temporarily patched midway through the season. Second place was won by Skip Martens in "Phfft" (4945), who after a bad start in the beginning of the season advanced steadily in the fleet standings. Sky Suydam in "Skydammit" (5345) finished third one point ahead of Pete Hansman in "Trim" (6977). The remainder of the fleet gave strong competition throughout the entire season.

The Wednesday series, which is primarily for the members under twenty-one, saw many hard fought races during the eight weeks of racing. Char Dallach grabbed first place, sailing her uncle's boat "Trim", after a long battle with Robert Green, who sailed the Martenses boat "Phfft". Green, at the end of the season, took an honorable second. Third place was taken by Sky Suydam in "Skydammit". One exception to the under twenty-one age limit was Mr. Robert E. Woodhams, who sails the Chartreuse (his daughter's choice of color) "Touche", gave the entire fleet rough competition and placed high in the final standings.

The season ended with the traditional Commodore's Regatta, which consists of three races in which each skipper sails three other boats in the fleet. Ann Woodhams sailed away with the cup this year by skippering three very good races.

Many improvements were made around the Saugatuck Yacht Club this year, such as an addition to the club house, a better driveway, and a floating dock. Many thanks should be given to the Commodore William Rininga, his wife, and the rest of the officials who helped make the 1961 season for the Saugatuck Yacht Club one of the most successful yet!



Champion Tom Hyland and wife Peggy in *Bad News*

RICHMOND COUNTY YACHT CLUB (295)

Metropolitan District

Sailing on New York Lower Bay & Raritan Bay,
Great Kills, N. Y.

Fleet Captain	Mark Milnes
Fleet Secretary	Courtenay Milnes
Fleet Champion	Tom Hyland
Runner-Up	Mark Milnes, Jr.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
423		Ray Zickle
897	Cotton Maid	Fred Dickson
2230	Ballerina	Jack Hearn
3602	Sweet Lelani	Frank Hammond
3670	Trade Winds	George Dukes
3975	Wounded Knee II	Dan McDonnell & Len Sutter
4416	Jester	Mickey Gale
5432	Bad News	Tom Hyland
5433	Fi Fo	Wes Braisted
5762	Kool Kat	Mark Milnes, Jr.
6101	Avenger	Jerry Carolan

Fleet #295 has *Bad News* this year and *Bad News* travels fast as everyone soon found out after Tom Hyland joined the group. This, his first year in Lightnings, he not only walked off with all of the club trophies, but captured the Raritan Bay Association series as well. A thorn in the side of some of the old salts was

14 year old Mark Milnes, Jr. who took over the tiller of the family boat, *Kool Kat*, and placed second for the year. Sweet Lelani was back in racing shape after suffering considerable damage in last year's Hurricane Hazel and was ably sailed by Rear Comdr. Frank Hammond to maintain third place.

The Richmond County Yacht Club open Regatta, sailed in light air under a merciless sun, ended in a tie for first with Frank Hammond placing third. One of the innovations this year was a boat swap race which was intended to settle some of the arguments which take place at the club bar. It seems only to have added fuel to the fire, but was great fun. In this event lots were drawn for the boats. Frank Hammond finished first in *Kool Kat*, Tom Hyland was second in *Sweet Lelani*, and Dan McDonnell came in third in *Jester*. Another special race which has become a tradition is the ladies' day race held on Labor Day. In this race which provided one of the most exciting finishes of the season Doris Hutton won in *Jester* and Inez Dickson in *Cotton Maid* finished inches ahead of Grace Hammond in *Sweet Lelani*.

This Lightning fleet is growing. We started the season with two new boats, Tom Hyland's *Bad News* and Mickey Gale's *Jester* and we have two new boats ready to sail next year, George Duke's *Trade Winds* and Jerry Carolan's *Avenger*. We have stimulated a lot of interest in sailing at our club, particularly among the young members. We think this is due primarily to the spirit of good fellowship, our group enjoys and our attitude that sailing should be fun.

Besides excellent sailing waters, Fleet 295 also boasts one of the most efficient and by far the most charming race committees to be found anywhere. Every race finds Emily Reynolds, June Berra, Doris Thompson and Mildred Casazza natively turned out in "sailing blues" and in command of the situation.

All in all it was a great year for the Lightnings with the weather providing a variety of conditions from sudden violent squalls for thrills to drifters to try a man's skill and patience. The social life of the fleet kept pace with the racing schedule and the season should provide pleasant conversation around the fire-place all winter.

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	William Collet
Fleet Secretary	Bill Mullens
Fleet Champion	Gordon Reabe
Runner-Up	Paul E. Vardeman, Jr.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
191		Orvid V. Owsley
772	Roll and Go	Robert Kendrick
1270	Chon Coune	Robinson Douglas
1301		Lewis A. Dysart & Frederick D. Lewis
1787	Work Pau	Robert M. Hoover & Wm. F. Hoover
1801	Black Jack	Andy Brown
2246	Gee Gee	Earl Stone
2715	Alibi	Bruce Brand & Wood Mathews
2883	Sans Souci	Jim S. Dart
2888	Connie	James S. Cambron
3339	Black Duck	George H. Gurley
3457	Imshoe	Walter J. Stauffer and Dr. George W. Wise
3465	Wanderer	Paul E. Vardeman, Jr.
3718	Luffer Boy	William Collet
4002	Hope	Lynn V. Bowman
4483	Brenda J	Dr. Charles E. Nickson, Jr.
5083	Firecracker	Dr. Albert Preston
5124	Merry Gail	Dean Arnold
5203		Jeff A. Perky
5426	Sheba	Herman Frietsch
5472	G Whiz	James Nicol
5705		Porter T. Hall II
6060	Echo	Joseph F. Caresio
6408		Dr. Tom Sullivan
6464	Hi-Hopes	Carrol C. Kennett
6608	Able Annie	Donald G. Skouse
6706	Widgeon	Bill Mullens
7043	Sunbeam	Charles S. Dalman
7481		James E. Daugherty
7551	Rutchen II	C. W. Arnold
7626	Noekk	Gordon F. Reabe
		Elliott Norquist & Helena Norquist