

METEDECONK RIVER FLEET (34)

Central Atlantic District

Based on Metedeconk River, Metedeconk, N. J.

Fleet Captain	Charles E. Starkey
Fleet Secretary	James G. Carson
Fleet Champion	Charles Starkey
Runner-Up	James J. Daley

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
178	Leilani	William C. Kalning
381	Flying Cloud III	W. Burke
3107	Daisy-Belle	W. B. Bradbury
4919	One Hoss	Roy Huggins
5400	Shay II	Eleanor K. Guyon
5722	Jim Dandy	James Daley
5990		Jerry O'Laughlin
6416	Brand X	Arthur Nichols
6557	Zig-Zag	Carol Kern
8484	Trident II	James G. Carson

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DALLAS CORINTHIAN FLEET (35)

Texas District

Based on White Rock Lake, Dallas, Texas

Fleet Captain	Dr. S. Roy Newman
Fleet Secretary	Carl Abbey
Fleet Champion	Richard G. Fagin
Runner-Up	Dr. S. Roy Newman

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
535	Driftalong	Paul McElroy, Don Marquis and Tom Watson
1486	Ebb Tide	Clark D. Beverly
2147		Irwin Grossman
3519	Dream Queen	Willis McQueen
3640	Wild Cat	Richard G. Fagin
3909		John Waskom, III
4653		Harold F. Boss
4838	Golden Eagle	Fred C. Martens
4893	Boss Hoss	Edward D. Cobb
5142	Win Some	A. A. "Ted" Treadway
5219	For-Sail	Dr. S. Roy Newman
5534	Ole	Robert B. Glatter
5656	Kaprice	Milton E. Price
6964	Chaparral	James R. Moss
8277		J. J. Arps & K. Marshall Fagin

The 20th racing season of the Dallas Corinthian Lightning Fleet turned out to be one of the most active, in terms of participation, the fleet has seen in some years.

Three skippers entered their boats in the Dallas Corinthian Yacht Club Regatta (Lake Dallas) and the Fort Worth Boat Club Regatta, to get the season off to an early start. Both clubs proved superb hosts.

Two separate race series were established this year for a total of 32 races—16 per series. To determine the Fleet Champion and Runner-up, total points for both series were used. Trophy winners of the first series were: first place A. A. "Ted" Treadway with Willis M. McQueen in runner-up position. McQueen is Commodore of the Corinthian Sailing Club of Dallas. In the second series four trophies were awarded due to the greater number of qualifications. Richard G. Fagin, with his able crew of brothers, established himself as the skipper to beat in 1963. While fighting to hold first place in a race, brother Don climbed the mast to free a spinnaker halyard, the other brothers hiking far out to keep Wild Cat from capsizing. Competing skippers were undecided whether to disqualify them for carrying extra "canvas" aloft or to accede to their fine sailing ability. Fleet Captain Dr. Sylvan R. Newman fought for a hard won second place with Milton E. Price close behind in third place. Co-skippers K. Marshall Fagin and Jan Arps with the Fleet's newest Lightning, a glass boat, placed fourth. Contemplating the purchase of a new suit of sails they plan to give the fleet some real competition next season.

The club held a moonlight balloon hunt in July with boats of all fleets entered. A racing start found all boats jockeying for

a clear run down White Rock Lake. Much shouting, tacking, and confusion took place in the dim light when crews arrived in the stake out area, and everyone had an hilariously good time. Skippers preselected a balloon color (there being three different colored balloons to choose from) and prizes were awarded to the first skippers to bring in three balloons of the preselected color. The balloons were filled with air and carried a suspended lead weight to keep them from blowing out of the lake prematurely. As it turned out some skippers dropped their sails and paddled ashore to recover balloons that did get blown ashore before the hunt was over. A watermelon feed followed the race.

The Fleet gained some new members during the season and also lost a few. It was a net gain, however, bringing the total number of Lightnings to 15. New skippers welcomed into the fleet were: Jan Arps, Clark Beverly, Dick Fagin, and Jim Moss. Jim was Fleet Secretary of Fleet No. 252 last year.

Co-skippers Arps and Fagin, and Dick Fagin in the renamed Scissor Bill previously owned by his father, competed in the District Championships at Lake Dallas in July, but neither brought home any hardware.

Fleet 35 was sparked this year by the enthusiastic and concerted efforts of Fleet Captain Dr. Newman. We hope next season will prove even more exciting and competitive. Post season races were held by some of the hard core skippers and crews. An Open House was held at the Fleet Captain's home in November to refresh the season's fiasco and award trophies to skippers and crew members.

PYMATUNING YACHT CLUB (36)

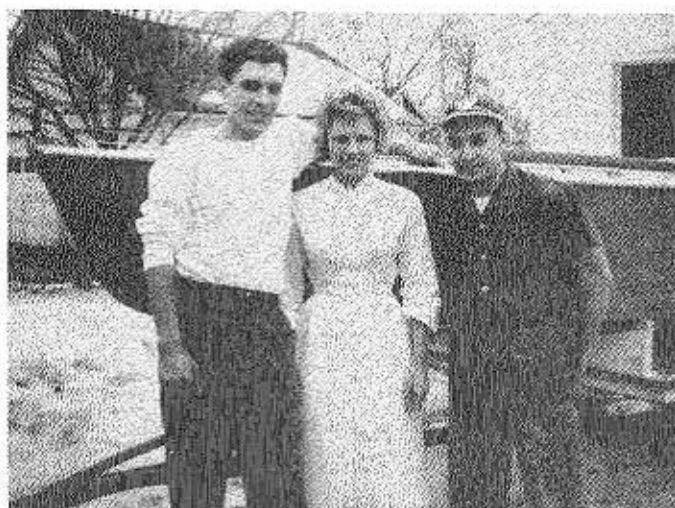
Ohio-Indiana District

Based on Pymatuning Lake, Jamestown, Pa.

Fleet Captain	Frank Hornby
Fleet Secretary	Len Baker
Fleet Champion	Chuck Maltbie
Runner-Up	Frank Hornby

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
183		Joe Redding
561		Bob Harrison
676	Timlin	Edgar Moran
677	Seng-rida	Ray Seng
1806		Ken Finney
1919	Spray II	W. W. Legstrom
2706	Fade	Frank Hornby
2805	Mistral	John Swartz
2916	Hypo-Hattie	Ed Lininger
3845	Flap Happy	Donald Blasier
4282		James Wagstaff
4357	Norma J.	William Loch
4652	Hittin' Miss	George Prince
4774	Hustler	Herbert Smith
5032	Betsy-Marie	J. A. Hutcheson
5048	Kid-Nap	Paul Knapp
5110	Susanne	Horace Yates
5135	Sabra	Robert Hindson
5311	Spook	Eugene Harmon
5313	Mid-Rick	Richard Shannon
5323	Cigan II	Fred Lange
5338	Witch II	Len Baker
5580	Golden Girl	H. E. Johnson
5991	Poken	Kenneth Sharretts, M.D.
6053		Leonard Pepkowitz
6505	Gael	Al Thompson
6530	Miss-Fit	Jim Davis
6661	Way-Wass-I-Mo	B. F. Hawn
6682	Thizizit	Jack Simpson
6969	Debbie D.	Frank Cavanaugh
7320	Ruler II	Jon Ruhlman
7649	Rebel	Dave Williams
7904		John Willoughby
8330	Hot Canary III	Chuck Maltbie

Season Results: George Prince 1st—Bob Harrison 2nd—Hilde-mar Johnson 3rd—Don Blasier 4th! New and unfamiliar names on the 1963 winners list at PYC where the fearsome foursome of Maltbie, Ruhlman, Hornby, and Knapp has held sway for 10 these many years! The new names on the winning roster were the result of the two-division system of scoring initiated this year by Fleet 36 which generated competition throughout the fleet, stirred



George Prince and crew members, Jim Rushin and Gerry Nagy

many a post-race hassle, and generally rejuvenated Lightning fleet enthusiasm during the past season.

After much pre-season discussion pro and con, it was decided to try the two-division system for one season so that results might be assessed in terms of building racing participation on the part of some of the less experienced skippers and others that have not had a chance at the hardware due to the tight competition in the past among the top third of the fleet. The ground rules for the summer competition were laid out as follows: The season would be split in half, the first half being devoted to an "Early-Bird" series of open competition due to the history of relatively few racing skippers participating during the first month or so. During the second half of the season, the Lightning Fleet would be split into two divisions, a Red Division consisting of twelve races to determine the Fleet Championship and a Green Division comprised of less experienced skippers sailing for their own series awards and championship.

Participation in either division was left to the discretion of the individual skippers on a voluntary sign-up basis which, surprisingly enough, resulted in no apparent inequities. So as not to lose the valuable experience of large fleet starts, both divisions hit the line simultaneously and competed throughout each race as a single fleet. For identification purposes, the Red Division flew identifying ribbons from their backstays but this was found to be unnecessary after a few races. Finishes were recorded by the Race Committee on a boat-for-boat basis and were separated out by boat number for purposes of posting standings following each race.

The success of the two-division system in encouraging active participation on the part of the less experienced skippers was readily apparent. Although overall fleet participation did not show any spectacular change during this first year of trial, the participation of novice skippers in fleet racing activities markedly increased, and overall enthusiasm for Lightning participation is expected to increase further next year with a continuation of the two-division program.

As usual, competition among the top contenders for the Fleet Championship was extremely keen with the added ingredient of embarrassment when Green Division boats found their way up into the top ranks of the Red Division at the finish line. At the beginning of the twelve race championship series, Paul Knapp took an early lead, having appropriated Chuck Malbie's ace spinnaker man, Bob Baumgardner, as a regular crew member! It soon became apparent, however, that Frank Hornby, having won the Early-Bird series, intended a serious bid for the Fleet Championship and with wife Connie and E. L. Caldwell fast becoming a well co-ordinated crew, gave increasing indication that FADE was the boat to beat for top-spot honors. To add to the confusion of these rapidly changing standings, Jon Ruhlman was keeping RULER II in top contention with the able assistance of crew Wendy and Eleanor Hawn. Having lost sister Barbara to the professional stage, Wendy proved that she was second to none in spinnaker handling and soon had mother Eleanor trained to perfection. To the great surprise of no one, however, it was Chuck Malbie who led the field when the final results were in. Having experienced some trouble in the early races of the series, Chuck finally got the kinks worked out of his new HOT CANARY III and proceeded to clean up in the closing races. Overall results for the 1962 Fleet 36 Championship were as follows:

Position	Boat Number	Skipper	Points
1	8330	Chuck Malbie	74
2	2706	Frank Hornby	72
3	7320	Jon Ruhlman	71
4	5048	Paul Knapp	70
5	1919	Bill Legstrom	49

In the Green Division Championship, George Prince consistently stayed at or near the top spot to maintain a clear lead throughout the season. Under the provisions of the Fleet 36 two-division racing system, George, as winner of the Green Division, must race next season in the Red Division and there is no doubt that he will be a top contender since many races of the past season saw him finishing with the leaders of the Red Division. In his first full active season of racing with his present Lightning, Bob Harrison did an outstanding job with the aid of seven-year-old son Robbie as a regular crew member. Hy Johnson and Jim Wagstaff both turned in remarkable performances for not having completed the minimum number of races under the 2/3 option scoring system. Results of the Green Division Series were as follows:

Position	Boat Number	Skipper	Points
1	4652	George Prince	45
2	561	Bob Harrison	32
3	5580	Hilde Johnson	32
4	3845	Don Blasier	27
5	4282	Jim Wagstaff	22

The twelve-race Early Bird Series in which the entire fleet participated was dominated by Hornby, Knapp and Ruhlman, the final results being as follows:

Position	Boat Number	Skipper	Points
1	2706	Frank Hornby	165
2	5048	Paul Knapp	162
3	7320	Jon Ruhlman	160
4	1919	Bill Legstrom	145
5	2805	John Schwartz	139

The annual Fourth of July Regatta was a great success as usual, drawing not only boats from other Fleets in the Ohio-Indiana District but from Fleets as far away as Michigan and New York. Aside from the first day which was a bit lighter than desirable, the weather was nearly perfect and John Mueller and company from Cleveland Yacht Club walked off with top honors. Visiting yachtsmen were duly impressed with the newly enlarged facilities for dry sailing including 1800 square yards of paved boat-parking area and two adjacent electric hoists.

The O-I Districts at Put-In-Bay were attended by Malbie, Hornby, Ruhlman, and Williams, with Chuck and Frank ending up among the qualifiers for the North American Championship at Point Abino. In the subsequent eliminations, both PYC Lightning skippers did a fine job with Chuck Malbie garnering an eighth place overall in the final standings.

At a Fleet meeting held at the end of the season, Len Baker was elected Fleet Captain and George Prince was elected Fleet Secretary with Frank Hornby and Al Thompson appointed to head up the Race Committee for the coming season. To further stimulate Fleet enthusiasm, a mid-season cocktail-and-dinner party, with meeting following, was held by Lightning skippers and their wives on December 1. This turned out to be a roaring success with over sixty people attending, which is more than four times the participation we have enjoyed at regular Fleet meetings during the past few years. After dinner, the wives were packed off to another house to indulge in some planned entertainment in the form of gift-wrapping instructions from Len Baker's wife, Sue, who happens to be a professional in the art, while the men got down to the serious business of planning the racing schedule and ground rules for the coming season. This turned out to be a highly-charged session with much discussion from the floor. It's surprising what a few martinis and a good dinner will do to stimulate competitive enthusiasm! In fact, it worked out so well that before the evening was through, another similar meeting had been planned for early March in the hopes that the competitive spirit generated will carry right on into the 1963 racing season.

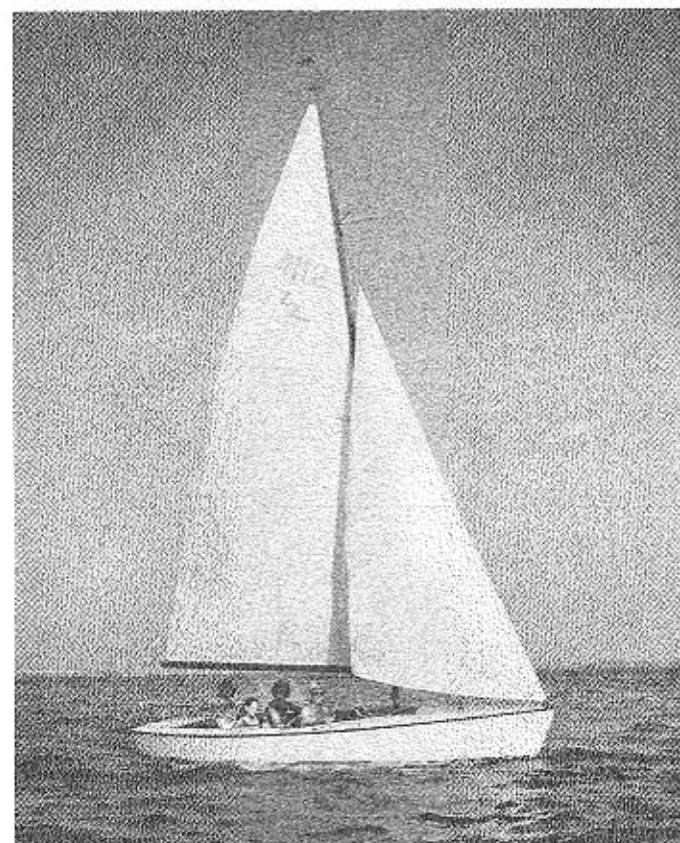
SHEEPSHEAD BAY FLEET (38)

Greater Long Island Sound District

Based at Miramar Yacht Club in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Fleet Captain	Marvin Becker
Fleet Secretary	Ralph Granowitz
Fleet Champion	Sherman Leonard
Runner-Up	Jack Greenberg

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1221		Bob Levin
1927	Panic II	Gordon Moore
2231	Ollie Oops	Olive Alpert
3506	My Gal II	Al Fine
4018	Juniper	Joseph J. Faraone & Paul Moskowitz
4112	Putti-Tat	Ralph Granowitz
5358	Kahina	Sam Kadish
5696	Eclair	Jack Schwartz
6798	Touche	Lawrence Fretts
6925	Adams Rib	Marvin Becker & Stan Finkelstein
7156	Scamp	Paul Shomer
7359	Five Star	Jack Greenberg
7907	Joppa	Sherman Leonard



PUTTI-TAT with skipper Ralph Granowitz and his charming harem, wife, Rose and daughters, Ann and Susan.

This season was a long and eventful one for the fleet, though everyone does acknowledge that the season is never long enough. There was more participation by more boats in more races than in many a bygone year. There are high hopes that the same racing spirit will continue for the forthcoming year.

Last Year's Fleet Champion wound up in first place again, but not without really working for it. Jack Greenberg and the team of Becker & Finkelstein were breathing down the Champ's neck throughout the season. "Ollie" Alpert took time off during the racing season to get married and the Fleet members were hard pressed to find the logic. Oh well, what can you expect from girls?

If grim determination were to be rewarded, Sam Kadish would waltz off with all the hardware. Even with his leg in a massive plaster cast that boy was out there racing. Poorly perhaps, but, racing anyway. The unmarried co-skippers of the Juniper, Joe Faraone & Paul Moskowitz, had difficulty throughout the racing season getting their boat out to the starting line on time. They have a preference for night-time contests.

Besides the coveted Fleet Trophies, Miramar Yacht Club furnishes trophies to the winners of two special regattas. In the Lobel Memorial Regatta of July 1st, the winner's trophy was captured by Larry Fretts, Jr. Second and third place were taken by Jack Greenberg and Paul Shomer, respectively. In the Bachman Invitation Regatta of August 12th the winner's trophy went to Jeff Greenberg, with Sherman Leonard receiving the runner-up award.

The final standings of the season for the top five boats are as follows:

Joppa	Sherman Leonard	1820 pts.
Five Star	Jack Greenberg	1610 pts.
Adams Rib	Becker-Finkelstein	1570 pts.
Juniper	Faraone-Moskowitz	1305 pts.
PUTTI-TAT	Ralph Granowitz	1300 pts.

CHELSEA YACHT CLUB (39)

Metropolitan District

Sailing on the Hudson River at Chelsea, N.Y.

Fleet Captain	Marvin H. Schwab
Fleet Secretary	Richard M. Armstrong
Fleet Champion	Carver C. Dumke
Runner-Up	Charles D. Nitchie

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
821	Bantry	Edward P. Waters
1024	Static	Charles D. Nitchie
1083	L'Eclair	Edward L. Hoe
1308	Tumbleweed	N. Phillip Randall
1495	Cougar	Marvin M. Schwab
1900	Fiesta II	Henry J. Abreu
2808	Mist	Hugh N. Ross
5078	Sara E.	Stanley J. Szabronski, Jr.
5153		Walter R. Neidhardt
5193		George E. Turner
5356	Wink	Clinton Urey
5752	Grace's Mink	Gordon L. Kerr
5919	Old Thunder	Richard M. Armstrong
6454		William S. Graff
6549	Snoopy	Alfred R. Vanderploeg
6567	Impulse II	Robert J. Furr
6932	Anesthesia	Carver C. Dumke
7705	Ugliest	Edward G. Matthews
8356	Yknot	Eric F. Fuegel

Fleet 39 continued to increase in activity and boats during 1962. Our fleet increased by 35% and the Chelsea Open Regatta was initiated. Chelsea Yacht Club will continue each year with an open regatta in September. Hear ye, join us each year for this fall season event. CYC also hosted the 1962 Metropolitan District Championship with wind to spare and congratulations to Oliver Filippi from Nyack.

The home racing season began with Memorial Day. Skip Nitchie took 1st with Carver Dumke 2nd and Van Vanderploeg 3rd. Nice going Van. This is Van's first season in a Lightning having sailed a Blue Jay in previous seasons. In the three major Club series races Carver Dumke again captured an overall first. Here are the results:

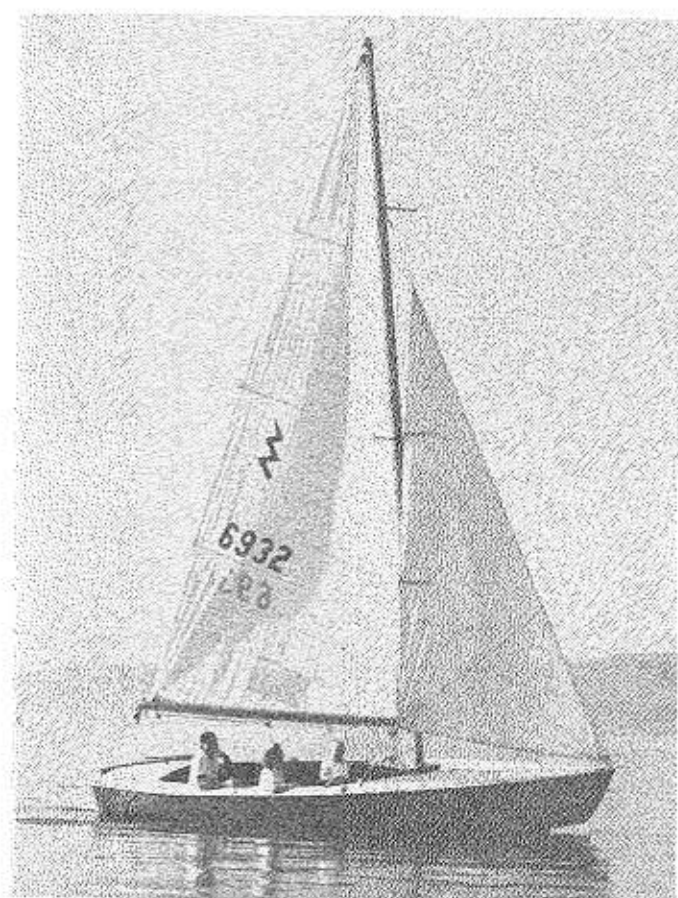
FIRST SERIES	SECOND SERIES	THIRD SERIES
1. Carver Dumke	1. Dick Armstrong	1. Carver Dumke
2. Skip Nitchie	2. Van Vanderploeg	2. Skip Nitchie
3. Van Vanderploeg	3. Bob Furr	3. Bob Furr

Welcoming congratulations are also due Bob Furr who joined the Lightning Fleet this year. Bob had been sailing a Sunfish; he was the one with the pipe and the dry tobacco. Bob also had made a fine showing at the Shattemuc, winning some hardware for his efforts.

The Labor Day Skipper-Crew race was won by Roger Smith with Richard Vanderploeg 2nd and Bob Berray 3rd. This year's Long Distance Race was a windward-leeward course between Chelsea and Poughkeepsie, once around. Dick Armstrong came in 1st with Bob Furr 2nd and Skip Nitchie 3rd. Bob Furr won the Frostbite series while Marv Schwab and Walt Neidhardt finished 2nd and 3rd.

The Chelsea Open Regatta was won by Walter Tripp from Miniscoongo with Carver Dumke coming in 2nd. Other Chelsea skippers in the first ten were Skip Nitchie, Dick Armstrong, Bob Furr, Van Vanderploeg, Ed Matthews, and Jim Urey. We owe Skip Nitchie a vote of appreciation for his constant urging for an annual regatta and his efforts in making it a success.

Lightning skippers have been active both in and out of the racing circuit. Last winter an introductory course in sailing was initiated by Ed Matthews, organized by Dick Armstrong, and taught by several of Chelsea's Lightning skippers. There were 24 students in this class which was given as a part of the Arlington Adult Education Program. On Saturday afternoons during the summer Dick Armstrong and Hugh Ross conducted sailing sessions for Juniors who wanted to learn more about sailing.



Fleet 39 Champion—Carver Dumke

A number of skippers traveled to distant points for races. Skip Nitchie and Sean Szabronski raced at Nysack early in the season. Dick Armstrong substituted for Howard Mullin as Hudson River's representative to the Mallory semi-finals at Annapolis and came in 2nd. (Gardner Cox who won at Annapolis finished 2nd in the finals.) Carver Dumke, Van Vanderploeg, and Marv Schwab went to the Mid-Hudson's at Miniscoe. At Shantemuc a number of the Juniors were in attendance as crew. Racing was Bob Furr, Dick Armstrong, Skip Nitchie, Van Vanderploeg, and Hugh Ross. The close of the season saw Dick Armstrong racing at Quantico.

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BUCKEYE LAKE YACHT CLUB (43)

Ohio-Indiana District
Sailing on Buckeye Lake, Ohio

Fleet Captain..... Earl E. Fisher, Jr.
Fleet Secretary..... Janet M. Fisher
Fleet Champion..... George Fisher
Runner-Up..... Jay Limbaugh

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4865		Sam Hays
5559	Buck	John Schneider
6503		Joe Ourwaite
6906		Lloyd Filer
7147	Pride 'N Joy II	Ed Ballenger
7517	Little Audrey II	Bob Mann
7940	Moss	Jay Limbaugh
8100	Tweedy Too	Tom Davis
8103	Misty	Sam Hays
8121		Tim Fisher
8315	Vagrant	John J. Ranft
8345	Manya	George V. Fisher
		Marty Headlee

The 1962 Season Starts in October 1961.

Fleet Championship Boat Lost.

Fire Wipes out 1/3 of 1961 Fleet.

New Faces and New Boats Are Added.

Buckeye Sees Top Equipment Balance Competition.

The above sentences could singularly or combined comprise the title of our helter-skelter happenings of 1962. I will attempt to marshal the events of our fleet into a logical sequence of time. However, to do this I will have to start in October of 1961.

Tom Davis, who for three years sailed his Tweedy #721 very well, took possession of 8100 in time to sail it for the first time in the 1961 Snowball Regatta. He finished a respectable sixth.

After seeing this Lippincott beauty, Marty Headlee and Tim Fisher were convinced they too needed to splurge. Marty had been a skipper a few years previous to this event, and Tim Fisher was going to sell his 5010 and replace it.

However, including Tom Davis' new boat, 6 new Lippincotts hit the starting line in the spring. An unfortunate October fire at the Columbus Lippincott Company of Columbus cremated Fleet Champion George Fisher's "My Gail", John Ranft's top racing machine "Vagrant", Tim Fisher's 5010 and his new hull which had been just delivered, and others not part of Fleet #43. By the time the smoke had settled, all were furnished with new boats.

Sam Hays bought 8105 Bob Lippincott's Southern Circuit gem and Lloyd Filer purchased Bob Adam's hot "Vagabond" to round out the new faces and new boats.

To summarize the new faces were: Lloyd Filer, Sam Hays, and Marty Headlee. The new boats belonged to: John Ranft, Marty Headlee, Sam Hays, George Fisher, Tom Davis and Tim Fisher. Poor Jay Limbaugh and Bob Mann had old boats of one and two years respectively.

If you are now thoroughly confused, see the author next summer at one of the regattas.

Tim Fisher took delivery of his new Fim in time to make Savannah and St. Pete in February where he met Jay Limbaugh. Because of the plight of the working classes, neither could make the entire Southern Circuit.

There was a very good turn-out in April for the Spring Tune-up Series which were grouped into three sets this year. Standings were as follows:

1st Spring Tune-Up Series—(No races)
2nd Spring Tune-Up Series—(3 races) 1. W. J. Limbaugh, 2. J. Schneider, 3. Robert Mann.
3rd Spring Tune-Up Series—(3 races) 1. Geo. Fisher, 2. Tom Davis, 3. W. J. Limbaugh.

These races are run for the first three week-ends in order that all may have a rugged shakedown; however, there was a good indication that a shake-up was occurring in that new faces were going to steal the limelight this season.

George Fisher had an easy time during the early part of the year when he sailed eight consecutive firsts to win the Spring Championship Series. This series plus the Fall Championship Series were combined to determine the Fleet Championship. Thus it was evident George was on his way again. Jay Limbaugh and John Schneider sailed down to the last race before determining their respective second and third finishes.

Then it was off to the circuit for six week-ends before resuming fleet activity. We as a fleet did well, almost always dominating top positions. I'll let the record speak for itself:

June 16 & 17—Crescent Sail Yacht Club Invitational; John Ranft (only BLYC entrant) was 6th winning one race.

Ohio Interclub Yachting Assn. Championships; Tom Davis was first, Bob Mann 3rd.

June 23 & 24—Buffalo Canoe Club Invitational; George Fisher 2nd.

July 7 & 8—Pymatuning Yacht Club Invitational; Tom Davis.

July 14 & 15—Leatherlips Yacht Club Pow Wow Regatta; Tom Davis first, John Schneider second.

July 21 & 22—Cleveland Yacht Club Tune-Up Regatta; George Fisher 1st, John Schneider 3rd.

July 26, 27 & 28—Ohio Indiana District Championship at Put-In-Bay. George Fisher, 1st. This was his sixth championship in as many years. Tom Davis sailed a brilliant series to finish 3rd. John Ranft came in a proud 4th. Sam Hays, sailing his first Districts rounded out the Qualifiers with a 9th place finish. In 10th place and first alternate position was John Schneider.

We were very proud that 5 of the 10 top boats were Buckeye Lake sailors and especially the showing these boats made at Buffalo for the North Americans. Tom Davis, John Ranft, and George Fisher all sailed in the North Americans and Sam Hays sailed in the Governors Cup. George Fisher was in contention of placing high and finally finished a very good 7th place.

After thousands of miles, we finally came home to finish the 11 race Fall Championship Series. Jay Limbaugh and Marty Headlee started off this series with "upset-itus" in mind and until the final four races were sailed it looked like it might happen. George Fisher put the pressure on and finally captured this series with Jay Limbaugh a close second and new-comer Marty Headlee in a solid third place.

This climaxed the Fleet Championship races and had the familiar faces of George Fisher champion and Jay Limbaugh the runner-up. But, I sincerely believe that these two are going to have it even rougher next season with the intense competitive showing that the remainder of the fleet showed this season.

The Club Championship was sailed by the Fleet Champions and Runners-up of the different classes. The round-robin races were sailed in Highlanders for the Masters Cup. The Lightning Class is again proud of George Fisher and Jay Limbaugh for their fine representation. George Fisher won the Masters Cup in solid style and Jay Limbaugh sailed to the runner-up position.

The Snowball Regatta ended Buckeye Lake's fine season. This has become a must regatta on people's list for the fun, excitement, and sailing. However, this year we failed to have the wind that is usually accompanied in Fall. The party—a huge success. We kept the trophy at Buckeye with George Fisher finishing first.

This winter, we anticipate a greater season next year and look forward to an early start in April. Hope we can write as proudly next year and wish you all the same.

SILVER LAKE FLEET (47)

Lake Erie District

Sailing on Silver Lake, Perry, New York

Fleet Captain	Barney Matteson
Fleet Secretary	Harold C. Parker
Fleet Champion	Harry L. Brown
Runner-Up	Bill Van Arsdale

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
392	Firebird I	Ted Gounlock
515	Impulse	Barney Matteson
829	Nereid	Ralph Traber
935	Were Here	Wales Wasson & George Somerhalder
1616	Paget	W. J. Humphrey
2897	Folly	Jim Caldwell
4737	Ripple	Joe Elias
5147	Cirrus	J. Emens
6254	Spook	Jack Grindler
6693		Carl Lyons
6789	Shot Straight	William G. Van Arsdale
7584	Firebird II	Harry L. Brown
7949	Marcie K	John Willse
8182	AOK	Dr. Ken Bone
8200	Jane II	Charles L. Van Arsdale

Comments from the beach at Silver Lake for the 1962 season: Bill Van Arsdale doing so much trailing this year he lost out in the Fleet Championship Trophy, however he did manage to qualify for the Swap Boat with a win in Carl Lyons new boat. Everyone was excited about the new electric hoist constructed by the members this past season and used to great advantage at the Harvest Regatta in September, over 50 boats entered. As with present day financial planning, a lot of deficit financing went into the new hoist. Actually the hoist does not belong to the club but to The Bank of Castile, or on default to the fleet secretary who under severe coercion signed the note without the consent of his South African Bonding Company.

New blazers and a newly designed Sea Serpent Crest are being proudly worn by the club members this year. Lots of winners with our new trophy and pennant award system and this combined with the handicap set-up compiled by our able racing committee chairman, Wales Wasson, has added a great deal of spirit to the weekly races.

Fleet Champion this year Harry Brown, with Bill Van Arsdale and Ed Willse runners-up. Pennant series, June, Harry Brown; July, Bill Van Arsdale and August, Harry again, with runners-up, Ralph Traber and Carol Caldwell. Bobedict Trophy was taken by Bud Van Arsdale and the Neal Trophy by John Willse. Old Sage Tom Fallon came down to our Harvest Regatta in September only to break a mast on the first day. He was one of many that ran into trouble in the 30 knot plus winds. The second day in a drifter he sailed in the "Topsy" J. Emens boat and after finishing far back in the fleet he promptly condemned the boat as not

being seaworthy and Jay was forced to sell Cirrus. Our new Commodore in his inauguration address promised to run a "Tight" ship this coming 1963 season. I wonder how he means that.

COLUMBIA LAKE SAILING CLUB (49)

Connecticut District

Based on Columbia Lake, Columbia, Conn.

Fleet Captain	Chuck Forbes
Fleet Secretary	Marcia Ferguson
Fleet Champion	David Forbes
Runner-Up	George Pederson

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
518	Pirate	Dr. R. Molt, Jr.
562		George Pederson
668		Mr. Jacobies
690		Dr. R. Chenney
815		C. Randolph Forbes
832		Valentino Clementino
1000	Thunderbolt	Mr. & Mrs. R. Ferguson
2873		Mr. Russell
2877	Reluctant Crew	F. C. Savage
5992		Mr. Carter
6085		Norman Preuss
6618		Mr. Riquer
7410		Paul R. Merrick

The 1962 sailing season went quickly and well. Although there were a few racing days which provided little or no wind, the Lightnings raced nine seasonal races, plus the three regatta races during the Labor Day weekend. Good sportsmanship prevailed throughout the season.

David Forbes won two first place trophies, one for the season, the other for the regatta. Mr. Pederson placed second in the seasonal races and also received a trophy.

Our Fleet Captain for 1963 is Chuck Forbes. The Secretary of the fleet is Marcia Ferguson.

WASHINGTON FLEET (50)

Dixie District

Based on Potomac River

Fleet Captain	Ken Lawyer
Fleet Secretary	Frank Bunch
Fleet Champion	Frank Williams
Runner-Up	Jim Gilbert

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
116	Bit	Douglas Kjellson Jr.
133		Bob Hoppes
134		John E. Gray
288		P. W. Meekins
399	Phoenix	Geoffrey S. Gould
502		Charles D. Chickering
826		Lt. Bruce Paul & Dave Kennelly
1174		Ed Lathan
1228	Lazy Days	Bob Youngquist & Frank Parker
1285	Sensaw	Bainbridge Crist
1440		Kenneth & Rachel Sullivan
1887	Lively Lady	Anthony J. Hervas
2188	Storm Bird	Frank Becker (Sea Scouts)
2693		James B. McCurley
2764	Halcyon	Edgar Z. Steever
3026		George Weitz & Sid Johnson
3129	Flying Scott	Oliver T. Carr
3145	Windward	George Mickum & Henry Ikenberry
3255		Columbia Heights Boys Club
3343		John C. Hoban
3348	Whisper	Harry Goett
3643	Country Girl	Walter H. Whilden, Jr.
3735		Major Bruce Meyers
4403	Rondinella	Ralph G. H. Siu
4430	Little Aggie	Kenneth J. Burkhardt
4589		Robert Lundegard
4968	Eight Ball	Thomas P. Flood
5284		Arthur & Effie Dunstan
5778		Charles Everly

5835		George Pendleton
5918	Goofer	Norman H. Plummer
5964		William T. Peacock
6124		Sherwin Brady
6213	Cestsibon	Reo Duggan
6357	Intrepid	Frank M. Bunch
6401	Anon	Bob & Margery Ware
6428	Teachers Per	James Dillard
6554	Rebel	Robert H. Orr
6614	Pegasus	Saul and Connie Serota
6807	Tot Ziens	Seymour R. Young
6868	Marquita	Comdr. W. C. Galvin
7235	Pipe Dreams	Robert C. Cassidy
7267	Panby	Larry L. Brundred
7294		John E. Soles
7324	Blue Skies	Bill Marshall
7330	Flying Lady	Dr. Wm. E. Bunney, Jr. & IV
7411		Dr. Wm. Pollin
7417		Rome C. Stahl
7421		Norman E. Moore
7438		Dr. William Pelon
7605		Edwin S. Belknap
		Marshall Hornblower & Paul Warnke
7611	Lord Jim	Dr. James B. Gilbert
8096		Jim Fletcher
8375	Blue Skies	Frank P. Williams, Jr.
8420		Rod C. McNeil, Jr.



Fleet 50 Champion—"Here We Go Again"

The 1962 season proved to be Fleet 50's best with many activities, again under the able leadership of Ken Lawyer, drawing a nice turnout and a very successful racing schedule. The end of the year brought the Fleet up to 56 boats which we are proud to say makes Fleet 50 the largest in the Lightning Class Association.

Local racing consisted of a spring series conducted by the Potomac River Sailing Association (PRSA) with Ben Smith (Senator from Mass.) first and Doc Gilbert second. The National Yacht Club sponsored two summer series with the top two boats being Doc Gilbert, Frank Bunch and Marge Ware, Walter Galvin. PRSA again came into the picture with the fall series won by Frank Williams with Doc Gilbert falling into the second slot.

Many of the fleet members found a great deal of pleasure sailing the regatta circuit in the Chesapeake Bay area. Again the hospitality extended was tremendous and greatly appreciated. Our members were not too successful in bringing home the silverware, but the memories and the good times certainly made up for it.

Several weeks of protests and a new boat later Frank Williams shoved off for Buffalo to represent Fleet 50 and the Dixie District in the North American Championships—again no silverware but a wonderful experience.

We finally broke the jinx in the silverware department with a second (Frank Williams) and a third (Doc Gilbert) in the President's Cup Regatta in which Washington hoisted 38 Lightnings, 17 from our own fleet.

Our activities aside from racing proved of great value to many of our members. These included a sailing picnic, Wednesday evening sessions to help familiarize our newer members with sailing

the boat and another evening devoted to stepping a mast and the proper way to rig a Lightning. The tremendous interest expressed in the Lightning was evidenced by the many new members acquired during the season. Those who picked up used boats spent long hours revitalizing them, some were ambitious enough to build their own, Norman Moore, Jim Fletcher and Reo Duggan, while others were able to purchase new ones—Liz and Rod McNeil spent many anxious hours waiting the delivery of 8420 which made it in time for Quantico. Even the Marines jumped on the band wagon and brought their new boat (red and gold naturally) up and joined our schedule of events. All in all a good year with the hopes and outlook for an even better one next year.

Now that the LCA has achieved its long sought goal of being recognized by Olympic standards, giving us a more international flavor, the following thought, although corny, is believed appropriate. Have you heard about the Communist who wanted to get his son into the Yacht Club? . . . So that he would have a red son in the sail set!

CRESCENT SAIL YACHT CLUB (51)

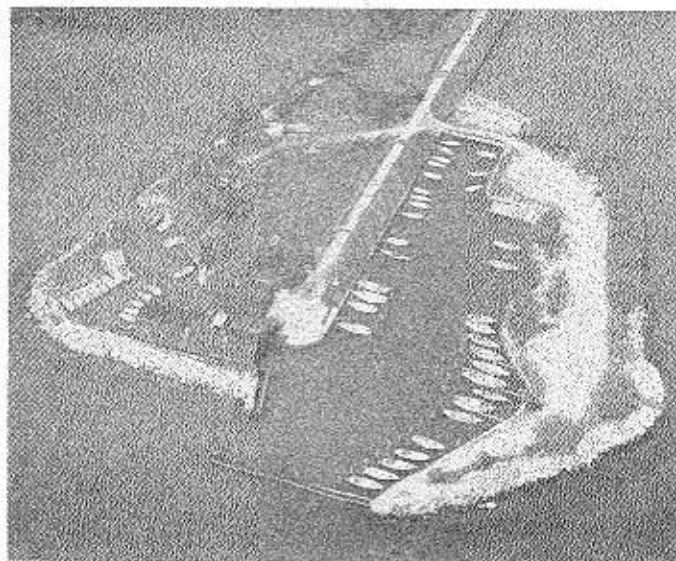
Michigan District

Based on Lake St. Clair,

Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

Fleet Captain	George Grenzke
Fleet Secretary	Jim Kohls
Fleet Champion	Robert Knop
Runner-Up	Charles Ellery

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1821		Chris Groschner
2485	Joaken	Henry Kreider
3583	18955	Dan Lamet
3613	Wet or Dry	Ken Kurtz
5131	Blue Dust	Arthur Rautenburg
6066	XL	Henry J. Cawthra
6280		Richard Drew
6425	Wooden Shoe	Healy Brothers
6550	Chipmunks	Charles T. Ellery
6866		William Beardslee
7388	Grimo	Robert Knop
7576	Scythe	George Grenzke
7614		William Tily
7716		Bob Dallas
7726		Sid Gilliat
7793	Oops	James Kohls
7899	My Sally	Chuck Grant
7964	Corsair	John Lesesne
8251		Donald Snider
8343	Cathy	John Sherry



Crescent Sail Yacht Club—Fleet 51

Henry Cawthra set an early pace for Fleet 51 in 1962 with a fifth place in Savannah and a second place in St. Petersburg. The Detroit River Yachting Association Invitational was the first local Regatta of the season and it was won by H. Cawthra.

The event which created the most enthusiasm was the inauguration of our highly successful Crescent Sail Yacht Club Lighting Invitational in Mid-June. With thirty boats participating, trophies went to H. Cawthra (51), D. Nickels (53), F. Coggan (137), C. Grant (51), H. Nickels (53), in that order. A calypso band, dancing, and a lawn supper added to the festivities.

Fleet 51 fared well in the Michigan District Championship with H. Cawthra first, C. Grant second, J. Kohls fifth; R. Knop and C. Ellery also qualified.

Our own series of fleet races totaled thirty-six with only two races called off due to adverse weather conditions. R. Knop won the Fleet Championship with C. Ellery as Runner-Up.

The Sunday "A" series was won easily by C. Grant with H. Cawthra and C. Ellery placing second and third, respectively.

The Sunday "B" series was taken by R. Knop with J. Lesesne nosing out C. Ellery for second place by a fraction of a point.

The very popular Wednesday Night series was won by H. Cawthra with R. Knop in second place and J. Kohls taking third spot.

Other special trophies captured by Fleet 51 members in the area were the Lightning Squadron Trophy won by J. Lesesne and the D.Y.C. Kendall Trophy won by H. Cawthra.

Our members also participated in the weekly D.R.Y.A. Regattas on Lake St. Clair and received their fair share of the awards.

LAKE FENTON YACHT CLUB (53)

Michigan District

Based on Lake Fenton, Michigan

Fleet Captain	Robert H. Furey
Fleet Secretary	Robert H. Furey
Fleet Champion	Allen & Tomblinson
Runner-Up	David Furey

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
387	Kildeer	Bates & Silers
798	.....	D. Beveridge
804	Knot Our's	Sea Scouts
1250	.....	Jerry Martin
1566	Worry Wart	Robert & William Furey
1654	.....	Leonard Lippincott
1918	.....	Christianson & Klingensmith
2776	Subtle Suds	Jack Rainala
2846	.....	David Walker
4704	.....	General Motors Tech Sailors
5885	Too Bad	Robert Miller
6402	.....	Dr. M. G. Fee
7344	Go Blue	Don Allen & Jim Tomblinson
7877	Blue Star	David Nickels
8004	Ol' Nick	Herman Nickels

For the second year Allen & Tomblinson won the top spot for the season. Dave Furey was second best. With many of our sailors doing a lot of traveling our own racing season was held to a minimum. Our fleet was represented at many of the regattas throughout the Midwest.

We were challenged by the Hamilton Yacht Club in a race series, which was a real man killer. The races were all sailed in one day. Three in Jr. Division and three in Sr. Division. On the over-all point total Lake Fenton was the winner. Next year we are to send our sailors to Hamilton Yacht Club, Canada, to continue this series. A fine time was had by all this year and as this series continues we expect a lot more fun and new acquaintances.

So until the weather is warm and the wind blows free, we'll just say—hope your best year in '63.

PONTIAC YACHT CLUB (54)

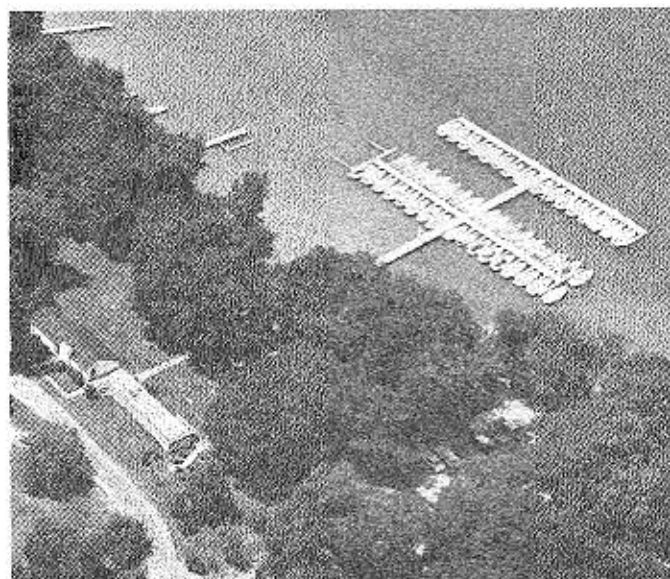
Michigan District

Based on Cass Lake, Mich.

Fleet Captain	Fred Sage
Fleet Secretary	George Bery, Jr.
Fleet Champion	Leo Wasserberger
Runner-Up	Clarence Holman

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
703	Spindrift II	Richard Patterson
835	Princess II	Fred Prince
837	Cass Toff	C. J. Strang
838	Aqua Leta	Neil Wasserberger and Jack Ostrander

839	Catspaw	Richard Beaubien
841	Nautigal	Charles Callahan
857	Beachcomber	Anton & Eugene Bego
1082	So So	Ray Ransom
1315	Maggie Kate	Kenneth Willette
1563	C-Lark	Alex Clark
1790	Margaret-Ann	Enar West and Dr. Ralph Wigent
1816	Bob-Bet	Stephen Collier
1820	Whim	Donald Harrison
2884	Aftermath	J. A. Goulding
3433	Marlinda	Dave Barton
4947	Gizmo	Claude Bennett
5090	Can Do	Ralph Behler and Burt Bouwkamp
5266	Imp	Samuel L. Dibble
5299	.....	Earnest Scherer
5517	Goblet	Ken Bonnett
5518	Youngster	Donald Young
5665	Sabre	Kenneth Raymond
5770	Wood Work	Harold Dudley
5793	Sea Jay	Dr. James H. Van Doren
6132	Boat	Alton & Jerry Gray
6363	Bonbon	Bill Wiggins
6392	.....	Sheldon Kavielf & Claude Bennett
6611	Cro-Cus	Robert Plew
6966	Heymable	Dr. Kenneth Wood
7048	.....	Al Oberson
7204	Marlyn	Gene MacCracken
7300	Triagan	Dr. Floyd Arnold
7335	T Square	Carl Marr
7356	Polaris II	Phil Miller
7360	Mach II	John Seaton
7407	Susurrid	Paul Rich
7439	Buccaneer	Charles Buck
7502	Escape II	Robert Flack
7577	.....	Andre Roualet
7652	Si O2	Paul Goode
7663	Beats Me	Ralph Johnson
7676	Gusto	Mac Goodwin
7700	Veloz	Phil Smith
7818	Ptyghur	Dr. Leo Wasserberger
7959	Flip	Les Huntwork
8145	.....	Fred Cowin
8228	.....	Clarence Holman



Pontiac Yacht Club—Clubhouse and Dock

The picture shows our forty-seven boats nestled in their slips, the Club house and shaded grounds at Cass Lake. It recalls the fun and excitement of the forty-five races held during the summer. We usually had twenty boats in a race, with some races having twenty-seven boats on the line. Fleet Captain Ken Bonnett kept things moving efficiently all year.

The season got off to a rather brisk start on May 7th, with a fine 25-30 mph wind out of the north to greet the skippers, who were still shaking the moth balls from their sails. Two didn't remember their heavy air techniques and went over in water which had the ice barely out of it.

We enjoyed being host at the Third P.Y.C. White Cap Regatta on September 22nd, with forty-six boats racing. Twenty-two visitors attended. After a rainy morning, an hour's postponement and a six-mile-an-hour wind, which went down to zero for one-half hour, the race was won by Herm Nickels. The wind improved for the second race, won by George Nickels, and the third race was won by Ken Lindsay. Silver bowls were awarded the first five places and were won by our visitors. First place, Herm Nickels, second place, Wes Wedrick, third place, George Nickels, fourth place, Jim Grant, and fifth place, Jim Harrison.

Besides competing in our own races, some of our skippers traveled to race at Traverse City, Higgins Lake, Gull Lake and Devil's Lake, Bayview, the Red Flannel in Chicago and St. Pete. We want to send a collective "Thanks" for the hospitality and excellent racing at all of these Clubs.

Phil Smith was first at Higgins, while Al Grey took a third at Devil's Lake. Leo Wasserberger won at Traverse City with Phil Smith second and Claude Bennett took third.

We sent twelve boats to the Michigan District's where Leo Wasserberger (PYC) placed third. Leo further distinguished himself by placing twelfth at the Internationals.

Our Junior program was well attended by forty-five juniors under the direction of Pete Goebel.

Quite a few skippers gave their crews a chance to demonstrate their swimming ability. These included Seaton, Roualet, Behler, Bouwkamp, Dick Wood, George Bery, Jr. and Ernie Scherer.

There were many of us who did not gather hardware, but did enjoy a fine, exciting season. Yes, it can be exciting to get ninth place or sixteenth place by three feet, and in many races only a few minutes separated the winner from tenth boat! We'll be back to try it again next year.

The Ray Ransom Best Sportsman's Trophy (by vote) was awarded Mac Goodwin and the Most for Club Trophy to Ken Bonnett, Sr.

The Most Improved Skipper (Holman Cup) was awarded to Ken Bonnett, Jr.

Other trophies awarded at our annual banquet went to the following:

Championship:	L. Wasserberger, C. Holman, A. Roualet
Commodore:	R. Flack, Ken Bonnett, Jr., R. Asburg
Challenge:	J. Grey, Ken Cowen, D. Barron
Sunday Series:	J. Seaton, M. Goodwin, A. Roualet
Nite Owl:	M. Goodwin, J. Grey, Behler, Bouwkamp
Snow Ball:	M. Goodwin, A. Roualet, R. Wood
P.Y.C. Intra-Club:	L. Wasserberger, A. Roualet, J. Seaton
Wasserberger Cup:	M. Goodwin, A. Roualet, K. Bonnett, Jr.
Jr. Sailing Champion:	K. Bonnett, Jr.

LITTLE NECK BAY FLEET (55)

Western Long Island Sound District

Based on Little Neck Bay, Long Island, N.Y.

Fleet Captain Joseph Leggiadro, Jr.

Fleet Secretary Lillian F. Clark

Fleet Champion Branko Cerineo

Runner-Up George F. Ascherl

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1045	Tin-Guin	Jim Wright III
2722	Dark Horse	Frank Newcomb
2958	Cassie II	Maxwell Eichenwald
3432	The Virus	Arthur & Joan Schwartz
5195	Five Cents	Win Nichols
5361	Anna	Joe Leggiadro, Jr.
5500	Guess Again	Edward J. McMullin
6329	Bijou	Branko Cerineo
6865	Rebel	Arnold Feinsilber
7153	Megs	George Ascherl
7260	Skylark	Harry Bell
7444	Coriolis	Neal Diepeveen
7675	Chaos	Albert (Skip) Duryea
7872	Tiffin	Norman Lipkins

As usual, Fleet 55 Championship Season was divided into three Series, totaling 32 races, comprising the first—SHAKE DOWN, the second—NO ALIBI, each with 10 races, and the final—LAST CHANCE Series of 12 races.

Trophies were awarded to the three top performers for each Series and also for the Championship which results from best performance in the total scheduled races in the Season.

In a Fleet of 14 boats, most enjoyed some activity, but the keenest competition was among the top five, none of whom it soon



Fleet 55 Champion—B. Cerineo in Bijou

developed, could afford to miss a race. Winners were as follows:

Shake Down	No Alibi	Last Chance	Season
1. BIJOU	1. MEGS	1. BIJOU	1. BIJOU
2. MEGS	2. CORIOLIS	2. CHAOS	2. MEGS
3. CORIOLIS	3. BIJOU	3. MEGS	3. ANNA

Let anyone be misled by this tabulation, it is only fair to say that CHAOS, whose "2. LAST CHANCE" appears rather insignificant, had the highest performance percentage of the entire Fleet. The 18 races in which she started were insufficient to qualify her for a fleet championship trophy under our 75% participation requirement. The sad story is that the United States Coast Guard would not let her skipper skip all the weekend work details in Virginia. However, CHAOS was the winner in our Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound Championship, in which only 60% participation is required.

The relative standings for Championship trophies of MEGS, CORIOLIS and ANNA were entirely indeterminate until the LAST CHANCE series was nearly ended, practically 'till the last gun was fired. See what we mean by hot competition?

BIJOU finally did what she might have done last year had she been more careful about getting those little red flags waved in her face. She pulled out ahead during the latter part of the season and finished Champ by a comfortable margin. BIJOU was second to CHAOS for our Y.R.A. of L.I.S. Season Championship. She was the winner of the Bayside Yacht Club Lightning Championship. Salute, BIJOU!

CORIOLIS was leading ANNA practically to the end of the season and lost by a whisker at the finish. We guess those cute spinnaker hands wearing the orange jackets were still a bit too small. A little time will fix that; so look out for them next season!

ANNA hit her stride late but was doing well for herself at the end. She made the season's third by a whisker. And was top boat and her skipper top dog (sea-dog) in our post-season Round Robin. Less Spit'n Polish and earlier tune-up is the doctor's prescription for this combo.

MEGS was in there pitching every series. She was in the money in five of our six contests—2nd in SHAKE DOWN—1st NO ALIBI—2nd Fleet Championship—3rd Bayside Y/C Champion-

ship and 3rd YRA of LIS Little Neck Championship. Nothing like hard work for the muscles, boys! Keep it up, MEGS, and you'll make it yet; but beware of too many skippers in the same boat!

Space does not permit touching upon all the high lights; but we think that honorable mention should go to GUESS AGAIN—FIVE CENTS—DARK HORSE and CASSIE II for some good hard tries. A grade school motto told us: "TRY NEVER WAS BEATEN". You have only to keep it up, boys.

Two of our boats—SKYLARK and FIVE CENTS qualified for upside-down cups. Some think the poor skippers deserved better treatment from their steeds.

The news has it that our famous lady skipper, having produced enough kids for a championship crew, will soon be back on the starting line with THE VIRUS. B'Cracky, looks like the sure way—train—up the spinnaker hands from the cradle! Never could figure before why she'd give up sailing to get married.

For the first time in history, our Rules, Protest and Appeals Committee has never been called to crawl out of the straw and go to work. The boys must be getting education—or learning forbearance.

We hope this winter may not pass without a good series of skull-sessions on Rules and Tactics. We bid all who love the King of Sports to join us if they hope to beat us. Come one, come all, we specialize in teaching Kings, Jacks and Queens—or just land-lubbers—to sail and race. You'll never get more for your money. The dues are five dollars a year.

BURNHAM PARK YACHT CLUB (56)

Midwest District

Based on Lake Michigan, Chicago, Ill.

Fleet Captain	Lincoln Maher
Fleet Secretary	Arthur Orlowski
Fleet Champion	Arthur Wong
Runner-Up	Ronald Blair

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
610	Paralus	Dan Hayes
726	No Name	Richard Hoerger
2984	Shefst	Don Sheldon
3619	Sugar Baby	Joe Wesolowski
4341	Blixi	Edward Wright
6032	Patrel	Bob Logelin
6039	Mickie II	Dan & Frank Hubbell
6069	Skimmer	Leonard Nieman
6225	Misty	Ray Teborek
6775	Slow Poke	Ray Brady
6935	U 2nd	Jack Friedman
7327	Arleen	Art Sima and Art Wong
7504	Cookie III	Bill Paine
7701	Wong Number	Frank Day
7784	Dot-N-Line	Lincoln Maher
7846	Bowfin	Art Orlowski
7898	Sawbones	Dr. B. Yaffe
7903	Mal de Mere	Bob Erickson & Al Chilenskas
8303	Tiki	Ronald Blair
No Boat		Abe Jacobs

The Championship Series standings did not change this year with Art Wong again in first place, Ronnie Blair in second, but they were given some keen competition by the team of Al Chilenskas and Bob Erickson who hammered them, especially in light winds.

The winds throughout the season were very good even for the Moonlight Evening Series, won by Bill Paine, Linc Maher second and Art Wong 3rd.

The Lyanne Handicap race was won by the team of Erickson and Chilenskas with Dr. Bernard Yaffe second.

Dan Hayes, our youngest sailor was definitely "in phase" in the Long Distance taking 1st place, with Bill Paine second, in winds of 10 to 20 mph.

Ronnie Blair and Art Orlowski sailed away with the honors in the Pest Trophy race.

In the "Turnabout" race in which boats were traded the Hubbell brothers and Linc Maher shared 1st place in the two race series.

The Snipe and Lightning challenge race was won easily by the Lightning skippers. In the first race all skippers sailed Snipes and in the second race Lightnings were used. Art Wong, Bob Erickson and Frank Day represented the Lightning fleet and got a 2nd, 3rd, and 4th the first race and in the Lightning half 1st, 2nd and

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4th. Neither whisker poles or spinnakers were allowed in either race.

Members of the fleet did a lot of traveling this season attending the P&T Regatta in Milwaukee, the Brotz Memorial Regatta, the Hobelman Regatta, the Sand Dunes Regatta and the Shakedown Regatta. Ray Brady surprised everyone, including himself, by being first at the weather mark in the Brotz Regatta in Sheboygan, in a fleet of over 40 boats. Ray has his moments.

Fleet 56 was host fleet this year for the Red Flannel Regatta, a squadron function with Fleet #5. Forty-five boats hit the starting line, and with a crowd like this if you didn't get a good start you were dead. Bruce Goldsmith took first place easily with a 1, 3 and 1. Bill Campbell was second with 3, 5 and 5, Bill Wingard was third and Harry Spitz finished fourth. Harvey Snider, a builder of fiber glass boats could have walked off with some hardware but had a bad first race in which he finished 19th, but his other two races were 4 and 2. The first race was in light winds but they picked up for the last two races to give excellent racing. Bob Logelin did a little scuba diving when a hiking strap broke and he, in trying to grab a crewman from going overboard ended up by all three in the water when his boat went over. We are happy to say that Bob is the newly elected treasurer of the Burnham Park Yacht Club. Al Chilenskas had the honors of being last in the water however when he fell off the committee boat while helping to get the boat ready for the winter. The water was so cold that he came out of it like a porpoise. "I'll do anything to get out of work" was his only comment.

The coming season we are going to have several new boats, to be owned by Frank Day, Ronnie Blair and Al Chilenskas.

We want to express our gratitude to Abe Jacobs, Angus Horton and Bob Magrady for running the committee boat and giving the fleet good starts throughout the season. This is really a "love's labor" task, and we are very grateful.

The most improved skippers of the year are Dr. Bernard Yaffe, Frank Day and Ray Teborek.



The start of a Fleet 56 series race as seen from the committee boat.

NIAGARA SAILING CLUB (59)
Lake Erie District
Sailing on Niagara River, Grand Island, N. Y.

Fleet Captain Stuart Anderson
 Fleet Secretary Kenneth J. Rebman
 Fleet Champion John Swanson
 Runner-Up Robert Starck

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1489	Misty	Joseph Tries
1684	Whim	Kenneth R. Hennig, Jr.
1959	Jam	Edwin A. Murray
2346	Tillicum	George May
4185	Pogo	W. Richard Barlow
4402	Prison	Tony De Loia
6316	Twildo	Fred Scharf
6345	Sabrina	John Swanson
7398	Black Mariah	Richard C. Carrel
7604	Ginger	Calvin Schmiede
7948	Alert	Bernard F. Starck
8141	The Elk	Kenneth J. Rebman
8503	Glockenspiel II	Stuart Anderson



"Glockenspiel 1903"

Big news at Niagara Sailing Club this year is the sale of a fifteen-year-old Lightning. Now the used-Lightning market is a lively one, but it ordinarily does not create this much of a stir. However, this deal involves the venerable old (aptly named) Glockenspiel and her skillful skipper, Stu Anderson. Stu has ordered a new hull and, sorrowfully we think, parted with this old girl. We all mourn the loss a little because she is the most famous Lightning of all. Wherever she went, and she traveled, she attracted more attention than high priced hardware and mostly beat it too. How well did she do this year? Well, her record is as long as your arm, but the high points were these: she won the Niagara River Championship, whipping hot Buffalo Canoe Clubbers—as a group the best in the country; she placed eleventh in the North Americans; then later in the season won big regattas at Quantico and the Chesapeake Bay. We hope Stu's new boat will serve him as well. He's a daring and resourceful sailor and we wish him another Glockenspiel, leader of parades.

Aside from this—club events were hotly contested with nationally renowned Jack Swanson (16th in the North Americans) and Stuart Anderson (co-holders of the Wardell Lightning Champion-

ship) prevailing. This is more than a two boat fleet though and these gentlemen are increasingly being pressed by other good boats and good skippers. For example, young skipper Bob Starck, who retired his dad, Bernard, to an Owens Cruiser, is runner-up to club champion Jack Swanson. Key man in Bob's crew on "Alert" is brother, Joe, and this energetic combination is always worth watching.

Dick Carrel who always does well with Black Mariah placed third for the club Championship and third in the Niagara River Lightning Championship. Joe Tries in "Misty" (#1489) did well in the Handicap Series. Cal Schmiede chops right along in Ginger too. Over the years these skippers have won and/or will win their share of silver.

Niagara River sailors, having had one of their finest seasons, are already looking forward to a new season. We welcome Ken Rebman, skipper of The Elk (8141) to competitive sailing. Ken is already a respectable sailor. Another experienced sailor will rejoin next year's wars. Bob Aschenbach, back in a new Lightning now being built, will be in contention.

JAYHAWK FLEET (60)

Central States District

Based on Lake Shawnee, Topeka, Kansas

Fleet Captain Ralph Persson
 Fleet Secretary Wendell Ives
 Fleet Champion Jack Worley
 Runner-Up Chet Ebey

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
906	Sea Deuce	John Gall
1063	Tac-Less	Robert Jones, Don Schnacke, Fritz Remmlee
1268	Lively Lady III	C. F. Ebey
1699	L-2	Ros Cofran III
2661	Ricnboo	A. B. Boon
2904	Waha	Capt. Dick White
4545	Wind Fall	Dr. Richard Greer & Gary Stearns
5465	Tri Again	Ed Morrill & A. H. Saville, Jr.
6779	Rosieann	Wendell Ives
7001	Jayhawker	Jack Worley
7461	Prairie Nymph	Ralph Persson
7960	Jayhawker II	Bill Schwartz
8368		Major John Behrmann



Action in Fleet 60

The 1962 season got off to a slow start when in mid-May a tornado went through Shawnee Yacht Club, demolishing two boats completely and taking 15 masts (four Lightnings). Repairs were quickly made, however, and by the 4th of July the Lightning fleet was mustering nine boats for the Season and Holiday

Series. Jack Worley took both the Season and Holiday Races, hard-pressed by Chet Ebey in both series.

Four boats participated in the Central States District Regatta at Lake Fort Gibson. Jack Worley finished the series in 4th place. Other regattas attended by the fleet were Kentucky Lake, Kansas City, the fine series at Grand Lake, Okla., and our own 1st Annual Regatta at Lake Shawnee, where Bill Schwartz defended the honor of the fleet.

As host fleet for the 1963 Central States District Regatta to be held again at Lake Fort Gibson in June, the fleet has already begun their preparations. Plans are also under way for an early spring meeting here in Topeka with a program of lectures on racing tactics to be given by well-qualified skippers.

New officers for 1963 are John Gall, Fleet Captain, and Byron Boon, Secretary. Two new members, Ros Cofran and John Behrmann joined our fleet this year. Participation in Fleet Racing was up considerably this year and an even bigger year is planned for 1963.

SOUTHERN YACHT CLUB FLEET (62)

Southern District

Based on Lake Pontchartrain, New Orleans, La.

Fleet Captain..... Robert H. Kammer, Jr.
Fleet Secretary..... Jack Dane
Fleet Champion..... R. H. Kammer, Jr.
Runner-Up..... Click Schreck

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3490	Cutty Sark	Thomas R. Swayze
5373	Asterperious	Francis E. Manion
5484	Miss Cookie, III	C. Armond Bernius
5556	Finale	James P. Mullally
5799	Nauti-Gal	Jack Bertel
6218		Robert J. Fabacher & C. Palmer Jones
6799	Moe Fun	Maurice Stockton, Jr.
7104		J. E. Simoneaux, Jr.
7120		R. W. Schupp, Jr.
7121	Hi Yala	Alan C. Arnold & Philip Mayeux
7122	Black Jack	Jack Dane and S. R. Barnett, Jr.
7282	Ticonderoga	Thomas S. Allen
8131	Blue Print	J. A. Livaudais, Sr. & Jr.
8186	Voodoo	Robert H. Kammer, Jr. & Fabian G. Fromherz
8187		G. Click Schreck & Tom Dreyfus

May 12 and 13 and was won by Tom Allen followed by F. G. Fromherz and Allen Arnold.

SYC Fleet 62 invited NOYC Fleet 209 to a three race series the latter part of May which was won by Francis Favaloro of NOYC followed by Tom Allen and then F. G. Fromherz. The Annual Junior Lightning Race was won by Skipperette Beth Manion, followed by Fritz Fromherz and then Dale Dane.

During the month of June SYC Lightning owners participated in the GYA Lightning Championship held at the Pass Christian Yacht Club and also the Mississippi Coast Race Week held at the Bay Waveland Yacht Club in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi.

In the 1962 Southern Lightning District Championship held at Bay Waveland Yacht Club in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, SYC Fleet Skipper Tom Allen took second place and Bob Kammer took fifth place, both behind the perennial District Champion, Skipper Ed Overton, from Fairhope Yacht Club, Fairhope, Alabama.

Our Lightning Crew Championship Series was won by O. F. Ingargiola followed by Bill Forester and Arthur Seaver, III.

The Fleet Championship was sailed in the middle of September with the following results:

Position	Skipper	Boat No.
1	R. H. Kammer, Jr.	8186
2	Click Schreck	8187
3	Tom Allen	7282
4	Jim Mullally	5556
5	Armond Bernius	5484

The Annual Team Race Series between SYC Fleet 62 and NOYC Fleet 209 saw NOYC Skippers Favaloro, Whitworth and Jacobs being triumphant over SYC Skippers Fromherz, Allen and Schreck.

In our closing Regatta held on October 7, the Fleet was happy to see it won by an old, old Lightning Skipper, Jim Mullally.

MILWAUKEE FLEET (69)

Midwest District

Based on Lake Michigan, Wisc.

Fleet Captain..... John F. Penner
Fleet Secretary..... Lois M. Penner
Fleet Champion..... Dr. John Esser
Runner-Up..... Guy Scrivner

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
328	Cast-Off	Jim Shaner
713		Henry Jefferson & Bill Guerin
1299	Hey Daddy	Tom Lindemann
1701	Caprice	Betsy Morris
2535	Sea Steps	Tony Stepanek
2537	Chewink	Fred Becker
2564	Barb	Stephen R. Miller
3350	Half Moon	John Penner
3495	Avec Souci	Wm. H. Brady
3610	Swizzle	Morgan Jackson & Lee Kuiser
4714	Rx Pillroller	Bill Ward
4853	Pequod	Dr. Richard Darling
4999	Baby Doll	George & David Ashton
5123	Boat	Charles Ingwersen and Charles Drake III
5166	Tern II	Mark Kelly
5210	Sailbad the Sinner	Dan Mitchem
5707	Lady Luck	Jim Heidner
5764	Con Moto	Clifford G. Ward
5952	Scrambler	Carl Manns
5953	Scarlet	Pete Brewer
6034	Ost Bay	Gerald P. Caffery
6159	Steropes	Bill Kucharek
7003	Last Penny	Len Gardener
7074	Psyche	Dr. Jack Geist
7505	Holy Smoke III	Rev. Ensworth Reisner
7523	Dor's Right	Floyd J. Cough
7602	War Horse	John Goldsmith
7900	San Souci II	Dr. John Esser
7920	Barby	Gary Arnold
8120	Avalanche	Jack Lurhe
8267	Barb II	Guy Scrivner

Fleet 69 grew to 32 boats this year with a larger number than ever racing in our regularly scheduled Saturday afternoon and Wednesday evening races.

We added nine new members including Dr. Jack Geist, Kim



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Gulf Yachting Association Opening Regatta, N.O.Y.C., R. H. Kammer, Jr., Fleet 62, 1st, Lightning Class.

The 1962 Racing Season commenced with the Gulf Yachting Association opening Regatta held at the New Orleans Yacht Club on the weekend of May 5 and 6. SYC Fleet 62 won the two top places with Bob Kammer the winner, Tom Allen the runner-up, followed by Francis Favaloro of NOYC Fleet 209. The Southern Yacht Club opening Regatta was sailed on the weekend of

Shaner, Eric Erdmann, Stephen Miller, John Goldsmith, Mark Kelly, Pete Brewer, Carl Manns, and Bill Kucharek. Two of our members unveiled new boats, Jack Luthe with a Nymphius and Guy Scrivner with a new fiberglass Stram.

Our new racing schedule provided 10 races to determine the "Season Series" after which the boats were divided into the Red Fleet and the White Fleet, depending on rank in the Season Series. Six "Championship Series" races were scheduled to determine the standings of each contestant within their fleet. This helped to pass the hardware around and encouraged the owners of older or heavier boats to keep racing.

Dr. John Esser sailed his Sans Souci II to victory in the Season Series, closely followed by Rev. Enay Reiser in Holy Smoke III; Guy Scrivner and Gary Arnold tied for third.

In the Championship Series, Dr. Esser again swept the field in the Red Fleet with Jack Luthe second, and Guy Scrivner third. The White Fleet was headed by John Penner with Jim Heidner, and Mark Kelly right on his transom. After the Winner's dinner, members of the White Fleet got together for several special toasts to the new system. Wow!

Highlighting the season was Milwaukee's annual P&T Regatta held on July 14 and 15. Two great races were held on our regular Lake Michigan course only five miles long, within the harbor, with catamarans and steamers providing extra hazards and extra thrills. Milwaukee skippers tried their best but couldn't help playing the perfect host by allowing the first seven places to visitors! A fine series sailed by Jay Dory of Chicago Corinthian in his fast stepping Miss Trudy won him the top sterling. The world's loudest twist band provided most of the non-sailing action with relatively few casualties.

Our first annual Labor Day "Fun" Regatta turned into a ding-dong battle with everyone including the Race Committee and the elements entering in. When the smoke blew over, Len Gardenier had won the trophy with his Last Penny.

Biggest thrill of the year was watching Tommy Lindemann walk off with the Roman Bratz trophy in his venerable Hey Daddy (1299) at Sheboygan. This annual series at Sheboygan Yacht Club is the favorite of our fleet, a well-run regatta by the friendliest folks in rubber soled shoes.

The 1962 sailing season drew to a close with a dutch treat picnic at the Luthe's home where the neighbors are still puzzling over "that crowd" of crazy sailors playing volley ball in the rain and pitch dark.

Lightning sailor Jack Luthe is the new Commodore of Milwaukee Yacht Club, and members of Fleet 69 are proud to have this honor bestowed on our most deserving member. Fair sailing, Jack.

RED BANK-ON-THE-SHREWSBURY FLEET (70)

Metropolitan District

Sailing on the Navesink River at Red Bank, New Jersey

Fleet Captain	Reid Dickerson
Fleet Secretary	Arnold Schwartz
Fleet Champion	June Methot
Runner-Up	Herman B. Vestal

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
41	Spider	Robert Bruce
675	Windsong	Al Miller
860	Bam	Virg Vaughan
1481	High Hopes	Debra Scott
1938	Napentha	James Hickey
2620	Water Witch	John Spurdle, Jr.
2655	Banshee	Theodore Engberg
3828		Carl Schultz
4864	Strike 1	Wm. Heron
5241	Invader	John Hysko
5380	Chanrey	June Methot
6735	Mischief	Harold Beck
6786	Dragon	Fred Marusi
7082	Valkyrie	Roy Knapp
7502	Bubbles	Robt. Kuhnappel
7786	Ranger	Irv. Lewis
7798	Pink Mink	Theodore Marko
7799	Spook	Herman B. Vestal
8101	Avenger	Paul Huntsman, Jr.
8203	Windward, II	Reid Dickerson
8301	Thardamboat	Arnold Schwartz
	Honorary Life Member	Charles Allaire

As usual our fleet started its Spring Series the first Sunday in April. This series being an open series we had many visiting



June Methot, Fleet 70 Champion and Adams Cup Finalist

skippers anxious to get their boats tuned-up early. One of the highlights of the series was an unusual summertime squall that hit without warning, and upset a dozen Lightnings like ducks in a shooting gallery. It was a very tight series and had to be decided by the last race. The race was won by Arnold Schwartz to give him the one point to win the series over Reid Dickerson. Irv Lewis was third.

Our Spring Series was interrupted on April 28th and 29th for our 1st annual Long John Regatta. The weatherman was at his best with good winds and very balmy weather.

This was really appreciated by Stuart Anderson and Cal Schmiede, who came down from the Lake Erie District. Representatives from the Dixie District were Barney Mead, Marbury Fox and Ben Derrickson. The regatta was won by the converted Star sailor, Robert Lippincott. Second place went to Marbury Fox, followed by Marcy Lippincott, Jim Carson, Arnold Schwartz and Marge Alexander.

A very successful summer series was started on Memorial Day and completed on Labor Day. June Methot again became the Fleet Champion, Herman Vestal was second and Irv Lewis was third. There were many interruptions during the Summer Series, when Fleet 70 traveled to Perth Amboy to the Red Gram Regatta, where they made a clean sweep, with Reid Dickerson in first, Arnold Schwartz second, and Roy Knapp third. In July, the Districts were held at Chelsea, N. Y. Reid Dickerson was third, Arnold Schwartz fourth, and June Methot sixth. Our own National Sweepstakes Regatta also held in July was won by Reid Dickerson, second Arnold Schwartz and third Wm. Brandau from Nyack.

The highlight of the summer was June Methot's victory in the semi-finals of the Adams Cup Series at Nyack. June, and her expert crew, Dede Heron and Elaine Engberg, went to Miami where they were a real contender until the last race. She finished third for the series.

A good Fall Series was held after Labor Day. The weatherman provided an ideal Indian Summer and we sailed until the last Sunday of October. Reid Dickerson was the winner, Herman Vestal second and Roy Knapp third.

We hope to start our Spring Series on the first Sunday in April, provided Morris Sherwood, our Race Committee Chairman, has the new Club skiff ready. The Series will again be interrupted the first weekend in May for our Second Annual Long John Regatta.