

CEDAR POINT YACHT CLUB (126)

Connecticut District

Sailing on Long Island Sound at Westport, Conn.

Fleet Captain.....	James R. Allen
Fleet Secretary.....	Robert L. Ficks, Jr.
Fleet Champion.....	H. B. Sprague & R. L. Ficks, Jr. (Team)
Runner-Up.....	Robert O. Shealor

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1061	Woo	Wm. Vierling
2044	Optimist	William Pansius
3160	Syndicate	Everett Witzel
4567	Yes-Mad	Bart Price
4885	Skylark	John Honey
5438	.....	John Clarke
5822	Ta'Aora	Tom Rousset
6004	Little Ho	G. W. Hobbs
6070	Driftwood	Dr. Earle Brauer
6383	Sarcelle	Gordon Malm
7006	Mouette	Dr. Paul Brauer
7050	Lil' Dude	James R. Allen
7267	Panby	L. L. Brundred
7268	Lord Jeff II	R. O. Shealor
7269	Gay-Sha Girl	G. V. Land
7281	Tampo I	Arnold Berke
7337	Whiskaway	H. B. Sprague & R. L. Ficks, Jr.
7853	.....	A. A. Raymond, Jr.

Fleet 126 enjoyed substantial development of its local racing activities and its participation in regional and national regattas during the 1962 season. A total of 18 Lightnings, most of them actively competing during the season did much to heighten local interest and stimulate good competition.

A late winter meeting really initiated our season. Slides of the 1961 Quantico Regatta and the 1961 World's Championship were shown and the many features of the Lightning and LCA activities were explained to prospective boat owners and racing skippers.

Racing started officially Decoration Day weekend with the Vice-Commodore's Cup Regatta, a three race series won by Bob Shealor in LORD JEFF. Weekly races were held each Saturday and Sunday until Labor Day with joint racing on Sundays with our neighbor fleet at Pequot Yacht Club in Southport. The July 4th series for the Commodore's Cup was swept by Bunny Sprague in WHISKAWAY, and our Labor Day weekend series for the Rear Commodore's Cup was taken by Bob Shealor in a close duel with Jim Allen in LIL' DUDE.

Season's honors went once again to Bunny Sprague and Bob Ficks who sail WHISKAWAY alternately as a team of Co-owners. Bob Shealor with LORD JEFF captured second place for the season.

Among the season's highlights was the outstanding record of Bunny Sprague in other regional and national events. In the Long Island Sound Championships, Sprague took second in a tie-breaker finish with Bob Bavier of Noroton. A fourth place in the Conn.-R.I. Districts at Niantic Bay Y.C. was then followed by a third place in the President's Cup at the North Americans in Buffalo. Sharing honors in Buffalo were Bob Ficks and Bunny's son Pete who made up the crew for WHISKAWAY.

The 3rd Annual Cedar Point Y.C. Lightning Invitational Regatta was held by Fleet 126 with a three race series September 15 and 16th. A total of 36 skippers and their crews enjoyed some of the year's finest racing in a glorious Northwesters that held all weekend. Also memorable were the hot barbecued chicken lunch served in the boats on Saturday and the moonlight cook-out at Al Raymonds that night. The answer to where to head in the shifty breezes was found best by Bob Smith of Noroton who took first place, followed by Tom Agnew of Southport and Walter Hansen of Noroton. Bud Olsen of Housatonic grabbed the first and second races, but had the tough luck to have to sail a leg of the third race three times because of leaving a channel marker on the wrong side.

Fleet 126 sent three skippers, Jim Allen, Larry Brundred and Bob Shealor to Quantico in November. All did well in the first two races but would prefer to forget about Sunday's fickle breeze and currents.

With the start of Frost-bite racing at Cedar Point a successful 1962 season ended. We are also happy to have Jim Allen from Fleet 126 now serving as Commodore of the LCA Conn.-R.I. District.

SAVANNAH LIGHTNING FLEET (127)

Southeastern District

Based on Wilmington River, Bradley Port, Savannah, Ga.

Fleet Captain.....	Roy L. Gordon, Jr.
Fleet Secretary.....	James L. Daniell
Fleet Champion.....	John McIntosh
Runner-Up.....	Charles Kilpatrick

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8	Pink Lady	Lee Thompson
68	Hurricane	James F. McIntosh
3152	Lady Jane	Bogardus Werth
3515	Yes Dear	James L. Daniell
4040	Merrihel	James Artley
4670	Red Witch	Einar Trosdal
4872	Rabbit	John M. McIntosh
4881	Pegoud	John Porter
5570	Thunderbird	William B. Whalley
6612	Scalawag	Elmo S. Weeks
6843	Franchelli	J. W. Aggett
7342	.....	Frederick Wessels III
7530	Uglier	Roy L. Gordon, Jr.
7642	Playmate	Charles Kilpatrick
7745	.....	Einar Trosdal

Fleet 127 had an outstanding year in 1962. Our sailing season always starts with the Deep South Regatta which signals spring with the battle-scarred veterans of last year coming out in their new finery. It was bigger and better than ever with 45 boats from all over. Our fleet sailed well but we couldn't keep the loat at home.

Shortly after the Deep South, our Spring Series starts. Charlie Kilpatrick won this one with John McIntosh second. The summer series found McIntosh back in stride as he took the Diamond Trophy home again to fill its regular niche in his trophy case with Charlie Kilpatrick second. Charlie took first place silver in an exciting fall series that wasn't decided until the last race. Roy Gordon, Jr., who had led all the way, was a close second.

Our fleet really hit the road this year to make a clean sweep by being represented in at least one regatta in the home port of every fleet in our district. We believe this is an enviable record.

Most of the time we came home with the honors. John McIntosh and Charlie Kilpatrick made the annual trek to St. Petersburg and John went on to Miami to compile a respectable record in the Southern Circuit. McIntosh won the Districts in Augusta; Wally Aggett took second in the Midlands Regatta at Columbia, S.C.; and Einar Trosdal won the Carolina Yacht Club Regatta as he led our fleet to a first, third, and fourth. The South Atlantic Championship eluded us as the Demery Trophy left Savannah for one of the few times in its history. John McIntosh and Charlie Kilpatrick did take second and third, however. Einar Trosdal took third at Lake Lanier to round the clean sweep.

This year we lost three good competitors in our fleet—Bill Lucas, Chuck Wood and David Johnson—but we expect them to be back in Lightnings soon—Bill in Charleston and Chuck and Dave in our fleet. One new skipper, Billy Whalley, joined us and he's been a good competitor and an asset to the fleet.

An innovation this year was the introduction of a "Lightning Crew of the Year" Trophy to recognize the contribution of those hard working, durable, and faithful crews. It was awarded this year to Helen Artley, wife and crew of Jimmy Artley.

We're all proud of the job John McIntosh did as President of the LCA but we're afraid that with more time to devote to sailing he'll be more unbeatable than ever. We're not completely out of politics, however, as Elmo Weeks was elected Southeastern District Commodore.

By far the most important event in our fleet this year was the improvement in the competition. With boats and sailing improving every skipper feels "this could be my race". Maybe it never was but "wait till next year".

MADISON BEACH CLUB (129)

Connecticut District

Madison, Connecticut

Fleet Captain.....	Robert H. Higgons
Fleet Secretary.....	J. Robert Baylis
Fleet Champion.....	J. Robert Baylis
Runner-Up.....	Mary Lou Stearns

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2110	.....	Madison Beach Club
2407	.....	Madison Beach Club
3283	.....	Edward H. LaFarge
4767	.....	W. H. Palmer
5214	Half Tide II	Hayden N. Smith
5737	Merriweather	Edward Cole
5947	.....	De Witt Barlow, Jr.
5950	.....	Henry Bakewell
6585	Splash	James Baylis
6731	Sea Muffin	Howard Ketcham
6852	Bobolink	Robert H. Higgons
6883	.....	Marie Birnbaum
7368	Blitzen	Robert Thorndyke
7702	Talley Ho	Franz Talley
7913	.....	C. O. Davidson
7916	Erzule	Lewelen M. Stearns

The Madison fleet enjoyed a successful season of racing in 1962 with excellent cooperation on the part of the weather man. Winds in our area during the summer were generally on the moderate side with an occasional stiff breeze but fortunately very few drifters. The racing schedule arranged by Commodore Peter Smith and his Sailing Committee was expanded to include a larger number of races than in previous seasons.

The July series was won by Bob Baylis with Bob Higgons second. In August Mary Lou Stearns was the winner in ERZULE with a strong assist from Richie Grant who sailed the boat in several races when Mary Lou was absent. Bob Baylis won the season championship and second place was taken by Bob Higgons. The Roger Pape Memorial race was won by Richie Grant sailing Talley Ho and Tommy Hollahan in Blitzen took the Fisher Trophy.

In the Eastern Connecticut Yacht Racing Association Regatta which was held at Sachems Head this year the Lightning Class was divided into two groups as usual because of the large number of boats. Lou Pettit won in the even numbered division with Talley Ho against some stiff competition.

Among the juniors Ted Baylis won for the season and also took the July series. Witty Barlow was second for the season and also in July. Steve Hollahan won the August series with Ted Baylis second.

Our fleet again sailed two sets of team races against the Sachems Head Lightning fleet. Although the scores were closer this time, Sachems Head was the winner on both occasions. Maybe 1963 will be our year.

LAKE WASHINGTON FLEET (132)

Pacific-Northwest District

Sailing on Lake Washington, Seattle, Washington

Fleet Champion.....Ken Brostrom

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
751	.....	Kenneth Youngman
949	.....	Bruce Morgan
1543	Zeta	Casper Clarke
2274	Finesse	Lloyd Dohrman
2994	.....	Allan Taylor
3167	Loligo	Chas. Hitzroth
3168	Escape	Dave Blattner
3385	.....	Crellin Pauling
3773	.....	Bernard Whittlesey
3785	.....	Roger Sahlin
3791	Cloud 9	Eric Denton
3830	Mandy	Joe Guthrie
4064	.....	Ralph Deltenre
4397	.....	Robert Sexauer
4746	Dondalee	Robert Willard
6724	Fascination	Robert Colyer
6792	Habel	Ray Strohm
7030	Tschitah	Roland Anderson
7290	.....	Bill Davies
7458	Flash	Ken Brostrom
7665	My Pet	Jay Robinson
7711	Thunder'n Lightning	Dave Gosse
7713	.....	Bill Elfendahl
7975	.....	Floyd Miller & James Smith
8024	.....	Dr. Wm. Jaquette
		Thomas McGrath
		Robert Smith

8115	Moonshine	Robert Clark
8244	.....	James Beebe
8383	Black Magic	Donald Clark
	.....	Thomas Jobs
	.....	Colin Campbell
	.....	Sally Hiscock

An informal Spring Frostdite Series in March marked the beginning of a most active season for Fleet 132. High point of the year occurred at the end of July when the fleet served as hosts for the Northwest District and Pacific Coast Championship Regattas (details in the NW District report). Scheduled racing continued through mid-December for a total of sixteen series and four single-race events. Thirty-five boats participated, with an average turnout of eighteen boats per race.

From all this activity Ken Brostrom emerged as Fleet Champion for the third straight year, and with first place honors in the Pacific Coast Championship to boot. Bill Davies proved the axioms concerning consistent participation and performance by taking the runner-up position. Cappy Clarke led the fleet early in the season but was unable to maintain his lead due to DNS's. Several new members proved themselves formidable competitors. Roger Sahlin won the Northwest Districts and placed well in several other events. Don Clark's performance was outstanding in winning most of the late season series with his beautiful new fiberglass "Black Magic". We regret that Roger will not be racing in 1963 due to military honors next year. Crellin Pauling displayed growing mastery of tactics and technique by winning the Invitational Series for skippers who have not previously won a major event. The two women's series were won by Jerie Burchard and Myrna Dohrman. Jerie further distinguished herself by representing the Pacific Northwest in the 1962 Adams Cup competition.

The group spirit which developed in the course of regatta preparations, plus an exceptionally capable social committee, led to more get-togethers with more fleet members attending. Our picnic at the lake front home of the Charles Hitzroths on a warm, sunny September afternoon was a particularly enjoyable occasion.

Due to the full racing schedule in our home waters and the Seattle World's Fair, there was less traveling to other areas than last year. However, Fleet 132 was represented with several boats at the Eugene, Oregon YC Memorial Day Regatta, and Bill Elfendahl sailed in the Maple Bay YC Labor Day Regatta on Vancouver Island, Canada. Jim Smith in #7711 was one of several Lightning owners who cruised for periods of up to two weeks among the San Juan Islands in the northern reaches of Puget Sound.

With another successful season behind us, and new members and boats adding to our numbers, Fleet 132 looks forward to further growth and activity in 1963.

MANHASSET BAY LIGHTNING FLEET (133)

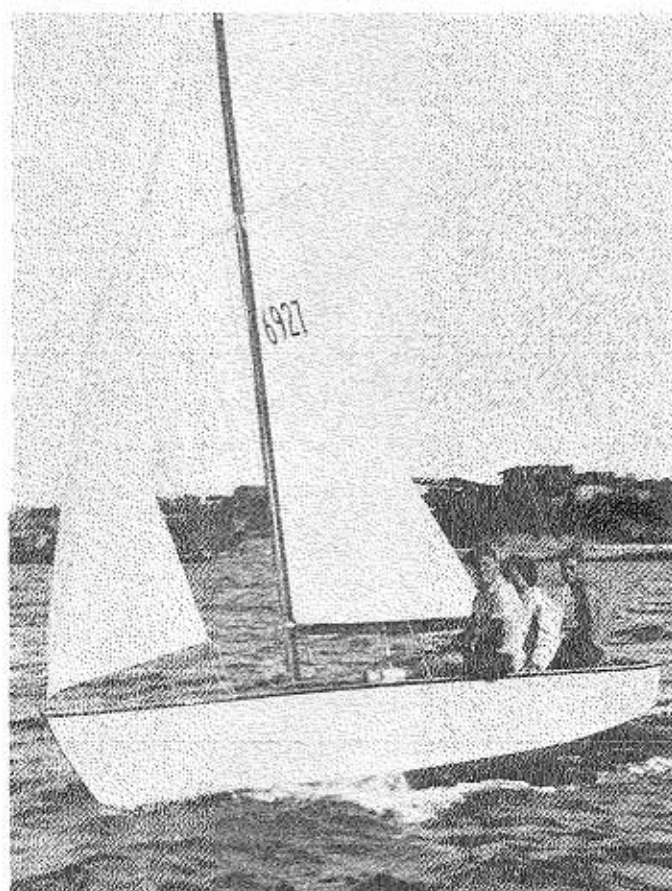
Western Long Island Sound District

Sailing on Manhasset Bay, Port Washington, New York

Fleet Captain.....Dr. Al Field
Fleet Secretary.....Ed Miles
Fleet Champion.....Mike Grinnell
Runner-Up.....Gene Northacker

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
23	Skidoo	Paul E. Bechtold
287	Habibi	Howard J. Swift
2672	Flicka	John Nesholm
5637	7 Up	Everitt F. Gamble
5771	Bubbles	Dr. Richard Field
5995	Lively Lady	Thomas Ward
6182	Wasp	George Wunder
6330	.....	William H. Redding, Jr.
6616	Enterprise	Edward F. Miles
6699	Calypso	Jeanne Thomas Mann
6819	Dixie	Jim, Dick and Ann Sykes
6822	Dawning II	Thomas Sheehy
6927	Thunderbird	Charles & Michael Grinnell
7233	Small Missy II	Karen Glatfelder
7246	Pelican	Thomas C. Pryor
7259	Taurus	E. J. Northacker
7260	Skylark	Richard R. Erway
7330	Toy Yoc	Bob Sleght
7543	Our Buddy	Bob Goodwin
7608	Fury	Arthur & Carl Buhr
7873	Fantasy	Bill Marshall

7874	Hustler	James W. Obenhoff
7875	Song Bird II	Al Field & Don McNair
7918	El Diablo	Pete Gonzalez
8170	Sly Fly	Elliott Oldak



Fleet 133 Champion Mike Grinnell in Thunderbird

The 1962 season in Manhasset Bay proved to be a very successful one in spite of losing a good number of old time Lightning skippers to the new Rhodes 19 fleet. While losing a few skippers we found that we picked up a few new ones to replace the old, who were of exceptional quality. An example of this is Elliott Oldak who came into Fleet #133 with a brand new Gerber Lightning and new Murphy & Nye sails. He placed 4th in our Fleet qualifiers and then really came into his own in August when he won the District Championships and almost won the Long Island Sound Championships when he finished one point behind Bob Bavier Jr., a sailor of no small renown.

Our fleet showed its high quality in some of the other inter-fleet regattas during the summer. Al Field got a second in the Sea Cliff Regatta. Dave Pryor won Larchmont Race week, which also saw Mike Grinnell and Elliott Oldak finish in the money. Mike Grinnell and Pete Gonzalez did well enough in the districts to go to the North Americans at Buffalo along with District Champ Elliott Oldak. Elliott continued his exceptional sailing to win the President's Cup, only to lose it to Carter Ford via the protest route after the last race. Pete Gonzalez did a fine job to place in the Governor's Cup division. Manhasset Bay Race Week saw a real see-saw battle between Jim Sykes and Al Field with Jim winning and Al second. Bob Sleght sailed three fine races to win the Bayside silverware. In his last regatta in Thunderbird, Mike Grinnell won the Newport Regatta.

Mike sold Thunderbird to his crew, Gale Rundquist, who will be with our fleet next year. What do you think of a Fleet Champ who sells his boat? Mike will be taking his chances with one of the two brand new Lippincotts that are joining our fleet next year. The other one has been ordered by Tex Poor, from the Manhasset Bay Y. C.

We also have another newcomer to the fleet in 1963, Jim Moore and his brother, Steve Moore, the National Blue Jay Champion. Steve wasn't satisfied with just any boat, so he bought Bill Cox's old Zig Zagger, a past International Champion. We expect real competition from Jim and Steve. Fleet #133 will have

two National Blue Jay Champs, Pete Gonzalez being the other.

Mike Grinnell was our Fleet Champion this year and was practically unbeatable after he got his new sails. Gene Northacker had a real hot August Series and was runner-up. The 1962 winners are as follows:

Spring Series, 1st, Al Field.
 July Series, 1st, Mike Grinnell; 2nd, Art & Carl Buhr; 3rd, Pete Gonzalez.
 August Series, 1st, Gene Northacker; 2nd, Al Field; 3rd, Bob Goodwin.
 Fall Series, 1st, Al Field; 2nd, Bob Goodwin.
 B Division, Ed Miles.
 C Division, Howard Swift.
 Most Improved, Mike Grinnell.

NOROTON FLEET (134)

Connecticut District

Based on Central Long Island Sound, Conn.

Fleet Captain Walter E. Hanson
 Fleet Secretary David M. Sinclair
 Fleet Champion Falconer/Sinclair/Widmann
 #7806
 Runner-Up Walter E. Hanson #5984

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1665	Venerable Ancestor	John E. Massengale
3391	Larq	Gerard Larocque
3973	Sadie	Peter Haaren
4108	Bv Jove II	John H. Pierpont
4717	Mystery	Harvey L. Thomas, Jr.
5172	Skve	A. L. Putnam
5405	Bid	Richard S. Biddle
5923	Thunder	M. T. Birmingham
5984	November	Walter E. & Frances B. Hanson
5989	Ca'va	John J. & Lester S. Abberley
6346	Caprice	Bill Howe & Wally Crump
6347	Grand Slam	T. J., Jr., Andre & Stephanie Ross
6845	Plimsoll Mark	Alexander F. Leonhardt
6869	Wizard II	Samuel R. Dorrance
7008	Painted Lady	Felix Nohlet
7012	Stymie III	W. A., Jr., Trey & Kerry Kipp
7019	A OK	Warren A. King
7202	Charge	E. J., Jr., & Virginia Zimmer
7225	El Rayo	Richard S. McCurdy
7598	Moose	Darwin & Susan Heath
7661	Cinderella	Noroton Junior Yacht Club
7703	Slalom	Edward & Ted King
7806	Spitfire	Anthony Widmann and David M. & Susan Sinclair
7810	Black Jack	John E. Hammel
8222	Spider	Robert N. Bavier, Jr.
8236	Cygnar	Stuart Fillmore
8339	Jimlin	Robert B., Patricia & James R. Crane
8355	Rhythm	John & Lester Abberley

Our racing this summer was highlighted by another increase in boats and by great enthusiasm. On July 4 we were all heartened to have 22 Lightnings from our fleet on the starting line for our Commodore's Race. We were further heartened to have an average of 15 boats for all our regular Saturday and Sunday races. Not only did we have increased quantity but also increased quality with the return of Bob Bavier as an active racer.

The 30 scheduled races were divided into 3 series in which the results were as follows:

June Series

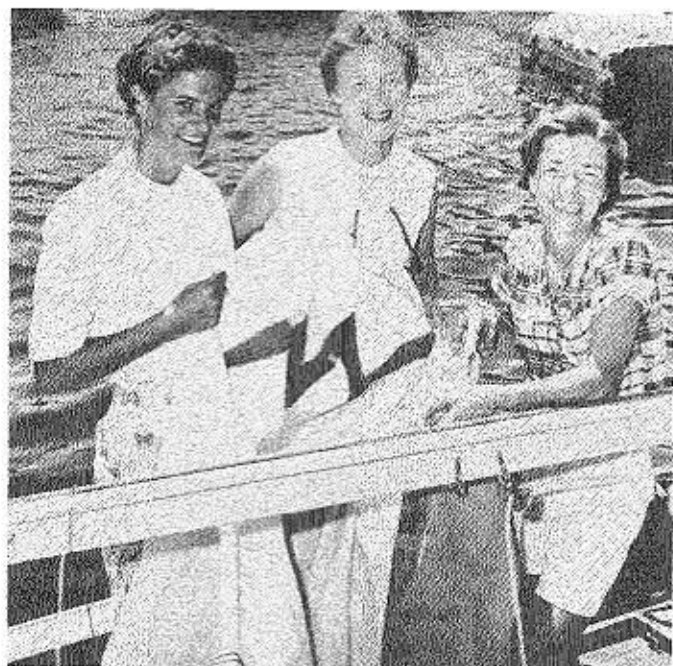
1. Spider	Bavier
2. Spitfire	Falconer/Sinclair/Widmann
3. Jimlin	Crane

July Series

1. Spider	Bavier
2. Spitfire	Falconer/Sinclair/Widmann
3. November	Hanson

August Series

1. Cygnar	Fillmore
2. Black Jack	Hammel
3. November	Hanson



Adams Cup Winners—Carolyn McCurdy, Susan W. Sinclair, Sandy W. Falconer—Courtesy of Miami-Metro News Bureau

During the entire season Bob Bavier compiled a .958 percentage which was by far the highest in the fleet. To the dismay of us all, two of the last three races could not be started because of no wind and as a result Bob was unable to qualify for the season's prize. He drove all one night from Buffalo, after the North Americans in order to sail in one of the races which was never started.

"Spitfire", the season's winner, was sailed alternately by Sandy Falconer, Susan and David Sinclair, and Tony Widmann. Their .875 percentage was only slightly above Walt Hanson's .867 in "November". These two boats were close in the standings all summer with the winner in doubt until the end of the last race.

Sue Fillmore in "Cygnets" finished third for the season with an .828 percentage and in doing so made a remarkable improvement during the year. At the end of the first series he was in eleventh place in the standings.

In outside competition our fleet members again turned in some outstanding performances. Bob Bavier won the Long Island Sound Lightning Championship and Bob Smith sailing "Caprice" won the Cedar Point Yacht Club Invitational with Walt Hanson third. Ginny Kemball-Cook, who incidentally chartered "Zig Zagger" for the second half of our season, won the Long Island Sound Girls Championship and Jim Crane placed fourth in the Long Island Sound Junior Championship.

The climax and proudest moment of our season came when a crew of 3 girls who have been winning races at Noroton for a long time, Susan Widmann Sinclair (skipper), Carolyn McCurdy, and Sandy Widmann Falconer, won the Long Island Sound Women's Championship (Syce Cup) and then went on to win the Women's National Sailing Championship (Adam's Cup) which was sailed in Lightnings at the Coral Reef Yacht Club, Coconut Grove, Florida. This fine performance of Sue and her excellent crew is proof again that the close racing we have in our local fleet can provide good training and experience for sailing on any level.

With the addition of at least three new boats next year, it looks like we will continue to have a growing and extremely active fleet.

MOBILE BAY FLEET (135)

Southern District

Based on Mobile Bay, Fairhope, Alabama

Fleet Captain	Ed Overton
Fleet Secretary	Richard Murray
Fleet Champion	Ed Overton
Runner-Up	Richard Murray

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1471		Ed Baumbauer
2492		J. Weldon
3642		Charlie Pearce
3680	Second Mate	Richard Murray, Jr.
3802	Santa Rita	Girl Scouts
4690	Sweet Lady	H. C. Slaton
6158	Wicked Witch	R. S. Murray
7399	Mauvillian	Ed Overton
7748	Fast Last	Richard Murray
7749	Kitty L. II	John Ladd

Fleet 135 had a fine year in 1962 with Fleet Champion Ed Overton winning both the Gulf Yachting Association Lightning Championship and the Southern District Lightning Championship.

GULL LAKE FLEET (137)

Michigan District

Based on Gull Lake, Mich.

Fleet Captain	Arthur Bates
Fleet Secretary	Carl Engels
Fleet Champion	Jim Harrison
Runner-Up	Walter Tholen

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1070	Kilat	John Moeller
2343	Brigadoon II	Lester L. Coleman
2941		Don Paulsen
2945		Robert Shauman
3436	Resolute	Warren Mix
3528	2E2A	Art Bates
4410	Rover Boy	Wm. Kriebel
4742		Malcolm Brooks
4911	Vixen	Carl Engels
5050	Fifty-fifty	John Kauffman
5533	Two Biss	Bruce Murphy
5602	My Buddy	Walter Tholen
6895	Pink Lady	Sam Stearns
7234	Whitely	Thomas Crookston
7580	Yankee	James W. Harrison
7878		Duane Jamieson
7911	Psyched Out	Fred Coggan
7977	Runaway	Ron Macduff
		Dan Chappell
		Wallace Gilkey
		Dick Strube



Skippers of Fleet 137 in attendance at annual meeting

An enjoyable season of racing began with the traditional Memorial Day Handicap and closed with the Labor Day Handicap. The best handicap performance for a Lightning was sailed by Don Coggan in 7911. He showed his transom to Stars and 210's and all of the rest of the Gull Lake Yacht Club, in the Fourth of July Handicap.

Jim Harrison and Bud Tholen sailed consistently fine races to sew up fleet and runner-up honors. The skipper "most improved" was Dan Chappell. Ron Macduff was awarded the transom trophy. Bob Harrison, following in his father's footsteps, won

the Junior Skipper Series in #7580. Bud Tholen, Tom Crookston, Les Coleman and Malcolm Brooks executed the "bottoms up" maneuver during races this year. The annual "Sail to Breakfast" was enjoyed by many members of the fleet.

Jim Coggan and crew Don Coggan and Jack Engels qualified for the North American Championships but failed to make the big race due to disqualifications. They came back in great style, however, to win the Governor's Cup.

Sixteen skippers, including Michigan District Commodore Ken Kennedy, joined our fleet for a regatta which was won by Jim Harrison of the home fleet. Second place went to Gary Sisson of St. Joseph, Michigan and third to Jim Coggan of the home fleet. Another regatta is planned for the coming season and Lightning skippers are invited to a fine weekend of racing on beautiful Gull Lake.

Prospects are bright for an excellent season of sailing in 1963. Dan Chappell has sold 3436 to Warren Mix who will be racing in our fleet. Don has a new boat on order and there are rumors of skippers of other class boats switching to Lightnings next year.

HEMPSTEAD HARBOR FLEET (138) Western Long Island Sound District Based on Hempstead Harbor, N. Y.

Fleet Captain.....	Warren Kolkebeck
Fleet Secretary.....	Ed Hine, Jr.
Fleet Champion.....	Walter Scott, Jr.
Runner-Up.....	Peter Hannan

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2116	Quik	William G. Renz
2204	Sferic	Dudley Saunders
3063	Slip Stick	Louis DeLallo
3826		Robert Jacobson
6009	Presto	Ed Hine Jr.
6928	Thunderin	Thomas W. Attridge, Jr.
7125	Spook	Walter and Marilyn Scott
7155	Vamp	Warren Kolkebeck
7562	Nice N'Easy	Tony M. Shogren
7636	Playmate	Al Gagliano
7851	Bo Peep	Peter Hannan
7941	Schuss Puss	Ted Henning
7961	Cirrus	Spencer Kellogg

A new racing schedule was introduced in 1962 by the Sea Cliff Yacht Club, where almost all of our boats are based. Two Summer-long series of races were run, one on Saturdays and one on Sundays. Previously the two series had been divided by holding one during the first half of the summer and one during the second half. The percentage of Fleet 138 that raced during 1962 was greater than the percentage that raced in 1961. In 1962 one series drew 54 percent and the other 46 percent. The year before the percentages were 30 percent and 41 percent. This note may be of interest to other fleets who are trying to get more boats out on the starting line.

Our fleet was honored this year when Walt Scott was elected Commodore of the Western Long Island Sound District of the LCA. In the District Championships, held August 11-12 at Riverside, Conn., with Fleet 7 as host, Walt placed third out of twenty-six finishers. Pete Hannan was ninth (he tied for that spot with Bob Slight of Fleet 133), and Al Gagliano was nineteenth. In the District Commodore Series held at the same time, Tom Attridge placed second, Dick Kellogg third, and Warren Kolkebeck fourth.

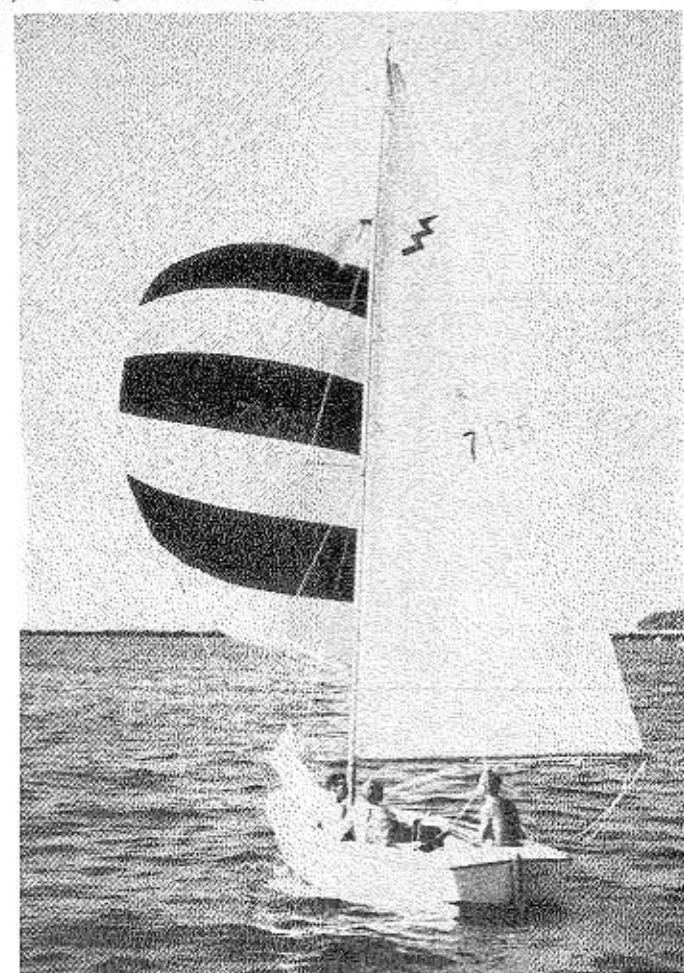
Our own season here in Hempstead Harbor wound up on Sept. 2nd with Walt Scott first, Pete Hannan second, followed in order by Al Gagliano, Tom Attridge, Ted Henning, and Warren Kolkebeck. Our Commodore Series of four races was held on July 4, 7, and 8. Standings in that series were Walt Scott, Pete Hannan, Al Gagliano, Tom Attridge, Charlie Hine, Ted Henning, Warren Kolkebeck, and Dick Harris.

Pete Hannan had his new boat this season, which we had been hearing about as it was being built by his father during the past two years. Pete's father, Walter S. Hannan, has built two Lightnings (including masts), the first being Pete's earlier boat. They are beautiful craft—no wonder they inspire Pete to do some doggone good sailing.

One of our more hilarious incidents occurred when Al Gagliano was on a beat to windward that took him inshore through the anchorage. He saw Pete Hannan's red "Bo-Peep" some distance to leeward and overtook the mark in order to keep Pete covered. Suddenly, to Al's dismay, the red Lightning astern rounded to, dropped sails, and picked up its mooring. It wasn't Pete at all—

merely another red Lightning out day sailing.

Thirty Lightnings took part in our Annual Invitational Regatta in Hempstead Harbor last June. It was run under the chairmanship of Dick Field, who now sails in Manhasset Bay. We thank him for returning to home waters for this task, for he did a fine job. The June 1963 Regatta will be run by Tom Attridge.



"Spook"—Walter Scott, Jr., 1962 Champion, Fleet 138—Crew Mrs. Scott (Marilyn) and Wayne Franky.

HAWAII FLEET (143) Sailing on Kaneohe Bay, Oahu, Hawaii

Fleet Captain.....	Albert Hyde
Fleet Secretary.....	Bob Wuest
Fleet Champion.....	Bobby Edmonson
Runner-Up.....	Albert Hyde

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1622	Xtabay	Richard Holmes
2008	Rosell	Lawrence McDermott
2069	Victoria	Chuck Kehl
2425	Marie	Margaret Moderow
3154	Nubbin	Steve Davies
3261	Babaho	William Hole
3262	Kuipo	Bill Matthews
3263	Dwamiga	Hugh Duffield
3305	Mahape	Ray Buisseret
3825	Mikihala	Wally Hawkins
3910	Wiki Wiki	James Wriston
4529	Bolov	Tom Kiakona
5198	Mary T.	Robert Stevenson
5199	Capri	Ray Cox
5661		Richard McCool
5662	Way	Robert Edmonson
6063	Jini Maru	Kenneth Meadows
6666		William Hole
6907	Lulu Belle	Albert Hyde
7029	Ekela	Robert Wuest
7056	Hornet	Mitchell Todd

7151 OOSSEE Joe Ebeling
7484 Frolic Roy Bennett

Although our "Big-4", Fleet Captain Al Hyde, Bill Hole, Bobby Edmonson, and Mitch Todd divided the silverware among them, Bill Hole distinguished himself by winning 23 starts of the 1962 series, which consisted of a total of 44. Al Hyde won the season's opener, the Say Trophy, on a day with small craft warnings standing straight out. Of the five fleets sailing that race, only the Lightnings suffered no casualties. Mitch Todd handily managed to sail Horner to first in the Rathborn-Deaton and Seabury Bowl series. Bobby Edmonson became the undisputed Fleet Champion, also showing his transom to all others in the Myre Miniature and the Maritime Day Trophy series. Roy Bennett recaptured the Barbara Jean Hole trophy from last year's winner, Bob Wuest. All of the rest of the awards went to our District Elimination Winner, Puka Hole. It is alleged that the reason Jean, his wife, took a part time job this year was to pay for Puka's champagne bill.

Other items of note, which will make 1962 remembered. . . . Our popular Fleet Champion, Bobby Edmonson, deserted the bachelor ranks. . . . Wally Hawkins returned from five years in Bangkok to find that he had lost his championship touch (temporarily, we hope). . . . Those thrills of the mass starts with the Thistles, MP's, 110's, and the Lightnings, all tangling rigging at the starting line and with the many hails of "starboard" throughout the race. . . . The beautiful workmanship Joe Ebeling painstakingly used in building the OOSSEE. . . . The new faces among skippers—Bokie Davies in the Nubbin; Ken Meadows in the Jini Maru; Chuck Kehl in the Victory. . . . The stimulation of competition by the division of the fleet into the Red and Blue fleets, during which Bokie Davies picked off two firsts, Dick Holmes two—then Dick began coming up and was often right with the top skippers at the windward mark. . . . Bobby Edmonson taking over Al Hyde's 5662. . . . Al, in turn, purchased 6907, the "rearing Rippincott".

With the record book closed for 1962, we find that it was a good year, but we are eagerly looking forward to 1963, hoping to see an ever increasing number of Lightnings charge up to the starting line each Sunday.

SPOFFORD LAKE FLEET (145)

New England District

Based on Spofford Lake, N.H.

Fleet Captain..... George Holbrook
Fleet Secretary..... Bill Francis
Fleet Champion..... Leonard Pratt
Runner-Up..... Dan Mahoney

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
280	Gail	Fred Hamblett
2098	Kiki	Peter Engle
3422	Susy Q	George Holbrook
3446	Skipper	Wade Carruthers
5417	Sallie-Pet	James C. Gillespie
5654	Pa Ga Ka	Walter Tolman
6888	Flash	Bill Francis
7228	Touche Pas	David LaMarche
7383	Winds Will	Harlow Cutting
7537	Sandy-Kay	Helen Harris
8008	Tiger	Peter VanDerstine
8259	Drowsy Day	Dan Mahoney
8308	Bon Joy	Leonard Pratt

On January 12, 1962, the ice on Lake Spofford was thirty inches thick. This was the day our sailing year started with the first of many scheduled informal meetings at the homes of various members. These meetings were held to discuss racing rules and strategy. The old timers were pleased to pass on to the new skippers some of the tricks to the art of sailboat racing.

May 29th was the opening date of the three six-race series planned for the summer. The Spring Series was won by Leonard Pratt in his new Bon Joy; Fred Hamblett placed second, and a new Lightning skipper, Dan Mahoney, was in third place in his new Drowsy Day. The Summer Series was captured by Len Pratt in first place, Peter Van Iderstine in second and Dan Mahoney in third. In the Championship Series, Len Pratt again won first place while Dan Mahoney finished second and Dave LaMarche third. An average of eleven Lightnings participated in each race.

This year all of the skippers of Fleet 145 participated in at least one away-from-home regatta, making commendable showings for themselves. Leonard Pratt won the State of Massachusetts

Lightning Regatta, the Corinthian Series at Marblehead Race Week, the Lake Winnepesaukee and the Lake Massabesic regattas, the New Hampshire-Vermont Regatta, and second place in the N.E. Districts at Lake Champlain, Vermont. Dave LaMarche was fourth in the State of Maine Regatta at Portland, Maine. Leonard Pratt and Peter VanDerstine traveled to Buffalo for the North Americans. Leonard placed fifth in the President's Cup and Peter finished third in the Governor's Cup.

The highlight of the season for Fleet 145 was in being the host fleet for the combined New Hampshire-Vermont Championship Regatta. Twenty-three Lightnings participated in the races. This regatta was won by Len Pratt, with Dick Price of Fleet 189 placing second and Duncan McInnis of Fleet 189 taking third place. Peter VanDerstine placed fourth.

We are looking forward to a bigger and better season next summer. Four new Lightnings were added to the fleet this past season. In addition to the regular races for our increasing number of Lightning skippers, we plan to continue a racing schedule for the Junior skippers and crews. Many of our very young skippers are proving to be quite capable in handling their boats and in offering more keen competition in the future. Last summer we inaugurated an informal and impromptu racing series for several families who were vacationing at the same time. Next season we hope to also enlarge upon this fun-filled and enjoyable aspect of sailing.

TORONTO BAY LIGHTNING FLEET (146)

Lake Erie District

Based on Lake Ontario, Canada

Fleet Captain..... Dave Millyard
Fleet Secretary..... Pete Sulman
Fleet Champion..... Jack Swann
Runner-Up..... Dave Millyard

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2375	Swoose	B. Beale
3877	Zorro	Les Arnoldi
4043	Romar	Joel Lewis
4629	Brandy	K. Inglis
4748	.....	Bob Reid
4831	Skylark	Bob Graham
4859	Black Sheep	Kent Richardson
5223	Seabiscuit	Ed Hearn
5234	Cosmos	Dave Millyard
5303	Karen	Gordon Russell
5381	Ditto	Sandy St. Clair
5471	Sun Shine	A. Williams
5833	.....	Ted Welsh
5897	Tarpon	Pete Sulman
5927	Lilise	Herb Olson
6047	Eureka	J. Weakley
6168	Hebe	Sylvia McLaughlin
6239	Jezebel	J. Dryer
6536	Caprice	Bill Schofield
7054	Can-Can	Jim Lowe
7061	.....	John Harvey
7070	Cygnets	J. W. Swann
7079	.....	L. Smith
7100	.....	W. Cohen
7286	Cats Eye	Rod Ross
7390	Tweet	Dr. Don Woodside
7396	Cindy	Fred Woodall
7423	Snarfy	Bill Kennedy
7650	Serendipity	Bob Bleasby
7674	Sea Ren	George Crane
7850	Dub Sam	Les Crocker
7951	Jim Dandy	Andy Thompson
7963	.....	Ron Neville
8250	Cambria	G.H.D. Evans
8248	Kahona	Hartley Robins

The Toronto Bay Lightning Fleet has just completed a very successful season, which was marked by a considerable increase in the number of boats sailing in the Fleet races. The growing interest in Lightnings has been very gratifying, with five boats joining our Fleet in the past year. There are also good prospects for several further additions next year.

The Fleet Championship produced some very keen competition and was again won by Jack Swann with Dave Millyard runner-up. Pete Sulman nosed out Ed Hearn for third place.

A three race series for the Trade Fair Trophy on June 9th & 10th was the first event of our season. This was captured by Bob Bleasby with Dave Millyard finishing second and Gord Russell

third. Another special series was held in August for the Lou Marsh Trophy, which was won by Jack Swann. Dave Millyard and Ed Hearn finished second and third. Other local events included the Gorman Team Race Trophy won by the Queen City Yacht Club team and the Fleet Captains' Race around the Island won by Pete Sulman.

The Canadian Open Regatta is an event of major interest to our Fleet. This year 8 of our boats trailed to Montreal and enjoyed the wonderful hospitality of the Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club and a very exciting series. Bob Blesby again won the Trophy and thereby qualified to represent Canada in the 1963 World Championship.

The L.Y.R.A. (Lake Yacht Racing Association) Regatta was held at the Royal Canadian Yacht Club, Toronto, and this proved to be one of the season's highlights. We were especially pleased to have entries from Buffalo, Hamilton and Henderson Harbour. The experts from Buffalo captured the first three places and the Skaneateles Trophy, with Tom Fallon, Tom Allen and Karl Smith finishing in that order.

Another event of interest to our Fleet was the L.S.S.A. (Lake Sailing Skiff Association) Regatta, which was held at the Royal Hamilton Yacht Club this year. Six boats from our Fleet entered and enjoyed a closely contested series, which was won by Dave Millyard.

We had four entries in the Lake Erie Districts and Bob Blesby finished 4th out of the 58 boats, being the only one to finish ahead of Tom Allen in any of the races. Bob also did well in the North American Championships. After some bad luck in the qualifying races he finished second in the Governor's Cup series, just missing first place by less than a boat length in the final race.

The final race of the season was a five-race elimination series held in our area under the sponsorship of the Canadian Lightning Association. This was to determine the boat that would qualify to represent Canada at the Pan-American Games in the event that the C.Y.A. Committee would enter a Lightning. The series was won by Bob Blesby with Jack Swann as runner-up and Dave Millyard third.

MANSFIELD LIGHTNING FLEET (150)

Ohio-Indiana District

Sailing on Clearfork Lake at Mansfield, Ohio

Fleet Captain.....	Woodie Armstrong
Fleet Secretary.....	Charles H. Huston
Fleet Champion.....	Thomas McDermott
Runner-Up.....	Harry Warne

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
340	Sturdy Beggar	Stan Kime
830	.....	Jack Davies
1225	.....	Vince Phelon
1269	Hoome	Howard L. Robinson
2016	Gin-Jo-Kn	Kathryn & Johnson Smith
2018	.....	Tom Ross
2725	Firefly	David Ott & Louis J. Ott
2854	Meg	John Hammer
3612	.....	Robert A. Bonham
4239	St. Elmo's Fire	Harry Warne
4447	Colleen	Thomas McDermott
5167	Thunderbird	Charles & Mahel Huston
5456	Busy B's	Jim Bierly
5485	In A Jam	Jack Mintz
6944	Toby	Walter Stevens
6945	.....	Paul Steinhour
7422	.....	August Grottegut
7761	.....	Dr. Al Barbone
7783	.....	Woodie Armstrong

Our 1962 season began on May 20 with the first race of our Championship series. The season's start showed several changes in skippers. Paul Steinhour purchased Tim Stevens' boat and sold his to Jack Davies; Jack Mintz bought Pat Seigenthalers' and later in the year Tom Ross bought Glenn Macy's so that we now have three new skippers in the fleet.

The first six races saw six different skippers each winning a race. Our perennial champ, Tom McDermott, took four firsts in the last six races to win the First Half. The Second Half saw Harry Warne dominate the series but he couldn't catch Tom for the Fleet Championship.

Besides our Championship series we also had a ten-race series on Wednesday evenings and a series on Sunday mornings. In each of these series we start and race with the Flying Scot Fleet which gives us a sizeable fleet.

Tom McDermott lead the traveling skippers as club members visited various out-of-town regattas such as OICYL, Districts, Buckeye Lake and others. Among the travelers were Harry Warne, Paul Steinhour, Jim Bierly and Charles Huston.

Our season was officially climaxed with our annual trophy dinner. Trophy winners for the season were:

Championship Series

First Half	Second Half
1. Tom McDermott	1. Harry Warne
2. Charles Huston	2. Tom McDermott
3. Harry Warne	3. Charles Huston
Sunday Mornings	Wednesday Evenings
1. Tom McDermott	1. Harry Warne
2. Harry Warne	2. Tom McDermott
3. Charles Huston	3. Charles Huston

TAWAS BAY YACHT CLUB (152)

Michigan District

Sailing on Tawas Bay, Tawas, Michigan

Fleet Captain.....	Charles Schreck
Fleet Secretary.....	Herb Cox
Fleet Champion.....	Ed & Bill McKinley
Runner-Up.....	Ladd McKay

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5180	Humbug III	Ed & Bill McKinley
6222	Relampago	Dewey King
6283	Trio	Herb Cox
6688	Merri Mac II	Ladd McKay
7272	B.	Dr. Gerald Murphy
7615	War Paint III	Charles Schreck
7855	Deuces Wild	Nik Schulwitz
8004	Joker	Herman O. Nickels

Fleet 152 started a fine sailing season late in June, after the ice finally melted in Tawas Bay and some of the members completed the scramble for shorter backstays, headstay extensions and loose rigging. A re-tune job certainly paid dividends for Ladd McKay, one of our charter members and a most enthusiastic booster for Lightning Fleet 152 and Tawas Bay. After a slow start at the beginning of the season, Ed and Bill McKinley finally got "Hum Bug" moving and at the end of the summer it was McKinley first with McKay runner-up, a near photo-finish. Ladd is already looking forward to an even more successful season next year with his son Sandy, a freshman at the University of Michigan this year. Sandy is gaining valuable experience on the sailing team at Michigan.

Tawas was proud to host the Michigan Districts this summer and would like to extend an invitation to all classes to hold their regattas on Tawas Bay. The Raven and National One-Design Regattas were also held on Tawas Bay this past summer.

We are happy to learn that Dr. Gerald Murphy has recovered from his operation and look forward to having him back in Tawas for a full season of racing next year.

Plans are being made for another Lightning invitational regatta at Tawas next summer. The dates will be announced in "Flashes". We'll be looking forward to seeing you on beautiful Tawas Bay during the next sailing season.

WAWASEE YACHT CLUB (154)

Ohio-Indiana District

Based on Lake Wawasee, Syracuse, Indiana

Fleet Captain.....	John Nixon
Fleet Secretary.....	Paul O. Penn
Fleet Champion.....	Bruce Baiden
Runner-Up.....	Paul Knauer

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2539	.....	Sogi Soder
2559	Scud	Paul O. Penn
4750	Duckling	Berkley Duck
4764	C-Winn	George Wright
4810	Suki	Larry Lorentson
4910	.....	Gordon E. Medlock
5259	Jibojo II	Dr. J. S. Wellington
6133	Kathy II	Bruce Baiden
6902	.....	John Nixon
7033	C-Winn II	Carl Winnebald
7574	.....	Paul Knauer

Another year of sailing has ended too soon for the members of Wawasee Yacht Club. New members this year are the Gordon Medlock family of South Bend, and the J. D. Highfill family of Fort Wayne.

Eleven boats competed in the club races and at the end, Bruce Baiden held a small lead over Paul Knauer. Dick Penn was third, Larry Lorentson was fourth, and Berkeley Duck was fifth. Dick Penn won the Labor Day Series by a whisker over Lorentson and Baiden was third.

Wawasee Yacht Club will be the host for the Hoosier Lightning Regatta again on June 28 and 29. This has always been a popular regatta which is jointly sponsored by the Michigan City Yacht Club, the Indianapolis Sailing and Wawasee Yacht Club. The winner will receive the Eli Lilly perpetual trophy which is a beautiful award. This regatta has attracted many famous Lightning skippers, so plan to come to beautiful Lake Wawasee where we can almost guarantee good wind in June.

The Sail Fish program started last year was expanded this year and four races were held. We expect some of these sailors will develop racing "fever" and put the "bee" on the old man for a Lightning.

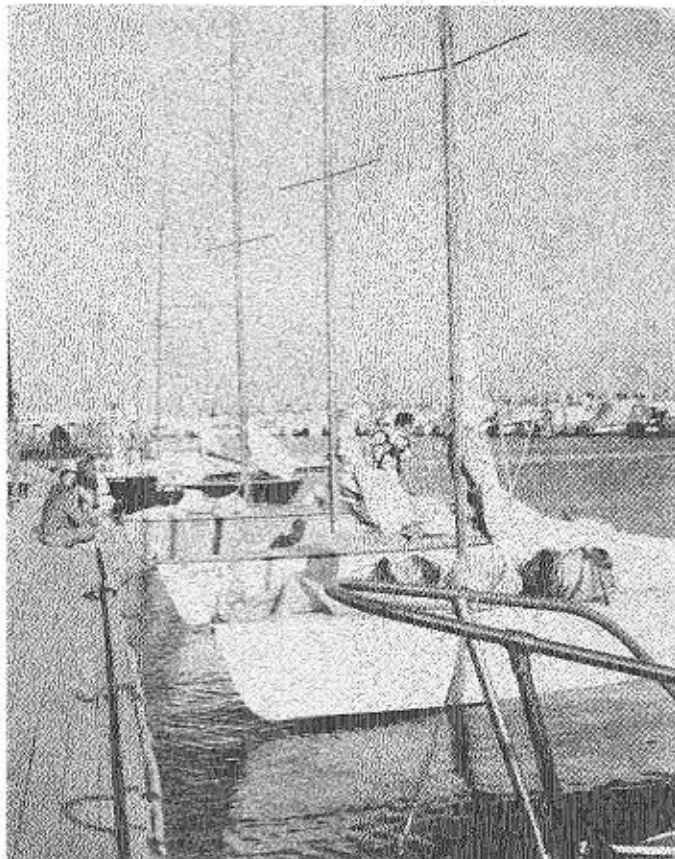
Our "Be Kind to the Race Committee Chairman" slogan started in 1961, bore fruit in 1962. Ed Dodez had lots of help in conducting races this year and the large float boat permitted many more spectators to be close to the arena.

SOUTHWESTERN YACHT CLUB (161)

Sailing on San Diego Bay, San Diego, California

Fleet Captain.....George Hendry
Fleet Secretary.....Saul Harris
Fleet Champion.....Dr. James Gourley
Runner-Up.....George Hendry

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5627	Cyclops	Mark Spitzer
5773	Balderdash	Dr. Richard Disraeli
6000	Six Grand	Dr. James Gourley
6242	Makai	Saul Harris
6418	Pea Pod	Judge Edward Schwartz
6483	Hornet	George Hendry
6597	Relampago	S.W.Y.C. (Gerald McCorry)
7990	Lori-Jean	Dr. Eugene Ephron



Fleet 161 "Between Races"

The perfect San Diego climate offers year-around sailing activity and so our fleet made an early start with the Fiore Series on January 28th. In addition to our 10 regular race series, several of our skippers took part in local regattas. The John Bate Invitational, hosted by our club, is always a highlight of the season, and this year saw 17 boats on the starting line, including our very good friends from Coronado Yacht Club, Mission Bay Yacht Club, and Kings Harbor Yacht Club.

Two other races are always looked forward to by our fleet, the Spring Race Around from Mission Bay Yacht Club to Southwestern Yacht Club and the return race in the fall. The course is a 17 mile ocean jaunt, which serves as a wonderful relief valve after the tensions of "competitive" racing. Many skippers let their hair down on these two "fun" races and take along their "yachting widows" and a six pack, while pretending to relax.

Our last race of the season is the Round Robin, but as Margaret insists on this report before December 10th, we don't know who won it.

True, we had our ups and downs, losing four boats and gaining two, but the wonderful spirit and enthusiasm of our fleet members should ensure a very successful season for 1963.

CAZENOVIA LIGHTNING FLEET (164)

Central New York District

Sailing on Cazenovia Lake at Cazenovia, N.Y.

Fleet Captain.....Dr. A. J. Penfield
Fleet Secretary.....Dr. Hans J. Bruns
Fleet Champion.....Dr. A. J. Penfield
Runner-Up.....John H. Griffiths, Jr.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
87	.....	Ralph Resnick
356	.....	David Ridings
768	Mad Cap	James E. Shepard
1795	Two G's	John H. Griffiths Sr.
1960	Swizzle	Lawrence & Robert Carpenter
2172	.....	John Searles
3412	.....	Gordon Phillips
3449	.....	Orrin Broberg
4605	.....	Raymond Miller
4669	.....	John Dickerson
4687	.....	Jesse Silverman
5153	.....	Nelson L. Neidhart
5892	Pinion	Donald W. Diefendorf
5893	Flip	Donald & Philip Harr
5894	.....	Dr. Harry Levitt
6077	Shamrock	Gerard F. Keane
6491	McCorkle	Dr. A. J. Penfield
6640	Mary Jane	Dr. Ernest Delmonico
6804	Spindrift	Dr. Hans J. Bruns
7214	Rae	Dr. Louis Alkoff
7244	Foamy	John Griffiths, Jr.
7273	Doregasa	Dr. Donald B. Sanford
7549	Rainbow	Gerald Young
8055	.....	Dr. Edward Dunn

To our knowledge, this was one of the busiest and most successful seasons ever sailed by the Lightning Fleet on Cazenovia Lake at the Willow Bank Yacht Club. The season began June 9, and there was a Wednesday night race added due to the initiative of Mrs. (Red) Sanford. In addition, the usual Saturday and Sunday afternoon series of point races were sailed. There were three new members: the Ridings, the Searles, and the Dunns.

There was obvious evidence of increased skill in sailing. Spinners were flying in all kinds of weather. The winners at the end of the season were:

First Division

1st—6491—Dr. A. J. Penfield
2nd—7244—John Griffiths, Jr.
3rd—7549—Gerald Young

Second Division

1st—6804—Dr. Hans J. Bruns
2nd—4605—Raymond Miller
3rd—3449—Orrin Broberg
Charter Members Cup Race—5892—Donald Diefendorf
Crewette's Race—7549—Beth Young
Wednesday Evening Series—7549—Gerald Young

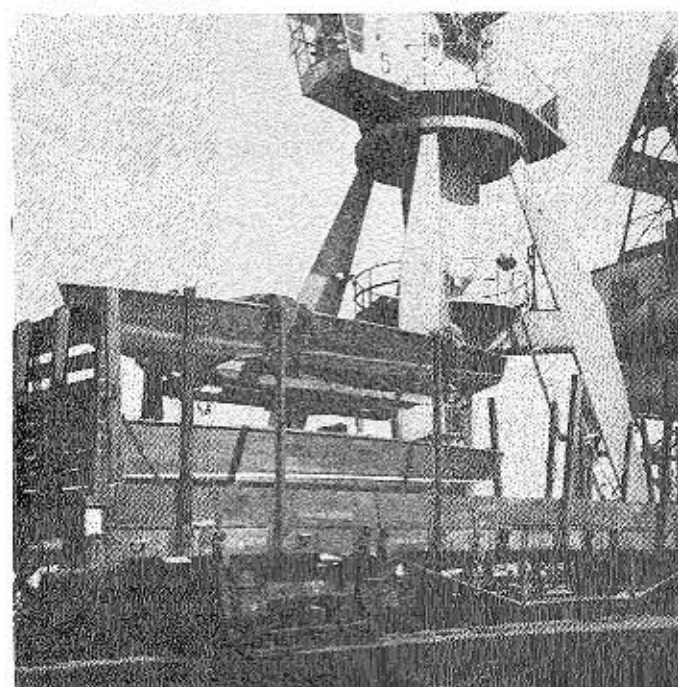
Members participated in several regattas. The most exciting news to us was that Jack and Sally Griffiths came in third at the District races. They went on to sail in the North American Championships. Next year we are privileged to be host to the Central New York District Regatta.

HELSINKI FLEET (166)

Finland District

Fleet Captain.....	Eugen Kalenius
Fleet Secretary.....	Jaakko Kauhainen
Fleet Champion.....	A Group: Urho Liimatta
	B Group: Waldemar Walli
Runner-Up.....	A Group: Raimo Aromaa
	B Group: Rauno Roitto

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3847	Ghost	Risto Isomeri
3934	Wivyl	Jorma Lehtonen
4009	Sotka	O. Enbom
4011	Villervalla	S. Ulvinen
4013	Donna	Tuulitytöt (Girl Guides)
4127	Compass	E. Jokela & E. Niskanen
4133	Angelique	Ilpo Hanninen
4134	Iron	P. Strand
4142	Susanna	Pentti Teppo
4327	Pitaya	Rabbe Nordstrom
4313	Annica	Erkki Lojander
4331	Albatross	Petri Jauhunen
4333	Sirri	Erkki Sevakivi
5054	Tiwa	Waldemar Walli
5062	Rose-Marie II	Ins. Ratia
5545	Chianti	H. Harju
5548	Lotina	R. Roitto
6832	Sea-Hawk	Paavo Leinonen
6836	Hurricane	M. Karstunen & J. Harkanmaki
7162	Binita	Peuranheimo
7163	Delphine	Antti Hohti
7177	Marina	A. Hanninen
7182	.....	Pertti Lohirinne
7183	Annina	Urho Liimatta
7881	Go-Go	Mikael & Kaj Nuorivaara
7887	Masi	Terho Aromaa
7888	Raimo	Raimo Aromaa
7890	Venla	Esko Lindstrom
7894	Anonymus	Paavo Manninen
7895	Piraya II	Erik J. Suni
8210	Speed VII	Bjorn-Ole Owren
8216	Twist	Eugen Kalenius
8218	Ariana	Leif & Stig Haglund



Helsinki Fleet boats "Tuuletari" and "Ariana" starting for the District Championships

This season has been without doubt the most important in our fleet's life, as we had the honor of acting as hosts for the 1962 Lightning Class European Championships, which were held in Helsinki in July. This great event gave quite a lot of work to fleet members for a long time as we planned to hold the regatta

in a way that all of our visitors would be satisfied. I hope our plan succeeded. A total of 23 Lightnings from three countries (Italy, Switzerland, Finland) participated, and our fleet provided the main Finnish representation for the event, as 12 of our Lightnings participated in the races. Our fleet members were also the best Finnish participants. Aimo Hanninen with his "Marina", Vesa Nurm and Olle Relander crewing, finished fifth and Paavo Manninen with "Anonymus", Pirkko Seppanen and Pentti Ella crewing, finished sixth; both of them won one heat, too.

The Helsinki Fleet has been very active in other events too during the season. We now have 33 boats of which 21 have participated in races held in the Helsinki area. We have about 33-40 races during the seasons, as there are 7 yacht clubs in Helsinki and every club holds several races during the summer, and Lightnings are welcome in almost every race. The number of boats has decreased in the fleet, but the quality has increased, as we had four new boats during the season. We "cleaned" our boat list leaving out old and inactive boats, which have not participated in any activities for several years, and have not paid their dues for a long time. We feel that our class doesn't need them.

Five of our Lightnings participated in the Finland District Championships, which were held for the first time in the "drinking water", at Lake Pajanne. It was a bit difficult to get boats there, as we had no trailers and had to transport them by rail, but the trip was indeed worth the trouble, as our skippers took first, third, fourth, sixth and seventh positions of the 18 participants. Aimo Hanninen and his crew Urho Liimatta and Ilpo Hanninen took the District Championship after a hot fight from the defending champ Raimo R. Nordstrom of Loviisa Fleet. Raimo Aromaa, with "Tuuletari" finished third, Paavo Manninen fourth, Stig Haglund sixth and our District Commodore, who is also a member of the Helsinki Fleet, Esko Lindstrom, finished seventh.

The Fleet Championships were held, according to traditions, in two groups, A and B. "A" group consisted of active racing skippers and "B" group consisted of "Beginners Class". Urho Liimatta won the "A" group and became the fleet champion. Brothers Raimo and Terho Aromaa had a fight for the runner-up trophy, but finally the older brother, Raimo, took the trophy home with the narrowest of margins—one point. Our district champ, Aimo Hanninen had bad luck, when in one race his hiking straps broke and the skipper and crewmember fell overboard. "B" group was won by "Tiwa", Waldemar Walli skippering, second "Lotina" Rauno Roitto.

We are looking forward to having our fleet even more active with new and better boats, increasing every season. Two, at least, for the next season.

LAKE DAVENPORT LIGHTNING FLEET (167)

Midwest District

Fleet Captain.....	Jon Wardell
Fleet Secretary.....	C. E. Ebert
Fleet Champion.....	Dick Duley
Runner-Up.....	Gene Hollen

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
194	Miss Cue	Bill Quaintance
212	Twilight	Rev. R. O. Williams
615	.....	Eric M. Peterson, M.D.
691	.....	L. Kohler
2036	Quee Quee	Marshall Smith & Dick Cooper
3312	Ye Olde Soak	Harry Pelton
4666	Our Buddy II	E. H. Hollen
5955	Tiki	Dave Wardell
6033	Toujour Gai	Clayton Ebert
7391	Tiki II	Jon B. Wardell
7954	.....	L. B. Williams, M.D.
8028	Duley Sip	Dick Duley

Davenport Lightning sailors had an unusually good season with 26 races in the official series plus two tuneups in May and two races on Labor Day. We don't know whether the 30 race series sets a record for the northern states or not. However the important thing is that sailing enthusiasm is high in the growing Davenport Club. The heavy race schedule was made possible by sailing two full trophy series, one of which was a 12 race fall series starting September 10 and ending October 28.

Competition was extremely hot between the two lead boats with Champion Dick Duley finishing the regular season with a beautiful 94.195 percent and Gene Hollen following with 94.150 for second place. The percentages reflected the extremely close competition between these two skippers. The fall series ended in a dead heat with the same two skippers owning identical averages. Clayton Ebert was coming up fast in the series and threatens to



Sodding operations during construction of new LDSC clubhouse. Lynell Duley helps Pat Stromberg while Myrna Duley looks on.

make it tough on the leaders next year with his 6033 (formerly Hot Canary). Marshall Smith and Dick Cooper won the title of "Most Improved" skippers for the season, doing a fine job with a rejuvenated 2036. Several other good skippers are working up on the top competition.

This season was marked by the building of a new clubhouse on the club grounds. Much of the construction was done by club members and there were a few weekends when sailing had to take second place to the carpentry.

Another first was the first Invitational Polar Bear Regatta held on October 13 and 14. This series featured a number of fine spinnaker reaches with the tricky wind and current keeping skippers on their toes. The race list included entries from the Alton and Decatur Illinois Clubs plus a full turnout from our local club. The races were sailed in beautiful October weather with breezes ranging mostly in the 5 to 10 mile range. The winner was Jerry MacNab, a sharp young skipper from Lake Decatur. The second place was nailed down by John Hollen, one of our fast-rising local juniors. Third place went to Mitch Bohnenkamp, a very fine competitor and one of the leaders in the Alton club. Mitch displayed his ability as a competitor as he held a commanding lead with two firsts until a DSQ dropped him into third place.

Several of our members rounded out the season by competing in other regattas in the area. Among these were the Sand Dunes, Gull Lake, Michigan, Alton Illinois, Carbondale, and Decatur regattas. Dick Duley almost had the Decatur trophy in the bag when a wind shift hit him on the last leg and dropped him into third place.

The season ended with skippers sadly taking down masts on the weekend of November 4. Several were overheard carping about the shortness of the season and planning to stretch it next year so that those beautiful Lightnings would be in storage only six months instead of seven. How about that for real "Lightning" spirit.

TAMPA LIGHTNING FLEET (168) Sailing on Tampa Bay, Tampa, Florida

Fleet Captain Raymond Chase
Fleet Secretary R. H. Rundle

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2144	Clifford Polk
3068	Raymond Chase
3192	Dick Jones
3231	Wilfred Bregler
3876	Reese Smith, Jr. & Leonard Gilbert
4419	William Young
4939	Rowland Rundle
5600	Ted King
7037	Leonard J. Vidal
7117	Lewis Hill

Our big news is the reactivation of our fleet which was officially brought about last August at a "Luau" including wives and crew members; a grand time was had by all. Two memorial trophies were set up to be in the name of two of our wives who in turn were called upon to make the presentations. Lewis Hill won the "Isabel Bregler Trophy" and Rip Rundle took the "Ruth King Cup". Our Fleet Championship series will be sailed in the spring of '63.

The majority of the fleet has traveled to local area regattas and walked away with the first three places at Sarasota, led by Bill Young, Rip Rundle and Lewis Hill. We also brought home the silverware from the St. Petersburg "Veterans Day Regatta"

with Rip Rundle leading, followed by Ray Chase and Lewis Hill.

Our local Davis Island Yacht Club Regatta, 11/23, saw one of our new owners take over—Dick Jones nosed out Lewis Hill by a 1/4 point for first place.

It's been a welcome sight to once again see an active fleet here and if the last few months are any indication we are here to stay. Our enthusiasm is tops, our social functions have been a great help in promoting our sailing activities, and we look for continued growth of the fleet and representation in all local west coast regattas and the district races next spring.



Peruto, #5898, in front of Neuchâtel Harbour.

FLOTTE DES LACS DE NEUCHÂTEL ET MORAT (169) Swiss District

Based on lac de Neuchâtel, Switzerland

Fleet Captain Claude Lambelet
Fleet Secretary Claude Lambelet
Fleet Champion Fiamma R. Fluhmann
Runner-Up Bourla Papey-D. Hanzel

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
924	Ra	Meinrad Mooser
926	Ibis	Blaise Perrenoud
4450	Damato	Louis de Pourtales
4709	Pack	Pierre Soguel
5183	.....	Dr. Paul Labbhart
5396	Plein Vent	Paul Dresco
5561	Frispon	Dr. Roland Grobety
5566	Milan	W. Schmid
5840	Herakles	Bernard Reutter
5898	Peruto	Tony Grieb
6071	Foufi	Edouard Linder
6174	Santa Maria	Jean Pierre Monnier
6234	Pappillon	Louis Dilger
6299	Trutz	E. Buttikofer

6398	Baraka	Yves Burrus
6739	Fiamma	Rene Fluhmann
6916	Dugg	Dr. H. Reichen
6991	Choucas	Henri Rauber
7467	Garoupa	Claude Lambelet
7801		Rudolf Geiser
7803	Bourla Papey	David Henriod
7805	Pamplemousse	Dr. Ch. Uehlinger
7934	Wama II	Walter J. Merz
8067	Oly	Pierre Grobet
8190	Sarabande	Rudolf Buchschacher
8192	As de Carreau	Jean-Pierre Luthy

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8292	Iraque II	Bernard Linder
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This last season, we noticed that a lot of new class boats invaded our lake. But this enjoyable rush to yachting hasn't, fortunately, been harmful to the ever-growing Lightning Class. In fact, our fleet is growing slowly but surely; you can find 27 competitive Lightnings on the lakes of Neuchâtel and Morat.

The very typical town of Grandson had the honor of inviting our fellows for the Fleet Championship. The winds had blown over the lake and some hours afterwards the wonderful wine of Neuchâtel brought back the entertainment we've used to!

Final standings of the Fleet Championship were:

Fleet Champion:	6739 Fiamma	R. Fluhmann
Runner-Up	7803 Bourla Papey	David Henriod
3rd	9261bis	Bernard Perrenoud
4th	7805 Pamplemousse	Dr. Uehlinger

The various regattas we are running on our three lakes, which are bound close together, (thanks to beautiful rivers), always give us the opportunity of cruising, putting the mast on the deck, fixing it again after having passed under a few bridges whereas the vibrations of the outboard motor just make the captain crazy, meeting old friends, having fun the whole night with them and awakening the next day not less enjoyed and relaxed! All these activities are our accustomed life on our lakes and we don't believe that we would really be happy without them.

The regattas of Morat, Neuchâtel, and Grandson, mentioning only the main ones, gave the opportunity of showing the lively activity of our class—thanks to the great number of Lightning races, as compared to the other classes.

Our fleet could once again prove its efficiency in getting the first place of the District Championship. The new boat "As de Carreau IV," owned by Jean-Pierre Luthy, has been victorious on the lake of Zurich which is very difficult for racing, the winds being so inconsistent.

SHREVEPORT FLEET (175)

Southern District

Based on Cross Lake, Shreveport, La.

Fleet Captain	Paul Shaughnessy
Fleet Secretary	Charles W. West, Jr.
Fleet Champion	Walter A. Heiman
Runner-Up	Luther B. Griffith

Boat No.	Boat Name	Boat Owner
4062	Tiny Joe	Joe Labarbara
4158	Georgia	Charles W. West, Jr.
	Cracker	
4161	Zing Zang	C. M. Zanglein
4264		Paul Shaughnessy
4627		R. C. Graef
4747	Zoom-Zoom	Alton Parker
4996	Mary E. II	Walter Heiman
5202	Dixie Doodle	R. G. Lawton, Jr.
6116	Boom-Boom	Luther B. Griffith
8223	Follow Me	M. H. Beaver
8340	Little Ripple	Clifford J. Prados

Favorable weather and an enthusiastic membership encouraged a full season of racing on our Cross Lake before and after the Shreveport Yacht Club Spring Regatta held April 29th. During this regatta we held the Inter-District Lightning Championship which was won by Art Magaro of the Dallas Corinthian Yacht Club of Dallas, Texas with Gay Griffith of our club taking second place.

We have just completed our formal racing season with Walter Heiman sailing his Mary E. to Fleet Champion over Luther Griffith in the Boom Boom.

Two new boats, No's. 8223 and 8340 have recently joined our fleet and promise to make '63 more of a challenge since Cliff Prados (a former president of Lightning Class Association—1955) will be at the helm of one.



Fleet 175 Champion—Mary E. II

GREAT SOUTH BAY FLEET (178)

Greater Long Island District

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

Fleet Captain	George McCormack
Fleet Secretary	William A. Madison
Fleet Champion	Robert T. David
Runner-Up	Paul Gilbert

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
24	Scarlett	Robert T. David
35	Knotso Grande	Temple Robinson
494	Firefly	Louis Hock
731	Sugar Loaf	Alan Morton
744	N.Y.C.	Narrasketuck Y. C.
863	Good Bye II	Robert Anderson
865	Jim III	Herman Berger
2610		John Fairweather
3148	Gretchen	Babylon Y. C.
3358	Tara	Helen McCormack
3421	Joanne	Joseph T. Gebhardt
3904	Black Orchid	William E. Thomas
4695	Adios	Angela Parker
4899	Mist	George McCormack
6051	8-Ball	Warren Pulver
6443	Huntress	Herbert Buerger
6568	Biljim	William Madison
6921		Ken McGinity
7624	Mistress	Robert T. David
7793	Nautilus	Mel Hoagland
7993	Chimera	Otto Hoglievina

Fleet #178 enjoyed a highly successful racing season which began on Memorial Day and ended with the last Frosthite race on December 2nd.

Once again Bob David, sailing the "Mistress" was fleet champion—but not without some challenging competition led by Bob Anderson, Paul Gilbert, Otto Hoglievina, Herb Buerger, Warren Pulver and George McCormack.

Results of the invitation regattas and club races were as follows:

INVITATIONS

Babylon	Bob David
Long Island	Bob David
Magoun Landing	Bob Anderson
Unqua	Warren Pulver

Bayshore—Bob David
 Bellport—Bob David
 Narrasketuck—Bob Anderson

NARRASKETUCK CLUB RACES

Spring Series—Bob David
 Twilight Series—Bob David
 Summer Series—Bob David
 Evening Series—Warren Pulver
 Fall Series—Herb Buerger
 Frostbite Series—Otto Hoglievin

One of the high spots of the year was the marked increase in fleet membership—a growth of twenty-five per cent and strong expectations of a similar expansion next year.

Our sincere thanks to the various Race Committees for their excellent handling of the races, especially to Narrasketuck Race Committee led by Jack Ronbach who rescued several of us one blustery Sunday afternoon in October.



Herb Buerger at the helm in "Huntress", proving that Lightnings do float!

CONNEAUT LAKE FLEET (180)

Lake Erie District

Based on Conneaut Lake, Conneaut, Pa.

Fleet Captain..... Wayne Titzel
 Fleet Champion..... Franklin Miller
 Runner-Up..... Bill Ralston

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
705	Tee-Hee	Eddie Shaeffer
2886	Hied-A-Weigh	R. Duane Good
3402		Charles Henderson
3404	Shu-Fly	Charles Berry
3022	Confusion IV	Dr. John Haneck
5070		Wayne Titzel
6996	Tsk-Tsk-Tsk	Franklin M. Miller
7998	Jan-Bee	H. G. Heineman
8261		William Ralston

1962 was a good year for our little fleet. The defenders of the status quo were hard pressed as Bill Ralston, up from the junior program of Sailfish racing, roared into a good second place both on the season's standings and in our Labor Day Regatta. It took plain and fancy sailing on the part of Franklin Miller to come from behind at the end of the year to cop honors. It was obviously a good year for the "new boats". However, the old ones had

their moments of glory although lacking consistency. Duane Good joined the upside-down club this year and for the fifth straight year, our only capsizes have been performed by those who are eligible to call themselves doctor. Duane explained this away by saying doctors have to live dangerously. We look forward to another good season next year with possibly two old boats being traded in for new and several new additions from the ranks of the Sailfishers.

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LELAND YACHT CLUB (184)

Michigan District

Sailing on Lake Leelanau, Michigan

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

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

Our sailing season got underway early in July with the arrival of some of our Lightning skippers in Leland. It appeared in those July tune-up races that Jack Gilligan would be taking home the A Class trophy at the end of the year. However, with the arrival of the August sailors, it soon became evident that Mike Fisher would again be receiving the "big cup" at our awards banquet.

Mike not only won the A Class trophy, but also he was the only A Class Lightning skipper to receive awards for performance in the Marathon and Handicap races, by placing second and third, respectively, in those events. (Those Nationals will have to be eliminated!) The B Class awards went to Norbert Gits for placing first in Lightning competition, and to Don Mitchell for coming in second in B in the Handicap series. Mike also came in first in the Bill Miller Labor Day Regatta, which was a fantastic success this year. Peggy Hilsinger and crew received the B Class cup in that Regatta, thanks to some magnificent work on the part of Mike Fisher in reporting the results to the scorekeepers.

The Linda Kay Sutton award for the girl displaying the most outstanding sailing ability, interest, and sportsmanship, went to Phyllis Riley, our chief scorer. Phyllis, who had a big hand in our junior sailing program, was most deserving. She showed much improvement in her sailing skills and also took part in planning the Yacht Club dance this year.

Some of the big events of the season were the Marathon, the Commodore's Cruise, the Yacht Club dance, the Bill Miller Labor Day Regatta, and the Yacht Club awards dinner.

We are looking forward to next summer, and in our last meeting of the year we made plans to have more racing and various different and interesting starting lines to replace the usual Yacht Club dock starts. We are also hoping to have a small Regatta in the middle of August; if we are able, you'll be hearing from us about it. At the close of the meeting we elected officers, and Mike Fisher was chosen Fleet Captain for next year.

All in all it's been a great year. (A reminder to all skippers: dues are going to be raised next year by the sum of one dollar if you don't get your money to me on time! J. H.)