

LIGHTNING FLEETS

Name of Fleet	Fleet No.	Name of Fleet	Fleet No.	Name of Fleet	Fleet No.
Airisto	396	Flotte du Lac de Neuchatel	169	Lake Washington	132
Algarrobo	318	Flotte Murlensee	358	Lansing S. C.	387
American Y. C.	96	Forest City	380	Lappeencranta	412
Ancon Y. C.	264			Larchmont & American Y. C.	32
Annisquam	151	Galway Lake	338	La Spezia	321
Anzio	278	Grand Traverse Y. C.	326	LaVallette	104
Armada Del Ecuador	411	Great Egg Harbor	99	Leatherlips Y. C.	27
Atwood Lake	212	Great Sodus Bay	108	Lega Navale Italiana	312
Awosting Yacht Sq.	95	Great South Bay	178	Leland Y. C.	184
		Greater Charleston	429	Les Cheneaux Lightning Fleet	378
Bay Head Y. C.	3	Green Bay	112	Little Neck Bay	55
Barnegat Light Y. C.	335	Greenwich Cove	7	Little Rock	284
Belle Haven Y. C.	7	Groton Long Point Y. C.	105	London	347
Biscayne Bay	226	Guayaquil	272	Loviisa	299
Black Rock Y. C.	17	Gull Lake	137		
Bomoseen Y. C.	227			Madison Beach	129
Brant Beach	173	Hampton Roads	426	Manhasset Bay	133
Brittania	188	Harbor Island Y. C.	262	Manitowoc	393
Brockport	267	Harnasseket	244	Mansfield	150
Buckeye Lake	43	Hawaii	143	Mantoloking Fleet	210
Buffalo Canoe Club	12	Helsinki	166	Maple Bay Y. C.	64
Buffalo Y. C.	81	Hempstead Harbor	138	Marblehead Harbor	189
Burnham Park Y. C.	56	Henderson Harbor	225	Marine Corps D&E Command	354
Burt Lake	254	Hewlett Bay	58	Marvilla Lightning Fleet	235
		Higgins Lake	110	Massabesic Y. C.	273
Capricornio	319	High-Tor	41	Mattituck	141
Carlyle Sailing Association	266	Higuerillas	342	Mayfield Y. C.	13
Catawba Y. C.	365	Hoover Y. C.	353	Memphis	274
Cedar Point	126	Housatonic Boat Club	6	Mentor Harbor Y. C.	37
Centerboard Y. C.	14	Hudson Lightning Fleet	376	Metedeconk River	34
Chautauqua Lake	19	Hveston	421	Milford Y. C.	238
Chautauqua	198			Milwaukee	69
Chelsea Y. C.	39	Iato Clube de Brasilia	375	Mission Bay	194
Chequesset	280	Indian Harbor	7	Mississinewa Reservoir	420
Chicago Corinthian Y. C.	5	Indian Lake	23	Mobile Bay	135
Chinook	229	Indian River Y. C.	72	Morgan City	443
Clark Lake Y. C.	416	Indianapolis Sailing Club	270	Muna	73
Clarks Hill	257				
Club Lago San Pablo Fleet	447	Jackson Y. C.	388	Nasijarvi	394
Club Nautico Bahia Blanca	445	Jardim Guanabara	401	Neahawanta Y. C.	403
Club Nautico del Calima	419	Jayhawk	60	New Orleans	209
Club Nautico del Tomine	432	Juanita Bay	414	Newport Y. C.	77
Club Regattas Lima	261	Jyvaskylan	328	Niagara S. C.	59
Club Universitario Buenos Aires	446			Niantic Bay	85
Club Universitario de Regatas	265	Kallavesi	395	Normandy Beach Y. C.	366
Cohasset	369	Kemin	310	Noroton	134
Colombian Navy	275	Kentucky Lake	242	Northeast Y. C.	207
Columbia Lake	49	Keuka Lake	252	Northport Bay	98
Columbia	283	Killyleagh Y. C.	427	Norwalk Shore & Country Club	418
Comox Bay	437	Kokanee	397	Nyack	75
Conneaut Lake	180	Kotka	298		
Cowan Lake	303			Ocean City Y. C.	430
Crab Orchard	330	Lahti	349	Odd Winds	296
Crescent Sail Y. C.	51	Lake Arthur	441	Okanagan	368
Cuba Lake	115	Lake Charles	399	Olivos	206
		Lake Champlain	301	Oulun	307
Dallas Corinthian	35	Lake Davenport	167	Oyster Bay Lightning Fleet	434
Decatur	74	Lake Dunmore	243		
Devil's Lake	31	Lake Fenton Y. C.	53	Palmetto	440
Douglas Lake	374	Lake Geneva S. C.	345	Pamlico Lightning Fleet	410
Dunkirk Harbor	311	Lake Glendale	444	Parkway S. C.	406
		Lake Greifensee	309	Parthenon	286
Flotilha de Lightning de Niteroi	351	Lake Hartwell	391	Paupack Sailing	16
Flotilha de Lightning de Pernambuco	373	Lake Keystone	402	Penn Manor Fleet	422
Flotta degli Estensi	355	Lake Lanier	348	Penwater Y. C.	340
Flotta Del Faro	390	Lake Mohawk Y. C.	25	Pequot Y. C.	153
Flotta di Formia	389	Lake Murray	341	Perry Lightning Fleet	438
Flotte del Garda	249	Lake of Biel	268		

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Pichidangui	346	San Diego Bay	114	Thessaloniki	256
Pontiac Y. C.	54	San Francisco Bay	372	Thousand Islands	382
Pontoosuc	417	Sandusky Bay	386	Tippecanoe Lake S. C.	425
Porin	306	Sandy Beach Y. C.	78	Toledo	42
Port Arthur Y. C.	407	Santa Monica Bay	102	Toronto Bay	146
Pultneyville Y. C.	61	Sao Paulo	147	Tred Avon	408
Pymatuning Y. C.	36	Sassafras River	314	Triad	415
Pyhaselka Lightning Fleet	428	Savannah	127	Turkeyfoot Lake	33
		Sempachersee	250		
Raritan Bay	185	Setauket Y. C.	323	Universitario de Regatas	424
Red Bank on the Shrewbury	70	Severn River	329	Upper Chesapeake Y. C.	192
Red Dragon Canoe Club	357	Sheboygan	187		
Red Jacket	125	Sheepshead Y. C.	38	Vancouver	90
Rehoboth	325	Shreveport	175	Vierwaldstattersee	281
Richmond Country Y. C.	295	Silver Lake Y. C.	47		
Riverside	7	Skaneateles Country Club	i	Washington	50
Riverton Y. C.	228	Smith Mt. Lake	377	Wawasee Y. C.	154
Rocky Point	7	Sorrento C.R.V. Italia	223	Western Connecticut	7
Rocky River	71	Southampton	431	Western Narragansett Bay	119
Roma	271	Southern Y. C.	62	Willow Bank Y. C.	164
Royal Hamilton Y. C.	118	South Haven Y. C.	30	Winnebago Lightning Fleet	442
Royal Lake of the Woods	320	South Shore Y. C.	79	Winnepesaukee Y. C.	246
Royal St. Lawrence Y. C.	215	South Skaneateles Lightning Association	439	Woodmere Bay Y. C.	300
Rush Creek	435	Spofford Lake	145		
		Sprite Island	413	Yacht Club de Chile	317
Sabazia	381	Squam Lake	332	Yacht Club Olivos	356
Saginaw Bay	216	Stockholm Lightning Fleet	433	Yacht Club Paysandu	423
St. Joseph Harbor	113	Surf City	196	Yacht Club Peruano	265
St. Marys	400	Susquehanna	253		
Salamis Fleet	251			Zigzag	277
Salinas Y. C.	405	Tawas Bay	152	Zurich	219
		Temple Reef S. C.	279		

REMINDER

Most of the Fleet and District Officers listed in this Year Book held office during the calendar year 1972. Names and addresses of current officers may be obtained from I.L.C.A. Headquarters.

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Lightning Fleets

SKANEATELES COUNTRY CLUB, INC. (1)

Central New York District

Based on Skaneateles Lake, New York

Fleet Captain	W. Howell Finn
Fleet Secretary	Tom Brunton
Fleet Champion	Kirk Reynolds
Runner-Up	W. Howell Finn

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2389	Robin L.	Arthur S. Hildebrand
3400		Richard C. Beck
5018		Malcolm W. Bennett
5139		Charles R. Lincoln
8952		Alan Brownlie
9557	Wild Goose IV	Kirk Reynolds
10320	Harem	Robert T. Brunton, Jr.
11307		Francis T. Lombardi
11153		John Robert Isaac
11154	Blitzen	Frank Haas
11234	Lady Liz	Whiton Powell
11694	Ace-In-The-Hole	W. Howell Finn
12012		Irv. W. Steele & John Barnes

1972 has to almost go down as the summer that never was. This unique phenomenon was directly attributable to Hurricane Agnes, which stormed through Central New York in mid-June leaving such high water that many of the regional clubs were not even operational until well into August. Skaneateles' Fleet 1 was one of the more fortunate. We hosted our annual invitational in early July even though the mall leading to the launching hoist was under five inches of water. This was no problem, however. We simply regressed eight years, using the ramp and floated the boats off their trailers.

The youth movement around Skaneateles continues on the march. The club series produced a new Fleet Champion in Kirk Reynolds. Kirk has been improving each year and this summer demonstrated that he really has arrived, both at home and on the regatta trail. For a given race, there never was a faster Lightning than the boat skippered by Jeff Isaacs. Wisely he displayed most of this speed on Sundays and as a result won the Sunday Series.

On the regatta scene, Kirk Reynolds scored second in the Districts and Centrals with a third in the Champagne Regatta at Sodus. Jeff Isaacs was third in the Skaneateles Invitational. Ace Finn won the South Skaneateles Regatta in September with Reynolds second. Another of our young club heroes was Eric Anderson, who crewed most successfully for Dick Hallagan in the North Americans at Rehoboth. They placed eighth in the championship flight . . . no mean accomplishment.

Fleet 1 would once again like to extend its deepest sympathies to Irv Steele and his daughter, Sue, for their tragic loss this past summer.

BAY HEAD YACHT CLUB (3)

Central Atlantic District

Sailing on Barnegat Bay, Bay Head, New Jersey

Fleet Captain	Fred Keefer III
Fleet Secretary	Edwin F. Sommer
Fleet Champion	Jos. F. Van Horn
Runner-Up	Bob O'Brien

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10	Tar Pot	Bob O'Brien
223	C. Lark	F. Eugene Clark
581	Mrs. Miller's Boat	H. Corby Day

2452	S.P.C.A.	Steve Waterbury
2674	Ken-A	F. Keefer III
3768		Ned Benedict
4176	Red Herring	James Kellogg
5083	Fire Cracker	Bob O'Brien
5989		P. Shannon
8738	B.H.Y.C.	B.H.Y.C.
9629	So-Jo-Lin-Jo II	Jos F. Van Horn
10626	Po-Shan	P. Shannon
11908	Blabs	Robert & Thayer Adams
12210		John S. Orelup
Life Member		Mrs. Kenneth Miller
		E. F. Sommer

In opening this article, Fleet 3 would like to salute Bob Adams, our "Mr. Lightning". Bob not only sails his Lightning in events near and far but helps to officiate whenever time permits in many other Bay Head Yacht Club activities. We are proud of the fact that Bob has qualified for the 1973 World's Championship with his ninth place finish at Rehoboth Beach, Delaware.

Fleet 3 activity for 1972 started with the Annual Spring Tune-up Regatta held on June 17th and 18th. Jim Carson was our winner. This event was written up in the August Flashes, so we will try to give an outline of the rest of the season.

During July, Fleet 3 (B) wet boats raced in the Senior Series every Sunday afternoon on the Metedeconk River. Joe Van Horn had sold #1137 and campaigned #9629, a wet glass boat. Phil Shannon joined this Series with his dry (A) glass boat. At this point a meeting of the fleet was called and it was decided that a one point penalty would be placed on dry glass boats and a half point penalty was put on wet glass boats to even the point totals for each series. This was Phil Shannon's idea and for the July Series he donated a fine silver bowl for the winner under the new system. The trophy is to be known as the Van Horn trophy for Joe's untiring efforts for Fleet 3.

The July Series found Joe Van Horn winner of the Van Horn trophy. Joe was followed by Bob O'Brien second and Phil Shannon third.

In August, more of our regulars added to the number of boats sailing, and we found Corby Day in the winning spot with Steve Waterbury second and Ted Keefer third. It may be said here that Keefer, a rookie last year, seems to be the sailor showing the most improvement for 1972.

In the meantime, our A Fleet regulars were sailing in BBYRA every Saturday. John Orelup's new boat was delivered so late that much of the series was sailed before he could launch and tune his craft. Bob Adams finished fifth in our Tune-Up Regatta and fourth in the C.A.D. Championship Regatta and, as stated before, qualified for the 1973 World's.

The final event was the Round Robin held on the Metedeconk River with the last race of the day finishing at the yacht club dock in Bay Head. A new Round Robin bowl, a perpetual trophy donated by Bob O'Brien, was won by Corby Day. Smaller bowls were awarded to Steve Waterbury for second and Ned Benedict for third.

At the Round Robin meeting, we elected Ted Keefer Fleet Captain for 1973 and yours truly, Ed Sommer, was retained as secretary. The final point standing found Joe Van Horn, Fleet Champion and Bob O'Brien, Runner-Up.

A new perpetual trophy and a "keeper", called the Lightning Cup was presented to Joe Van Horn at the Annual Awards Dinner. This award is for the skipper or crew member doing the most to advance Fleet 3 and Lightning sailing. The recipient each year is chosen by a committee active in sailing at Bay Head Yacht Club but not involved with Fleet 3. The writer and his wife donated this trophy to spur everyone's efforts in Lightning sailing including individual crew members.

After a fine 1972 season we close thanking everyone who participated in our events and extend a warm invitation to all of our sailing buddies to be on hand for the 1973 Central Atlantic District Championship Regatta to be hosted by Fleet 3 and the Bay Head Yacht Club.

CHICAGO CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB (5)

Midwest District Sailing on Lake Michigan at Chicago, Illinois

Fleet Captain	Roger Seitz
Fleet Secretary	Kerford Marchant
Fleet Champion	Peter Chase
Runner-Up	Bob Smither

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5115	Carrio	Tom Kaniff
5133	XPG	Fred Bell
6775		David J. Fitzgerald
7326	Lucky Too	Ralph Weninger
7793	Banana Boat	Melvyn Weiselberg
8260	Goose	Leo O'Brien
8303	Conquest	Chuck McManus
8427	Spendthrift	Robert H. Dobbins
8669		Stanley A. Lewy
8686	Boat	Jack Gibson
9412	Alethia	Don Basler
9586	Hazard	Richard Dallmayer
9591	Scram	J. Thomas Blount
9607	Wild Child	Walter Hock
9697	Hussy	Chuck Hlinka
9957	Good Grief	Pete Chase
9958	Schuss	Cliff Stettler
9987	Dozo	Roger Seitz
10250		William H. Zamzow
10291	Sparky	William E. Zack
10423	Sopwith Camel	Walt Herbold
10443		John Helmstadter
10479	Phoenix	Dick McClure
10557	Clara	Joseph Angioletti
10844	Midetite	John Burke
10930	Fission	Bob Smither
11101		Peter C. Evanson
11198	BAAAD	Adrian Irving
11270	Lyn	John Pavlak & Kerford Marchant
11322	Think or Thwim	Bob Spitz
11446	Frolic	Dick Hinze
11615		Charles E. Becker
11703	No Go IV	Elliot Siegel
11744	Cordon Blue	Bruce Kellett
11927	Lyntog	Bernard Kornhaber
12047	Snoopy	Bruce Goldsmith
	Gretchen	Fred Winkler

This 1972 was another good year for us on Lake Michigan. The weather was what one has come to expect, with the heavy stuff coming at the first of the season, light air through July and August, and the wind starting to howl toward the end of September.

Our race season is, and has been, divided into two major series: The Fleet Championship-Commodore Series and the Corinthian-Olympian series. The entire fleet is divided into two groups: A fleet (the good guys), and B fleet (the new sailors). So, while the guys like Bob Smithers, Pete Chase, Bruce Goldsmith, Bob Spitz and Dick Heinze are trying to ace each other out for the Fleet Championship, the newer sailors are banging rub rails together in what is their championship, the Commodore Series, with its winner being promoted to the A fleet. These series are scheduled in such a way that, hopefully, they won't conflict with any major regattas. The Corinthian-Olympian series is scheduled to run when there are other regattas, but generally those at some distance. The rest of the weekend races make up the Ding-Dong series. This series is sailed at the same time as regattas which we feel will draw a significant number of sailors from our club.

The winners this year of these series were: Fleet Championship: 1. Peter Chase, 2. Bob Smither, 3. Richard Heinze; Commodore Series: 1. Elliot Siegel, 2. Tom Blount, 3. Kerford Marchant; Corinthian Series: 1. Peter Chase, 2. Bob Smither, 3. John Burke; Olympian Series: 1. Charles Hlinka, 2. Walter Herbold, 3. Tom Blount; Ding-Dong Series: 1. Mike Chase, 2. Richard McClure, 3. Bruce Kellett; Moonbeam Series: 1. Richard McClure, 2. Richard Heinze, 3. Tom Blount.

The social highlight (or just plain high) of the season is the Club Champagne Regatta sponsored by the Lightning Fleet. Here

the one-design fleets are divided into two teams and attempts are made to get an equal number of each type of boat on each team. The plan is to beat the other team; the incentive is that the winning team gets two bottles of champagne per boat and the losing team gets but one. This year we had about 38 boats on the starting line, and the 38 boats consumed 108 bottles of champagne. Someone had more than their share but your correspondent doesn't remember who it was.

HOUSATONIC BOAT CLUB (6)

Connecticut-Rhode Island District

Fleet Captain	Richard N. Hayes
Fleet Secretary	Douglas P. Waterhouse
Fleet Treasurer	Robert E. Franz
Fleet Champion	Hugh J. Hutchison

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1600	Sea Fever	Harry B. Wignall
2920	Alibi	Philip E. Olson
3576	Driftwood	Paul A. King
6315		Ralph H. Prince
7366	Blue Chip	Robert G. Thorpe
7636	Layaway	George C. Lay
8616	Enterprise	Hugh J. Hutchison
8688	Sponger	Peter F. Canevari
9522	Franzship	Robert E. Franz
9711	Macro Tension	Russel C. Applegate, Jr.
10746	How Cum	Richard N. Hayes
10801	Woody	David M. Peterson
12119	Pa-da-lin	Edward R. Olsen

The Lightning Fleet in Housatonic Boat Club maintained an active Race Schedule during the 1972 season, although it still feels the heavy competition from the Handicap Fleet which draws more boats in competition.

Hugh Hutchison, sailing #8616 *Enterprise*, captured the Fleet Championship this year. Dick Hayes in *How Cum* #10746 won the June Series and Russ Applegate in *Macro Tension* led the July Series. The Ira R. Trophy for women went to Linda Hayes for her crew work on *How Cum*.

Fleet Six was represented at the Connecticut-Rhode Island Districts by Hugh Hutchison, Bud Olsen, and Dick Hayes with their respective crews.

Bud Olsen, with his crew of Wayne Thayer and Ricky Applegate, trailered with Dick Hayes and his crew, Linda and Neil Hayes, to beautiful Mallet's Bay to participate in the Northeast Regionals on Lake Champlain.

A new Northeast 21 Committee Boat was acquired this year. Volunteers from the Housatonic Boat Club took over the partially finished hull and superstructures and made her ready for use. Many thanks to those who participated.

A summary of race winners is as follows: Commodore's Plaque, Hugh Hutchison; Governor Baldwin Trophy, Dick Hayes; Fleet 6 Trophy, Russ Applegate; Commodore Crocker Trophy, Hugh Hutchison; Olsen Marine Trophy, Hugh Hutchison; Alfred Beach Trophy, No winner; Frostbite Trophy, Hugh Hutchison; Commodore Ira R. Peterson Trophy, Linda Hayes.

BUFFALO CANOE CLUB (12)

Lake Erie District Based on Abino Bay, Lake Erie Point Abino, Ontario, Canada

Fleet Captain	Matt Bryant
Fleet Secretary	John Y. Sloan
Fleet Treasurer	Spurgeon W. Thompson, Jr.
Fleet Champion	William A. Shore
Runner-Up	William R. Potter

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
693	Off-Call	Dr. Murray S. Howland, Jr.
4811		James F. Eagan
6670	Sea-O	Frank E. Hayden
7046	Jelly	Bonnie Jehle
7548		James E. Egloff
7942	Clancy	Douglas Rumsey
8248	Four Seas	R. Crawford
8498	Win Tell	C. Townsend Wilson

8503	Glockenspiel II	Stuart Anderson
8510	Glissade	William R. Potter
8598	Venture	Mike Eagan
8624	Dart	J. T. J. Stewart
9111	Isotope	J. Y. Sloan
9373	Put-Put	Matt Bryant
9556	Sinbad	Dr. Francis Ehret
9739		S. Thompson
10006		Joe Hylant
10031	Restless	William W. Hughes
10147	Eve	Kenneth Seubert
10303	Marja	Robert J. Adams
10356	Spirit	Robert Fretz
11000	Thermis XI	Karl Smither
11022	Ariel	Stanley A. Tirrell
11080		Thomas Leed
11126	Botched Up	Allan W. Siegner, Jr.
11137	Caboose	Richard P. Ferrick
11435	Chief	John E. Somers
11450	Yo Yo	Francis M. Huffman, Jr.
11519	The Berry	Ed Roseberry
11631	Better Half	Ross Hall
11869	Golden Vanity	Robert C. Enger
11902	Paw Nee	Paul Stievater
11911	Atom	Thomas G. Allen III
12150	Sea-O	C. O. Jones, Jr.
12175	Finesse	William A. Shore
12202	West Wind	Thomas M. Ward
Life Member		J. A. Bernel

While the winds howled in the north, Tom Allen, Bill Shore, Matt Bryant, Bud Jones and Tom Fallon competed in the southern circuit in March. In the Savannah Series, with 54 boats competing Bill Shore was first. It was here that Tom Fallon, Tomo as he was known by all the sailors, sailed his last regatta, finishing seventh. His fine sportsmanship, help and enthusiasm will be remembered by all, as our past Commodore and past President of the International Lightning Class Association.

At St. Petersburg following Savannah the story changed, with Tom Allen dominating the series with four firsts and one second place finish, with Bill Shore placing fifth.

At the Coral Reef Yacht Club in Miami, Allen again won first place with finishes of 3-1-4—clinching the Southern Circuit series for the second time. Bill Shore finished fifth clinching third in the circuit series.

With spring the young men's fancy turned to sail, the half hour gun, and the election of officers.

On May 7, 13, and 14 the Eby Series sailed behind the ice barrier drew 15 boats with 8 guests from out of town.

With the ice gone and the weather a little warmer the Foster Series with 17 boats and Hussey Series with 20 competitors were sailed.

On June 10 and 11 the Club hosted our annual Niagara Frontier Invitational Regatta with Courier Express and Carrel Trophies. Bill Shore took second and Ed Roseberry fifth. An in-depth report appears in another article.

On the weekend of June 30 the Lake Erie District Lightning races were held at the Boulevard Yacht Club in Toronto where the following competed in five races to qualify in the North American Championships:

Bill Shore, 1st; Stu Anderson, 2nd; Ed Roseberry, 3rd; Wes Siegner, 4th; Mark Bryant, 6th; Matt Bryant, 7th; Dick Ferrick, 9th; Bud Jones, 12th.

The week end of Aug 20 these eight journeyed to Rehoboth Bay Yacht Club in Delaware—The North American Lightning Championships. Qualifying races placed defending champion Bill Shore and Mark Bryant in the North American championship where Bill Shore placed third and Mark Bryant 23.

In the President's Cup: Wes Siegner, 6th; Ed Roseberry, 9th; Stu Anderson, 7th; Dick Ferrick, 11th; Bud Jones, 15th. Governors Cup: Tom Ward, placed.

Early August the Tom Fallon Club Lightning Championship races were held with 15 boats competing. Bill Shore took first with 3,1,1,1 places, Bill Potter second, and Wes Siegner third.

The Junior series, hotly contested, scored the following: Pete Jones, first; Mark Bryant, second; Bob Fretz, third.

The Junior Championship Series was won by Mark Bryant, followed by Pete Jones second, and Wane Knibloe third.

In addition, many of our sailors traveled to other major regattas too numerous to fully cover here. Of special note are two firsts apiece by Matt Bryant at Parkway Sailing Club and Dunkirk (for the sec-

ond year in a row), and by Bill Shore in the Northeast Regional Championship and in the Northport Long Island Invitational.

The Fleet's First Annual Auction May 28 highlighted our after race parties with stupendous values at miniscule prices.

And so the season ended. Our sincere thanks to the Race Chairman, Score Keepers, and Burgee Crews who started and finished 12 series of 53 races, rescued several capsized and dismasted boats, and towed us in after the drifters.

To all our sailing friends: As host Fleet for the 1973 Lightning Worlds at the Buffalo Canoe Club on Abino Bay, Canada we hope you will qualify and be with us in August.

MAYFIELD YACHT CLUB (13) Central New York District Sailing on Great Sacandaga Lake Mayfield, New York

Fleet Captain	Ed Koenig
Fleet Secretary	Bill Schultz
Fleet Champion	Bob Hollmann
Runner-up	Ed Kruszona

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
20		R. Paul Farrell, Jr.
4408		Edward Wagner
5477		Hans H. Norden
6969	Nuf Sed	Robert L. Glinski
7333	Hekate	W. Dexter Bellamy
8899	Escape	Edward G. Kruszona
9399	Figet	S. P. Mitoff
10097	Savage II	Donald & Jean M. Kerr
10123	Exodus	Craig Leverault
10333	Dolce Vita	F. C. Hollmann
10417		L. D. Stoddard
10736	Kittiwake	Edgar F. Koenig
11874	Fiddler's Green	James S. Nelson
12084		W. R. Schultz
12130	Viva	Sam Folger

The highlight of the 1972 racing season at the Mayfield Yacht Club on Great Sacandaga Lake was the Lake Shore Lightning Squadron Regatta. First place was captured by Dick Hallagan, District Champion. A great time was had by all with about twenty-five boats entered. Fleet 13 sailors found themselves located mainly in the last half of the pack. Perhaps things would have been different had rain and the lack of wind not forced cancellation of the last two races.

The 720 Rule was used this season and presented no particular problems or disagreements. Winner of the July series was Bob Hollmann with Ed Kruszona and Jim Nelson placing second and third. Jim, in the July series, narrowly beat out Ed Koenig who placed second in the August series. Kruszona and Hollmann, in August, were third and first respectively. On an overall season basis, Bob Hollmann became the Fleet Champion. Ed Kruszona and Ed Koenig achieved second and third.

Other notable events for the year were Bob Hollmann's participation in the North American's at Rehoboth as Mayfield's representative. He recommends it as an outstanding experience. A less happy occasion was Hans Norden's loss of boat No. 5477 while docked when Hurricane Agnes' presence was felt on Great Sacandaga Lake with heavy winds and high water. Sam Folger was our newest Lightning sailor, joining us with a brand new boat.

Again, we invite others to join us in keen but fun racing on Great Sacandaga.

CENTERBOARD YACHT CLUB (14) New England District Sailing on Casco Bay at South Portland, Maine

Fleet Captain	Granville H. Dyer
Fleet Secretary	A. Warden Murray
Fleet Champion	W. P. Liller
Runner-Up	Matt Murray

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1644	Ginger III	Granville H. Dyer
7004	Aeolus	George F. Hackett
7226		James C. Agnew
9142	Cheers	J. Dexter, Jr.
9875	Cormorant	George & Jay Huettl

10133	Blue Devil	William P. Liller, Jr.
11424	I.G.	Richard K. Getz
11889	White Lightning	A. Warden & Matthew Murray
12233		David White

The 1972 season was a very active one for Fleet 14 in many ways. Our Dave White and Bill Liller, plus Jack Burwell from Fleet 244, Haraseeker, got together and went on the Southern Circuit, taking in the Savannah and St. Pete races. They left in the worst ice storm of the winter. It was a lot of traveling, but they felt it was a great experience and worth the effort.

The Fleet was quite active on the Regatta Circuit as Dave White went to the Long John Regatta at the end of April, the Champagne Regatta at Sodus, New York in August, Cedar Point, Connecticut Regatta, and took a first at the Lake Massabesic Regatta in September and a second at the State of Maine Regatta. He bought a new boat in August with all the latest go fasts.

The Murrays went to the Atlantic Coast Championships down on Barnegat Bay, New Jersey. (Who said the wind never blows on Barnegat Bay?) They also took in the Massabesic Regatta.

The Lillers, Huertls, and Getz went to the One Design weekend regatta held by the Portland Yacht Club on Casco Bay in July.

Our own Summer Series of two races each Saturday during July and August was well attended and not a single race was lost due to bad weather, which is unusual for our area. Bill Liller in *Blue Devil* was the series winner and Matt Murray in *White Lightning* was runner-up.

Dick Getz in No. 11424 and Jack Dexter with No. 9142 joined the Fleet.

Members of both Lightning Fleets on Casco Bay are publicizing and promoting the boat in the local area at every opportunity. Last winter Fleet 14 and Fleet 244 members, in a fine cooperative effort, took a booth at the local boat show and put a fully rigged Lightning on display, manning the booth for the three days in relays. They were helped in the effort by ILCA Headquarters, a Lightning builder and a sailmaker.

In addition, there is a very good possibility that a local boat builder will be selling Lightnings before long, which should spur the sale of the boats locally.

The annual State of Maine Regatta was held at the Centerboard Yacht Club the last weekend in August and seventeen boats participated. We were happy to see so many new faces this year. Competition was also keen and Stuart Nickerson from the Chequesser Fleet, No. 280, won the Regatta, our Dave White took second and Jack Burwell from Haraseeker was third.

Our fleet is small, but what we lack in numbers, we more than make up for in boat participation and member enthusiasm. The fleet has shown a small growth each year and now, with eight boats, it is the largest it has been in many years.

We are looking forward to continual growth and another great year in 1973. Come Sail Me.

CHAUTAUQUA LAKE YACHT CLUB (19)

Lake Erie District

Sailing on Lake Chatauqua, Lakewood, New York

	Fleet Captain	James J. McDonnell
	Fleet Secretary	John W. McCarthy
	Fleet Champion	Charles E. Ludwig
	Hi-Point Champion	Miles L. Lasser
Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5628	"8" Ball	John W. McCarthy
5743	Tip Toe	Richard Harding
6298	Serendipity	James W. Whitmore
6450		G. J. Creighton, Jr.
8159	Free Rein	David R. Rein
9332	Swinger	J. J. McDonnell
9418	Cygnat	J. Parker Swanson
9636	Sic Transit	
	Gloria	Miles L. Lasser
10035	Flamin' Mabel	Charles E. Ludwig

Our 1972 season had a slow start due to a late spring and a hurricane that smashed the main dock. By mid summer, however, all equipment was in full operation, including a new electric boat lift to supplement our two cement launching ramps. We now have the best facilities for miles around.

Memorial Day saw only a small turn-out, but Chuch Ludwig led all the way with Jim McDonnell close behind.

The July Fourth series, which is combined with the previous Sunday had a good turn-out as well as good winds and weather. Miles Lasser left no question about who won by finishing 1-1-3-2. Dave Rein was second followed closely by Jim McDonnell.

On August 26-27, the Annual Cornball Regatta was held. In addition to the sailors from the home club, there were representatives from Cuba Lake Y.C., Chautauqua Y.C., Dunkirk Y.C., Niagara Sailing Club and Sandy Beach Y.C.

Joe Hughes of Cuba Lake Y.C. moved up from last year's third place position to capture first place this year. Cal Schmiede of the Niagara Sailing Club took second with Ward Wilday of Cuba Lake third.

Labor Day's traditional long race is thirteen miles long. It is sailed to the far end of the lake, with an extra challenge of out-maneuvering the Bemus Point-Stowe ferry and the turbulent, freakish winds in the narrows. Chuch Ludwig was the winner followed by Miles Lasser and Dave Rein.

For the Hi-Point series, Miles Lasser came out the winner of a close contest all the way with Jim McDonnell and Dave Rein in hot pursuit.

Chuch Ludwig as Fleet Champion, won the honor of competing in the Mallory-type Club Championship initiated this year at our yacht club. Fleet Champions from the E-Scows, Thistles, Lightnings and Snipes participated with four races sailed, this year in Thistles. Each skipper sailed a different Thistle in each race, but the crew (selected by the boat owner) stayed in the same boat for all four races. Although our Lightning Champ came in fourth, "just wait until next year."

We were all saddened by the death of Roland Harding who had a heart attack during the Cornball. A consoling factor is the belief that he died doing what he loved, sailing his Lightning.

INDIAN LAKE YACHT CLUB (23)

Ohio District

Sailing on Indian Lake

Russells Point, Ohio

	Fleet Captain	John Butler
	Fleet Secretary	Harry Robertson
	Fleet Champions	Malcolm & Stremple
Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1231	Pink Lady	James Klopefer
1926	Secrets	Max Freeland
2824		D. J. Karl
5371	Jodiki	Dick Collier
5410		C. B. Mix
5431		C. J. Detwiler
5761		John Butler
5829	Mimmi III	Richard Kretschmer
6505		Thomas Kemp
7424	Raven	R. L. Balyeat & F. T. Butler
8717		Wayne Weikert
9702		Harry S. Robertson
9955	Frigate	Tom Rochm, Jr.
9963	Shindig	John Shinn
9969		L. R. Butler
10444	If	Thomas L. Wilkins
11138	Cock Pit	Jay & Helen Limbaugh
11400	Chuck-L-Too	Charles Lutes
11485		Alex Kaye
11515	Bobcat	Robert Stremple
11531	After All	John Timmermeister
11982	Receivership III	Bernie Malcolm
12120		Ted Siferd & Dean Siferd

This past year saw some giant improvements in our club, and some innovations in our fleet. We added two new members this year and hope to add more next.

As usual, we sailed two series consisting of eight races each. We counted five in each series with the winners (familiar names, surely) noted above. There were some new faces on the starting line, and some exciting times for all. An average of six boats per race met the call each Sunday.

This year, we added an "At Home" series designed to attract those skippers who didn't travel, and entice the less experienced to the race course. When the hot-shots left for out-of-town regattas, the remainder of the fleet had a chance for the gun. The top three: Timmermeister, Robertson, and Jack Butler.

Much travel was noted this year with Lutes, Malcolm, Strempel, Wilkins, Kaye, Roehm, and others making many sorties into other—and sometimes terrible—waters. Malcolm and Lutes went to Rehoboth Bay, a half dozen or so to Indianapolis (with most practicing their ditching procedures) and a number attending the Districts on neighboring Grand Lake, St. Marys.

This year, we initiated the "Siferd Trophy", through a generous grant of Class stalwart Ted Siferd. It was won by Tom Wilkins as a result of superior sailing in a four-race series stretched over two holiday week-ends. Of course, Tom was assisted by his sons—Mike and Mark. The former was Commodore of the Junior Sailing Association this year.

The Club held the 12th Spring Shakedown in May. This one is the second in the Northern Circuit and is always a blast. This year saw 29 entries registered and when it was over, we found Tom Dressel the winner and Bernie Malcolm saving the host fleet's face with a fifth.

The Thompson Trophy race was held on Labor Day, and Fleet 23 fared well in this annual intra-club handicap race. It is sailed all over the lake and in a drifter, takes forever to complete. No drifter this year, though, and Lightnings took the first two places.

Our juniors are more than active in the overall club picture and did well in the Sunfish program at I.L.Y.C. as well as placing in the Nationals at Devils Lake, Michigan.

The fleet provided the Club Vice-Commodore and four members of the Board of Trustees. They also provided strong backs in the many continuing Club projects.

The painter is always out for visiting skippers and their crew, so if you're in the area, stop in and give us a hail—we'll give you buoy room.

LAKE MOHAWK YACHT CLUB (25)

Metropolitan District

Sailing on Lake Mohawk, Sparta, New Jersey

Fleet Captain	Craig Maxwell
Fleet Secretary	Ron Beard
Fleet Champion	John Eggers
Runner-Up	Armond R. Tomassetti

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3104		Gerald MacDowell
4941	Nippising	Gordon R. Smith
5154	IMP II	John Reininger
5617	Bali Hai	Gilbert Jacobson
5694		Craig Maxwell & Ron Beard
5988	Gray Ghost	Don Miller
6647		Dominic Roselli
6975	Wildcat	David MacDonald
8881	Lisboa	Daniel Caulfield
8990	Gramboko	Bernard Cole
9059	Gemini	William W. Wagner
9984		Robert Watters
10207	Jackie	Armond R. Tomassetti
10220		Al Levin
10769	Tantalus	Carl P. Stoebling
11464	The Loud Ones	Conrad Mueller
11607		Craig Maxwell & Ron Beard
11771		Donald R. Ploetner

No Report.

DEVIL'S LAKE YACHT CLUB (31)

Michigan District

Based on Devil's Lake at Manitow Beach, Michigan

Fleet Captain	Merrill Bales
Fleet Captain Elect	Peter Paullin
Fleet Secretary	Bill Nuoffer
Fleet Champion	Merrill Bales
Runner-Up	Peter Paullin

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1200		John K. Tolford
6228	Doo-Little	Richard Tressler
6282		George Teller
7480		William Nuoffer
8250	Lightning Bug	Norman Tolman
8640	Heritage	John A. Davis
8642	Family Affair	Ted Delzeith



Fleet 31 Champion Merrill Bales.

8753	Scarlet O'Hara	John Damon
9212	T-Bird	C. F. Bryner
9480	Ma's Second Thought	Geoffrey Moehl
9508		Dr. Charles Smith
9650	Red Carpet	Dr. James Reynolds
10198	Tahitian Gal	LaVern Ehinger
10798	C-Jet	Jack Tibbs
10803	Orange Peel	Parker Tagsold
11269	Way to Go	Henry Hodgson, Jr.
11449	Runaway	George Sipel, Jr.
11644	IGA	James Tibbs
11698	Chicken of the Sea	Doug Kapnick
11699	Hey Bales	Merrill Bales
11951		Peter Paullin
12051	Avis	Dr. Robert & David Laidlaw
Life Member		Jack Beal
Life Member		C. B. Crittenden
		Lynn Nuoffer

Merrill Bales sailed a most consistent season by never finishing less than third and thus ended George Sipel's 10-year reign as fleet Champion. Bales' record is truly outstanding both in consistency and in boat speed as evidenced by his fine performance in outside regattas. When combined with the rigorous duties as Fleet Captain and assisting his lovely wife Judy who edited the yearbook, Merrill experienced a truly outstanding season.

Other features of the season included an outstanding Junoir Sailing program led by instructor Lynette Nuoffer, a closely sailed Stay-At-Home Series won by Doug Kapnick, and continued good performance by DLYC sailors in the regatta circuit. The fleet finished fifth at Fenton Team Racing, Peter Paullin was 2nd at Crescent Sail Club, five boats went to the Districts and Sipel and Laidlaw went on to Delaware. Sipel won at Clark's Lake with Bales second and Bales also was 3rd at Nashville and 4th at Peru, Indiana. The 29th Annual regatta at Devil's Lake included 33 boats and Sipel finished fourth.

The following awards were given to DLYC members: Merrill Bales: Fleet Champion, Nite Race 1st, Thursday Nite Series 1st, Most Improved Sailor and Novice Award; George Sipel, Jr.: Memorial Day Series 1st, Commodore's Trophy, Labor Day 1st; Doug Kapnick: Stay-At-Home Series 1st; Phil Reynolds: Captains Trophy; Peter Paullin: Runner-Up Fleet Championship; Judy Bales: best crew, First mate; Ted Delzeith: Surprise Series 1st, Sportsmanship Award; Joint Junior Champions John Morse and Joe Tibbs.

TURKEYFOOT LAKE FLEET (33)

Ohio District

Sailing on Turkeyfoot Lake at Akron, Ohio

Fleet Captain Clem B. Shriver
Fleet Secretary Tom Daugherty
Fleet Champion Ralph Lowry
Runner-Up Clem Shriver

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
123	Suits-up	William C. Blank
591	.....	Charles R. Judy
5314	.....	Robert S. Manard
7785	.....	Dale Burkhart
8637	.....	Tom Daugherty
11123	Red III	Clem Shriver
11717	.....	Richard Waller
11904	.....	Ralph Lowry
11905	.....	Richard T. Charlton

No Report.



Ugly Fuzzy sailing to victory in the Atlantic Coast Championship.

METEDECONK RIVER FLEET (34)

Central Atlantic District

Based on Metedeconk River at Ocean County, N.J.

Fleet Captain A. Richard Thomas, Jr.
Fleet Secretary James G. Carson
Fleet Champion William E. Newman
Runner-Up William C. Cramer III

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
12	Kathy's Mink	Fred Colani
178	Leilani	William C. Kalning
6557	Zig-Zag	Carol H. Kern
9006	.....	Michael Coscia
9605	Pssst	John Edwards
9633	Shazam	E. Kenneth Snedeker, Jr.
9661	.....	G. J. Bradish, III
9885	Jaune Eclair	Richard Jeske
10458	.....	Peter A. Rothenberg
10820	Stardust II	Robert A. Tross
10829	Chaos	Robert Ballis
10988	.....	James J. Daley
11308	Second Chance	Michael Coscia
11411	Miss Fit III	A. Richard Thomas
11626	Donald Duck	Raymond Galiunus
11738	Silver Fool	William C. Cramer III
11784	Ugly Fuzzy	James G. Carson
11800	Yankee Doodle	Theresa & Chris Forhecz
11894	Love It	William E. Newman
.....	.....	Jack Bird

Metedeconk's nationally prominent fleet once again enjoyed a highly competitive season. On the regatta circuit, Jim Carson and Bill Cramer kept Metedeconk's name prominent while Bill Newman, who suffered through a disappointing regatta season, showed an uncanny ability to clean-up at home. Bill led the way in the Club's spring and fall series as well as the championship. Although the fleet is small, seven boats managed to survive the rigorous qualification requirements set down in the sailing instructions. Newman was followed by Cramer and coskippers Phil Guercia and Kipp Heacock. Rounding out the qualifiers were Chris Forhecz, Dick Thomas, Bob and Jon Ballis and Dick Jeske. Mike Coscia missed qualifying when he unselfishly loaned his spar to another skipper after a dismasting. With nationally ranked skippers sailing each week, it is to the credit of the rest of the fleet that they fail to become discouraged and, in fact, continue to show marked improvement.

Our winners on the regatta circuit were Carson in the Bay Head Spring Tune-up, Districts, Atlantic Coast, Bluenose, and the Barnegat Bay Yacht Racing Association (16 of the last 17 years) and Cramer in the State Championship. Bill wound up sixth in the North Americans, Jim seventh, and both skippers are looking forward to next year's World Championship. Bill Newman with a 20th is still hoping for a berth.

Climax of the season was our hosting of the 1972 Atlantic Coast Championship. Although beset with high winds which took their toll of the 61 boat fleet, visitors and fleet members alike enjoyed a weekend of good fellowship and challenging sailing. We look forward to 1973 with great anticipation.

DALLAS CORINTHIAN FLEET (35)

Texas District

Sailing on White Rock Lake at Dallas, Texas

Fleet Captain Al E. Sather
Fleet Secretary Tom Watson
Fleet Champion Al E. Sather
Runner-Up Bill Snook

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3196	William Boudreaux
3519	Willis McQueen
5142	Win Some	Keith Beers
5219	Frank Yates
5250	Chris P. Climer
5534	Dale Balyard
6268	Allen B. Crowder
7205	Circus	Warren Lewis
8158	Edward C. Jahn
8277	K. Marshall Fagin & J. J. Arps

9281	White	A. A. (Ted) Treadway
10069	Lightnin'	Bill Snook
10155		Donald G. Otte
10264	Thor	Al E. Sather
10318	Go IV	Robert B. Glatzer
10538	Sweet Pea	Thomas M. Watson
10959		John B. Waskom III

No Report.

PYMATUNING YACHT CLUB FLEET (36)

Ohio District

Based on Pymatuning Lake, Jamestown,
Pennsylvania

Fleet Captain	Bob Baumgardner
Fleet Secretary	Rick Stevens
Fleet Champion	Bob Baumgardner
Runner-Up	Al Caldwell

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2885	Gale	John Glasson
3461		Dennis E. Thrasher
5313	Midrick	W. R. Shannon, Sr.
5323	Cigan II	Frederick & Frank E. Lange
6014		E. L., Dave & Mark Caldwell
6310	Pussycat No. 1	Ted Sherman
6530		Mike Zabel
7126		Edward E. Werley
8330		Dick Maras
8635		Curt & Dr. C. H. Maltbie
9375	Windjammer	Stanley M. Haw
9619	Spray III	John Nunn
9700		Fred B. Odell
9919	Hot Pepper	Jim & Edward Wagstaff
10047	Harem	Bill Horgan
10163	Witch-Wa- Thago	Homer Benson
10210	Venture II	Kenneth B. Finnie, Sr.
10273	Old Yeller	Don Courtsal
10525	Giant Killer	E. L. Caldwell
10717	Thunder & Lightning	Horace Yates
10789	Maria	Jim Wright
10816	Blue Cheese	Rick Stevens
10878		Don Blaiser
11063		Robert Lilly
11240		Gordon R. Miller
11328	L'Aigle	Joe Redding
11618	No More Havoc	Paul D. Shafer, Jr.
11623		Dave Lewis, Jr.
11640		Jon, Rob & Randy Ruhlman
11651		Bob Baumgardner
12195		Curt & Dr. C. H. Maltbie
Life Member		J. Robert McClaran
		George Prince

It was one of those unusual years—Joe Redding didn't capsize, and Al Caldwell did. Chuck Maltbie didn't win the District Championship; he was second, and Bob Baumgardner was sixth, and Jon Ruhlman was seventh and Al Caldwell was tenth. Four out of the top ten was a very good showing, and there is talk in the fleet of going after five out of ten next year, one of which it is hoped will be first place. The fleet was also represented at Atwoods Harvest Moon Regatta which Bob Baumgardner's *High Voltage* won, followed by Maltbie in third place.

Other fleets joined us for another successful annual Fourth of July Regatta which was won by, you guessed it, Baumgardner followed by Lud Lekson of Northeast, Rob Ruhlman (one of PYC's up and coming skippers), and Al Caldwell. We hope to see you at PYC for the 1973 Fourth of July Regatta.

Our fleet is active and is growing in spite of a larger than normal turnover in the last two years. At our annual Fellowship Meeting held by Maltbies and Baumgardners, the trophies, not surprisingly, were distributed as follows: Eager Beaver: Al Caldwell followed by Rob Ruhlman and Don Courtsal; Spring Series: Jon Ruhlman, Bob Baumgardner and Al Caldwell; Summer Saturday: Baumgardner, Jon Ruhlman and Caldwell; Summer Sunday: Baumgardner, Caldwell, Jon Ruhlman; Championship Series: Baumgardner, Caldwell,

Jon Ruhlman, Joe Redding and Rob Ruhlman. The Stay at Home Winner was Don Courtsal, followed by Pete Shaffer and Mark Caldwell. In the Fall Series, Don Courtsal prevailed after having a long talk with his boat, and his first was followed by Joe Redding in second and Al Caldwell third.

One of the best "just for fun" times of the season was our single handed race, sailed in 15 MPH winds with gusts of 20 MPH. The race was a result of some "spirited" discussion following the previous day's race in which Rick Stevens single handed his boat under spinnaker when both of his crews went overboard. Al Caldwell had the single handed race sewed up until he got "gusted" 100 yards from the finish line and capsized. Don Courtsal won in a photo-finish followed by Rick Stevens and Bob Baumgardner.

MENTOR HARBOR YACHTING CLUB (37)

Ohio District

Sailing on Lake Erie at Mentor-on-the-Lake, Ohio

Fleet Captain	Gordon Doble
Fleet Secretary	Alice Kritzer
Fleet Champion	Dick Walters
Runner-Up	Gordon Doble

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10753	Old Yeller	Gordon Doble
11271	Wipbet	Ted Luntz
11598	Witchcraft	Dick Walters
11810	Wee Bluet	Bill Kritzer
	Again	Don Fribourg

The 1972 Mentor Harbor sailing season on Lake Erie began well—Mother Nature cooperated by providing excellent weather, thus every scheduled race in the Spring Series was completed without any postponements. After that, things began to deteriorate.

Mother Nature became her ornery self, fleet members began their vacations; it was September before the second series got under way, then only a few races were realized before it was time to store the boats for the winter.

We tried a different manner of scoring this season. In addition to the regular way of determining fleet standings, Fleet 37 instituted the handicap method. This meant that the overall results for the season's races produced two sets of standings. The handicap method seemed worthwhile and provided greater opportunity for some to improve their fleet positions.

The annual Mentor Harbor Yachting Club Invitational Regatta, held in June, was again successful. The winds were great, and we were pleased to welcome competitors from other yacht clubs, even though they did run off with most of the hardware.

Another success was the annual Lightning vs. International 21 fleet race. Rivalry between the two fleets has always run high, and this year's event was no exception. Happily, the Lightnings prevailed, and it was the lot of the 21's to once more provide the beer!

We all look forward to our weekend in February at Ellicottville, New York, where Fleet 37 members substitute skis for sails and a good time is had by all.

SHEEPSHEAD BAY FLEET (38)

Greater Long Island District

Sailing on Rockaway Inlet at Miramar Yacht Club in Brooklyn, N.Y.

Fleet Captain	Tom Green
Fleet Secretary	Wendy Shomer
Fleet Champion	Tom Green
Runner-Up	Dick Laub

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9104	Palaemon	Walter L. & David M. Eisenberg
9126	Karie-L	Al Stern
9139	Ollie Oops	Ralph Alpert
10846	3 Belles	Jules Spodek
10933	Joppa	Sherman Leonard
11030		Rhoda Scherer
11530	Ay, Caramba!	Tom Green
12123	Sir Lunchalot	Dick Laub



Why is this man smiling? Photo Credit Mike Zwerling

This year's Miramar racing fleet was enhanced by unfailling winds and closely contested series races and regattas. A smattering of protests and 720s made the challenge greater and the points count heavier.

So close were the finishers and the turnover of individual race winners, that our new Fleet Champion Tom Green wasn't sure he'd wrapped it up until the end of the last race of the season, a hard-fought battle in a long campaign. Intense Laser sailing on non-race days gave Tom the stamina to face the fleet undaunted. Tom's resurrection from a medium-good '71 season was hardly remarkable since he is an excellent tactician and was aided by fine crew.

As for runner-up Dick Laub, we find the secret of his success must be in the variety of names with which he has graced his stunning floating paramour. First it was called *Yellow Peril*, only to be renamed *Super Lemon* and then *Chock Full of Nuts* (in deference to him and his mad crew). The last name rang truest of all—*Sir Lunchalot*. Anyone who knows Dick will admit this to be no mere appellation, but a two word description of his competitive edge in heavy airs. Along with 2nd place in the series, Dick was noted for his District Runner Upmanship, which gave him entry to the North Americans, where he took the 5th place trophy for the Governor's Cup division. Crew Lee Morrison is to be congratulated for his spinnaker work and also is in charge of attending to any chores that need doing above the spreaders.

Larry Fretts, Jr. chartered his boat from Ralph Alpert, last year's Fleet Champ. A series of very unfortunate mishaps left Larry known as Mr. Lucky around here, but put his boat in better shape than the rest due to the replacements of various spars and rudders. Everything went right for him at the Districts, though, and he earned a trip to the North Americans by taking 5th. Larry placed consistently in the money in our series and his edge was good enough for the 3rd place trophy this season. It wasn't any small thing since he was also our race committee chairman and set our courses and starting lines. Thanks for a great job, Larry.

Julie Spodek was one of the regulars, loyally putting it all together against younger men and newer boats. David Eisenberg had his season cut short by his return to school, or things might have been a lot tougher for the leaders.

Miramar's Fleet 38 was host to our Greater Long Island District regatta this year and was proud to do so. We were also glad to promote our 14th Annual Bachman Regatta, attended by hotshots from the Long Island and New Jersey racing circuits. We've got great facilities and willing personnel, and an invitational here always turns out to be an occasion of fun, good winds, good competition and good food. We look forward to seeing our friends and some new faces at the Bachman in '73. Look for our ads in *Flashes* and arrange your racing schedule to make room for a good one.

CHELSEA YACHT CLUB (39)

Metropolitan District

Sailing on the Hudson River at Chelsea, New York

Fleet Captain	Wesley S. Pfirman
Fleet Secretary	Sal J. Cerniglia
Fleet Champion	Lewis P. Larson
Runner-up	Richard J. Hildreth

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
821	Bantry	Edward P. Waters
1006	.....	Michael Fedigan
1083	Troika	William H. Heaney
1308	Tumbleweed	N. Phillip Randall
2808	Mist	Hugh N. Ross
3432	.....	Lou Lewis
5078	Tribee	Robert C. Kendall
5834	Steffi	Wesley S. Pfirman
6454	.....	William S. Graff
6731	.....	William Jones
6932	Anesthesia	Carver C. Dumke
8356	Y-Knot	Michael M. Myers
8607	Gina	Sal Cerniglia
8695	Wallaby	Bruce Wally
8783	.....	Frank Newman
9456	.....	Robert Fischer
9496	.....	Harry C. Becker
9553	.....	John Anderson
10779	Half Vast	Richard J. Hildreth
10796	.....	Edward F. X. Gallagher
10837	Big Daddy	William E. Witkowski
11158	Big Blew	Lewis P. Larson
11369	.....	Skip Heller
11431	.....	Walter R. Neidhardt
11486	.....	Walter Schwane
11505	Dulcinea	Eric Fuegel
11578	.....	Edward Garber
Life Member	.....	Henry J. Abreu
Life Member	.....	Dr. A. C. Dumke

New skippers at Chelsea this year were: Mike Fedigan, Bob Fisher, Ed Garber, Skip Heller, and Mike Myers.

This year's racing season began after two tuneup races with the first race of the Spring Series on May 14.

The fleet split into two sections (blue and white) this year for series racing using modified Cox-Sprague scoring with the blue group sailing above 75%. A common start was used increasing the amount of boats at the starting line. Occasionally members of the white fleet would finish ahead of the blue fleet. This became a habit with Wally Schwane, who bought a fiber glass boat, and he moved up to the blue fleet at the end of the Spring Series finishing with 89%.

Series results were:

Spring Series: Blue Fleet: 1. Dick Hildreth; 2. Bill Witkowski; 3. Walt Neidhardt; White Fleet: 1. Wally Schwane; 2. Cal Cerniglia; 3. Bruce Wally.

Summer Series: Blue Fleet: 1. Lew Larson; 2. Eric Fuegel; 3. Dick Hildreth; White Fleet: 1. Sal Cerniglia; 2. Bill Jones; 3. Bruce Wally.

Fall Series: Blue Fleet: 1. Lew Larson; 2. Eric Fuegel; 3. Dick Hildreth; White Fleet: 1. Frank Newman; 2. Sal Cerniglia; 3. Bruce Wally.

Overall fleet champion was Lew Larson for the second year in a row. He almost made a clean sweep with a first in the Summer and Fall Series. He also had a first going in the Spring Series, until he



"No, I don't think you have a safe leeward."

went away on vacation and couldn't finish the series. Second overall went to Dick Hildreth, and third to Eric Fuegel.

The Hudson River Yacht Racing Association Regatta was held, again, on June 24 and 25—the first time for this once annual event since 1968. Poor winds and rain forced cancellation of third race on Sunday. The perpetual trophy remained at Chelsea again with Dick Hildreth winning first place. Second place was won by Andy Low of Nyack Boat Club. Third was won by Eric Fuegel, also of Chelsea. Other member clubs are: Minisceongo Yacht Club, Senasqua Sailing Association, Shattemuc Yacht Club, Tappen Zee Sailing Association and Tarrytown Boat Club.

Results of the Skipper Crew Races, on July 4, also an annual event at Chelsea were: Lee DeGuice, first, sailing 10779; Don Havas, second, sailing 8783; and Ed Lynch, third, sailing 11431.

The Chelsea Open Regatta, another annual event since 1962, was attended by seven different classes of boats and an open class for the remainder. The Lightning class had the largest number of boats. First place went to Tom DeStasio of Nyack Boat Club; second place to our own Eric Fuegel, and third to Royal Sengstacken of Awosting Yacht Squadron.

The Long Distance Race, postponed from an earlier date because of too much wind, was held on November 5 with other open center-board boats. Wally Schwane, in a Lightning, was first. Handicap scoring was used.

Next year Chelsea will host the Metropolitan Districts on July 21 and 22.

HIGH TOR LIGHTNING FLEET (41) Metropolitan District Sailing on Hudson River, Grassy Point, N.Y.

Fleet Captain Martin Brophy, Jr.
Fleet Secretary Barbara Bitler
Fleet Champion Bitler-Lewis
Runner-Up Richard Tripp

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3716		Richard Tripp
8883	Thundercloud	Leonard McLeod
9662	Meliora II	George Bitler & Mark Lewis
10620	Bloody Mary	Martin J. Brophy, Jr.
10735	Windy Dawn	Wayne W. Wilson
10784	Watch Out	Richard Chase
11227	Heuristic	Paul J. Krick
11507		Bill Myer
11583		M. H. Whitnall

Hi-Tor Fleet #41 started the Regatta Circuit early this year, traveling to Red Bank for the Long John Regatta in April. We entered with much enthusiasm, but our finishes are better left unmentioned.

In June we held our Annual Sutherland Regatta. Traditionally, the Sutherland Regatta is held on a calm and windless week-end. This year cold and gusty winds blew off Hi-Tor Mountain, making

sailing almost impossible. Some of the more hardy ventured out on the white capped Hudson, but capsizing was the order of the day, including our own Wayne Wilson and Marty Brophy. However, all reported a good time.

Between traveling and hosting several regattas, we managed to complete our Spring and Fall Series with George Bitler again Club Champion after a run-off race with Dick Tripp held in late October. One of our more enthusiastic sailors, Bernie Rotsky, passed away this Fall, and we will all miss Bernie's friendliness and enthusiasm.

The members of Hi-Tor Fleet feel we have had a most successful season, and are looking forward to an even better season next year.

Trophies were presented at the annual dinner of Minisceongo Yacht Club held early in November at the Officers Club at West Point Military Academy.

TOLEDO FLEET (42) Ohio District Sailing on Lake Erie at North Cape Yacht Club

Fleet Captain John Marinelli
Fleet Secretary Bob Wright
Fleet Champion Dick Elwell
Runner-up Bill Rogge

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
XFG-1		William E. Girkins
7715		Dr. Robert Navarre
7962		Bruce Girkins
8381		Bill Benz
9360		Charles Friedman
9445	Cerce	Coe Dickey
9575		Chris Keller
9616		Chuck Hurst
10695		Barton Battle
10860		Charles Friedman
11090	Trinka II	Bill Rogge
11245		William M. Gleespen, D.D.S.
11535		Bob Wright
11547	Lil Fritz	Richard Elwell
11878		Ed Gernerchak
12100		John Marinelli
12105		Bob Wright
Life Member		H. R. Krauss

Toledo Fleet #42 commenced the season by hosting the Great Lakes Regatta at North Cape Yacht Club on Western Lake Erie.

We had a total of thirty-three boats from Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and New York state in this three race series. We had excellent weather conditions for all three races.

We had a summer and fall series of races consisting of two 4 leg races, back to back each Sunday afternoon. The Summer series computed on the low score system; winner, Dick Elwell of the second summer series and the first fall series. Bill Rogge took second place in the first summer series. John Marinelli took third place in the summer series and second place in the fall series. Bill Benz took third place in the fall series.

In addition, Bill Rogge conducted a series of practice races on a shortened course, called "The Early Bird Series". Bob Wright took first place, Chuck Hurst second place and Bill Gleespen third place.

BUCKEYE LAKE YACHT CLUB (43) Ohio District Sailing on Buckeye Lake, Ohio

Fleet Captain Ed Ballenger
Fleet Secretary Greg Fisher
Fleet Champion Matt Fisher
Runner-Up Jim Dressel

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6906		Richard Knilians
9303	Jet	Paul Henderson
9420	Atticus	Carolyn Cox
9725	Lightning Bug	Marty Headlee
10638		Steve Roshon
10956	Schuss	Matt Fisher
11252	Spinnin' Gin	Chet DeMary
11319	Hoot 'N Holler	Bob Hartman

11502		Ballard Kirk
11728	Blue Max	Greg Fisher
12060	Hang on	
	Sloopy	Jim Dressel
12227	Honey B	Ed Ballenger
Life Member		George Fisher

The 1972 season actually got underway for two of our members on the Southern Circuit. Jim Dressel sailed all three, finishing second at Savannah and sixth at St. Pete. Greg Fisher sailed at St. Pete, where he finished 12th, and also at Miami.

As usual, Jim and Greg came home with tales of great sailing and good times throughout the Circuit.

Our fleet racing actually began in May and was concluded the third week in October when the Club championships were sailed and won by Matt Fisher.

Jim Dressel and Ed Ballenger attended the Indian Lake Regatta in May where Jim got off to a good start and walked away the winner.

B.L.Y.C. sent three entries to the Great Lakes Championship at North Cape Yacht Club in Toledo, where Jim Dressel and Matt Fisher finished fourth and fifth respectively. Ed Ballenger was sailing his brand new boat very well and gave an indication of the good sailing he was going to do the remainder of the year.

In the Spring Series at home, Matt Fisher won, Jim Dressel was second and Greg Fisher was third. In the Memorial Day Series Jim Dressel was first, Ed Ballenger was second and there was a three way tie between Steve Roshon, Greg Fisher and Matt Fisher for third.

In June, Jim Dressel, Matt Fisher and Greg Fisher traveled to the Buffalo Canoe Club Invitational, which as expected, was a splendid regatta with the usual abundance of wind. Jim finished a strong third and Matt sixth. This regatta shares the top of the list as one of the highlights of the sailing season for our fleet members. You can always count on wind, good sailing and great competition.

At the Ohio District Championship at St. Marys Lake in July, Jim Dressel sailed a great series, won handily and retained his Championship. Matt Fisher did extremely well, finishing third. Ed Ballenger, Greg Fisher and Steve Roshon each showed spurts of fine sailing, but for different reasons, e.g., broken rudders, couldn't put it all together in a series.

Jim Dressel represented the fleet at the North Americans at Rehoboth Bay, Delaware. Although he didn't finish at his usual high place he still did qualify for the Worlds Championship in Buffalo next year.

At home, Matt Fisher won the summer series, Ed Ballenger was second and Steve Roshon third.

In the annual long distance races that the Club sponsors, Jim Dressel won the first one, Greg Fisher the second and Matt Fisher the third.

Skipper Greg Fisher, with a crew of Matt Fisher, Jeff Metzger and Terry Peters sailed in the Junior Championships, won the quarter finals going away, and were nipped in the last race of the semi-finals. Buckeye Lake was very proud of our juniors, all four of whom are avid Lightning sailors.

Jim Dressel won the Labor Day Series in front of Matt Fisher and Ed Ballenger. In the Fall Series, Matt Fisher won, followed by Ed Ballenger and Greg Fisher.

Sixteen year old Matt Fisher won the Fleet Championship this year and went on to win the Club Championship in October. Jim Dressel was runner-up, closely followed by Ed Ballenger.

The Snowball Regatta had 51 boats in the fleet this year with top sailors from all over the country in attendance. It was won by our own Jim Dressel in ideal conditions. Jim won two of the races. In addition, our own Matt Fisher came in third and won one of the races which gave B.L.Y.C. another thrill.

Jim Dressel traveled to the Harvest Moon at Atwood, Ohio, and finished second after winning the first two races.

Jim then went to the Red Flannels Regatta at Chicago, where he placed first with finishes of first, second and third.

Jim also crewed with Jack Mueller in the Solings Olympic Trials at Chicago, where Jack qualified to sail in the finals in San Francisco. Unfortunately for Jim, that final series conflicted with the Lightning North Americans.

In November Jim Dressel was invited to sail in the second annual Braniff Regatta, sponsored by Braniff Airlines at Salinas, Equador. Jim tied with Tom Allen on points and finished second over all.

Needless to say, Buckeye Lake is proud of its sailors and looks forward to another good year in '73. Good luck and good sailing.



"If you fall in, pal, I'm gonna leave ya. Believe it."

SILVER LAKE YACHT CLUB FLEET (47) Lake Erie District

Sailing on Silver Lake, Perry, New York

Fleet Commodore	Bud Humphrey
Fleet Vice-Commodore	Bud Van Arsdale
Fleet Captain	Bill Neal
Fleet Secretary	Page Humphrey
Treasurer	Fred Sanford
Social Chairman	Libby Jones
Fleet Champion	Bill Neal
Runner-up	Doc Humphrey

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
755	Whoopie	W. Dana Jones
7398		David Saunders
7949	Bye-Bye	Calvin DeGolyer
8004	Cirrus II	J. Austen Emens
8545	Devant	Robert Calcagno
8766	Trick Track	George Mokdessi & Bob Foster
8998	Bewitched	Ken Thompson
9002	Black Magic	Jack Grinder
9065	CKG II	Carl Lyons
9119	Paget II	Bud Humphrey
9140	Budget Buster II	W. M. Humphrey
9417	Wretched Urchin	Mick Griffin
9631		Earl Fowlston
9845	Sea Serpent	Bill VanArsdale
9905	Frustration	Kim Regan
10025		Bill Neal
10701	Yellow Submarine	Rod Eaton
10808	Jane III	Bud VanArsdale
11566	Al R's	Dick Williams
11587	Easy Rider	Corky Willse
12240		Jeff Jones

No Report.