

**PENTWATER LIGHTNING FLEET (340)**  
Michigan District  
Sailing on Lake Pentwater at Pentwater, Michigan

Fleet Captain ..... Doug Basler  
Regatta Chairman ..... Gail & Bill Bluhm,  
Arnie Samuel & Helen Whitney  
Fleet Champions ... Tim Miller, Alan Graettinger,  
Arnie Samuel, Joan Cuchna  
First Runner-Up ..... Doug Basler  
Second Runner-Up ..... Andy Loree

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6889	.....	Dave Anderson
9259	Took	Mary Ann Bates
9412	Alethia	Douglas S. Basler
10071	Wiki-Wiki	Peter, Timothy & Martha B. Northrup
10606	Willi Waw II	Don Lambrix
11134	Frantic	Milford M. Miller & Alan Graettinger
12104	.....	James March
12371	Greased	Cliff Dibelka
12372	.....	John Scott

During 1978 we saw an upturn in Fleet 340 activities at the Pentwater Yacht Club. Sunday races usually saw six or more boats at the starting line and a battle up and down the lake for position.

For the second year in a row youth provided a real threat during the season and the results of the trophy presentations reflected this. The racing team of skipper Alan Graettinger, with crew Arnie Samuel and Joan Cuchna taking the season trophy. Second place went to skipper Doug Basler and crew Debbie Roth and George Graettinger. Pressing for the third spot was skipper Andy Loree and crew Jim Northrup and Cathy Beahm. The second and third place boats average ages were under 20 so youth is definitely on the move at the club. During late July and August wind and weather conditions on Pentwater Lake were ideal, with few days of calm or rain.

**LAKE GENEVA SAILING CLUB (345)**  
Midwest District  
Sailing on Lake Geneva, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin

Commodore ..... Bill Connor  
Vice Commodore ..... Matt Matthews  
Fleet Secretary ..... Sue Connor  
Fleet Champions ... Gene Matthews & Bob Novak

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7567	Harmony	Robert C. LaBrot
8172	Vim	Henry Kelley
8393	.....	George Cole
8992	.....	Audrey & J. P. Matteson
9996	Red Witch III	Mel Boyington
10222	.....	Wm. Cacciatore
12452	Woodstock	Bill Connor
12790	Endries	Steven B. Novy
12822	.....	Audrey & J.P. Matteson
13144	.....	Bob Novak
13235	.....	Paul Palmer
.....	.....	Gene Matthews

At Lake Geneva we thought 1977's fleet championship couldn't have been closer. Seasons point totals between Bob Novak and Gene Matthews were 956 to 955 with Bob getting the nod.

Surprise! This year they finished dead even. After the summer long struggle, a coin-toss or race-off just didn't seem adequate. So both names were engraved on the Champ's plaque, and apparently neither skipper felt the tie was too much like "kissing your sister".

The first of the two series used in compiling championship points went to Novak with Matthews runner-up, and the second, of course, had the two switching places. Fleet captain Bill Connor finished third in one series, Buck Boyington in the other.

Buck spent a good bit of the season with rigging problems on a new aluminum spar.

There were the traditional special trophy races. Gene won the Memorial Day/Sherwood Cup, Novak was second, followed by Connor.



...light going at this year's Oxie.

On July 4th Ken Matthews took over the family boat and edged sister Vickie, who piloted Novak's craft. Steve Novy was third.

Labor Day's Cobb Memorial event went to Matt Matthews, replacing Dad at the helm, leading Novak and Connor at the finish. The Chase Hess cup also went to Matt, with Novak and Connor again second and third. And it was Gene Matthews, Novak and Novy in the Gage Marine competition.

This year's Oxie Memorial Regatta, won by Bruce Goldsmith and previously reported in *Flashes*, was again the highlight of the season. The trophy annually awarded to the highest placing local went to Novak.

Matthews and Novak were reasonably successful in some nearby regattas, and the club is especially proud of Vicki Matthews who skippered in the first women's championships at Bay Head. She didn't win but she "wasn't last and didn't sink"!

Fleet 345 continues an ebbing phase with probably fewer Lightnings on the line than at any time since chartering. The major problem is the lack of space at the club's public park site and gradual attrition of older members who have graduated (?) to small stock cruisers.

But there is hope in a blossoming youth movement with Matt Matthews as the new fleet captain and commodore, his wife, Kris secretary-treasurer and Russ True, the new vice commodore.

Something good is bound to happen.

**LAKE LANIER LIGHTNING FLEET (348)**  
Southeastern District  
Sailing on Lake Lanier out of Lanier Sailing Club,  
Atlanta, Georgia

Fleet Captain ..... Thomas M. Barnett  
Fleet Secretary ..... Barbara K. Barnett  
Fleet Treasurer ..... Buck Harriss  
Fleet Lieutenant ..... Dick Williams  
Fleet Correspondent ..... Dick Williams  
Fleet Champion ..... Sputter Howard  
Runner-Up ..... Ken Wallace

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6523	.....	John E. Waldo
9570	Ariel	William L. Pulgram
10111	Lord Jim	Robert Schindel
10821	.....	Joseph D. Stites
10824	The Green Machine	Thomas M. Barnett
10870	.....	Rev. John H. Allen
10877	Thunderbolt	Fred W. Crawford
11299	Auriga	Richard M. Williams
11723	Tevake	Hayden Harriss
12282	Honky	Marshall Sansbury
12331	Hot Chocolate	Richard J. Scott, Jr.
12691	Long Gone	James N. Howard, Jr. & Sr.
12736	.....	John Brian Johnstone
12849	.....	Reginald & Dorothy Brooks
12935	.....	Kenneth Wallace
.....	.....	Paul Pritchard



Chuck MacMurray observing the District favor plaque presented by Fleet 348.  
Photo Credit: Lucia Pulgram

This year our biggest success was our own "crew pool" concept whereby six participating skippers were given crew randomly selected by a crew pool committee headed up by originator and chairman, Dick Scott. Those skippers that did not want to participate expectedly did better than those skippers that did participate. But, the Fleet as a whole was the real winner. First place winner of the crew pool trophies was Tony Smith who had recently bought a Lightning, second place went to Mike Roach, and third place went to Carol Scott. Altogether, around a dozen crew people participated in racing and race committee assignments.

Sputter Howard so completely dominated the Lightning Series at Lake Lanier that there were only three other skippers who managed a first place in any given race throughout the entire year. Second, third and fourth places were hotly contested, however, by the remaining 12 skippers who participated. Average attendance of seven boats was up this year when compared to the previous year as a direct result of the Crew Pool and the FIFP (First-In-First-Place) Award.

The Districts were held at LLSC and were sponsored by Fleet 348 which was celebrating its 10th anniversary, as well as LLSC's 20th anniversary and ILCA's 40th anniversary. What a time! There was good ole Southern style barbequed chicken and lots of beer. The 35 boat Regatta, won by Tom Waters, was greeted with handsome wall plaques made by Dick Scott.

The Atlanta Cup held on Oct. 7-8 was won by Will Sloger in boat 10807, which is quite an accomplishment considering the quality of the other 28 boats that participated. The festivities were not as grand as the Districts, because we were broke.

We have one new member this year, Dick Williams, who is really picking up quickly and will soon be a super sailor. There are a host of other skippers around the Atlanta area who are looking seriously at joining our fleet.

#### HOOVER YACHT CLUB (353)

##### Ohio District

##### Sailing on Hoover Reservoir, Columbus, Ohio

Fleet Captain	.....	Jim Rogers
Fleet Secretary	.....	Joe Barron
Race Committee Representative	.....	Tom Varley
Fleet Champion	.....	Warren Schieser
Runner-Up	.....	Jim Schwartz

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10687	Walloping Window	
	Blind	Frankland Oakley
10940	.....	Richard Waugh
11269	Way To Go	Joe Barron
11796	White Lightning	Charles Schmidt

12015	Goldie Marie	Ehmann Miller
12046	.....	Ed Whiteman
12048	She's A Lady	James H. Schwartz
12083	.....	Wayne Hause
12346	Irish Mist	Bill McCarthy
12395	Sunrise	Jim Rogers
12896	.....	Warren Schieser
12950	Streaker Too	Jim Andrews
13113	Mirage	Tom Varley, Jr. & Sr.
.....	.....	Jim Dressel

Want to make some money? Just write a book of sailing tips entitled "How To Beat Warren Schieser". After this past season the book will sell like hotcakes to Fleet 353 at almost any price. Warren made a clean sweep of the sailing season with a first place finish in each series - Spring, Summer and Fall!

Incidentally, you might find some buyers in Fleet 27 also, as Warren kept the Mayor's Trophy at Hoover by winning the annual Hoover/Leatherlips Regatta. Add to this a third place at the Atwood Harvest Moon Regatta, and you have some super season for Warren. We are all real happy for him - to a point!

That isn't the extent of the problems. Next we have to worry about how to beat Tom Varley, who is always at the top. This year was no exception with Tom racking up a 2nd place in the Spring Series, a 3rd in the Summer and a 3rd in the Fall. We were all very proud of Tom and crew at the Atwood Harvest Moon Regatta where they took first place honors.

It is still uphill for the rest of us though for right there with Tom is Jim Schwartz. Jim's a super sailor and a pretty competitive guy. For example, we were proud that Jim represented our Fleet at the 40th Anniversary Regatta at Skaneateles. Jim had problems almost immediately, a broken tiller. No spare. A lesser skipper would have folded, but not Jim. Seizing upon an opportunity Jim set a world record for talking another skipper (who had been holed in a collision) out of his tiller and soon was chasing the fleet in hot pursuit. No wonder he was also at the top this year with a 4th place in the Spring Series, 2nd in the Summer and 2nd in the Fall.

The rest of us? Well, we will wait for the book, and find solace in the graciousness of the winners and in the superb season we have had. Our social season was an unbeatable blend of fun events, good food and pleasant company. We started last year at about Christmas time, and had something going just about every month. Practically everyone hosted a get-together this year and we have many people to thank.

The racing was fun this year too, even for those of us who are perfecting the technique of sailing in dirty wind. Participation was very good, and we are looking forward to even more boats on the line next year. Yep, we have a lot of good memories to talk about as we socialize this winter, and we are already thinking of putting docks in and a new season of fun next year.

#### FLOTTA DEGLI ESTENSI (355)

##### Italian District

##### Sailing at Lido degli Estensi on the Adriatic Sea

Fleet Captain	.....	Vito Nobili
Fleet Secretary	.....	Luciano Ruggeri
Fleet Champion	.....	G. Brighenti
Runner-Up	.....	V. Nobili

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6728	Vincenzina 20	Giorgio Prosperini
7374	Kriss	Mario Mantovani
8361	Marianna	Sail School L.N.I.
8425	.....	Evaristo Zambelli
8447	Speedy Gonzales	Francesco Giuliani
9035	Horizon 20	Fabio Giuliani
9036	Shangry-Lha	Massimo Savelli
9037	Strale 30	Giorgio Lucangeli
9941	.....	Pellegrino Montanari
9943	.....	Carlo Alberto Paesani
10375	Teucra 30	Luciano Ruggeri & Vinicio Bandilli
		Luca Malagu
12373	Capodanno	Vito Nobili
12494	Horizon 30	

No Report

**RED DRAGON CANOE CLUB (357)**  
**Central Atlantic District**  
**Sailing on Delaware River at Edgewater Park, New Jersey**

Fleet Captain ..... John Fenlin  
 Fleet Secretary ..... Gregg Funari  
 Fleet Champion ..... Gregg Funari  
 Runner-Up ..... Bucky Kloss

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4107	Jean I	Henry Di Campello
4774	Hustler	Martin Gennett
5558	Merry Jo	Raymond M. Horwitz, Jr.
7826	Alacrity	Frank K. Hawley
8379	Ta 'Aroa	Franz Schneider
9174	Adiaphora	Richard D. Stevens
9970	Blissful Folly	William S. Bliss, Jr.
10072	.....	Grace Smith
10215	Ho-Ho	Clarence W. Cramer
10249	.....	John J. Owens
11157	Truckin' On Home	Dr. Keith, Mark & Martha Young
11312	.....	William Alt
11340	Masada	Martin Feybusch
11606	Frolic	Gary Waters
11666	Cirrus	John Teigland, Jr.
12081	Hasta Luego	George Betz
12140	Daisy	Dr. John Fenlin
12165	Murray-Go- Round	A. Peter Murray
12167	.....	John C. Perkins
12438	Holy Terror	Horst G. Seydel
12728	Impending Disaster	Bruce R. Kloss
12920	.....	Tom Slook
13139	Stinger	Gregg Funari



*Fleet 357 battling for a good start.*

Fleet 357 sailed very actively both on and off the Delaware with increasing numbers in 1978. R.D.C.C. was well represented at all major regatta's held in the Central Atlantic District.

Bucky Kloss and daughter Kris started their season off early this year by traveling to the Southern Circuit and the Long John Regatta. With this early practice, Bucky sailed his way into the silver at the Central Atlantic Districts which were held at Riverton N.J. He also represented Fleet 357 at Rehoboth for the North Americans.

Back at the Dragon, racing was very fierce with Dr. John Fenlin winning the Spring Series. The Summer Series went to the team of Gary and Gregg Funari as co-skippers and Joel Funari as crew. Gary, who will

**FLEET 357**



SAILING ON THE DELAWARE RIVER  
 AT BEVERLY - NEW JERSEY

**MEMORIAL DAY REGATTA** **MAY 27-28**  
*Central Atlantic Districts* **JUNE 2-3**

**INDEPENDENCE DAY REGATTA** **JUNE 30**  
**& JULY 1**

**LABOR DAY REGATTA** **SEPT. 2-3**

**FALL LIGHTNING REGATTA** **SEPT. 22-23**

be doing more skippering next year showed that even a good crew can fill in and win. The Fall Series was also won by *Stinger* with Gregg, Gary, and Joel Funari. After a late start out of the blocks, Gregg assisted by brothers Gary and Joel, cranked up *Stinger* and walked away with the Fleet Championship honors for the second year in a row. Bucky Kloss and daughters, Kris and Gretta, finished as runner-up.

Regattas were held on all major holidays. Fleet winners were: Memorial Day Regatta, Dr. John Fenlin; Independence Day, Gregg Funari; Labor Day, Franz Schnieder; Fall Lightning Regatta, Franz Schnieder.

With outside regattas plentiful, Gregg, with Gary and Joel as crew, sailed *Stinger* to several first place finishes. *Stinger* won the Penn Warner Spring Regatta, Burlington City Regatta, New Jersey Lightning Governor's Cup, and the Ocean City Regatta.

Gregg along with crews of Gary and Joel Funari, Irwin Block, Cathy Schnieder, and Dr. John Fenlin was the low point Lightning for the Delaware Valley Series held at Penn Warner, R.D.C.C., and Riverton Yacht Club, on three consecutive weekends, to win the Gamma Series for the second straight year, with Bucky Kloss finishing in second place.

Our most improved racing competitive award must go to Bill Bliss and crews, who all summer long has been working his way up through the fleet of 28 Lightnings until his *Blissful Folly* is in full view of the fleet during several races. Also a congratulations must go to Marty Feybusch who won the last Fleet Championship race to end the series.

A thank-you must go to all of those who made 1978 another fine year for Lightning sailors at the Red Dragon. See you in the Spring.

**LIGHTNING FLOTTE MURTENSEE (358)**  
**Switzerland District**  
**Sailing on Lake of Murten at Switzerland**

Fleet Captain ..... Peter Wyler  
 Fleet Secretary ..... Marlyse Divernois-Merz  
 Fleet Champion ..... Ruedi Fluhmann  
 Runner-Up ..... Peter Bernasconi

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7805	.....	Dr. Herbert Carnes
8190	Sarabande	Rolf Buchschacher
8191	Liz	Walter Senn
8623	Aphrodite	Robert Bodmer



9068	Milan II	Hans-Peter Schmid
9357	Viola II	Erich Messner
9362	Jumegal	Dr. Jacques Bachmann
10464	Baba Yaga	Ueli & Max Aebi
10465	Malibu	Hans F. Meyer
10715	Hausi	Ernst Schar
10898	Milan III	Hans-Peter Schmid
10899	.....	Daniel Fischlin
11857	.....	Jean-Pierre Durr
12089	Raiatea	Ulrich Beck
12307	Dambema	Dr. Bernhard Gruninger
12634	Blizzard	Sodeco-Saia (W. Tschumi)
12637	Waggu	Rudolf, Urs, & Peter Wyler
12638	Snovsen	Ernst Ruch
12639	Andy	Heinz Thuler
12951	Santa Fiamma	R. Fluhrmann & M. Divernois
12952	Noa IV	Peter Bernasconi

The Lake Murten sailing fleet had a successful season in 1978. Members of our fleet won important races like the Championship of the Lightning Fleet at Greifensee, the "Pfauencup" at Lake Murten, the Ladies-Regatta at Lake Murten, the Autumn Regatta at Fallanden and the Fondue-Regatta at Neuchatel. In addition, the crew of Hanspeter Schmid, Res Hofer and Beat Buchschacher won the annual championship. In spite of these successes, it is unfortunate that always the same boats participate at the races. In one particular race only 8 of the 21 registered Lightnings in our fleet participated, among those, as usual, were the boats of Schar, Wyler, Bernasconi and Schmid.

One small group of active sailors and another group of passive members is our peak performance. The majority of the fleet members are neglected due to the pressure of race winning.

For this season I am going to try to build up more enthusiasm and activity among the passive members next year. This is why social events such as a ski-weekend in the Bernese Oberland have been included in our program for 1979.

#### OKANAGAN LIGHTNING FLEET (368)

##### Pacific Northwest District

##### Sailing on Okanagan Lake at Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada

Fleet Captain	.....	Robert Bazett
Fleet Secretary	.....	Doug Gillett
Fleet Champion	.....	Neil MacGibbon
Runner-Up	.....	Jim MacDonnell

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9267	.....	Alf Puder
9533	Lanakila	K. K. Maltman
9782	Vishnu	Robert Bazett
9853	Frolic	James MacDonnell
10658	.....	A. Grant MacKinnon
11462	.....	W. J. Ehmann
12158	.....	Neil MacGibbon

The 1978 sailing season has proven to be one of the most successful in recent years for Fleet 368. The addition of three boats this year brings our active roster to eleven Lightnings. This is the second consecutive year in which our fleet has grown and hopefully this trend will continue.

Our racing season begins early in May which enables the boats and crews to be ready for our Blossom Time Regatta later in the month. This preparation seems to have paid off as Kelowna's Rob Bazett and Jim MacDonnell captured the first and second places respectively. Unfortunately our bid for a clean sweep of the top three positions was foiled when our Fleet Champion, Neil MacGibbon, sprang a leak in his boat which forced him to miss the regatta.

Members of our fleet travelled to three out-of-town Regattas this year with Rob Bazett picking up the only trophies, a second place at Lake Chelan and a third place at Kitsilano.

This year our Fleet Champion was chosen by the outcome of a one day series of three races. Following the last race a pot luck dinner was held in conjunction with the prize presentations. The results showed that Neil MacGibbon won handily with his new boat while Jim MacDonnell had to fight to hold on to second place. Doug Gillett collected two trophies for his efforts; one for top rookie skipper and one for having the fastest wooden boat.

All in all 1978 proved to be a great season for Fleet 368 and with the recent acquisition of a dry land moorage facility 1979 should be even better.

#### SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA FLEET (372)

##### California District

##### Sailing on San Francisco Bay, California

Fleet Captain	.....	Timothy Barnes
Fleet Secretary	.....	Michele Bernard
Fleet Champion	.....	Jack McCarthy

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8736	Pangloss	Doug Moler
9169	Genie II	Bill Hole
10405	Grak	Bruce W. Hanover
10481	Pooh	Bob Smith
10809	Thunder Chicken	Jack McCarthy
11511	Peppermint Patty	Bruce B. Arnold
11514	Molly	Samuel T. D. Anderson, M.D.
11744	Ko Kru	Dan Milligan
13243	Raggedy Ann III	Mark D. Patty

Well we had another fantastic year of great sailing. This year we had a very close competitive fleet. We traveled to all the distant races to sail against ourselves as much as we did to sail against other Pacific Coast fleets. We had 11 series of races this summer with the Small Boat Racing Association; ranging from Tomalas Bay and San Francisco Bay to as far east as Lake Yosemite and Clear Lake. The overall winners of the total series were skipper Jack McCarthy and crew Linda McCarthy and Bruce Brown. Runners-up were skipper Mark Patty and crew Ann Patty and Stan Starkey. Third place was skipper Bob Smith with Trish Chambers.

We had a lot of excitement in Southern California this year at the Southern Circuit. Mark Patty who moved south from the San Francisco Fleet several years ago, moved back to the San Francisco fleet. This year when we went south Mark Patty was going to pick up his new Allen boat and try his luck with it. Well when he got it on the water after its christening one morning it was fast and fast all week. He sailed well and took the Southern Circuit. He also came within one point of winning the San Francisco SBRA sailing season.

We have some new devoted sailors this year, Dan and Vanette Milligan, who bought Mark Pattys' last boat. As Dan and Vanette were getting married, the fleet was towing their boat to the Pacific Coast Championships in Oregon. We picked them up at the Klamath Falls airport and they spent the beginning of their honeymoon racing in the Pacific Coast Championships and then they went camping with their boat.

We had a fast fleet this year and we are going to be even faster next year!

#### DOUGLAS LAKE LIGHTNING FLEET (374)

##### Michigan District

##### Sailing on Douglas Lake at Cheboygan County, Michigan

Fleet Captain	.....	John G. Young
Fleet Secretary	.....	Earl J. Peters
Fleet Champion	.....	Tom L. Orlow
Runner-Up	.....	Howard Eddy

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9394	Spirit	Manley Osgood
9663	Daddy-O II	Maurice Olsaver
10198	Mer Sea	John G. Young
12178	Ursa Major	G. Rene Hall
12754	Shrub	David O. Peters
12755	Spirit	Garry Demarest & Jeffrey Prince
13015	Don Quixote II	Howard Eddy
13123	Mod-Mid	Earl J. Peters
13174	Deliverance	Tom L. Orlow
13176	.....	John Johns

Douglas Lake Lightning Fleet 374 can be considered a resort fleet as all except one live over 300 miles away and one member 2,550 miles.

The sailing activity begins with the 4th of July races and ends with a special Labor Day series.

Fleet 374 involves families in its weekend races and, while cottages are considered for R & R (rest & relaxation), the competitive spirit of sailing Lightning Class sailboats brings the families out into the "fun" area.

Due to the competitive spirit, a beach party (attitude adjustment hour) after each race day boosts interest and slows the adrenaline so that husbands, and the wives who have crewed, are able to return to their cottages and enjoy a more relaxed and peaceful dinner hour.

The reports and results for the season were handled by Commodore Jack Young at the annual meeting on Osgoods beach after the Labor Day Series of racing.

Tom Orlow with 89.2 percent received the OOPY trophy for the seasons races with Howard Eddy a close second with 89.0 percent. Bud Osgood was low man, of those qualifying, which resulted in receiving the "get the lead out" trophy.

Rick Peters sailing 13123 with "Shrub" Peters and Dana Paton as crew took three outstanding firsts to win the Labor Day trophy with a 100 percent score. Maury Olsaver with sons Gary & Richey picked off second with 85.8 percent.

As there were no takers, Jack Young retained the "bottoms up" trophy.

Dave Peters was introduced as the 1979 International Lightning Class Association president. We were also proud that the Douglas Lake team again won the annual Lake Fenton trophy.

Elected officers for the 1979 season are Earl Peters, Fleet Captain, and Tom Orlow, Secretary.

Blending the adventure of racing with the pleasure and relaxation of sailing should offer continued enjoyment.

### BRASILIA (375)

#### Brazil District

##### Sailing on Lago de Brasilia

Fleet Captain ..... Mario Brandao Cavalcanti  
Fleet Secretary ..... Ralph Rabelo de Vasconcellos Rosa  
Fleet Treasurer ..... Walter Reinicke  
Fleet Champion ..... Walter Reinicke  
Runner-Up ..... Mario Brandao Cavalcanti

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3081	Blikzen	Mario Brandao Cavalcanti
6748	Dordao	Walter Reinicke
7464	Que Sera Sera	Samir Kury
8089	Sunday	Joao Novais
9193	Cartola	Ralph de Vasconcellos Rosa
9774	Shalom	Jose Rodolpho Montengro
12263	Sob	Assenco
.....	Murure	Manuel Fernandes Vieira
.....		Geraldo Guimaraes Leite

No Report

### SMITH MOUNTAIN LAKE FLEET (377)

#### Dixie District

##### Sailing on Smith Mountain Lake at Scruggs, Virginia

Fleet Captain ..... Henry Riviere  
Fleet Secretary ..... Henry Riviere

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
651	Tarantelle	Franklin H. Pritchard, Jr.
8507	.....	Barry K. Goodwin
11871	Jabberwock	Henry W. Riviere

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### LANSING SAILING CLUB FLEET (387)

#### Michigan District

##### Sailing on Lake Lansing at Haslett, Michigan

Fleet Captain ..... Robert Mac Donald  
Fleet Secretary ..... Jeanette Mac Donald  
Fleet Champion ..... Robert Hill  
Runner-Up ..... William Celio

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
405	Four-O-Five	Gene King
3618	Big Mac	Robert Mac Donald
5885	Red Baroness	Raymond Yerkie
6025	.....	Paul Gareau
8250	.....	Max R. Hoffman, Jr.
11488	Diligence	Robert Hill

Fleet 387's annual Tune-Up Regatta was back in its usual time spot. The first weekend in May. Bill McKinley showed us how to do it again.

Bob Hill kept ahead of most of us all the time to win the Fleet Championship. Bill Celio overtook Gene King at the end of the season for second place.

Hopefully the dregging will improve the lake conditions next year.

### FLOTTA DEL FARO (390)

#### Italian District

##### Sailing on Adriatic Sea at Cervia, Italy

Fleet Captain ..... Sergio Cottignoli  
Fleet Secretary ..... Sergio Cottignoli

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9599	Claudia	Giovanni Tampieri
9940	Lauretta	Giacomo Mongardi
10170	Margherita	Sergio Cottignoli

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### WESTERN CAROLINA SAILING CLUB (391)

#### Southeastern District

##### Sailing on Lake Hartwell, Anderson, South Carolina

Fleet Captain ..... Will Sloger  
Fleet Secretary ..... Jim Marlow  
Fleet Champion ..... Bill Sloger  
Runner-Up ..... Kip Smith

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9379	Gael Wynd	P. Sandra Horton
10101	El Blanco	James G. Hudson
10432	Sea Gull	James Marlow, Jr.
10553	Aunt Mary	Morris Clayton
10616	Foxy Lady	James R. Gasque
10807	Prurient Pirate	William R. Sloger, Jr.
11007	Blue Jeans	Kilby B. Smith, III
11738	Tabasco	William Sloger

No Report

### MANITOWOC LIGHTNING FLEET (393)

#### Midwest District

##### Sailing on Lake Michigan at Manitowoc, Michigan

Fleet Captain ..... Ron Schaper  
Fleet Secretary ..... Bob Waid  
Fleet Champion ..... Ron Schaper

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2326	Inheritance	Walter C. Arndt
9763	Circa	Billie E. Williamson
9823	Hunky Dory	Robert A. Waid
10632	Jaws	Ronald Schaper
12179	Oi Yeller	David Wilhelm
12380	Flatus	Karl M. Miller

No Report

### GUANABARA (401)

#### Brazil District

##### Sailing on Baia de Guanabara at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Fleet Captain ..... Frederico G. Volpato Gama  
Fleet Secretary ..... Newton de Oliveira Passos Filho  
Fleet Champion ..... Sergio Gilaberte

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1773	Neila	Nilo Mendes
5327	Xixinha	Marcio Sansao
6939	Pinduca	Luis Chaves
7526	Volare	Newton Passos
8329	Pois E	Amauri Ferreira
12382	Maneca	Frederico Gama
12472	Xiriana	Sergio Gilaberte

Fleet 401 had been totally inactive and it took a great deal of work to get everybody sailing again. Previously, the fleet headquarters had been at the Carioca Yacht Club, located at the far end of Guanabara Bay, in Rio. With the move to the Yacht Club Jardim Guanabara (between Galeao Airport and the new Niteroi bridge) the fleet was rejuvenated.

All local official races were attended and the first fleet championship, with 9 boats participating, could finally take place. In August, with strong winds and heavy seas, our championship was held. Boats turned over, lots of breakage, etc., caused many DNFs. At the last race there was a 3-way tie between Newton Passos, Gilaberte and Sansao. Newton broke his cross-piece, Sansao went swimming and Gilaberte won the Fleet Championship.

In the State Championships held in May, Gilaberte in *Xiriana* took a third followed in fourth by *Volare* with Newton Passos.

We are already preparing for the next Brazilian Championship, to be held in Brasilia in February 1979. The "Bacardi Cup" was competed for, for the purpose of further training for Brasilia. First was *Xiriana*, second *Volare*, third *Pois*, fourth *Pinduca* and fifth *Xixinha*.

#### SALINAS YACHT CLUB (405)

##### Ecuador District

##### Sailing on the Pacific Ocean at Guayaquil, Ecuador

Fleet Captain ..... Mario Coka  
Fleet Secretary ..... Juan Santos C.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11259	.....	Orlando Rodriguez V.
12054	.....	Jose Estrada G.
12339	.....	Isidro J. Iturralde Puig
12422	.....	Mario Coka Barriga

The main event of the year for our fleet was our Championship won by Mr. Francisco Sola followed by Vice-Champion Mr. Dieter Dyck. Our championship race was accomplished jointly by National Naval Forces of Ecuador and Fleet 411 of the Salinas Yacht Club.

#### PARKWAY SAILING CLUB (406)

##### Lake Erie District

##### Sailing on the Niagara River at Fort Erie, Ontario, Canada

Fleet Captain ..... Donald A. Boon  
Fleet Secretary ..... Donald A. Boon  
Fleet Champion ..... Ray Filsinger  
Runner-Up ..... Des Smith

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5148	Evenlode	Donald A. Boon
6808	Cluthia II	Alan Stouffer
8033	Valium V	R. Filsinger
10125	.....	Graham Misner
10200	Brig-o-Don	D. Glenny
12171	Mistress	D. Weinmann
12300	Puffin	D. Smith

The 1978 sailing season on the mighty upper Niagara River was one of increasing success, keen competition and a good rate of participation by the five active boats in the racing fleet. The addition of three new boats, whose skippers spent the year learning the "tricks of the trade" by serving as crew for the older sailors were contributing factors.

This was the year of the wood boat, with Ray Filsinger winning the Fleet Championship. Runner-up was Des Smith followed by Don Glenny, Dieter Weinmann, and Don Boon.

Alan Stouffer, Ira Schwartz, and Drew Mahoney did yeoman service as crew and students. Their participation as racing skippers next year will contribute greatly to the resurgence of the Lightning Fleet at Parkway Sailing Club.

#### JUANITA BAY SAILING FLEET (414)

##### Pacific Northwest District

##### Sailing on Lake Washington

Fleet Captain ..... John Courmoyer  
Fleet Secretary ..... Frank Wise

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6492	.....	Larry Pearson
9024	.....	Alan Hunt
10319	Six Pak	Richard Ensminger
10699	.....	John Stam
10867	Blue Jay	Frank Paine
10945	Weyerhaeuser	J. Robert Forgie
11457	Mrs. Henry VIII	Greg Zettler
11470	My Pet II	Ronald P. Loewen
11636	Lightning Rod	Rod Johnson
11722	Zephyr II	Kurt Seiffert
11974	.....	Rob E. Roduin
13106	Canuck	John A. Courmoyer
13242	Silver Fox	Frank L. Wise
.....	.....	Lou R. Callahan



"Count" Zettler Pacific Northwest Lightning Circuit Champion - 1978.

This year began with high hopes, descended to keep depression bordering on paranoia in mid-year and climbed to cautious optimism by seasons end.

Fleet members expected to launch their boats and occupy floats at the Lakeside Marina in April. However, a local group of environmentalists blocked the move. By mid-June our last avenue of appeal under the Washington State Shoreline Protection Act was closed and we had no site. In July discussions were opened with Corinthian Yacht Club of Seattle located at Shilshole Bay on Puget Sound. Since it appears it will be quite a few years before a suitable site will be available on Lake Washington for Lightnings (the old Sand Point Naval Air Station may be developed by the city as a public marina) the Fleet will relocate to Shilshole Bay in 1979 and affiliate with Corinthian Y.C.



The Fleet did attempt some local races on three successive weekends in May launching from the Stan Sayres pits (site of the hydroplane races in Seattle). But even the god of winds was against us. Of the eight attempted races only two were completed. Frank Wise, having trailered his new boat up from Portland only three days earlier, assembled and launched it and won the first race of the season.

Undaunted by local events, John Cournoyer, Bob Forgie, Rod Johnson, Kurt Seiffert, Frank Wise and Greg Zettler took to the road in search of district racing. Usually this group brings home a large share of the silver from these races. This year only Rod and Greg were able to perform anywhere near expectations.

Showing flashes of his old form Rod engaged in a pitched battle for top honors at the Memorial Day regatta in Eugene, Ore., with Phil Parshley, defending District Champion, and Greg Zettler. Rod came out on the shortend taking a third in the twenty-seven boat fleet.

The next district event in Portland, Oregon, found Rod taking a disastrous twentieth in the first race which saw twenty-eight boats on the start line. Most sailors would relax and enjoy the scenery, but not Rod. Battling back with a first and second Rod succeeded in climbing to fifth place by the end of the regatta. Hoping all disasters were behind him, including losing a halyard inside his mast at the Pacific Coast Championship, Rod set out for the District Championship regatta. But there was more to come. With two first places came a good chance of regaining the title he has held twice in the past. But a seventeenth place finish in a frustrating light air race resulted in a fourth overall. Rod returned to the fray one more time at the King Oalf regatta in Seattle. This time fate smiled and Rod had one more regatta win to add to his collection.

Greg Zettler fared somewhat better. After finished second at the Memorial Day regatta, Greg put it all together in Portland. In second place by three-quarters point and only one-quarter point ahead of the third place boat going into the last race, Greg pulled a horizon job out of his bag of tricks in twenty-five knots of wind.

The next test of sailing skill was in Klamath Falls, site of this years Pacific Coast Championship regatta. This one turned into a real donnybrook with Greg Zettler and Myron Lyon of San Diego separated by three-quarters point going into the fifth race. Ten miles later after seven legs of fantastic seamanship by both competitors, Greg nosed out Myron by one foot at the finish line.

Warming up for the Districts Greg took a substitute crew to Vancouver B.C. and won every race by a comfortable margin. But his second District Championship continued to elude him. At Eugene, Ore., site of this years District Championship, Greg, like so many others, was completely mystified by the light and fluky winds and finished fifth. However, the two firsts and a second in circuit regattas assured that Greg would repeat as Pacific Northwest Lightning Circuit Champion.

Frank Wise was the most traveled member of the gypsy band. He attended every district regatta save one and logged some 4800 miles. He also won his first circuit regatta, the Lake Chelan regatta at Chelan, Wash. Tell me Frank, do you think you know how to tell when your aground now?

With our move to Shilshole Bay in the early stages at this writing, the fleet looks forward with cautious optimism to once again enjoying the fantastic sailing available in Seattle and a successful local program.

#### PYHASSELKA LIGHTNING FLEET (428)

##### Finland District

##### Sailing on Lakes Pyhaselka and Hoytiainen, Finland

Fleet Captain ..... Osmo Tanskanen  
Fleet Secretary ..... Hannu Susitaival

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11892	Hulrop	Martti Hartikainen
12581	Tico-Tico	Osmo Tanskanen
12760	Heli	Reino Moller
13094	.....	Olli Eiro
13095	.....	Kalevi and Pentti Vartiainen
13097	Roope	Seppo Hanninen

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#### THE GREATER CHARLESTON LIGHTNING FLEET (429)

##### Southeastern District

##### Sailing on Charleston Harbor at Charleston, South Carolina

Fleet Captain ..... Harry Hintz  
Fleet Secretary ..... Dottie Hintz  
Fleet Champion ..... Leonard Krawcheck  
Runner-Up ..... Henry Russell

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9874	.....	Paul Hydrick
10355	School Bus	George Scarborough
10849	.....	Pat Kennedy
11004	.....	Frank Robson
11984	Bayamo	John Gervais & Michael P. Allred
12709	Second Wynd	Henry "Pete" Russell
13145	.....	Harold L. Hintz
13258	.....	Leonard Krawcheck

Fleet 429 initiated the 1978 sailing season in the Southeast with a five race Ice Breaker regatta one week before the Southern Circuit. Participants were provided with a showering of confetti on the way to the starting line (or was that really snow?) and a fantastic chili supper after the first day's races. The series provided a good warm-up for those who went on to sail in the Deep South with the three top skippers in the Ice Breaker, John McIntosh, Lenny Krawcheck, and Tom Waters, all placing in the top six in Savannah.

Competition for the old standbys in the fleet, Russell and Hintz, stiffened with the addition of Lenny Krawcheck, George Scarborough, and John Gervais to the fleet. What happened to the good old days when it took several years for the new guys to learn how to get a Lightning really going? Oh well, at least there'll be some new nominees for Fleet Captain next year!

Our Invitational in July was a great success with the help of Charleston's famous sea breeze. Everyone enjoyed Charleston's famous seafood at the Sandbar on Saturday night, also. Most of all, however, our 1978 Invitational will be remembered for Charleston's famous sea tanker which was anchored right next to the starting line and leeward mark. Amazing what a wind shadow a tanker casts, isn't it?

See y'all at the 1979 Charleston Ice Breaker Regatta March 3-4.

#### OCEAN CITY YACHT CLUB (430)

##### Central Atlantic District

##### Sailing on Great Egg Harbor Bay at Ocean City, New Jersey

Fleet Captain ..... James Kavle  
Fleet Secretary ..... Ed Kavle  
Fleet Champion ..... James Kavle  
Runners-Up ..... Bud Hopkin, John Parker

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7195	Sandpiper	William H. Lindsay, Jr.
10775	Eljon	John J. Parker
10767	Twenty-Twenty	William P. Robinson
11416	Old Blue	A. Theodore & Scott A. Eckenhoff
12687	White Lightnin'	Dr. C. James Kavle
12868	.....	J. Donald Gartland III & James Accardi
13163	Shogun	Bud Hopkin
.....	.....	George P. Glenn, Jr.

For Fleet 430, sailing on Great Egg Harbor Bay, this summer was marked by small fleets and very close competition. Out of the six boats which sailed regularly this season, three had a shot at the Fleet Championship going into the last weekend of racing. James Kavle, with sons Ed and Jim, won the Championship, their first, finishing second in the Saturday Series and second in the Sunday Series.

Bud Hopkin, his son Chappy, and Sandra Emery placed second in the Fleet with third place Saturday honors and a first in the Sunday Series. John Parker, sailing with Emily Henderson and Allison Weir, finished third in the Fleet after winning the Saturday Series and racing strongly on Sundays.

Jim Accardi, Don Gartland, and Beth Hopkin finished third on



The Kavel leads the fleet to win the season championship.

Sunday, and would have made the race for the Fleet Championship, even closer but for a safety check they failed in the Saturday Series.

George Glenn, his wife Peaches, and son Gidge were adjusting to their new yellow Allen most of the summer. They were never out of competition in any race, and often led the fleet to the first mark. Gidge Glenn ended the season on a favorable note, finishing third in the Flag Officer's Regatta.

Bill Lindsay, his wife Denise, and Jim Glenn, sail the only wooden boat in our fleet. Bill's excellent sailing ability kept the beautiful, black hulled *Sandpiper* competitive every time he sailed this year.

Fleet 430 also held three regattas this year, the Flag Officer's the America's Cup and the Open. The visiting Funari brothers showed the fleet the way in the Open, winning with three firsts in the light and variable winds.

Outside the Club, Fleet 430 was represented at Rehoboth this summer by John Parker and Bill Clausen. This fall, during the Gamma Series, at Red Dragon, John Parker finished second, Bill Clausen was third, and Jim Accardi and Don Gartland finished fifth, a great showing for the Fleet. John, Jim and Don also traveled to Annapolis this fall. Many Fleet members also plan to travel to Red Bank this spring to participate in the Sunday racing series there.

Next season, Fleet 430 is looking forward to another very competitive season. Gordon Buzby will return to competition after taking this year off. Henry and Lizanne Backe, who have been fantastic crews over the past few seasons are planning to purchase a boat. Andy and Brian Hitchings, along with Jim Glenn and Tony Migliaccio, will hopefully continue to make Fleet 430 as strong as ever by filling in as crew again. All in all, we are hoping for another summer of expansion and great competition in 1979.

#### PALMETTO LIGHTNING FLEET (440)

##### Southeastern District

##### Sailing on Lake Murray at Columbia, South Carolina

Fleet Captain ..... Donald Babb  
Fleet Secretary ..... Paul F. Rodesiler  
Fleet Champion ..... Wilburn Brewer

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
825	Helen	Paul V. Ryan
9402	.....	Tom Wilson
9505	Frigate	Mike Webster
11412	Somethin' Else	Wilburn Brewer
11881	Do It	Stanley N. Jacques
11905	.....	S. C. Gresham
12401	Seetenfel III	Paul F. Rodesiler
12730	Miss Joyce VI	Tom Waters
12975	Sea Ya	Wayne B. Catoe
13002	Lite & Lively	Charles E. Gise
13005	Creme de la Creme	Preston Scott
13105	Foxy Lady Too	Donald A. Babb

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# Lake Murray

# Lightning Invitational

Columbia, South Carolina  
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Last year's Fleet Champion, Tom Wilson (9402), slugs it out with former Fleet Captain, Wayne Catoe (12975), in another hotly contested Fleet Race.



Fleet 440 continues to be blessed with a wonderful sailing environment. 1978 provided us with moderate weather, fine breezes and excellent competition. Our season commenced with a seminar by Bill Shore in March and continued on through November, culminating with the designation of our Fleet Champion, Wilburn Brewer. A host of activities included 14 fleet races, an invitational regatta and a Lightning weekend. Using the techniques brought to our club this year by the USYRU training team, we conducted a Friday through Sunday training session which provided something for even our most experienced sailors. All agreed that this activity will become a permanent part of our annual schedule.

Southeastern District representation continued at a high level, with members attending every district regatta. We are pleased to congratulate Tom Waters, who sails with us out of the Columbia Sailing Club, for his fine effort in capturing the District Championship.

We continued our active emphasis of growth, resulting in the addition of Larry and Inez Gibbes to our fleet. We also have prospects for additional growth this winter and plan to concentrate on the acquisition of quality equipment for our prospective members.

Finally, we would like to sign off with an invitation to our Lightning Invitational in early May, 1979. Plan to shed the gray and cold of winter and join us next spring for a refreshing dose of Carolina wind and sunshine!



*Sailing on Lago San Pablo in Quito, Ecuador.*

#### **SAN PABLO FLEET (447)**

##### **Ecuador District**

##### **Sailing on Lago San Pablo at Quito, Ecuador**

Fleet Captain ..... Dieter Dyck  
Fleet Secretary ..... Dr. Ricardo Crespo  
Fleet Champion ..... Dieter Dyck  
Runner-Up ..... Mauricio Martinez

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5868	.....	Dr. Rodrigo & Diego Perez
5872	.....	Arqu. Rafael Leon Barba
10114	.....	Mario Ribadeneira
11103	.....	Cnel. Gustavo Izurieta
11260	.....	Jorge Matheus
11365	.....	Gunther Langpap & Faisal Misle
12036	.....	Dr. Jaime Holguin
12097	.....	Carlos Ramsurer
12221	.....	Enrique Espinosa & Dr. Jose M. Perez
12338	.....	Dieter Dyck
12557	.....	Mauricio Martinez
12558	.....	Cesar Pallares
12560	.....	Diego Ribadeneira

12566	.....	Alfred Zeller
12661	.....	Andres Cardenas
12768	.....	Dr. Ricardo Crespo
12819	.....	Santiago Matheus

We sailed our fleet championship this year with 10 entries. Winner Dieter Dyck and runner-up Mauricio Martinez were followed by Jorge Matheus Jr. and Stefan Crespo. This series served to qualify for our traditional international around 24th of May. This time it was sponsored by Ecuatoriana de Aviacion and Direccion de Turismo. With the help of our sponsors, we were able to invite 3 crews from USA and one crew each from Colombia, Peru, Chile and Argentina. We proudly can say, that the event was a complete success. First and second place were taken by Jim Crane and Tom Allen, third by Mario Isola, fourth Paco Sola and by fifth Dieter Dyck from our fleet. This shows that knowledge of local conditions was not of much help and that the winds were stable.

November 1st - 5th five boats of our fleet participated at the Districts held in Salinas.

#### **MARSALA LIGHTNING FLEET (449)**

##### **Italian District**

Fleet Secretary ..... Gianni Pellegrino

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8758	Shark	Pasquale Teri
11325	Joker	Zerilli Pietro
11790	Elana	C. V. Banca Italia
12009	Barracuda	Natale Cudia
12026	Zeus	Baldassare Tuzzo
12027	Wind	Enzo Linares
12058	Eros	Benedetto Renda
12061	Zaza	Nuzzo Giacalone
12070	Big	Michele Guarrasi
12071	Happy First	D'Andrea Andre
12087	Milouin	Andrea Aloia
12193	Joshua	Franco Riti
12537	Luktor	Raineri Gambina
12556	Seagull	Genna Vito
12717	Rebel	Lucia Michele
12831	.....	Giuseppe Grassi & Edward Dungle
12904	Wind II	Gianni Pellegrino
12905	Easy Wave	Roberto Crucitti
13035	Scirocco	Tino Pernice
13036	Lian II	Nuccio De Vita



*The Marsala Fleet racing on the Mediterranean.*

This year, as in the past years, our fleet has been present in many important meetings which have taken place in Italy as well as in Europe. In fact, three of our boats sailed in the European Championship which took place in Greece. Moreover this year we have patronized the Italian Championship and the Campionato Siculo-Calabro. At the very end of this year we shall patronize the Coppa del President in which many European boats will participate. Next year at least two of our crews will take part in the World Championship in the U.S.A. On that occasion we shall have the opportunity to meet some of our old friends.

In the European Championship our crews were twelfth (Crucitti, Maggio and Pecorella) and eighteenth (Marino, Alois and Clemente). In the Italian Championship our young crew (Riti, Riti and Abate) was second followed by Pellegrino, Messina and Di Girolamo, Crucitti, Maggio and Pecorella were fifth. The Championship was won by De Amicis, Rizzieri and Pecorella.

#### ANDROSCOGGIN LIGHTNING FLEET (450)

##### New England District

##### Sailing on Lake Androscoggin at Wayne, Maine

Fleet Captain ..... Bob Foster  
Fleet Secretary ..... Clinton P. Carhart  
Fleet Champion ..... George Place  
Runner-Up ..... Bob & Lynn Foster

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
67	Nuclear Phylis	Richard Hoddinott
70	.....	Stefan M. Pakulski
82	Slainlat	Clinton Carhart
7896	.....	Bob Foster
10830	.....	Charles M. Jackson
12194	Phoebe	George Place

This year we had a most active sailing season with six boats participating most of the summer. However, we did have our problems with masts! On Saturday of last years Labor Day regatta, The Carhart boat, *Slain Lat*, was put out of action when the mast broke at the spreader while tipping it up to scrub the bottom. This July, thanks to a sailor from Keene N.H. a new mast was stepped and after a trial run *Slain Lat* was ready to go.

The following Sunday we had a severe thunderstorm with gusts up to 50 mph. When the rain cleared *Slain Lat* as well as Chuck Jackson's boat were capsized with broken masts. Chuck had just purchased his boat and within two weeks was back in the racing.

Thanks to Georges Peter of the Annisquam fleet Carhart got a second mast for the season, but by this time was so out of the running that 1978 was a total loss. Dr. Pete Leadley lost his mast on a windy day on a very tight tack making our toll three for the season out of 7 boats!

We had a total of 13 races, and after scratching the 2 worst, the results were as follows: 1st Place (13 Pts.); 2nd Foster (28 pts.); 3rd Leadley (29 pts.); 4th Hoddinott (39 pts.); 5th Jackson (44 pts.); 6th Pakulski (52 pts.).

Captain Bob Foster won the 3 day Labor Day regatta, with Leadley and Place dualing to a tie for second.

We look forward to a good season in '79 with all 7 boats sailing without mishaps.

#### FLOTTA DEL TRASIMENO (453)

##### Italian District

##### Sailing on Trasimeno Lake, Italy

Fleet Captain ..... Paolo Rosi  
Fleet Secretary ..... Franco De Regis  
Fleet Champion ..... Franco De Regis  
Runner-Up ..... Fabio Nicchiarelli

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7188	Zenith	Gianni De Giorgi
8621	Lilian	Mario & Paolo Nebbiai
9953	Fifi	Alberto Tavanti
10781	Schiribilla	Marco Ruffini
10916	Corsaro Biondo	Sauro Sarpocchi
11168	Svasso	Riccardo Sensini
11244	Windy I	Enzo Orioli
12059	Arecnames	Fabio Nicchiarelli
12297	Gargantua	Franco & Massimo De Regis

12547	.....	Angelo Caruso
12565	.....	Paolo Paduano
12576	Contessa	Sergio Vannucci & Francesco Castellani
13037	Joe Condor	Nando Saulini
13061	Lola	Mauro Salvetti
13062	Windy 2	Paolo Rosi



*Franco and Massimo De Regis at the Italian's*

Fleet 453 had a good year in 1978. The fleet activity was up and Fleet Captain Rosi bought a new Salver boat.

Fabio Nicchiarelli with his sister Maria and Stefano Rossi took part in the European's in Greece and the Italian's in Marsala. They placed 22nd and 8th respectively, pretty good for so young a skipper!

Franco De Regis with his brother Massimo and Stefano Chiovelli placed 11th in the Italian's

Fabio and Franco were second in the regatta at Anzio.

Fabio, with his sister Maria, and Stefano Rustichelli won the very important De Marzi Trophy at Gravedona.

At Trasimeno Lake the fleet had three regattas. The April 23-24 regatta was won by Nando De Amicis of Fleet 249 with Franco De Regis of Fleet 453 second and Paolo Rosi third, also of Fleet 453. The April 24-25 regatta was won by Nando De Amicis and again second was taken by Franco De Regis. Third was taken by Massimo De Regis of Fleet 453.

The September 16-17 regatta was won by Attilio Cozzani of Fleet 321 with Fabio Nicchiarelli of Fleet 453 second and Franco De Regis third.

We invite all Italian sailors to the 30th Italian Championships on April 25-30, 1979.

## **TUUSULANJARVI LIGHTNING FLEET (456)**

### **Finland District**

#### **Sailing on Lake Tuusulanjarvi, Finland**

Fleet Captain	.....	Juhani Haila
Fleet Secretary	.....	Tuula Haila
Fleet Champion	.....	Pertti Pyy
Runner-Up	.....	Lauri Hamalainen
B-Champion	.....	Lauri Hamalainen
Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4133	Veteraani	Jorma Rauhala
7178	Orkari	Lauri Kitinoja, Martti & Pekka Kirjavainen
9438	Kulkuri	Kalevi Siiskonen
10057	Cinderella	Juhani Haila
10664	Old Lady	Pentti Laitinen
10668	Lady Bird	Pekka Hongisto & Tuomo Kauhanen
10911	Tuikku	Matti Sarola
11001	Kohinoor	Jorma Lehtonen
11527	Papillon	Heikki Leikoski
12258	Amarillo	Pertti Pyy
12434	.....	Leo Manninen
12435	Punkku	Heikki Kirjavainen
12748	.....	Juhani Haila
12750	Obelix	Martti Saari
12761	VIP	Vesa & Ilkka Tapola & Pertti Nyman
12762	OHO	Antti Hakkinen, Antti Tapola & Kari Parkkonen
12907	Lizi	Leo Korhonen
12909	Asterix	Hartti Nisonen
13098	Vipunen	Lauri Hamalainen
.....	.....	Reijo Lehtonen



Getting ready to go on Lake Tuusulanjarvi, Finland.

Fleet 456 made an early start for this season by celebrating "Little Christmas" in the beginning of last December. We spent a very pleasant time together competing in tying knots, looking at films, eating and drinking. Our active girls are worthy of very kind thanks for the service and arrangements. During the winter we had our monthly meetings, where we studied meteorology, tactics, sailing rules and trimming the boat. We had the first tune-up race on the 13th of May, just one week after the very day our sailing water had become free of ice-cover. One week later we hosted our biggest regatta "On the Rocks."

Hartti Nisonen and Antti Tapola were our representatives in the European Championships in Athens, Greece. Nisonen trailed his boat Asterix through Middle and Eastern Europe, about 5000 miles and came in 12th, the best Finn. Tapola chartered an uncompetitive boat.

In the Finnish Championships we had four teams. We had to make a 500 mile trip to Oulu situated only 100 miles south of the Polar-circle. Our best boat was *Amarillo* skippered by Pertti Pyy, finishing 12th.

In the Finnish District ranking Fleet 456 had eight boats in the top fifteen.

We have also gotten some new boats and sailors, so we await still more success in the future.

Now, in the autumn, we have had some very welcome physical training building a new cottage for our Yacht Club, with accommodations for meetings, training, entertainment, and of course for a Finnish Sauna.

Tuusula, the 16th October 1978.

## **GRANITE LAKE FLEET (457)**

### **New England District**

#### **Sailing on Granite Lake at Keene, New Hampshire**

Fleet Captain	.....	Mark L'Heureux
Fleet Secretary	.....	Ronald Lyon
Fleet Champion	.....	Mark L'Heureux
Runner-Up	.....	Roland L'Heureux

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6308	Windfall II	Ronald E. Lyon
7420	Bull	James D. Ewing & George T. Kingsbury
8480	Ketch-Ya-Lata	Mark L'Heureux
9525	.....	Roland L'Heureux
10683	Bafa	Bert Dardani

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## **UNION LAKE YACHT CLUB LIGHTNING FLEET (458)**

### **Michigan District**

#### **Sailing on Union Lake at Union Lake, Michigan**

Fleet Commodore	.....	Steve Paski
Race Chairman	.....	Brian Hussey
Fleet Champion	.....	Ralph Waibel

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2884	For Sail	Don Farmer
10388	The Red Baron	Ray Aird
11090	Turtle IV	Henry Hodgson, Jr.
12288	Brain's Song II	Brian Hussey
12534	Go Blue	John Crawford
12645	Luff Affair	Ron Sievertson
12846	Turtle III	Henry Hodgson, Jr.
12888	Red Baron	Dale Mahrle
12891	Rainbow Sunday	Ralph Waibel
12927	.....	Erwin Schwarze
12928	Gang Green	Fred Paski

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## **WATEREE FLEET (459)**

### **Southeastern District**

#### **Sailing on Wateree Lake at Camden, South Carolina**

Fleet Captain	.....	Bill Marshall
Fleet Secretary	.....	Hal Storey
Fleet Champion	.....	Liz Canniff
Runner-Up	.....	Sam Cheek

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10516	Lucky Strike	Harold J. Storey

10599	Lightning Bug	Frank W. Oglesby
11553	Nan-Sea	Samuel J. Cheek
11821	Iron Butterfly	Robert A. Rowan
11914	Seven C's	Liz Canniff
12742	Gail Wind	William S. & Gail E. Marshall

Our 1978 racing season started at Savannah's famous deep South regatta. Skippers for our club were Sam Cheek, Bill Marshall, and Hal Storey. Crew duties were handled by Nancy Cheek, Dick Dommel, Gail Marshall, Alan Cribb, Sean Storey and Peter Dworjany. The WSC representatives, like the bulk of the Fleet, had problems with the road-race course, as well as the sea breezes and tidal currents.

The WSC Invitational was the first of nine to be held in the South Eastern Lightning District. Among the twenty-six skippers from the Carolinas and Georgia were WSC sailors Liz Canniff, Frank Oglesby, Sam Cheek, Bill Marshall, Hal Storey. Good Hosts all, we let our guests take all the silver home.

Last fall, the Waterlee Sail Club sponsored a winter handicap series. Boat types ranged from Sunfish to a Helms 24. Liz Canniff, with her father Bill as crew, took top honors. Sam Cheek was a close second. During a mostly windless Summer Series, Hal Storey, with son Sean and Peter Dworjany assisting, just beat Bob Rowan for the first place trophy.

Lightning Fleet 459 is looking forward to hosting the South Eastern Lightning District Championships in June. We intend to qualify some of our boats for the 1979 North Americans.

### ST. JOHN'S RIVER LIGHTNING FLEET (461) Southeastern District

#### Sailing on St. John's River at Jacksonville, Florida

Fleet Captain ..... Tully Patrowitz  
Fleet Secretary ..... Greg Wallace

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7737	.....	John Zitco
8746	Aurora	David Backus
8822	Predator	Ralph Suhm
12274	.....	Greg Wallace
12293	Renaissance	Clifford Spohr
13010	Eye Eye Sir	Tully Patrowitz



*Cruising down the river on a Sunday afternoon.*

Fleet 461 has, in the past year gotten rather active. We formed up with Lightning sailors in Eustis, Florida and have expanded the fleet to cover northern Florida. Between Eustis and Jacksonville, we have been able to pick up some new Lightnings.

Our major highlight for the year was the Mug race sponsored by the Rudder Club. This particular race is fifty miles long and takes the better part of a day to complete. It is one of the few races in the world that encompasses sailing in the most trying of conditions varying from total calms to violent thunderstorms. This past year it was won by Mr. Tully Patrowitz, our fleet Captain, followed by Greg Wallace.

Our fleet Championship regatta was held in Eustis in heavy weather and Greg got even for his defeat in the Mug Race.

As the fleet grows and becomes more active, in 1979, we will invite the sailors of the Southeast District to come and join us for a day of racing that will not long be forgotten. We are the youngest fleet in the Southeast District and would wish to extend a cordial welcome to anyone who may buy a Lightning in northeast Florida or who may be transferred into this area.

### GUARAPIRANGA LAKE LIGHTNING FLEET (462) Brazilian District

#### Sailing on Lake Guarapiranga, Sao Paulo, Brazil

Fleet Captain ..... Albert G. Lunnerdal  
Fleet Secretary ..... Arne S. Arnesen Jr.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6632	Kiko	Albert G. Lunnerdal
8575	Turuna II	Gehard Wiegandt & Frank Sarnighausen
8602	Surprise	John Scott
8795	Juriti II	Paul P. Boilesen
9284	Malandro II	Francisco Del Re Neto
10390	Sagres	Danny Schmitt
11693	Easy Rider	Thomas Sumner
11713	Xamego	Nelson Schmitt
12407	Perkeo	Peter Pufleb & Manfredo Dlouhy
12489	Phreskura	Albert Arnesen
12812	Flash Rider	Michael A. Norris

Our '78 season began with the District Championship. Our fleet together with Fleet 147 sponsored it. I would like to thank all the folks who helped in organizing, the XXI Championship. It was as usual, a great happy meeting of the Brazilian Lightning family. We had a lot of fun and that was important. During the championship the new District Commodore was elected, and a member of our fleet was elected to office (Mr. Nelson Schmitt). We are all proud of this because we are the youngest Brazilian fleet.

After that, the XXIV South American Championship began, and the same organization was mentioned. Once more a happy meeting of the class.

Then we had our traditional races on the lake, we always race together with the members of Fleet 147. Again we had trouble with the level of the lake. But in spite of that all members made a great effort and raced all regattas we had during the year.

For next season, we'll have the district championship to be held on the lake Paranoa, in Brasilia, sponsored by Fleet 375. This promises to be a brilliant event.

### LAKE WACCAMAW LIGHTNING FLEET (463) Southeastern District

#### Sailing at Lake Waccamaw, N.C.

Fleet Captain ..... Vivian Hollinshed  
Fleet Secretary ..... Bob Ames  
Fleet Champion ..... Bob Ames

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
90	.....	Raymond L. Creekmore
5564	Spiritus	Steve Small
11898	.....	Tom Hollinshed, Jr.
12798	Esperanza II	Robert G. Ames
12936	Lulu	Charles B. Andrews

Fleet 463's sailing season starts in April and continues until October, officially. However, our fleet hosts within the sailing club an informal race known as the "Haulout" or "Oyster Regatta" in November.

The highlight of the year is our District regatta. This year (our second) we had 19 Lightnings, which exceeded 16 of a year ago. John McIntosh, Sr., the superb sailor from Savannah, won the 3 race event.



Locally, Bob Ames again dominated the Lightning sailors and received the 1978 perpetual trophy. There is a rumor of another Lightning joining our fleet in the near future. We expect to be bigger and better next year, and expect to provide more competition for Southeastern District sailors at home and away from home.

## LAKE MONROE SAILING ASSOCIATION LIGHTNING FLEET (464)

### Indiana District

#### Sailing on Lake Monroe at Bloomington, Indiana

Fleet Captain ..... Doug Tayler  
Fleet Secretary ..... Joe Mihelick  
Fleet Treasurer ..... Howard Lickerman  
Fleet Champion ..... Ron Shea

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7223	Hannabelle	Dr. Austin Gardner
12163	Exodus	Doug Tayler
12676	Hansom Transom	Ron Shea
12746	Thunder "N"	Joe Mihelick
13108	.....	Howard Lickerman



Light air start at 464's Harvest Regatta - 13199, you're over!!

Speaking of 1979, we certainly want to accomplish plenty: One biggie is to get our fleet out on the race course in bigger numbers on Sundays - May through November. Another is to encourage some wealthy trophy-maker (Joe Mihelick) to make a traveling trophy or trophies for our local fleet program. More? Yes, add more Lightnings to the fleet! Assist Fleet 270 in hosting the Indiana Districts at Lake Monroe in June 1979. Also, we'll clean the red carpet for all you great Lightning sailors to come join us in September 1979 for our Harvest Regatta. We'll feed you, satisfy your thirst and let the wind blow.

What a great year! We met our primary goal - increasing our fleet size. Bill Muth showed up early in the year with his boat. Howard Lickerman visited with us at our February boat show and joined the fleet in September. And Bud Gardner who lives on the lake will become active next year.

Indeed a great year! This year's Harvest Regatta, our second since chartering in 1976, was held on September 16 and 17 and was a super success. Compared to an 8 boat regatta in 1977, we had 17 boats participating this year from Indiana (obviously), Michigan, Illinois and Ohio. Fleet 270's Bob Carter won the top honors with an impressive 3-1-1-3 series, while Fleet 154's Bruce Baiden and John Call took 2nd and 3rd, very respectively. Race Committee work was great - thanks Kurt and Cami Rodholm. Food arrangements by Diana Tayler, Julie Mihelick and Shirley Shea were tops. Trophies were again superbly done by Joe Mihelick. Triple A plus overnite accommodations were graciously provided our fleet by Bill and Lynn Wheeler. Thanks Cathy Carney for handling our registration so well.

Our fleet supported three other regattas in Indiana this year - the Indiana Open at Indy Sailing Club; the Hoosier at Wawasee; and the Districts at Wawasee. While supporting three other regattas, we

managed to race "a bit" here at Lake Monroe. Our racing program consists of sailing on a handicap basis in association with Thistles, Hobies, etc. In the association program, Tayler finished third with 121.65 points, while Shea finished fourth with 121.18 points (26 boats participated in the association program this year). Close - I guess! When sailing on a head-to-head basis Shea had 82½ points and Tayler had 74½ points; therefore, Shea won the Fleet Championship this year as declared by this writer. Guess who's going to write this article next year.

## FLOTTA DEL CONERO (466)

### Italian District

#### Sailing on Adriatic Sea at Numana, Ancona, Falconara and Senigallia

Fleet Captain ..... Lino Moroni  
Fleet Secretary ..... Renzo Bozzi  
Fleet Champion ..... Alberto Vivani  
Runner-up ..... Bruno Roccheggiani

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7813	Nefertit	G. Carlo Orazi & Velia Cremonesi
9308	Agata	Bruno Roccheggiani
9321	Donatella	Pio Natale
9602	Kandahar	Fausto Gherlantini
11320	Nibbio	Antonio Romani Adami
12427	Julia III	Alpino Moroni, Alberto Vivani & Lino Moroni
13038	.....	Umberto Lenzi
13261	.....	Francesco Poeti
.....	.....	Adriano Pionara
.....	.....	Arrigo Archibugia



"Conero Mountain" at Numano and "Agata" with Roccheggiani, skipper and Bozzi and Fava crew.

In June of 1978 the fleet hosted the "Di Lorenzo Trophy" organized by the Club Nautico Senigallia. The final results were as follows: Claude Lambelet with Gilbert Despland and Annika Lambelet were first, Alberto Vivani with Guido Armeni and Alpino Moroni second; Luigi Merola with Mario and Franco Lo Sardo third; Nando De Amicis with Alberto and Lino Moroni fourth.

Julia Illa with Vivani, Armeni Moroni took part in more important regattas. Alberto Vivani finished 2nd to the "De Marzi Trophy" at Gravedona, 2nd in the Capo Boeo's Cup at Marsala, and 7th in the Italian Championship.

The fleet increased with a wonderful glass boat built by the Salver Inc. of Brindisi. The new owner is Francesco Poeti of Senigallia.

**FLOTTA DEL LARIO (467)**  
**Italian District**  
**Sailing at Gravedona on Lake of Como**  
**North Italy**

Fleet Captain ..... Luigi Guicciardi  
 Fleet Secretary ..... Luca Grisotti  
 Fleet Champion ..... Claudio Motti  
 Runner-Up ..... Luca Grisotti

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8618	Teresa	Renato Peona
8619	Cecilia	C. Lampugnani
8702	Lolita	Luigi Guicciardi
9564	Moiana	Luca Grisotti
9676	Mazzagallo	Max Bianchi



*A good start at the De Marzi Trophy.*

The De Marzi Trophy Regatta proved to be the highlight of our season just as we predicted it would be when it was originally mentioned in the *Flashes*. This was the only meeting officially between the Italian and Swiss Districts. (Naturally we raced against each other in the European Championship and at the Winter Championship sailed in Marsala.)

The De Marzi Trophy competition was also of particular interest to us this year because in 1938 while Sparkman and Stevens were designing the Lightning, here in Italy, Zanoletti and De Marzi founded the A.V.A.L., our host club. The double 40th anniversary really cheered the whole gang and added to the festivities. These started with the Rev. Lissandre "Vaporina" Bencina blessing the fleet, the small harbor, the people, the waves, the food and the drinks. Next, it was our turn in our boats where we ran every kind of risk, including a film production.

By the middle of August we had completed the 11 races of our summer series and informal events began. One of these was an impromptu Women's Fleet Championship. We have named this forever the Elena Grancini Cup in memory of the lady who first "dared" to sail with her husband on Gravedona Bay. Paola Mondelli, with crew Margherita Canepa and Flavia Del Pero, won this new Cup.

The summer started poorly but after the "Ides of August" it was dry and hot.

Our De Marzi Trophy competition attracted eight Italian, four Swiss and one German boat. The German boat was skippered by Herr Schraner, a jolly fellow. The rules of the Trophy call for two races with a third at the option of the committee with favorable weather. This year the race committee's instructions called for two races on Saturday and one on Sunday. But half the fleet failed to note this and came in after the first race on Saturday. By the time they learned of their error they were well settled in their rocking chairs and decided to stay. While these sailors were drinking and singing, on the course, the wind died. A few boats managed to finish, but most were still waiting at sunset and had to be towed in with their teeth chattering in the dark. An excellent dinner was enjoyed by all.

On Sunday the beautiful mountains and lake were enjoyed by a grateful fleet. The beauty of blue, green and silver perhaps diverted the attention of the Swiss team. Alberto Vivani and Fabio Nicchiarelli lead on Sunday and with their good finishes on Saturday, along with good finishes by Cozzani of the Italian Navy, allowed the Italian District victory overall. The results were: Nicchiarelli 1st; Vivani 2nd; Weilenmann 3rd; Cozzani 4th; Motti (our Fleet Champion) 5th. The wind blew a steady 18 on Sunday and Saturday (when it blew at all). Perfect courses were set by Luigi Guicciardi and Mr. Weilenmann gave us his heartiest thanks to our fleet and club. We invite all the Lightning skippers to join us next year!

**VALKEAKOSKI LIGHTNING FLEET (468)**  
**Finland District**  
**Sailing on Lakes Mallasvesi and**  
**Vanajavesi, Valkeakoski, Finland**

Fleet Captain ..... Veikko Ylarakkola  
 Fleet Secretary ..... Pertti Jalonen

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7172	.....	Kelevi Visala
9613	.....	Kalle Loovi
12481	Sea Horse II	Pertti Jalonen
12482	.....	Kalle Kiviniemi
12992	.....	Aimo Jokiniemi
.....	.....	Veikko Ylarakkola

The sailing season of the Valkeakoski Lightning Fleet is about to draw to its close. However, this summer was very rewarding and rich in activity, people in Valkeakoski have had a keen interest in sailing.

During the summer we had the Fleet Championship Race on the familiar lake Mallasvesi. The winner was Pertti Jalonen with Seahorse II, however, the District Championship was won by Aimo Jokiniemi, boat 12992.

In late summer we took part in a race in Tuusulanjarvi but came out with no medals. Nevertheless, the Lightning is an excellent racing boat. Due to its size and center board it is very practical in the lakes that surround the city of Valkeakoski. A good support for Valkeakoski Lightning Fleet is a local boat yard which is specialized in building Lightning sailing boats. Some of their boats have won European Championships.

Finally, we want to state that this Lightning Fleet is operational and is going to stay like that.



*Fleet Captain, Jukka Lainkari, is off to a good start at the Districts.*

### JAMSA LIGHTNING FLEET (469)

#### Finland District

#### Sailing on Lake Paijanne, Jamsa, Finland

Fleet Captain ..... Jukka Lainkari  
Fleet Secretary ..... Harri Ritala

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10056	Minnehaha	Seppo Raiskila
11360	Pussycat	Hannu Hurskainen
12257	Aku Samuli	Harri Ritala
12908	Lola	Martti Lahti
13096	Mimosa	Jukka Lainkari

The past sailing season was the second in history for Fleet 469 and therefore we may say our success in racing was surprisingly good. Four boats from our fleet participated in the Lake Paijanne race, which is 60 nautical miles in length. They placed: Harri Ritala (12257) 2nd, Jukka Lainkari (13096) 3rd, Martti Lahti (12908) 8th and Seppo Raiskila (10056) 10th. This year the race took place in record time, less than 15 hours. Jukka Lainkari participated also in the Finnish Championships and was placed 18th.

During the season we made improvements in the boats. Among other things by supplying new Finn made aluminum masts.

In the plans for the sailing season of year 1979 we have besides the Finnish Championships, the European Championships at Helsinki.

### CASCO BAY LIGHTNING FLEET (471)

#### New England District

#### Sailing on Casco Bay at Portland, Maine

Fleet Captain ..... John Tarling  
Fleet Secretary ..... Dave White  
Fleet Champion ..... Jack Burwell  
Runner-Up ..... Dave White

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1058	.....	Gregory Maxwell
1644	.....	Granville Dyer
4264	.....	James C. Saunders
4903	.....	Steve Kennedy

8271	.....	Janice M. Morong
9142	.....	Jeffrey M. Armstrong
10004	.....	Andrew Stickney
10133	.....	Bill Liller
10196	.....	Dave White
11361	.....	Jack Burwell
12233	.....	George & Jay Huettl
12364	.....	John Tarling

Unless I miss my guess this is the last report in the yearbook (we're the newest fleet). Many of them may be similar in nature, but this one is a bit different. It's about how we organized a new fleet.

We organized out of necessity. There were fleets on Cosco Bay, but no racing at the only club. In fact they have no real activity at all. We felt that we needed a formal organization not connected with a local club in order to get started. But, where would we sail?

That problem was solved via our schedule. Centerboards had a regatta scheduled, as did Portland and Harassaket. Those regattas plus an inter-club regatta became our racing schedule. Other activities were scheduled around those dates. With that problem solved we endeavored to increase our ranks.

We put articles in the newspaper, held a rules seminar, and showed class movies to whomever we could get. Results: a fleet of 12 boats the first year! Not all are racers, but all love the Lightning. We are planning a series of events such as a day sail with a picnic, fun races, and a "round the island" cruise for the non-racers next year. We admit a neglect of these people this year.

Jack Burwell is our fleet champion (by only six inches) over Dave White. This is Jack's last year in Lightnings because of a serious back problem, so it's fitting that he won. He came back (no pun intended) after a poor showing in the early regattas. Jack, we'll miss you!

Special mention should be made of Gregg Maxwell in the oldest boat in the fleet. Gregg, his brother, and his brother's girl friend sailed every race. While not doing too well in the standings in any one regatta they were third in our fleet for the year. Mind you his boat has no cleats, no wire halyards, etc. and it leaks (he says "two sail, one bail"). Gregg says maybe he'll get a new boat next year. We hope so!

We believe that while our start was slow, we have a good base. We lost two boats (Jack Burwell and Bill Liller) but hope to gain at least six by next season. Starting a fleet is tough, but rewarding when you consider all the new friends you make during the process.

## "LIGHTNING" FILM

You can still schedule the half-hour color film "Lightning" by writing to I.L.C.A. headquarters.

This 16mm sound/color motion picture "Lightning" gives a brief glimpse of the heart of small boat one-design sailing — the people and their boat.

Filmed on the waters of Tampa Bay during the 1974 Mid-Winter Lightning Championship and at "Red Bank" on the Navesink River during the Monmouth Boat Club Regatta; and on land at the St. Petersburg Yacht Club, the movie combines racing shots with regatta activity shots.

"Lightning", of course, stars the Lightning, a 19' centerboard, three man boat, and features Lightning crews and families.

The rental of the film is \$25.00. For scheduling contact the International Lightning Class Association, 808 High Street, Worthington, Ohio 43085.