

ATWOOD YACHT CLUB (212) **Ohio District** **Sailing on Atwood Lake at Dellroy, Ohio**

Fleet Captain Thomas McCain
 Fleet Secretary Carolyn A. McCain
 Fleet Champion Nelson Caley
 Runner-Up Dennis Kleidon

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1983	Neveid	Henry Schaeffer
6886	.....	Carl W. Hummer
9350	Not-A-Loss	Eugene Muntean
9850	Ruth II	David B. Dutton
10311	Resolute II	Calvin Friar
10900	Four Winds V	James Cooper & Carolyn McCain
11508	Yellowjacket	Nelson Caley
12044	North Star	Dennis Kleidon
12184	Blitz	Ferdinand V. Huber
12269	Long Shot	Joe Streb
12845	Grey Fox	Carl W. Hummer

After 31 years of competitive racing, we again accomplished another great year at Atwood. It seems that the great Nelson Caley and able crew of Polly and Dean took a lot of the top honors. They were the Lightning Club Champions as well as first in the Spring Series, fourth in the Summer Series, first in the Fall Series and first in the Commodore's Series. Dean was also first in the Crew Race.

The runner-up in the championship series was Dennis Kleidon and able crew Rose Kleidon who also obtained third in the Spring Series, second in the Summer Series, second in the Fall Series and fourth in the Commodore's Series. One of our newer racing skippers, Mike Partridge, with his Mother and two young crew members, ended up third in the Championship with a sixth in the Summer Series and a fourth in the Fall Series. His young son Scott ended up second in the Crew Race.

Our old faithful Joe Streb with his son Jack and son-in-law Dick Stayer finished as follows: Joe second for the Spring Series and second in the Commodore's Series. Jack was first for the Summer Series and Dick was third for the Fall Series.

One of our long time members of the fleet, with a brand new boat, Carl Hummer started out the Summer Series with a third place, a fifth in the Fall Series and a fourth in the Championship.

The Karl Rollius Memorial Trophy for the boat with the most participation during the year went to Nelson "racing machine."

So ends a very good year for our Fleet, with the anticipation of another one; we only hope that the winter is short and we are back on the course again. Our newly elected Fleet Captain and Secretary are Carl and Evelyn Hummer.

This year's Harvest Moon Regatta on September 6th and 7th was a tremendous success with Jack Mueller from Cleveland Yachting Club first, Bill Buckles from Cleveland Yachting Club was second, Carl Clipp from Leatherlips was third. We had 119 boats in total which included six classes. Hope you all can attend next year.

ROYAL ST. LAWRENCE YACHT CLUB (215) **St. Lawrence Valley District** **Sailing on Lake St. Louis at Montreal, Canada**

Fleet Captain Dr. A. F. Cameron
 Fleet Secretary Russel Scrim
 Fleet Champion Russel Scrim
 Runner-Up George Layton

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11294	Hutch I	Alan Hutchinson
12827	Sheila VIII	R. C. Scrim
13149	Linda	G. Layton
13198	Dum Dum	Dr. A. Cameron
13480	.....	Gil Mercier

The 1980 sailing season was the best we have had in years. While the number of boats participating ran at only six for most of our races, on the other hand, the number rarely fell below four on any occasion and the competition was extremely keen. The interest and dedication of the Lightning Fleet clearly attracted attention around our Club this year and we are working hard towards involving some of the other dinghy sailors whose fleets are no longer active. In addition, there are a good number of sailors who for one reason or another have graduated up to the cruising class

boats, but miss the competition atmosphere that exists in our group. Consequently, we hope that next season we will be adding a number of experienced competitive sailors to our fleet.

Competition for the Club Championship went right down to the wire with George Layton and Russel Scrim battling it out to the last race of the season. Russel Scrim was the ultimate winner and went on to the Club's Championship competition where he placed second. All in all, very good racing and tremendous fellowship.

SAGINAW BAY FLEET (216) **Michigan District** **Sailing on Saginaw Bay at Bay City, Michigan**

Fleet Captain Jim Schofield
 Fleet Secretary Tom McNish
 Fleet Champion Joe Disette
 Runner-Up Jim Schofield

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7153	Megs	George F. Ascherl, Jr. M.D.
7169	Second Wind	Bill Stewart
7207	.....	James Roberge
8784	.....	Ronald & Paulette Schieber
9903	Moxy	Dennis Bergevin
10102	Hunky-Dory	Bruce K. Vickey
10366	Schuss Boomer	Jim Schofield
11164	Sauerkraut	Lee Klopfenstein
11797	Sully	Dr. Hugh Sulfridge
12285	.....	Tom Burk
12533	Dr. Scuss II	Richard Burow
12721	Sea Bee	Carl Hesse
12871	Dandylion	Tom McNish
12933	Spirit of '76	Ed Woods
13074	.....	Bruce A. Shook
13293	.....	John E. Johnson
13385	Italcyon	Jim Peters
13393	Carousel XVII	Michael P. Pope
13493	.....	Joe Disette



Right to left: Fleet Champion Joe Disette with stalwart crew Jeff Worden and Scott Isot.

Because of our improved facilities and our club objective of maintaining a competitive and challenging spirit for all our Lightning sailors, we enjoyed an excellent turn out of enthusiastic sailors for each of our Wednesday Night Championship and Sunday Races. We also had a tremendous amount of cooperation with the weatherman, as only one of our 16 scheduled Wednesday Night races were cancelled due to unfavorable weather conditions.

We experienced some bad news as well as some good news. First the bad,

Bill Boice, last year's Fleet Captain and Runner-up, was transferred out of the area and therefore was unable to sail with us this year. Bill's efforts in the past were one of the reasons why we are a successful club today. For the good news, Joe Disette has recovered from an off season injury of two years ago and sailed in 100% of this year's races. However, this was not good news for Joe's competition. Joe used his sailing ability and experience to fight off some tough competition and capture first place honors for both our Wednesday Night Championship and Sunday Afternoon Series.

Jim Schofield repainted his *Schuss Boomer* and improved last year's performance by finishing second in the Wednesday Night and Sunday series. Jim was unanimously voted in as Bill's replacement as our Fleet Captain. Lee Klopfenstein dropped from first last year to third this year. Lee is anxiously awaiting for next year to begin so he can recapture his title. Tom McNish who stands six feet four inches tall and weighs in at about 220 pounds, took advantage of the strong prevailing winds that were present for the majority of the races and placed fourth for the Wednesday Night races and third overall for the Sunday Afternoon Races. Rounding off the top five positions is Jim McCluskey. This is Jim's first year in sailing on the Saginaw Bay and a fifth place finish is not a bad way to start out.

A total of 24 trophies were presented to the skippers and their crew for the top five finishers for our Wednesday Night Championship Series and the top three finishers for our Sunday Afternoon Series. The trophies were presented at our annual family picnic.

The Bay City Yacht Club co-hosted the 1980 Michigan District with the Pontiac Yacht Club. A total of 46 Lightnings participated in this four day event. The largest number of boats competing in the Michigan District in recent history. Hank Hodgins from Union Lake captured first place honors. From our fleet, Joe Disette won the preliminary race and was two points out of second going into the last race. Joe did not do as well as he would like to have done in the last race, but still finished a respectable fifth overall. Jim Schofield did quite well in several of the races, finishing in the top one-third.

There were some new faces added to our roster this year. They were Gary Harvey, Jim Roberge and Jim McCluskey. Next year we have some new faces planning on sailing with us. They are George Ascherl, Tom and Cathy Caterino, Gordon Lee, Bruce and Leslie Vicky, Bruce and Sue Shook and Neil Horning. An addition of nine active sailors in two years. DON'T YOU JUST LOVE IT. Welcome aboard and lots of luck next year.

If you enjoyed the facilities and sailing conditions of the 1980 Michigan District or missed the district but enjoy open water sailing plan on attending our 1981 Invitational Regatta. Hope to see you there.

LAKE ZURICH (219) Switzerland District Sailing on Lake Zurich at Zurich, Switzerland

	Fleet Captain	J. Weilenmann
	Fleet Secretary	H. Zollinger
Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9130	Tabu III	R. Berger
10904	Sucuri	Dr. H. Holz
11489	Reuel III	Prof. H. Zollinger
12164	Argo	F. Andersen
12318	Exuperantius	Hansruedi Kunz
13070	Hacora VI	Hans Rahn
13074	Reuel III	Jurg Weilemann
13087	.....	Hans Rahn
.....	.....	P. Voellmin
Life Member	.....	O. Weber

No report.

HENDERSON HARBOR YACHT CLUB (225) Central New York District Sailing on Lake Ontario at Henderson Bay Henderson Harbor, New York

Fleet Captain	Edward F. Beadel
Fleet Secretary	J. David Joor
Fleet Champion	Richard B. Stevens
Runner-Up	Edward F. Beadel

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5841	Zig-Zagger	R. B. Stevens

6602	Frontenac	Len Phillips
9944	Footloose	Richard Grissinger
10118	Yea Hootie	Philip T. Hoffman
10708	Red Baron	Edward F. Beadel, Jr.
10709	Zelda	Dr. Harry McMillan
10712	May Day May Day	May P. Robinson & John Treadwell, II
11665	Petard	James Finnerty
12948	Anahata	Dr. Irwin Stone

1980 a great sailing year — two in a row!

Under the direction of our 1980 Fleet Captain, Rick Stevens, the Fleet sailed through a highly successful season, beginning with, of all things, a spring organizational meeting. The first race was the Appleblossom, with Rick Stevens winning over Frank Beadel. Four boats sailed in EBC, hosted by Henderson Harbor Yacht Club: Rick Stevens, first; Frank Beadel, second; Irwin Stone, third. The H.H.Y.C. — Thousand Islands trophy was put back into service and reinscribed for use in the Commodore's Cup, with the following results: Rick Stevens, first; Charles Stone, second; Irwin Stone, third.

The Sunday Series was sailed all year long in delightful weather. Planned for each Sunday's race were two races, and, amazingly, none were rained, blown, or drifted out. With the best 8 races counting out of a possible 16, there were plenty of throw-outs. Participation was excellent, with as many as 12 boats getting involved through the course of the year. The oldest — but prettiest — hull in the fleet won again: Rick Stevens, first; Frank Beadel, second; Len Montague, third; Irwin Stone, fourth; Phil Hoffman, fifth.

The above top five finishers qualified for the Skipper Series, with John Condino filling in for Beadel, and Charles Stone sailing for Hoffman. The weather accommodated nicely as the five skippers and crews sailed five races in five different boats. And, continuing his winning ways, taking four out of five firsts, was once again — Rick Stevens. The remaining finishes were: Leonard Montague, second; Charles Stone, third; Irwin Stone, fourth; John Condino, fifth.

The fleet was very appreciative to Helen Jewell for donating a fine new trophy on behalf of her brother, John Barnes, to be used for the Stoney Island Race. The first winner of the John Barnes Plaque was Rick Stevens, followed by Irwin Stone in the second, and Claudia Maurer third. The final race was sailed in late September, the Frostbite. Five boats races, and it was one gorgeous day. And again: Rick Stevens, first; Frank Beadel, second; and Len Montague, third.

Odds 'n Ends: Didn't see too much of Dick Grissinger, too busy working on his apartment; same for the Finnertys, busy playing lacross; Harry McMillan sailed 3 Sundays this year; *Blitzen* has been sold again, and just might be back in the fleet, (pursued by a mysterious periscope!) Phil Hoffman certainly showed vast improvement this year — wish Lenny would. And how about Irwin's flashing start during the Commodore's Cup! What did Wardy say? Did you see what Claudia did — those Maurers really can sail. Rick mothballed *Zig-Zagger* and bought *Blue Northern* (10705); Dick Ciliberti certainly hasn't forgotten how to take a boat to weather; and would you believe John Northrop is a Father! And a welcome also to Allison Booth Stevens. Finally, and correct me if I'm wrong, but its never been done in my memory, and that is no one has ever won everything in one year....but in 1980, Rick Stevens and his professional crew of John and Sara Treadwell, took it all.

BISCAYNE BAY LIGHTNING FLEET (226) Florida District Sailing on Biscayne Bay at Coconut Grove, Miami, Florida

Fleet Captain	Jon Wodka
Fleet Secretary	Kathi Gross
Fleet Champion	Frank Atkinson
Runner-Up	Jim Pinion

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2073	Por Amor	James M. Sapp
8368	Bose Behr	John Behrmann
9388	Planters Punch	Univ. of Miami Sailing Hurricanes
9421	Tabasco	Alan Westcott & E. Thomas Septembre
9975	Ed Lazaar Comedy Hour	Frank Atkinson, Jr. & Fay Regan
10886	Faster Horses	Tim K. Tripp

11017	Salty Dog	Gregor J. Hargrett
11085	Afternoon Delight	Jim Alman
11616	The Crimson	
	Dynamo	David Brennan
11981	.....	Mike Pearl
12035	.....	Richard J. Pellecchia
12050	Mr. Toad's Wild Ride	Alfred L. Deutschman
12111	Full Tilt Boogie	Kathie Gross
13109	Moonshine	Robert H. Warren
13408	.....	Jon Wodka
13466	Jalapena	Jim Pinion
Life Member	.....	Charlie Beedle
.....	.....	George L. Freeland



Chris Young Memorial Award Winners: Freddy Hutchinson; Mike Pearl; Reid Hutchinson; (Not shown: John Rinehart).

Winter days on Biscayne Bay;
It's what we all have chosen.
For many may get downright cold
But none of us are frozen.

We know how lucky we are to have Biscayne Bay as our year-round playground — While many of our friends in the northern provinces are dragging out the mothballs, we're kicking off the start of a new season. Marked by the Coconut Grove Sailing Club's Annual Regatta, a prestigious event to begin with, the Lightning Class opener is the most fiercely contested. The "Psyche Jobs" develop weeks before the actual confrontation. A special tribute to a young Lightning sailor, no longer among us and sorely missed, the *Chris Young Memorial Award* is presented to the top Lightning sailors at this regatta. Awarded the first time in 1979 to our Current Fleet Champion, "Fast" Frank Atkinson, this coveted prize has found a home this year with the "C. D. Bunche", a group of Chris's closest friends and fellow sailors. Skippers Mike "Hot Dog" Pearl, "Faster Freddy" Hutchinson and "Speed" Reid Hutchinson along with crew John Rinehart suffered the fleet to watch their stern all weekend as they each chalked up a first place on Saturday, October 4. A first and a third on Sunday was plenty good enough. "Fast Frank", wit "Florida Fay" Regan and "Iron Man" McGonagle aboard was runner up with 11½ points and "Kamikazi Kathi", sailing with Knute "The Pup" Young and Magnus Liljedahl was hot on his heels with 12 points for third.

Guiding our fleet the 1980 season, "Florida Fay" and Alan Westcott, Fleet Secretary and Fleet Captain, welcomed several new members including Reid Hutchinson, Fred Deutsch and his #12050, *Mr. Toad's Wild Ride*, Clint Hamilton and his #10886, *Erehwon* and Rick Pellecchia, owner of #12035. With the large number of young sailors, soon to be growing out of their prams and Lasers, we expect even more growth this year.

A lot of our boats have been traveling this year. "Tex" Pinion, Jon

Wodka, Clint Hamilton, Alan Westcott, Mike Pearl and Frank Atkinson all have represented the fleet in other areas including Ft. Meyers, Sarasota, Jacksonville, Orlando, Annapolis and even San Diego, where Jim Pinion, sailing with Eric "Meatball" Stibitz and Randy "Skillet" Clee represented us in the Blue flight. We encourage skippers to participate in as many out of town regattas as possible and we are proud of those who make the extra effort.

In April, the Coconut Grove Sailing Club hosted the 1980 District Championships, and the conditions prevailing — next to nothing to 25 knots of air — proved to be a challenge to the most experienced of the sailors at every turn. Once the dust had settled, Jim Pinion and his hot *Jalapeno* had emerged victorious. Palm Beach sailors, Jack Swenson, Ken Watrous and Steve Martyack ended up with second place and Frank Atkinson, with Fay Regan and Terry Frimmet aboard sailed consistent races to third.

As far as our "Social Season" is concerned, the party seems an endless one, whether it's after a race or anytime there are 2 or more of us in the clubhouse. However, there are a couple of highlights...The annual Christmas awards party in December is one jewel in the crown of our party schedule with a sumptuous holiday buffet, chinese auction, and of course the prizes. Special awards such as the "Golden Bucket", "Silver Sponge" and "Bronze Bottle", though not exactly coveted, are awarded nonetheless to the most deserving.

Our now famous "Down Home in the Tropics" Midwinter bash and barbecue, held annually for the Miami leg of the Southern Circuit, was an incredible success this year, and is THE PARTY not to be missed: Steaks and fixin's, beer and wine and a whole lot of warm, happy sailors. You're ALL invited in 1981 so come on down!

BOMOSEEN YACHT CLUB FLEET (227) New England District Sailing on Lake Bomoseen, Vermont

Fleet Captain	.....	Paul H. Eitapence, Jr.
Fleet Secretary	.....	Nancy Eitapence
Fleet Champion	.....	Raymond P. Harrington, Jr.
Runner-Up	.....	James P. Leamy

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7868	.....	Trip Westcott
9413	Enigma	William Potter
10123	Exodus	William H. Stevens
11393	.....	Dave Stagg
12077	Raider II	Jim Leamy
12486	.....	Ray & Raymond Harrington, Jr.
12832	Catch the Wind	Paul H. Eitapence, Jr.

Raymond Harrington, Jr., ably won the 1980 Fleet Championship; he also won firsts in the three major series—Memorial Day, Stowell (July 4th) and Bellerose (Labor Day) Series. Second overall for the season was Jim Leamy; third, Dave Stagg. Newcomer Bruce Beldon was fourth. Bill Potter captured the award for best performance by a wooden boat.

The Vermont-New Hampshire Championship was hosted by Bill and Jean Potter. Saturday the keg 'o beer and steaks helped ease the frustration with the lack of winds. The 21 boat fleet raced Sunday. Don Brush of Lake Champlain Fleet 301 won the event.

This year the fleet welcomed newcomers Fred Bagley and Trip Westcott.

We thank all our Lightning friends for a good season of sailing. We look forward to an even more challenging 1981 season with Bruce Belden as fleet captain.

RIVERTON FLEET (228) Central Atlantic District Sailing on Delaware River at Riverton, New Jersey

Fleet Captain	.....	Steve Perkel
Fleet Secretary	.....	Tom Donlan
Fleet Champion	.....	Allen Crew
Runner-Up	.....	Steve Perkel

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6001	Slo Gin	William Graff
6929	Cirrus	Mary E. Liddle
8536	Troup Cher	Matthew O'Brien
8616	Enterprise	Hugh J. Hutchinson
9628	Discovery	Paul L. Alberti

10526	Nose-ebb	Steve Perkel
10545	Heidelberg Tun	Peter F. Marvin
11217	Aengus	Tom Donlan
12727	Special K	Allen M. Crew
12900	Natural High	Weld Coxe
12981	.....	Paul Schoenbricker
13230	Typhoon	Djoerd Hoekstra
Honorary Members		Betty & Dale Allen

At the top of this report is Steve Perkel's reward for two years as a very hard working Fleet Captain: the Fleet Runner-up. In his effort to set a good example for everybody else, Steve was on the line for so many races in our long May to October season that he compiled the best score for the full year, even though he didn't win any individual series. He has also been a good-natured, generous leader and a fine friend to all the members of Fleet 228.

Our season really started last winter at a fleet party and planning session at Steve's house. Once the weather broke, we started our Spring Series, eventually won by Djoerd Hoekstra. Allen Crew was the victor in a Wednesday Night Series and Tom Donlan won the Fall Series. What, you may ask, happened to summer? Well, there was this storm, see?...In the middle of June, a violent thunderstorm ripped through Philadelphia and the Delaware Valley. At Riverton, several boats were blown off their trailers, including five Lightnings. Some, including two Lightnings, were blown right off the club pier into the water! It was a major disaster for the fleet. Thankfully, there was no permanent damage done beyond the loss of a few masts, but getting everything repaired put a damper on summer racing, which normally is our slow, vacation-filled period anyway.

Our fleet returned to the lists in the fall in time to host our annual Fall Regatta. John Parker of Ocean City came to conquer, especially in the third race to break a three-way tie for the lead. Tom Donlan was second for the regatta and Hugh Hutchinson was third. John's victory also gave him the Gamma Trophy, awarded this year for the best combined score in the Riverton Regatta and the Red Dragon Canoe Club regatta two weeks earlier. For John, the victory was especially sweet, for he and his wife Carol had crewed for Bill Clausen during Bill's three Gamma Trophy wins. Bill, unfortunately, had to pass up the Riverton regatta because of a conflict with his work. We hope to see him, and our other sailing friends at our fall regatta and our Governor's Cup Regatta in June next year. It would give us a chance to repay the hospitality many of them have shown us when we visited their regattas.

This year, we want to thank Red Bank, Cedar Point, Niantic, Nyack, Ocean City, Metedeconk, Brant Beach, Susquehanna, Annapolis and all Lightning sailors everywhere.



Start of Race 2, Riverton YC Fall Regatta

CHINOOK LIGHTNING FLEET (229) Pacific Northwest District Sailing on Fern Ridge Reservoir, Eugene, Oregon

Fleet Captain	Don Gallo
Fleet Secretary	Mike Gerot
Fleet Champion	Ralph Mergen
Runner-Up	Mark McBride

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4359	Batchelor Button	Ralph Batchelor
4397	.....	Patrick Ing
6792	.....	Vance Gravelle
8778	Reflections	Jan Igor Gilhousen
8961	.....	Mark Linse
9226	The Great Pumpkin	Ralph Mergen
9819	Aquarius	Dr. Donald Brinton
10692	.....	O. Hayes Griffith
11047	.....	Dr. Joseph Kantor
11197	.....	Dr. Roger Mehl
11404	Green Eggs & Ham	Dr. A. Morrie Craig
11429	.....	Michael Gerot
11873	Sting	Verson Pandian
12650	Rise	Don Gallo
12675	.....	George & Mark McBride

No report.

FLOTTA DI MARIVELA (Italian Navy) (235) Italian District

Fleet Captain	C. A. Piero Bernotti
Fleet Secretary	C. C. Ettore De Angelis

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4624	.....	Adm. Giovanni Arciprete
10739	.....	Adm. Giovanni Arciprete
11935	Leccia	C. V. Luigi Merola & C. A. Mario Lo Sardo
13374	.....	C. V. Luigi Merola & C. F. Lio Coccoloni

No report.

FLOTTA DEL GARDA (249) Italian District Sailing on Garda Lake at North Italy

Fleet Captain	Orazio Tessari
Fleet Secretary	Luigi Tezza
Fleet Champion	Salvatore Tremante
Runner-Up	Enzo Montanariello

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8763	.....	Sergio Graldi
9171	Paomass	Salvatore Belgenio
9564	.....	Pietro Marcio
9787	Sturm	Luigi Venturi
10092	.....	Vincenzo Butteri
10513	.....	Giuseppe Nardini
10523	Giovanna	Adriano Gobetti
10782	Nereide	Orazio Tessari
10916	.....	Luigi Bonfanti
12903	.....	Marco Peduzzi
13068	Sistiana	Giovanni Rizzieri
13120	.....	Lino Tusetto
13264	Excelsior	CIGA Hotels, Enrico Luigi Colavito
13345	.....	Salvatore Tremante
.....	.....	Nando DeAmicis
.....	.....	Eugene Ambrosini

The Fleet's Open Championship was hosted in May by the Yachtning Club Torri on the Garda Lake.

The winner was Gilber Despard from Grandson, Switzerland and the Runner-up was Salvatore Tremante with the new boat 13345 *Tretepe 2nd*.

Nando De Amicis and Salvatore Tremante took part in the Italian Championship, they were placed respectively 8th and 12th.



Very sensitive to cold our old Nando!

HALLWILER AND SEMPACHERSEE FLEET (250) Switzerland District Sailing on Lake of Sempach and Hallwil, Sursee, Switzerland

Fleet Captain Peter Taschler
Fleet Secretary Heidi Kunzle-Beck

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6389	Dardo	Eric Egli
6509	.....	Werner Peterhans
6740	Miaoulis	Otto Meyer
8189	Benjamin	Hansjorg Hutter
8769	Csardas	Heinrich Leimgrubler
9034	Fair Lady	Peter Taschler
9503	Quand Meme II	Thomas Huber
9781	Thetis	Peter Buhl
10463	You Never Know	Hubert Stocker
10999	Barato	Bruno Kunzle
12317	Skippy	Paul Hofer
12320	Quand Meme III	Hans A. Luthy
12571	Joy III	Ruedi Herzog
13092	.....	Seigfried Meier
13099	Domi-Nike	Christoph Luthy
.....	.....	Edgar Merz

In spring I got the job of the fleet chief from Christoph Luthy. I would thank him for the work he did.

The sailing season 80 is now over and I will shortly summarize the past year, without mentioning the results of the competitions.

For some members the sailing season began already in winter in Marsala. Two crews (Taschler/Bossard) found the way to Sicily and passed there unforgettable days. It was very windy and unusually cold. Because it was too windy there were only two competitions. The results (7th and 10th) were quite good for sailors who aren't very familiar with the sea.

Also at the beginning of the year we met in Engelberg (Jochpass) for skiing. About 10 members enjoyed the snow and the very good food. It was the spring competition that gave the famous Luthy-Bell again back to family Luthy. Very good Christoph. After the struggles of the water we went skittling for the whole evening.

The Swiss-Championship which was this year on our lake, was a real success. We couldn't profit from our home advantage, the winner was the young crew from Urs Schaer. We congratulate Heidi and Bruno looked for our good health. Also I would thank Gret and Ruedi Herzog for the "Gulasch-soup" served in the Clubhaus of the sailing club Hallwil.

The greatest event was the European Championship on the lake of Neuenburg. The representatives of our fleets (Herzog, Merz, Luthy jun.) proved that they can also sail with much wind and waves.

The night-competition was ending with a thunderstorm and a hard wind (5) which caused some problems. Luthy jun., Herzog, Luthy sen. Merz, Schmid were at the start. The break off was also for the indefatigable seniors Luthy and Herzog.

As a whole our fleet organized quite a lot this year. Unfortunately the number of the members starting in competitions became smaller. Edgar Merz sold his *White Star* and we lost a very active boat. But we hope to see the family Merz from time to time as crew on a *Lightning*.

I would thank all the fleet members for the very good friendship, and I wish you a good, enjoyable and windy sailing season 1981.

KEUKA LAKE FLEET (252) Central New York District Sailing on Keuka Lake, Hammondsport, New York

Fleet Captain Fred Schaaf
Fleet Secretary Gerry Schaaf
Fleet Champion Fred Schaaf
Runner-Up R. Eckstrom

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
280	Jennie	Art Lofgren
7312	Serendipity	Peter A. Gamba
10490	.....	Clyde Rathman
10888	Katy-D	Harmon Dunathon
11901	.....	Bill Brown
12125	Cop-Out	Ray Marier
12702	Qui Sait	John Smolik
12711	7-11	R. Kimball Leiser
12743	Lady Beck	Galen Powers
12885	Jennie	Fred Schaaf
13124	Scudder	Dick & Rick Eckstrom
13252	Bea First	Gerald A. Levine
13352	Celebration	Tom C. Kennel

May though September is just not a long enough sailing season. It is all we have though. Quality must surely be our substitute for quantity and 1980 was no exception. The sailing was great!

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Glancing left and then right you check the North and South legs of the Lake unchanged since glacial times one is continually discovering something different about the shoreline. During virtually every race the debate rages in your head: to go inshore, or to stay out in the middle? Come on Sunday! Can't wait to make the choice!

Back on shore it's time to step the mast, check the shrouds, a little tighter on the port side. That sure doesn't look the same as the mast rake last year. Well, a 15 minute launching takes two hours, but finally we're away into a new season.

1980 was abnormally normal. No turtles or even a good swamping. We greeted the new season with a dinner at the Yacht Club. The program about the Southern Circuit was of special interest because two of our own fleet competed; The Leisers and the Dunathans.

1980 marks the inauguration of the George Kalinich Memorial Trophy. George had been a valued member of our Fleet for many years. Fred Schaaf has the honor of being the first on the Trophy for his season win. It was a tight race with Schaaf's *Jennie* edging out Eckstrom's *Scudder* by only 1 1/4 points.

Scudder swept to victories in the Memorial Day, June, and July 4th Series. *Seven-Eleven* captured the Labor Day Trophy and *Katy-D* ended the year with sufficient wins to take home the September Series.

SUSQUEHANNA YACHT CLUB (253)

Dixie District

Sailing on Susquehanna River at Long Level, Pa.

Fleet Captain Edwin Schwoebli
Fleet Secretary Barry Dunwoody
Fleet Champion Starling Mikell, Jr.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9474	Nemesis	Barry L. Dunwoody
10302	Rainbow IV	Edwin Schwoebli
10391	Jack Tar	Mel Gardner
10442	Libra II	Mike Filepas
11062	Panique Rouge	William Reis
12137	Eleison	Fred Bush
12923	Black Label	Henry P. Anstadt
12941	Deb-Star	Starling Mikell, Jr.

Starling Mikell, Jr., again demonstrated his ability and knowledge of the Susquehanna by sweeping all three series to retain his position as Fleet Champion.

In the Spring Series the finishes were: Starling Mikell, Jr., first; Henry Anstadt, second; Barry Dunwoody, third.

Finishes in the Summer Series were: Starling Mikell, Jr., first; Dick Heale, second; Henry Anstadt, third.

We wish to welcome Bob Wardwell to our Fleet and extend out congratulations on his having won both the Pennsylvania and Maryland Governor's cups. We are glad to see the Maryland Governor's Cup back at S.Y.C. This was the first year that the Pennsylvania Governor's Cup was open to Lightning Sailors from outside Pennsylvania. We intend to continue this and hope to attract more boats and better racing.

CLARK'S HILL LIGHTNING FLEET (257)

Southeastern District

Sailing on Clark Hill Reservoir, Clark Hill, Georgia

Fleet Captain & Secretary Dr. Thomas M. Nosek
Fleet Champion Gil Klemann
Runner-Up William Jackson

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2381	.....	Gel Klemann
9398	.....	William Jackson
9468	Hot Flash	Nancy Sproul
10150	Kiwi II	Ted Kelker
10152	.....	Frank Stafford
10767	.....	Graeme Addie
10810	Jubilee	Dr. Thomas N. Nosek
11095	Scalawag	Gil Klemann
11679	Liberty	Bennie Moultrie
12798	Matrix I	Richard Baxter

1980 was another year of growth for Fleet 257 thanks to the enthusiasm of all Lightning sailors led by Fleet Captain William Jackson. We have grown from three boats in 1977 to our present 12 with another three anticipated by the spring. The sight of all those Lightnings on the water with spinnakers flying has attracted other sailors, young and old, to our class.

The racing season began with Gil Klemann and William Jackson taking crews to the Savannah races of the Southern Circuit. Hosting the ASC Lightning Regatta in April got the rest of our fleet out on the water. The winds of Clark's Hill were good to us this year. Ted Kelker and Gil Klemann led the fleet around the course for the majority of the weekend races. The Fleet Championship series was won by Gil Klemann followed by William Jackson, Bruce Saunders, Tom Nosek, Bennie Moultrie, Graeme Addie, and Dick Baxter. We look forward to another active year of racing in 1981, which will include our hosting of the District Championships.

HARBOR ISLAND YACHT CLUB (262)

Mississippi Valley District

Sailing on Old Hickory Lake at Nashville, Tenn.

Fleet Captain Jack Benz
Fleet Secretary Robert D. Garth
Fleet Champion Cully Ward
Runner-Up Jack Benz

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3451	.....	Robert D. Garth
4254	Fantasy	Billy Summer
7498	Beginner's Folly	Ray Hudgens
8509	Annie	Dawson Gray
10537	Kat's Kradle	Cully Ward
11503	.....	Robert D. Garth
11672	Scepter	Fred W. Beesley, Jr.
11989	Old Glory II	Jack Benz
12000	Clancy	Dr. James Wert
12471	.....	Dr. Robert Cotton
12511	.....	Walter England
12708	Angry Pigeon	Bob Llovet
13030	.....	Robert Hochstetler
13208	Accelerando	Dr. Donald W. Sherburne
13210	Hyperbole	Dr. Cully A. Cobb, Jr.
Life Member	.....	Ross H. Bryan
Life Member	.....	Barney E. Mead, III
.....	.....	Emmons H. Woolwine, Jr.

The 1980 season was once again very competitive with the Fleet Championship determined by the last race of the season. This Fleet has consistently close finishes and congratulations go to Jack Caldwell and his Race Committee for keeping us straight, and the races running smoothly.

The 1980 Annual Bluenose Regatta on November 1-2 attracted 34 boats from as far away as Michigan and New Jersey. The winning skipper, David Pritchard, was from Newport Beach, California. Five races were sailed with 17 different skippers finishing at least fifth in one or more races. The top five places were taken by: David Pritchard; Don Sherburne; Bruce Goldsmith; Hank Hodgson, and Greg Florian in that order.

Editor's Note: The hospitality was fantastic also.

CARYLE SAILING ASSOCIATION (266)

Mississippi Valley District

Sailing on Carlyle Lake, Illinois

Fleet Captain Don Zerban
Fleet Secretary Denny Heisler
Fleet Champion Matt Burrige
Runner-Up John Folwell

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1	Blitzen	John C. Ryan
4677	.....	Richard T. Daly
4752	Commission I	Paul F. Mittelstadt
6310	Pussycat #1	Ed Barbier
8645	.....	Frank P. Eppert
9213	Sunshine	Denny Heisler

9955	Shibul	Robert B. Liepold
10053	.....	Chuck Engdale
10291	.....	Gene Maurer
10711	Wacky Tacky	Leonard A. Knobbe
10828	Sunny J	Jan C. Goris
11044	Mariah	Robert Nebelsick
11218	Smile	Yasushi Fukami
11425	Idyl Tyme	Morris Kaufman
11473	Hekarwe	Lawrence Kahn, MD
11496	Intrepid	Joseph Hanaway
11598	Witchcraft	Joseph L. Goltzman
11637	Auggie Doggie	August Paoli
11701	Karma Sutra	William D. Crowell, Jr.
11800	Yankee Doodle	Robert "Lal" & Mathew Burrige
11815	Prosit	Mitch Bohnenkamp
12032	The Periwinkle	Dana Ellis
12169	White Lightning	Joe Webber
12378	.....	Glenn Hegel
12506	Mist	John D. Folwell, Jr.
12741	.....	Joseph Hanaway
12892	.....	Donald M. Witte
13273	Hot Stuff	Don Zerban
.....	.....	Stuart Bernstein

Mother Nature was good to the sailors at Lake Carlyle Illinois this year. The harbor was opened in early May with no flooding to contend with. The Spring Series winner was Lal Burrige followed by John Folwell and Glenn Hegel, they making the best use of the good wind that prevailed.

June brought the Mississippi Valley Districts to the lake. The weekend was opened by Fleet 266 hospitality, delicious bratwurst and cold beer to welcome the other sailors from the District to Carlyle Sailing Association. On Saturday the weather was perfect for sailing, which also proved to be an exhausting day with four competitive races for the 18 boats. After the banquet and business meeting Saturday evening, the sailors separated into smaller groups to contemplate on the days races and to prepare for those on Sunday. Other groups went out seeking the night life of Carlyle and the surrounding communities. For Sunday, whoever was in charge of the wind must have placed a double order. The wind was strong and had gusts to about 30 knots. Several of the boats competing elected not to sail in the last race and used it as a "throw out" rather than try equipment and crew in such weather. When the points were totaled Carlyle's super sailor Matt Burrige was awarded first, followed by Decatur's Greg Florian, Memphis' Brad Currie, Decatur's Todd Sternaman, and Carlyle's Mitch Bohnenkamp.

The summer doldrums never seemed to happen. Although there were some very hot and humid days a breeze seemed always to be present. The honors for the Summer Series went to Lal Burrige with Don Zerban and John Folwell following.

In July the fleet participated in a "moon light sail" which ironically started at noon with an estimated time race. Each skipper would estimate the time it would take to sail to an island several miles up the lake. The boat which arrived closest to the time stated without the aid of a watch would win the race. At the island there was plenty of cold beer and soda waiting all participants.

August meant the North Americans. This year it was a long trip to San Diego for District Champion Matt Burrige, his father Lal and David Jones. But the trip was worth it. Matt finished 8th in the North American Championships with the good, consistent sailing which makes him hard to beat no matter what water he is on. Fleet 266 congratulates both Matt and crew for a job well done.

Fleet 266's next event was the annual Impromptu Regatta, held Labor Day weekend. Fleet 74 from Decatur sent worthy representatives to the races who not only added to the good times of the occasion, but they took away all the trophies.

The Whale of a Sail Regatta followed the Impromptu in just two weeks. This is a multi class regatta which draws several hundred boats of many different types. John Bohnenkamp and Denny Heisler tied for first place in the event.

As fall closed in both the racing sailors and day sailors enjoyed their boats on what is often considered one of the best inland sailing lakes in the country, Carlyle Lake. Lal Burrige took the first place honors for the Fall Series with John Folwell and young Scott Zerban following.

Our Championship Series is the second race on Sunday all season long, whereas the Spring, Summer and Fall Series are the first race on Sunday during the appropriate periods. This year our Fleet Champion was Matt Burrige. John Folwell was second, and Don Zerban was third.

BROCKPORT YACHT CLUB (267) Central New York District Sailing on Lake Ontario at Brockport, New York

Fleet Captain	.....	Allan Waugh
Fleet Secretary	.....	Raymond Nelson
Fleet Champion	.....	Ray Nelson
Runner-Up	.....	Ken Kindsay

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7125	Cookie Monster	Fred Burch
10437	.....	Kenneth A. Lindsay, Jr.
10736	Gonzo the Great	Allen Waugh
12014	Carisma	William Dalter
13570	.....	Raymond L. Nelson

While we never reached our potential number of boats at the starting line in 1980, Fleet 267 did enjoy what was probably the keenest competition in its history. The lead changed hands several times in most of the races, and often as late as the last half mile. Ray Nelson started off in the back end of the fleet in the first three races, but improved enough as the season progressed to win the Fleet Championship. The winner was anybody's guess until mid-August. Al Waugh found the Club's long distance races for the Gordon Cup particularly to his liking, winning that series with a convincing first place on Labor Day.

INDIANAPOLIS SAILING CLUB (270) Indiana District Sailing on Geist Reservoir at Indianapolis, Indiana

Fleet Captain	.....	Robert D. Kinsey
Fleet Secretary	.....	Mike Kerber
Fleet Champions	...	David Brown & Bob Carter
Runner-Up	.....	Bob Schubert

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8543	Old Blue	Wm. F. Perkins
8677	Indy Go	Bill Saeger
8679	Astarte	Burl Harmon
9050	No Excuse	John Leath & James Nathan
9120	Glass Slipper	Maurice Liverette
9627	Limerick	F. Mike Connelly
9776	Peptide	Phillip Perlstein
11198	Obsession	Albert Light
11203	Blew None	Mike Kerber
11453	Double Hedder	Dr. Walter B. Tinsley
11919	.....	Ken Wood
12222	Sam's Song	Ken Wood
12294	.....	Hank Levandowski
12393	Chubasco	Robert J. Schubert
12545	Irish Mist	Kenneth V. McGinity
12843	Clipper	Jerrold J. Dellacqua
12844	Jody Girl	Richard O. Crum
12899	.....	Donald Wilson
13111	R. H. Express	William M. Hall
13142	Breezin'	William R. Higgins
13199	.....	Thomas G. Luerssen, MD
13489	Scooby Doo	Robert Carter
13502	.....	Ken Wood
13507	.....	Robert D. Kinsey
.....	.....	Jim Martin

Our 1980 season started with our annual awards party in January hosted by Bill Higgins and family. In March as the snow began to melt, Bruce Goldsmith gave a seminar on tactics by taking us mentally around the race course. In April an on the water tune up session was held by Bob Carter and Dave Brown. In May we hosted the Indiana Open which is the first leg of the Northern Spring Circuit. As in the past the Open drew many top sailors, including Larry MacDonald, Jay and Jody Lutz, Jack Mueller, Bruce Goldsmith and Mark Bryant. This year's Open was conducted by Ken McGinity and Bob Martin.

1980 saw the loss of several good sailors due to job transfers, but also a larger gain of new members with competitive boats and lots of determination. New shipper Don Wilson did so well he was given the traditional

dunking after his first win.

Not all of Fleet 270's time was spent racing. The social calendar included monthly after-the-race picnics held by Fleet Captain Bob Kinsey, a hayride by our song leader Bill Higgins, and a "Lemans" party by Hank and Sandy Levandowski which was part foot race, part sailing, and some cheating.

Congratulations to Bob Carter and Dave and David Brown on the Fleet Championship, a team that is hard to beat regardless of which one is skippering.



David Brown in "Scooby Doo"

GUAYAQUIL YACHT CLUB (272)

Ecuador District

Sailing at Rio Guayas at Guayaquil, Ecuador

Fleet Captain Miguel Plaza
Fleet Secretary Felipe Eljuri

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7811	Atom	Lorenzo Tous
11263	.....	Miguel A. Plaza
11552	Pilotin III	Eduardo Rodriguez Game & Eduardo Rodriguez Tanca
12693	Samuel	Francisco Sola Medina

No report.

MASSABESIC YACHT CLUB (273)

New England District

Sailing on Massabesic Lake at Manchester, N.H.

Fleet Captain Russell Cavanaugh

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7299	Half Fast	Bernard M. Woods
9833	Storm Cloud	Arthur Morehead

10226

10738

11139

11160

11401

11579

12455

13169

13382

No report.

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Lady Anne
PRN
Shady Lady
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Banana Split
Bandito
Thor's Hammer

George J. Dehney
Dr. John Wang
Dr. Colin Grant
Ethen Howard, Jr., MD
Ronald Adams
Russell Cavanaugh
John Webb
Richard Hale
Dennis F. Collins, Jr.

MEMPHIS LIGHTNING FLEET (274)

Mississippi Valley District

Sailing on Windy Arkabutla Lake at Hernando, Mississippi

Fleet Captain Jerry Richardson
Fleet Secretary Crit Currie

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6956	.....	Col. Joseph A. Kelly
7719	Rogue	Andrew Cowan
9756	For Sail II	Bill McKelvey
9791	Pam	Colie L. Jenkins
10049	Free Spirit	Almond A. Daniel
10619	.....	R. E. "Mike" Hicks
10640	.....	Frank Bermel
10980	Sunday's Child	Stuart Carson
11032	.....	Bradford Currie
11386	Rubiyacht	Broadus Sharpe
11387	Odd Couple	Bill Baxter
11455	.....	Col. Joseph A. Kelly
11887	.....	Jim McDonnell
11900	.....	Crit Currie
11967	Trouble	Gerald Richardson, Jr.
11999	Full House	Bradford & Crit Currie
12082	The Metrognome	Bill Simco & Richard Ranta
12260	.....	McNeil Ayres
12340	.....	August Bermel
12397	.....	Max Shelton
12505	Blue Bird IV	Lloyd Lovitt, Jr.
12715	Moonshine	Lee Breazeale
12999	.....	Crit Currie
13450	.....	McNeil Ayres

The Keystone Fleet of the Mississippi Valley District had a great year for growth. We are definitely with the E.R.S.er's with that great San Diego T.V. personality and Lightning skipper — Susan Simms bought Lightning 9230. That started us for the year! Then Bill Butler, this years national advertising executive for the Lightning Class, with his four man syndicate bought #10977. Then Susan and Dan Daniels bought 10049. Then Max Shelton bought a new preowned #12397 so we all have to see Max's transom much too often. Then Mike Hicks upped and bought #10619. Then Tom V. Barber son of a Lightning owner bought a new boat. Then Jim Adkins bought #6604. Then Dave Wark bought #13555. Then Brad Currie talked his father out of his #11999 for the N.A.'s. So that's why I'm now sailing, new to me, a "beautiful" purple #11900 which I'm sure no one will try to buy. All of our fleets egos took a bruising when those Texas guys sent a young (too young to drive!) up here in May to the annual Tennessee-Texas shoot out. And we "let" John McGowan clean our plow! But come back young fella, you're very welcome. All in all a great year, plenty water and wind and Lightning's. The last, the most important! You Lightning fellows come see us. We race 4 races every weekend, March through October.

TEMPLE REEF SAILING CLUB (279)

Central Canada District

Sailing on Thunder Bay, Lake Superior, Ontario

Fleet Captain Ross Bailey
Fleet Secretary Jack Arnold
Fleet Champion Ross Bailey
Runner-Up Jim Cameron

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6324	Dad's Boat	Don Ellard
9695	Bluenose III	Jim Cameron
11009	.....	Neil Smith
12969	.....	Porter Bailey
12970	Mighty Hobart	Ed Styffe
13115	.....	Carl Autio
13267	Wizard Sr.	Ross Bailey
13515	Silver Bullet	Ross Bailey

Activities for Fleet 279 started while the snow was still thick on the ground with Thursday evening coffee-potters at the club. The garage was fixed up by Don Ellard and the boys and no matter what the temperature outside, we could work on our boats inside.

The first event of the season, the Kam River Slush Cup, nearly lived up to its name as the day was cold, wet and miserable. However, five intrepid crews, albeit well fortified, braved the elements and any stray ice flows, only to find that it wasn't that bad after all; maybe fun. Porter Bailey looked like he had things wrapped up, but got a little over enthusiastic the last race and so let brother Ross claim the hardware—an old galvanized bucket filled with ice and a bottle of your favourite refreshment.

Getting into the major summer races, Jim Cameron, with a variety of crews, was showing us all his transom and won the Early Bird Regatta, the Minaki Trophy for the first half of the Districts, the Crystal Trophy, a long distance race around beautiful Caribou Island, the Loon Lake Open, and the Hargan Trophy for the season's first half. We have many names for Jim, which probably shouldn't be mentioned here, but one thing is certain and that is, he's fast.

As the summer progressed, we welcomed some new talent to the fleet, namely Bill Kruse, Ken Boyes, and Jim Mikulinski, who should all prove to be keen sailors and competitors. There is good interest in Lightnings locally, and we welcome these new boats and anticipate more newcomers next year.

Jack Arnold has been concentrating more on cruising his Lightning the last year or so, but won the 25 mile Temple Reef Trophy race to Amethyst Harbour to show us how it is done. The whole race was a beat against strong, blustery east winds and quite a test of seamanship.

Meanwhile, Ross Bailey, now with a new boat, was starting to get organized and managed to win the Prettie Trophy for the second half of the Districts, and with it, the overall Districts, the Frostbite windup regatta and the Paterson Trophy for the season's high points.

Three crews, Jim Cameron, Porter Bailey and Ross Bailey travelled to Vancouver for the Canadian Opens and all did quite well, reflecting the rising caliber of our local sailors. Ross Bailey and crew also travelled onto San Diego for the North Americans and came home the winners of the President's Cup!

The 1981 Canadian Summer Games will be held in Thunder Bay, with Lightnings and Lasers being the boats used for the sailing. The whole fleet is quite excited about this event and are looking forward to an excellent season in general.



From little Lightning sailors, big Lightning sailors grow—History: Temple Reef Lightning Fleet picnic on Lambert Island during the "50's."

CHEQUESSET LIGHTNING FLEET (280) New England District Sailing on Wellfleet Harbor, Wellfleet, Mass.

Fleet Captain W. Stuart Nickerson
Fleet Secretary Charles Ruykhaver
Fleet Champions Anne & Tim Dickey
Runner-Up David Jones

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7128	.....	Robert M. Campbell
8710	Havoc	Robert M. Campbell
8953	Con & Con	Robert Wallace & D. Alan Frazier
9714	Wind's Will	Eric Cutting
10234	Fever	Charles Sweet
10439	Isolde	Dr. Stewart & Stewart Armstrong, Jr.
10765	Yasu	Anne Dickey
10795	C. Clef	James Arthur Smith
11096	Nike II	Stafford Frazier
11142	Ali	Charles Ruykhaver, Jr.
11249	Muma Works	David Jones
11361	Havoc II	Robert M. Campbell
11751	Scruples	A. Preston Moore
12275	.....	Peter Schiftenhaus
12749	.....	Stuart Nickerson
12841	.....	Dwight W. Webb
12886	Andiamo	H. William, David W. & John E. Oliver
13239	.....	Curt Felix

After giving up their Fleet Championship to Stuart Nickerson in 1979, this year Anne and Tim Dickey came back to win not only the Championship, but all other major series, July and August included.

The Dickey's were as difficult to beat as they have been for the last few years, sailing particularly well in July, but other crews did have their moments. Stuart Nickerson, back on the circuit in a new boat, which seemed to fly despite soggy foam, won the Coffee Cup, the Frazier Trophy, and many additional races, but could not compete enough to qualify for the longer series. David Jones' series performance was interrupted by his trip to San Diego to crew for Matt Burrige in the North Americans, (where they finished eighth in the Blue Fleet), but when at Wellfleet he was formidable, winning both the Fox and Cutting Cups. Bill Webb, in and out much of the season, had one good weekend, taking the Tea Cup. Other skippers also had their days: Stafford Frazier as usual; Jon Ruykhaver; Curt Felix; and Peter Schiftenhaus among others. Four or five boats trailed to Cedar Point in the fall. Interest seems high and the Fleet promises to grow.

Wellfleet is known for its winds, but the Wellfleet Regatta in 1980 was almost wiped out by too much of this good thing. Only one race could be sailed, far down the bay on Sunday. Kurt Kling won, with his brother-in-law, Stuart Nickerson, second; Charles Ritt, third; and Alex and Patrick Webb, fourth.

COLUMBIA FLEET (283) Pacific Northwest District Sailing on Vancouver Lake, Vancouver, Washington and Columbia River, Portland, Oregon

Fleet Captain Bruce Deitz
Fleet Secretary David Hickman

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7680	.....	John T. Booth
8084	Sweet Roll	Dale T. Morden
8349	.....	Walt Foster
8382	.....	Donald Fager
8497	An' Son	John Sanford
8858	.....	Terry Bushy
9433	Go Big Green	Vance Smith
9657	Jolly Green	.....
9691	Giant	Paul & Mark A. Fischer
10180	Hele-on	D. Ben Gillespie
10267	Mercedes	Woody Woodward
10268	Stronger Than Dirt	Thomas Hawkins
10268	.....	Doug Tuerck
10541	Daddy Don't	Richard Zimmerman
10693	Wiatr Statek	Michael A. Hemel

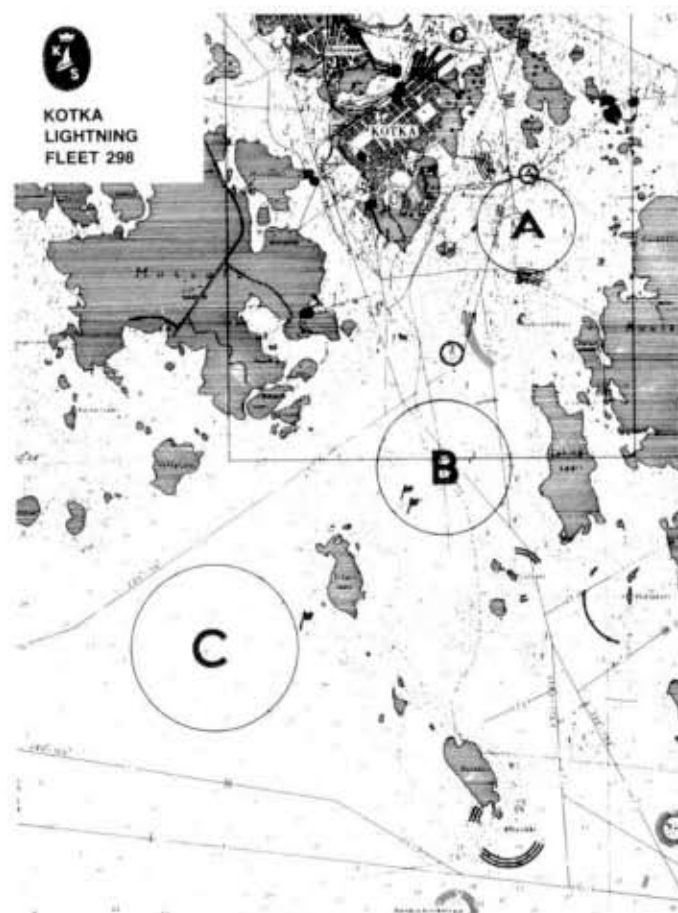
10731	.....	Walt Holman
10794	.....	Daryl Merkley
11141	Chiqita	Paul Anderson
12056	Animal	John Benedetti
12219	Preparation H	Herm Fischer
12376	Wight Lightning	John Michael Wight
12426	Natterjack	Tim Cannell
12485	Moving Van	Van Conklin
12856	Tomato Sloop	John Dees
12879	.....	Dave Hickman
12990	Quicksilver	Philip F. & Philip P. Parshley
13012	Odin	Dennis Torgeson
13046	Unk	Kenneth Conklin
13476	.....	John Benedetti

No report.

KOTKA LIGHTNING FLEET (298) Finland District Sailing on Gulf of Finland at Kotka and Hamina, Finland

Fleet Captain Osmo Savola
Fleet Secretary Antero Westerlund
Fleet Champion Osmo Savola

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10057	Cinderella	Keijo Sunonsaari
11819	California	Matti Juolle-Apiala
12352	Bella	Osmo Savola
12479	Melanie	Antero Westerlund



Kotka Lightning Fleet 298 Race Courses.

We started this year with two new boats and one new skipper: Matti joined us with his *California*, and Osmo bought the 1979 District Cham-

pion boat (former *Olga*). *Bella I* is still waiting for a new skipper and had to spend most of the summer at the dock.

Our racing activities started in May, when we had 10 visiting boats racing in one of the District's ranking regattas on our waters. Osmo was third. One race had to be cancelled due to a fog.

Six Finnish boats travelled to Switzerland for the European Championship. The trip was made by bus and the boats were transported in a truck. Osmo had arranged the trip and was also the best Finnish entry and placed 8th. In the Finland Districts Osmo won one start, but the other starts were no success. Osmo was 17th and Keijo Sunonsaari 40th. In the District's Ranking series Osmo did better and was 4th, our fleet's highest ranking ever. The Fleet Championship was raced for in several local regattas: Osmo won all starts. Keijo Sunonsaari became the Runner-Up and Antero Westerlund was third.

LAKE CHAMPLAIN (301) New England District Sailing on Malletts Bay, Lake Champlain, Colchester, Vermont

Fleet Captain Randy Rowland
Fleet Secretary John Hughes
Fleet Champion Peter Hubbard
Runner-Up John Hughes

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1185	Onandaga	William Nelson
9220	Revelstoke	Timothy Donovan & Jack Barnes
9526	Moon Dance	Randy Rowland
9610	Lion's Paw	Donald A. Eberly
9811	Titania II	Ken Rothwell
9829	Ciego	Charles Leonard
10313	Hawk	Peter Hubbard
11267	Hasenpfeffer	Edward Haase
11504	Second Wind	Janice Lange
11560	Ciao	Dick Fastiggi
11880	Blue Driver	Steve Goodkind
11886	.....	James A. Russell
12821	Remedy	Tom Heilman
12922	5-Hugs	John R. Hughes
12945	Loon	Todd Cox
12967	.....	Edward Ziemer
12980	The Young One	Bob Young
12985	Hanna	William J. Cimonetti
13172	Wild Goose	Don Brush
13232	Bob Goodwin
.....	David N. Little, M.D.
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The summer of 1980 brought another season of exciting Lightning racing to the shores of Malletts Bay on Lake Champlain. Stepped-up Race Committee efforts resulted in most of the competition taking place in the open waters of the Outer Malletts Bay, a change for the better over the flukier airs of the Inner Bay.

The season got off to an early start with tune-up races on May 26. The "Series A" races were run during the month of June. Don Brush emerged victorious from this series, with second and third places going to Peter Hubbard and Dave Young, respectively.

The "Series B" races occupied the month of July. During this round it was John Hughes who captured top honors. Again, Peter Hubbard and Dave Young were second and third. In fourth place, Tom Heilman showed that hard work pays off as he posted his best finishes to date.

In District competition, Fleet 301 members were represented in the State of Maine Championship at the Centerboard Yacht Club, the Lake Bomoseen New Hampshire-Vermont Championship (won by Don Brush), The New England District Championship at Marblehead, the Wellfleet Regatta, and the perennial good-time regatta at Spofford, New Hampshire. The Malletts Bay Boat Club's Race Week was part of the District Schedule this year. High winds during this competition whittled the competitors down from 20 starters to seven finishers on the first day. The second day was sailed in light air, and local sailor Peter Hubbard emerged victorious in the final race to take the regatta away from Ann Brush.

Other Fleet 301 member accomplishments were: Ed Ziemer won the Thursday evening mid-week series run by the Malletts Bay Boat Club. Ed won despite the fact that these events are raced under Portsmouth numbers, which greatly handicaps lightnings! Janice Lange won the end-of-the-season Chiot Regatta; Peter Hubbard won the Fleet Championship based

on his overall summer performance; the Most Improved Skipper award went to Tom Heilman; and the Emerson Trophy for contribution to the Fleet went to the Leonard Family.

Fleet 301 is looking forward to hosting the New England District Championship in 1981. Ann Brush will take over as Fleet Captain and Randy Rowland as Fleet Secretary for the year 1981. Competition will be fierce for 1981 with the North American Championship being sailed next door on Long Island Sound.



"Fleet 301 Champion Peter Hubbard and crew"

COWAN LAKE SAILING ASSOCIATION (303) Ohio District

Sailing on Cowan Lake at Cincinnati, Ohio

Fleet Captain	Dick Pugh
Fleet Secretary	Bill Young
Fleet Champion	Ken Irwin
Runner-Up	Ray Beck

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5222	Cable Kid	W. J. Rider
7940	Storm	Kenneth Irwin
8593	.....	George Crampton
10013	Gypsy	William Young
11144	.....	Paul Back
11445	.....	Joel Cohen
11930	Confusion III	Dick Pugh
12116	Turtle	Raymond E. Beck
12496	Sail-A-Vie	Dan Danielson

Eleven boats this year is the largest Fleet 303 has been in several years. We welcome the newcomers and hope to develop an active schedule for next year.

Once again Fleet 303 hosted the annual "Fall In" Regatta. What a success, another beautiful weekend with lots of wind and sun. (Not bad for October 18 & 19). Seventeen boats turned out this year and all had a great time. The spaghetti and wine were great and so were the people who attended. This regatta was best summed up by Jack Mueller when he said, "This regatta is the best kept secret, if word ever gets out, we would have fifty boats here." Don't tell anyone.

This year's Fleet Champion was Ken Irwin with Ray Beck as Runner-up. Dick Pugh waltzed away with The Ohio Governor's Cup once again. See you in 1981.

OULU LIGHTNING FLEET (307) Finland District Sailing on Gulf of Bothnia at Oulu, Finland

Fleet Captain	Harry Hammar
Fleet Secretary	Simo Koski
Fleet Champion	Lasse Hammar
Runner-Up	Markku Paloma

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9436	Rio-Rita II	Lasse Hammar
12918	Kikka II	Markku Paloma
13137	Hattiwatti II	Ilmo Hassinen
13505	Rio Rita IV	Lasse Hammar

This season has been quite favorable for sailing. Weather has been mostly sunny and winds light. I'm sorry if you don't like light winds. The best news I'd like to tell is the new boat in our fleet, which is owned by Lasse Hammar and she seems to be as good as the old wooden *Rio-Rita II*. Markku Paloma took part in the European Championship in Switzerland. Weathers in Switzerland have always been difficult for Finns and this season was no exception. The best Finn was 8th and the position for Markku Paloma was 27th. The Finnish Championship was held in Valkeakoski in quite a small lake. There were altogether 40 boats and most of them were sailed by young and eager crewmen. The Finnish Championship began with tune up race which is also a race between fleets. Our fleet was second in this race. The competition was this time very hard. Before the last race three skippers had possibility to get the trophy of the champion. Lasse Hammar with his brand new *Rio-Rita IV* gave no possibility for other skippers and won the last race. This was for his fifth Finnish Championship. His positions were 9,1,10,1,1. Markku Paloma by his *Kikka II* was 12th.

GREIFENSEE FLEET (309) Switzerland District Sailing on Lake of Greifensee near Zurich, Switzerland

Fleet Captain	A. Fruh
Fleet Secretary	H. Kaspar Tschudi

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4285	Aeolus	Erich Schraner
5384	Trixi	Heinrich Tobler
5664	Hejatr	Martin Jaeger
6737	Eilean Mor	Peter Hofmann
7352	Koralle	Emil Beyer
7353	Sibajak	Werner Uster
7467	Niki II	Albert Straubhaar
7590	Mascotte	Paul Gmur
7591	Favorita I	Robert Albin
7802	Popeye	Uve Dohrn
8504	Chinook	Edward Schutz, Jun.
9868	Margy II	Fred Aregger
10715	.....	Robert Albin
11495	Goja	Jurg Sporri
12091	.....	Uve Dohrn
12299	Zibo II	Dr. Fred & Heinz Zobrist
13071	.....	Hermann Himmel
13085	Aquilo	H. Kaspar Tschudi
13086	Favorita II	Peter A. Giesch
13090	Lixa	Albert Fruh
13091	Brasil	Paul Gmur
.....	.....	Werner Stich
.....	.....	Ernst Fritsch

No report.

KEMI FLEET (310) Finland District Sailing on Gulf of Bothnia, Kemi Finland

Fleet Captain	Heikki Ulen
Fleet Secretary	Juhani Hedberg
Fleet Champion	Aulis Naykki
Runner-Up	Kari Anttila

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4328	Irene	Erkki Leskio
12913	Desiree	Kari Anttila
12994	Mr. X	Jouko Lehtinen
12995	Pohjan-Akka	Aulis Naykki
13129	Nano-Nano	Mikko Pekkala
13134	Viivi	Heikki Ulen

In this season our fleet celebrated the 30th anniversary of the first Lightning in Kemi. Old *Leena* 4012 sails no more, but *Irene* 4328 (built in 1951) has been with the younger boats on the holiday-cruises. And so, the message of Lightning goes on yet!

The old and experienced skippers have been almost unconquered and so *Pohjan Akka* (Aulis Naykki), *Vilvi* (Heikki Ulen) and *Wilma* (Matti Raisanen) have got the finest and esteemed prizes and trophies. But, the young boys and their boats, *Desiree* (Kari Anttila), *Veera* (Mauri Jostila) and *Nano* (Mikko Pekkala), made known that they will be expert entrants in the next summers. We had in all about 30 starts at home. And, the summer was hot and beautiful.

In the 75th Annual Regatta of Kemi Yacht Club we sailed three days and were one of the parties with songs and memories at the fine camp-fire later in the evenings.

Our Fleet Champion is again Aulis Naykki his crewmen: brother-Kalervo, and Kari Uurtimo. Runner-Up is Kari Anttila.

Six boats participated in the Finnish Championship Races in Valkeakoski. Our success was fair but the races gave us very much to think about in our winter-training.

Our lightnings sailed in Oulu Regatta, too. There we were heroes in all three days. Famous *Rio-Rita* was on the dock and so it was easy for us to win Oulu Fleet.

While the summer was fine, our sailors were a little tired from sailing because many boats had to go without crewman during the season. So we must make known: New sailors forward! Let us believe after all that the new summer will wake up all lively sailors and our Lightnings will sail again on Gulf of Bothnia and Kemi. Hopeful future!



Runner-Up of Kemi Fleet, Kari Anttila & Co. and his brick-colored *Desiree*, #12913 waiting for the starting signal.

LEGA NAVALE ITALIANA ANZIO (312) Italian District Sailing on Tirrenian Sea at Anzio, Italy

Fleet Secretary Antonio Galeota
Fleet Champion Luigi Nasoni
Runner-Up Giuseppe Palomba

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10019	Play Boy	Antonio & Francesco Galeota &
12375	Coco II	Francesco Cinque
13262	Coco I	Mario Miele & Giuseppe Palomba

This year, from the 21st to the 26th of June, Lega Navale Italiana organized the Italian Championship in Anzio.

Most of the 21 boats that took part at the regattas were new and perfectly equipped. Mr. Coccoloni, who came back after many years absence won the Championship.

1st Coccoloni - Di Gerolamo - Massone — Tempesta 13374
2nd Merola - Lo Sardo - Lo Sardo — Excelsior 13264
3rd Crucetti - Messina - Pipitone — White Cloud 13414
4th Nasoni - Galeota - Barone — Play Boy 10019
5th Pellegrino - Messina - Pecorella — Wind III 13455
6th Marino - Linares - Sata — Rainbow 13402
7th Palomba - Mieli - Ravagnani — Coco II 13262

SASSAFRAS RIVER FLEET (314) Dixie District

Based on Sassafas River, Maryland

Fleet Captain Al Mast
Fleet Secretary Bob Horne
Fleet Champion Al Mast

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1523	Star Dust	Bob Horne
9391	Doc's Boat	Doc Walbert & Bob Horne
9800	Inverass	Dr. John Farquhar
10190	Misty Morn	Frederick Alden
10246	Glass Slipper	Dr. John Myers
10336	Bayberry	David Scott Ingram
10398	Moon Spinner	Bruce Shannon
11200	Filomena	Jim & Leigh Hopkins
12381	E Clair	Chas. Witomski
12453	Sassy	Dr. Tom Hopkins
12484	Foxfire	Karen E. Biles
12710	Bald Bullet	Alfred Mast
12964	Redoubtable	James T. Elliott, Jr.
13043	.....	Dr. Kirk Williams, Jr.
13056	Squeeze Me	Bill McShane
13495	Awesome	Dr. Jim Ganley

As somebody once said to the queen — "Milady, there was no second!" This summer's season consisted mainly of everyone trying to beat Al Mast (and usually coming up short). All in all, our *Bald Bullet* took eight of the sixteen series races, including three of the four special trophy races, as well as the Summer Bay Race.

Other successful competitors included Tom Hopkins (Walbert Cup, one series race, the Matlack Cup, and the Stardust Trophy), Bill Winter (two series races), Jim and Ted Ganley (three series races), Scott Ingram (one series race), Bill McShane (Fall Bay Race), and Leigh Hopkins (Taylor Cup). Our madcap gunner and faithful Race Committee chairman, Steve Miller, took the Butt Award in recognition of his histrionics when the starting cannon failed to fire.

Our wandering windjammers had their usual successful season representing Fleet 314 around the District. The highlight of the season for our District Commodore, Bill McShane, came when he, his family, and crew — Dave Horne and Howard Edson — went to San Diego for the NA's. Besides having a great time, they didn't do too poorly, either, finishing 10th for the President's Cup. They all brought back wonderful memories of the trip, and reports of the matchless hospitality shown by their hosts. Lightning sailors are the greatest!

YACHT CLUB DE CHILE (317) Chile District Sailing on Lake Recreo at Valparaiso, Chile

Fleet Captain Hernan Barahona J.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11040	Zetabe	Rodrigo Zuazola B.
11392	Kif-Kif	Gerardo Polette
12523	.....	Escuela Naval
12653	.....	Jacques Bellerand
12654	.....	Sergio Briseno
12703	Catete	Christian Barahona
13204	.....	Armada de Chile
No report.		

ALGARROBO YACHT CLUB (318) **Chile District** **Sailing at Algarrobo**

Fleet Captain Isidoro Melero

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11022	Spaghetti	Hugo Cuneo
11024	.....	Hernan Cubillos
11026	Mucho-Calao	Jaime Santa Cruz
11293	.....	Alberto Gonzalez
11351	.....	Gonzalo Ugarte
12513	.....	Isidoro R. Melero
12682	Adeus	Luis Herman G.
12767	July	Fernando Magnasco
12925	Fugitive	Edmundo Perez Y. & Edmundo Perez Yoma
13205	.....	Felipe Cubillos
13395	Power	Alberto Gonzalez
13396	Pixie	Manuel Gonzalez Mass
13404	Bambi	Rufino Melero
13536	.....	Luis Herman G.

No report.

REHOBOTH BAY SAILING ASSOCIATION (325) **Dixie District** **Sailing on Rehoboth Bay at** **Rehoboth Bay, Delaware**

Fleet Captain Bernie Hedges
 Fleet Secretary Carol Mertes
 Fleet Champion Fred Mertes
 Runner-Up Dave Racine, Jr.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10032	Chingadings	Robert Currie
10351	.....	Clement Speiden
10427	Just One Look	Fred Mertes
10851	.....	John Hazzard
11155	Arsendover	RBSA
11291	Lily Pad	Bernie Hedges
11899	Pisces	Dave Racine
Life Member	.....	Jacob Zimmerman

The 1980 season at Rehoboth featured the best weather and wind that we have seen in years. Not once were we rained out, thanks to the drought, and only twice did we not sail. This, however, was because of heavy winds. We enjoyed the typical seas breezes and flat water that has become a trademark of Rehoboth Bay.

We got off to a slow start in our Spring Series with only three boats racing, but the competition was still pretty keen with Fred Mertes taking first, Dave Racine, second, and Bernie Hedges, third. During the summer we raced two series and had four to six boats racing every Sunday. The results were the same in both series: Fred Mertes, first; Dave Racine, second; Bernie Hedges, third. Sounds like a broken record doesn't it? It is except for the fact that this Dave Racine was Dave Racine Jr., who took the tiller from his Dad during the summer. The series were pretty close between Fred and Davey, especially in the first summer series, which went right to the last race before the winner was determined. Fred's excellent sailing brought him the Turner Hastings Trophy, symbolic of the Fleet Championship, for the fourth straight year. The rest of us hope that the string ends there, but I am sure Fred will have something to say about that.

On June 20th and 21st we hosted our annual Delaware Governor's Cup Regatta. This was the first year that Governor Pete DuPont was unable to attend since he has been in office. He was represented at the trophy presentation, however, by Delaware Secretary of State Glen Kenton. We hope to see the Governor next year. We had a large turnout of 27 boats. The weather was nice, but the wind was a bit shift. Steve Bachman took the cup again for the second year in a row, with Sandy Huntsman, second, and Don Delorme, third. The best the local fleet could do was a seventh by Dave Racine. On Saturday night we had a cocktail party to help the good sailors celebrate and the unlucky sailors forget.

In July, R.B.S.A. hosted the Junior Districts. Although there was a small turnout of five boats, the racing was spirited with Ron Grotheer taking first and our own Dave Racine Jr., third.

We finished the year with the annual Fall Regatta on September 20th and 21st. The weather was uncommonly good and the seabreeze was especially

cooperative. Once again we had a larger than usual turnout of 18 boats. It also looked as though Steve Bachman would once again walk away with the honors. This was not to be though, as he was overtaken by Rob Pratt, who finished first overall, and our own Fred Mertes who finished second. Steve did manage to hang on for third.

We expect a banner year in 1981 and hope that you can come to Rehoboth and enjoy the best sailing in the East.

GRAND TRAVERSE YACHT CLUB (326) **Michigan District** **Sailing on Grand Traverse Bay at** **Traverse City, Michigan**

Fleet Captain & Secretary Craig S. Horvath
 Fleet Champion Sandy Blumenfeld
 Runner-Up Pat Tobin

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9921	Alacrity	Bill Babel
10429	Syndicate	John Van Oalson
10803	C-Bo	Jeff & Ted Jones
11066	Orange	David M. Dykstra
11107	Classic Case	Craig S. Horvath
11256	Marikate	George Brown
11344	Bitschene	Don W. Mitchell
11467	4 Sale 4	Gordon Cornwell
11551	Merlin	Joe Manseau
11670	Turkey Feather	Hugo Trepte
11794	Blind Faith	Patrick Tobin
12930	Pigmeat Pie	Sandy Blumenfeld
.....	.....	Dick Thirby

Sailing an underweight boat with oversized sails Sandy Blumenfeld once again lucked his way through the 1980 racing season to repeat as our Fleet Champion. Sandy's the only sailor we know who has to mark his extra ballast port and starboard so that he'll know where to reinstall it for measurements. All kidding aside, Sandy's repeat performance as Fleet Champion can only be attributed to pure luck.

Our Runner-Up for the second year was Pat Tobin. The only reason Pat was unable to overtake Sandy for the Championship was that he had extreme difficulty negotiating the race course while listening to his favorite song on his portable tape player. Pat, don't you think that playing "Hail To The Victors" over and over again can be a little bit boring for the rest of us?

During 1980 we had no new members to our Bottoms Up Club. Rather than taking this as an indication of improved sailing skill, we strongly suspect that this is caused primarily by a fear of tipping over the liquid refreshment while racing. The closest that anyone came to capsizing this year was when George Brown stepped on the gunnel of his boat while at the dock and just managed to swamp it rather than totally capsize it.

Our Landlubber Of The Year for 1980 goes to Bill Howard. Bill's only appearance at the club as far as anyone could tell was when he dropped his boat off in the Spring. We're certain, however, that Bill will be back racing with us again next year since we have taken steps to impound his boat.

1980 saw two of our sailors attend the Michigan District Championships. Their performance was less than desired, however, that's to be expected when they have to sail at a full 700 pounds. Speaking of the Districts, 1981 will see our fleet as the host for the Michigan Districts at which time we're sure that the local boats will show those downstaters how it should be done.

The following are several miscellaneous trivial events which occurred during our 1980 season:

Gene Tang sprained his wrist while opening a Stroh's during the fourth leg of the third race of our Invitational Regatta;

Joe Manseau's two sons consistently outsailed him in the 1980 season;

As Race Committee Chairman, Ken Lindsay shook his head in disbelief sixty-three times at the tactics used on the race course;

Hugo Trepte once again demonstrated the correct procedure for filling the spinnaker inside the forestay every weekend;

After three years of wondering, we finally found out that Ken May's boat would not dissolve when put in the water;

Craig Horvath missed the Mid-Winter Fleet Meeting and consequently got stuck with writing this report.

SEVERN RIVER FLEET (329)**Dixie District****Sailing on Chesapeake Bay at Annapolis, Maryland**

Fleet Captain	Rob Pratt
Fleet Secretary	Bob Astrove
Fleet Champion	Joe Friebele

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9110	Apré's Ski	Curt Matthews
10475	.....	Doug Perley
10800	High Hopes	Donald R. Hope
11036	Think Fast	Dr. Donald P. Delorme
11204	Steppin' Out	Steve Bachman
11288	Bon Joy	Rob Pratt
11754	Harvard Square	Paul I. Grinberg
11767	.....	Alex Humphrey
11792	Ill	Dr. Edwin M. Oritz & John Richardson
11911	.....	Myron Jonsberg, Jr.
12159	Peaches En Regalia	Robert Astrove
12470	Lightning Bug	E. Joseph Friebele
12752	Yankee	William H. Buckley
12772	Clarissa Marie	H. Warren & Bert Cooper
13209	Not to worry	Christopher B. Kuhn
13306	.....	A. Lee Fentress
.....	.....	Thomas Burgher

1980 was another great year for fleet 329, sailing out of Annapolis, Maryland. We now have 19 boats, with Doug Perley and Lee Fentress joining this year. More importantly, our fleet was very active this year with 15 to 20 boats on the line in almost every race.

Our year began in January with a series of seminars led by our Blue Fleeters. These meetings are held annually with fleet 50 members from Washington. In March, at our final session, Jay Lutz gave a great talk on "how he does it."

Rob Pratt did a super job as Fleet Captain. In addition to his normal functions, he organized a USYRU weekend racing seminar at Severn. It was an intensive three day course with both classroom and on-the-water instruction. Looking back, all this pre-season activity really paid off. Our racing was the closest we can remember, and we're getting more boats on the line.

We hosted seven regattas this summer, and most of our members went to a number of away races. We can't remember a lot of specifics about the year, but on the whole we had a lot of good racing, some good parties, and a damn good time.

The No-Gas Regatta saw 19 boats, in a five race series. Bob Astrove won, without winning a single race. Second went to Don Delorme, with Steve Bachman, third, and Joe Friebele, fourth.

Don Delorme came back to his winning ways in the SSA Spring Regatta with 18 boats. Steve Bachman was second; Bob Wardell, third.

The Annual Regatta sailed a week after the Districts was won by Bill Buckley. John Richardson was second. Rob Pratt, third, and Doug Perley, a first year skipper, finished fourth.

Over the last weekend in August Bob Wardwell returned to steal the Maryland Governor's Cup. Joe Friebele finished a close second, and Al Mast, third. Nineteen boats sailed with two outsiders taking home the prizes.

Severn's Fall Regatta was won by Don Delorme. Joe Friebele was second, again, and Steve Bachman, third.

The Frigid Didgit was held two weeks later, with 38 boats showing up. Saturday we sailed two races in high winds with six boats capsizing. Sunday we didn't have wind, and couldn't complete a four leg, shortened course. Basing the results on only two races left a tie for first place. A coin toss decided the winner, Bob Wardwell. Mark Bryant was left in second place, and Jack Elfman finished third. The best local finisher was Steve Bachman in tenth.

329 Sailors did well in away regattas this year. Steve Bachman won the Heart Fund Regatta, and the Delaware Governor's Cup, while Rob Pratt won the Rehoboth Fall Regatta. At the District Championships Severn finished 1, 2, 3, with Don Delorme, Rob Pratt, and Steve Bachman. Delorme and Bachman each went out to the North Americans in San Diego, and both finished in the Blue Fleet.

We've already started making plans for next year. Another series of seminars is in the works, and we have a fleet 50-329 banquet in December. We are looking for a few new members for next year, and think our fleet will be stronger than ever.

Lightning Fleet 329
Invites YOU
to sail with us on the
Chesapeake Bay
at the
Severn Sailing Association,
Annapolis, Md.

Tentative Regatta Dates:

No Gas Invitational	May 9, 10
SSA Spring	May 30, 31
SSA Annual	July 18, 19
Maryland Governor's Cup	August 29, 30
SSA Fall	September 26, 27
Frigid Digit	October 17, 18

For confirmation of the dates or for further information, watch for ads in the *Flashes* or contact Fleet Captain Bob Pratt (703) 683-4311 (Home) or (202) 543-3396 (Office).

SQUAM LAKES LIGHTNING FLEET (332)**New England District****Sailing on Big Squam Lake at Holderness, New Hampshire**

Fleet Captain	David Closson
Fleet Secretary	Cecilia C. Closson

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8241	Go-Mo-Shun	David Closson
10818	Pequod	Dr. Donald P. Todd
10857	Mutiny	Robert Custance
12173	Omega	Allan Whatley
12266	Wind Witch	L. B. Flint
12858	Huntress 3	Rev. Parkman D. Howe
12859	.....	John S. Russell, Jr.
13101	Super Shuttle	Robert Ayotte

No report.

**BARNEGAT LIGHT YACHT CLUB
LIGHTNING FLEET (335)****Central Atlantic District****Sailing at Harvey Cedars, New Jersey**

Fleet Captain	Art Seitz
Fleet Secretary	Bill Clarke

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10445	Der Sea Adler II	Art Seitz
10859	Wallaby	Don Haight
11189	Bat Toe	Bill Clarke
12739	Six Pack	Larry Murphy

No report.