

GALWAY LAKE LIGHTNING FLEET (338)
Central New York District
Sailing on Galway Lake at Galway, New York

Fleet Captain Harold Hansen
 Fleet Secretary Walter Nial

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5155	Cawley Flower	Cornell C. Cawley, Jr.
6515	Restless	Richard B. Millard
7123	Rocky	Harold B. Hansen
7809	.....	James R. Buhrmaster
9844	.....	Maurice H. Gardner
11519	.....	Dale H. Brown & Walter Nial
12115	.....	James Dickson
12573	.....	Kenneth E. Burhmaster
.....	.....	R. James Millard
.....	.....	Richard McQuire

To permit test borings at the dam on Galway Lake the level of the water was reduced about seven to eight feet. The result was that the level of the water was too low for safe Lightning racing and no races were held by Fleet #338. The Galway Lake Campers' Association is negotiating for purchase

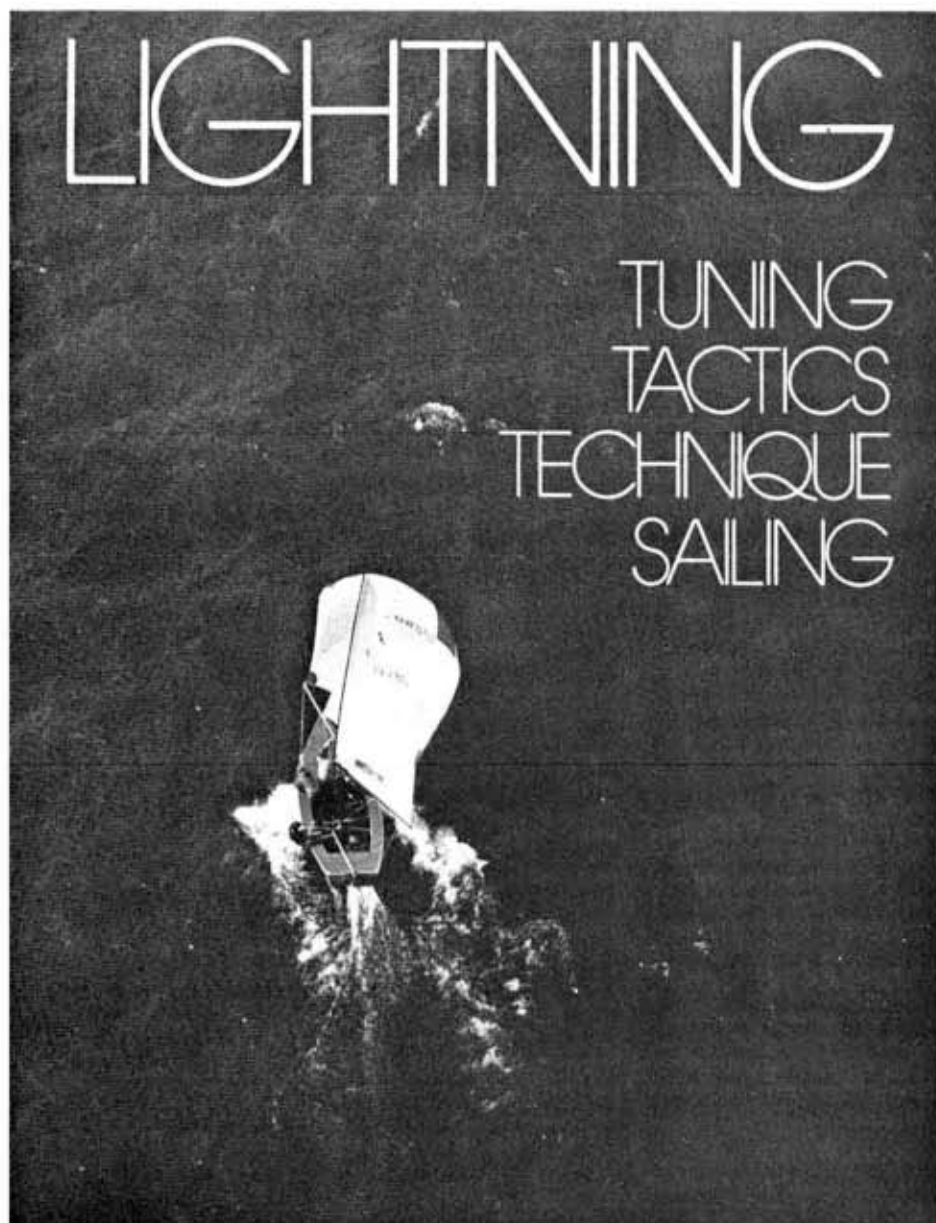
of the lake and intends to make dam and spillway modifications. The expectation is that the water will be high enough for sailing in 1981.

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

Fleet Captain Jim March
 Fleet Secretary Bill & Gail Bluhm

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9259	Took	Mary Ann Bates
9412	Alethia	Douglas S. Basler
10071	Wiki-Wiki	Peter Northrup
10606	Willi Waw II	Don Lambrix
11134	Frantic	Milford M. Miller
12104	Menace	James March
12177	Chris Cowles
12371	Greased	Cliff Dibelka
12372	John Scott

No report.



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HIGUERILLAS LIGHTNING FLEET (342)

Chile District

Sailing at Higuierillas at Vina del Mar, Valparaiso

Fleet Secretary German Novion

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11128	Marco Montalbetti
12654	Club Yates Higuierillas
12659	Jaime Fernandez-Sociaz
12782	Franco Giangrandi Jr.
13039	German Novion

No report.

LAKE GENEVA SAILING CLUB (345)

Midwest District

Sailing on Lake Geneva, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin

Fleet Captain Gene Matthews

Fleet Secretary Vickie Matthews

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
483	Between the Sheets	Steve Grottemeyer
7567	Harmony	Robert C. LaBrot
8172	Vim	Henry Kelley
8992	L'Oiseau	Audrey & J. P. Matteson
9010	The Enterprise	Max & Kurt A. Gabbard
9996	Red Witch III	Mel Boyington
12038	For Sail	Steve Sickler
12452	Woodstock	Bill Connor
12790	.....	Roger O. Copel
12822	Spike	Audrey & J. P. Matteson
13144	V3	Bob Novak
13225	Free Spirit	Gene Matthews
13309	The Big Dipper	Bruce Goldsmith



A familiar sight at the OXIE....Bruce Goldsmith and company well ahead of the pack....

The sailing season got off to an exciting start in 1980 after Memorial Day. A team racing weekend was set up with Davenport because they are unable to sail on the Mississippi due to such strong current. While not trying to be selfish, the hosts won the shortened one race series.

Due to lack of entries only two races were sailed this year; the first was won by Bob Novak, Gene Matthews, Bill Connor. The next race on July 4 was won by Vickie Matthews, Bob Novak, Gene Matthews. To get in more racing several members took to the road, traveling to regattas in the Midwest and Indiana districts and also the Southern Circuit.

With much help from our big boat fleet and ex-Lightning sailors we were again able to host our annual Oxie regatta, which was a great success. The wind, weather and few power boaters provided excellent racing conditions for the 26 starters. Our own Bruce Goldsmith won with Gordon Ettie of Chicago, second, and Greg Florian of Decatur was third. Members of the club were able to house many of the participants and also provided an excellent hor d'oeuvre party after the races on Saturday.

Much socializing took place this year off the race course at Matthews'. The potluck dinners were well attended, hopefully next season's socializing will be as good on the race course as well as off.

LONDON LIGHTNING FLEET (347)

Lake Erie District

Sailing on Fanshawe Lake at London, Ontario, Canada

Fleet Secretary David M. Kopec

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3482	Bob Cat	Mike Schirmer
8130	Whisper	Elmer C. Searle
11117	.....	David Rosner
11132	Valkyrie	Larry Minshall
11883	Red Pepper	Dave Kopec
12569	.....	Ed Van Puymbroeck
.....	.....	Graham Laing

1980 was a good year for Larry Minshall and crew as they won three major club championships. They also participated in several out-of-town regattas and while their names did not appear in the winning circle they enjoyed the good competition and made a lot of new friends.

We are looking forward to 1981 and hope to have at least six boats racing every weekend, now that Dave Rosner is back and Graham Laing has promised to be out.

All boats are very competitive and any one putting it all together can win. Fanshawe Lake is part of and adjoins an excellent Provincial Park that offers A-1 camping facilities whether you tent or trailer.

Considering these facilities why not plan to attend one or both of our open regattas. Junebug — June 13 & 14; Pumpkin — October 10-11-12.

By popular request the Pumpkin may be reduced to two days — watch for our bulletins.

LAKE LANIER LIGHTNING FLEET (348)

Southeastern District

Sailing on Lake Lanier out of Lanier Sailing Club, Atlanta, Georgia

Fleet Captain Richard M. Williams

Fleet Secretary Cythia R. Williams

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7877	Misty II	Cliff Haughey
9568	.....	Dave Pitts & Robert Profitt
9570	Ariel	William L. Pulgram
10111	Lord Jim	Robert Schindel
10821	.....	Joseph D. Stites
10824	Lickety Split	David Wheelchel
10870	Greased Lightnin'	Olynn J. Allen
10877	Thunderbolt	Fred W. Crawford
11723	Tevake	Hayden Harriss
12331	Hot Chocolate	Richard J. Scott, Jr.
12691	Long Gone	James N. Howard, Jr.
12736	The John B.	John Brian Johnstone
12849	Eh La Bas!	Reginald Brooks
12935	Lemon Pie	Kenneth Wallace
13421	.....	Thomas M. Barnett
.....	.....	Richard Williams
.....	.....	Robert P. White

No report.

HOOVER YACHT CLUB (353) **Ohio District** **Sailing on Hoover Reservoir, Columbus, Ohio**

Fleet Captain Edward Whiteman
 Fleet Secretary J. K. Barron
 Fleet Champion Tom Varley, Jr.
 Runner-Up Ed Whiteman

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8559	Amazine Gyns	Karl Schedler
10687	Walloping Window	
	Blind	Frankland Oakley
11269	Way To Go	Joe Barron
11796	White Lightning	Charles Schmidt
12015	Goldie Marie	Ehmann Miller
12046	Under Way	Ed Whiteman
12346	Irish Mist	Bill McCarthy
12395	Sunrise	Jim Rogers
12896	.....	Warren Schieser
12950	Streaker Too	Jim Andrews
13113	Mirage	Tom Varley, Jr.
13250	.....	Jim Dressel
.....	.....	Maj. Steve Richter

Lightning sailing at Hoover Reservoir this year was not what it has been in the past, but was enjoyed by those of us who sailed.

The Fleet Champion this year was Tom Varley, Jr., and he did this as a first year member of Fleet 353. Tom also won the Holiday Series and finished fourth in the Club Championship. Ed Whiteman was Runner-up to the Fleet Champion, with Steve Richter, third, Warren Schieser, fourth place, and Joe Barron, fifth. A different method was used this year to select a Fleet Champion. The entire season was totaled and not divided into series. This was due largely to waning participation.

This year's Mayor's Cup, held at Hoover Yacht Club, was a success with good weather, delicious food and five great races with a turn-out of 13 boats. The regatta was won again by Dan Dressel from Buckeye Lake Yacht Club.

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

Fleet Captain Gerald Harris
 Fleet Secretary Ellen Nobles-Harris

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5074	Old Salt	John Scott
5558	Merry Jo	Raymond M. Horwitz, Jr.
7826	Alacrity	Frank K. Hawley
10072	.....	Grace Smith
10215	Ho-Ho	Clarence W. Cramer
10249	.....	John J. Owens
10538	Smokey Bait	David W. Pittman
11157	Truckin' On Home	Mark Young
11312	Le Monstre Rouge	Gerald Harris
11666	Cirrus	John Teigland, Jr.
12140	Daisy	Dr. John Fenlin
12438	Holy Terror	H. Gunter Seydel
12728	Impending Disaster	Bruce R. Kloss
12920	.....	Tom Slook
.....	.....	Gregg Funari

This has been a quiet year for the Red Dragon Fleet. Most of our members have been daysailing on the Delaware, some going as far as 15 miles up and down the river. Bucky Kloss and David Pittman have been the only members traveling to other regattas.

We had sunny weather and fair winds at our Fall Regatta. First place went to Jack Parker from Ocean City, second to Bill Clausen from Great Egg Harbor, and third to Tom Donlin from Riverton Yacht Club.

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

Fleet Captain Roland Baumgartner
 Fleet Secretary Walter Durr
 Fleet Champion Urs Wyler
 Runner-Up Urs Schar

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4849	Krapus	Paul Kurth
8190	Sarabande	Rolf Buchschacher
10465	Malibu	Hans F. Meyer
10898	Milan III	Hans-Peter Schmid
10899	.....	Daniel Fischlin
11857	.....	Jean-Pierre Durr & Gilbert Durr
12307	Dambema	Dr. Bernhard Gruninger
12634	Blizzard	Sodeco-Saia (W. Tschumi)
12637	Waggu	Rudolf & Urs Wyler
12638	Snoysen	Ernst Ruch
12639	Andy	Heinz Thuler
12951	Santa Fiamma	R. Fluhmann & M. Divernois
12952	.....	Ueli Scharer
13161	.....	Ernst Schar
.....	.....	Peter Bernasconi

For our Fleet the last year was sportingly and socially very successful. At the beginning of the year, skipper H. P. Schmid and his crew sailed a very good result. They won the Winter European-Champion title from Marsala.

The ski weekend we organized was shared by 20 persons this year. Also the bowling night was a success.

Our fleet also sailed good results on the different Championships and races. The team we had put together in view of the Junior World Championship was at the first so surprised by winning the title as Swiss-Champions. Also the other teams obtained a good result. I am sure that the participation of the Swiss-Champion at the Junior World-Championship was qualified. They finished a good 10th place from 20 competitors.

The negative point of this season was the Pfauencup. Only eight crews participated at this race. The Winners were one more time H. P. Schmid, Res Hofer and Beat Buchschacher.

The Fleet Championship took place again at the Criterium Avenicum. Unfortunately we sailed only one race because of no wind. The Wyler crew dominated the Championship ahead of our Junior Team of Schar, Scharer and Scharer.

CATAWBA (365) **Southeastern District** **Sailing on Lake Wylie** **Charlotte, North Carolina**

Fleet Captain Neal Broome
 Fleet Secretary Harold B. Bursley
 Fleet Champion Geary W. Angermeier

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9021	Summer Wind	Neal Broome
10086	Just Us	Harold Bursley
10616	.....	John A. Daughtridge, Jr.
11242	.....	George McQuilkin
.....	.....	Russell Fleming

Racing for Fleet 365 gets underway at Catawba Yacht Club on Lake Wylie in the middle of March and continues until the middle of November. We have two series, Spring which goes from March until the end of June, and the Fall series which runs from July until the middle of November. As of this writing the winner of the Fall series has not been determined, but it looks like Geary Angermeier might do it again.

In addition to the regular series, Catawba Yacht Club has instituted another series of races called the *Duchess* Series. These are usually 10 separate races other than our bi-weekly races. Neal Broome was the first winner of the *Duchess* Races in 1979 and Geary Angermeier is the 1980 winner. As we believe it to be unique, there follows the establishment of the *Duchess* Series:

"DUCHESS"

Lightning Class Sloop #2040

Built at Charlotte, NC, 1945-46, by Connally Guerrant and launched at Catawba Yacht Club June 1, 1946. She was the first Lightning to sail on "The River". Her keel, frames, transom, center-board trunk and trim were mahogany. The planking was juniper (boat cedar). Decks were canvas over plywood. Mast and boom were of Sitka spruce. Tangs, chain-plates, etc. were hand made of Phosphor bronze plate. The original sails were of long fibered Egyptian cotton with leather corners and Italian hemp bolt ropes. Her hull was painted dark blue, decks were Jamaica buff.

Owners were:

1946 to 1953 — Connally Cuerrant
 1953 to 1964 — Commander Harry M. Hewson

1964 to 1978 — Richard K. Sims

Due to disuse and lack of maintenance she became water-logged and in 1978 she was sold to William E. Ingle who took off fittings and usable parts and gave her a "Viking Funeral" on the beach at Catawba Yacht Club. She had been a successful racing contender for the first 18 years of her 32 year life.

In 1979 an annual program of races to be known as "The DUCHESS Races" has been established. All rules, requirements and provisions pertaining to this series of races are to be laid down each year by the Race Committee of Catawba Yacht Club. The rules are to be published prior to the start of the racing season. A suitable award will be made to the winner of the annual series and an engraved plate recording the winner will be affixed to this transom and displayed permanently in the Catawba Yacht Club.

(signed)

Frederick R. Newton, Commodore,
Catawba Yacht Club, 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 Robert Bazett
Runner-Up Neil MacGibbon

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7090	Resurrection	Robert Primeau
9267	.....	Alf Puder
9532	Catequil	Nick Radelfinger
9533	Lanakila	K. K. Maltman
9853	Frolic	James MacDonnell
9856	.....	Doug Gillett
10658	Firedance	A. Grant MacKinnon
11462	Aristeia	W. J. Ehmann
12158	.....	Neil MacGibbon
13299	.....	Robert Bazett
13477	Hot Chocolate	Robert Bazett

For Fleet 368 the sailing season gets underway with the Blossom Time Regatta which is held in mid-May. This years event attracted ten Lightnings with George Blumel of Maple Bay going home with the first place trophy for the third consecutive year. The second and third spots were captured by locals Robert Bazett and Neil MacGibbon.

Unfortunately, following Blossom Time the fleets local activity was cut to a minimum due to boat ownership changes, houses being built and the generally poor sailing weather. This is not to say that the fleet was inactive. During the spring, four Lightning owners joined together to form two complete crews in an effort to qualify for a berth in the North American Championships. The qualifying races were held in Portland, Oregon which is just to the south of the active volcano — Mount Saint Helen's. I'm sure that "Father Lightning", John Benedetti, arranged for its untimely activity just to keep us northerners out of the picture. However, perseverance paid off as both local boats qualified, making this the first year in which any boat from our fleet had qualified for the North American Championships.

The month of August was full of racing activity for the two local representatives. The trip to San Diego started off with a short stop over in Vancouver, B.C. for the Canadian National Championships before proceeding. Fortunately, neither boat was disillusioned about their chances of winning the North Americans so we could relax (?) and enjoy the hospitality San Diego had to offer. The skippers and crews of both boats wish to thank the hosts of the Canadian Nationals and the North Americans for providing good racing.

Next year our fleet members will have to stay closer to home and work on building our fleet.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA FLEET (372)

California District

Sailing on San Francisco Bay, California

Fleet Captain & Secretary Mark Patty
Fleet champion Mark Patty
Runner-Up Bruce Arnold

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8736	Pangloss	Doug Moler
9169	Genie II	William D. Hole

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Sweet Okole
Peppermint Patty
Ko Kru
Raggedy Ann III
.....
Bob Smith
Bruce B. Arnold
Dan Milligan
Mark D. Patty
Bill Hole

Fleet 372 enjoyed one of it's best years ever (don't we say that every year?). This year, as the other best years, we had high hopes of a regular ten boat starting line, and as in the past, we didn't. At least we managed to cure the probation placed on us by our Small Boat Racing Association...again!

Our local regatta schedule opened in early March at San Francisco Yacht Club and was the beginning of a closely contested Fleet Championship that would wind through the year at various San Francisco Bay yacht clubs, on lakes and on the Pacific Ocean.

The California Circuit left our fleet's contenders almost empty handed with Mark Patty leading our contingent of Bill Hole and Bruce Arnold to nowhere. But win or not, the Circuit in Southern California remains one of the highlights of our fleet calendar for a guaranteed great time.

Like every other fleet on the Pacific coast, the big story for us was the North American Championships coming west. So naturally the usually somewhat blasé District Championships really counted for something big. Never in California racing have the first eight places in the Districts had a total point spread of six points! Despair had struck our fleet. We had been hammered by the SoCal fleets; Mark Patty was highest at eighth. The trophy presentation was followed by pledging additional class memberships to increase our district quota. With some relief, Patty, Arnold, and Hole would all go to the North Americans.

After driving 500 miles south to the Districts, three days later six boats drove 400 miles north to the Pacific Coast Championships at Klamath Falls, Oregon. Vowing two years ago at the PCC that the Northwest District would be punished for taking away his fifth place trophy, Mark Patty dealt his entitled blow. Mark, young Kevin Arnold, and Ian Bower combined to bring the Pacific Coast Championship home to Fleet 372. The rest of our fleet did quite well as we strove again to establish ourselves as the west coast powerhouse after the blitzing we received at the Districts.

Finally, the North Americans. For Bruce Arnold and Mark Patty it was their first; for Bill Hole it had been a while, but he knew the ropes. Mark qualified in the Blue Fleet, Bill qualified in the Green Fleet and Bruce in the "Red" Fleet. Mark finished down, down in The Blue, Bill down, down in the Green, but Bruce did a fifth in the Governor's Cup. It was a great time, and the returning combatants could tell stories long and tall.

The Fleet Championship was decided at the last regatta of the year; what will be remembered as the "mini Fastnet," Inverness Yacht Club. It was breezy even by our standards at the start of the first race. But working out the long bay, sustained blasts approaching 40 began annihilating the fleet of Lasers, FJ, 420, 505, Int 14, Contenders and Fireballs. The 14's literally exploded, none of the other classes could even stay up. Bruce Arnold had only an outside chance to catch Patty in the standings but could not finish. Patty was the only Lightning of a total of five boats that did finish. No one was hurt as Inverness has superior crash boat assistance; but the equipment toll would only delight any rigger as half a rig was the uniform of the day. Bill Hole turtled, stuck his mast and shattered it (winning the spectacular capsize award for the year), his son, Billy, broke a rudder and Bob Smith broke a boom at the vang.

Doug Moler overloaded his mast the weekend before Inverness. So as we look forward to winter sailing, things seem bleak. But come February everyone will be back together and with new members, the Millers and Gipsmans, we will get a ten boat line and that will be the best year ever.

DOUGLAS LAKE LIGHTNING FLEET (374)

Michigan District

Sailing on Douglas Lake at Cheboygan County, Michigan

Fleet Captain Tom Orlow
Fleet Secretary Earl Peters
Fleet Champion Tom 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
12754	Shrub	David O. Peters
12755	Spirit	Garry Demarest & Jeffrey Prince
13015	Don Quixote II	Howard Eddy
13123	Mod-Mid	Richard J. & Earl J. Peters

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Deliverance
Bottoms Up

Tom L. Orlow
P. Thomas Jungjohann

Our lake is a beautiful 3,300 acre hideaway for most of our fleet members as they lead busier lives elsewhere. While relaxing racing has become an integral part of our summer, this year we hosted our second annual regatta and were very pleased with a larger, very competitive fleet of 17. We had good racing, good wind and are hopeful for more sun in '81. Our dinner at the camp was well attended and seemed successful. Concluding the four race series we presented framed Lightning silhouettes to skippers Hodgson, Peters, McKinley, Holman and Militzer with framed flashes for their crew. We are especially appreciative of our fleet members for their help.

Our season trophy—the OOPY trophy—which is named for its founders Osgood, Olsaver, Peters and Young was won by Tom Orlow with Howard Eddy as runner up. The Labor Day Series was swept by the Peters brothers—Dave and Rick.

Tom Orlow again won the Cheboygan to Bois Blanc Race. It showed again that a Lightning can successfully prove itself on a boat for boat basis against larger designs—including a C&C 35!

Hoping for a good but speedy winter. . .



Douglas Lake

SMITH MOUNTAIN LAKE FLEET (377)

Dixie District

Sailing on Smith Mountain Lake at Scruggs, Virginia

Fleet Captain & Secretary Henry Riviere

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

Hot summer days and a low lake level contributed to very light activity this year, although we did add one new boat to our fleet. The hot weather did let up, however, for our annual VISA Invitational Regatta on October 4th and 5th. The weather was cool, the winds were moderate (5-10 knots), and everyone had a ball. The steak supper-Saturday nightr was the best ever.

For the early birds, who are planning their schedule for 1981, the Invitational is always on the first weekend in October. See you there!

LANSING SAILING CLUB FLEET (387)

Michigan District

Sailing on Lake Lansing at Haslett, Michigan

Fleet Captain	Robert MacDonald
Fleet Secretary	Jeanette MacDonald
Fleet Champion	Robert Hill
Runner-Up	Robert MacDonald

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
405	Four-O-Five	Gene P. King
3618	Big Mac	Robert MacDonald
3765	.....	Michael J. Harvey
5885	Red Baroness	Raymond Yerkie
8288	.....	Michael J. Caterino
11488	Diligence	Robert Hill
12328	Greezed	William J. Celio
12888	Dudley Dorite II	D. Dennis Dudley

No report.

LAKE HARTWELL FLEET (391)

Southeastern District

Sailing on Lake Hartwell, Anderson, South Carolina

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

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10149	Round-Tuit	C. L. Dalton
10432	Sea Gull	James Marlow, Jr.
10807	Prurient Pirate	Ann B. & William R. Sloger, Jr.
13512	.....	William Sloger

Hosted Annual "Jib-N-Tonic" Regatta at Lake Hartwell, Anderson, S.C. Had 24 boats Sept. 20, 21, 1980.

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
Runner-Up	Karl Miller

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9763	Circa	Bille E. Williamson
9823	Hunky Dory	Robert A. Waid
10632	Jaws	Ronald Schaper
12179	Captain Crunch	David Wilhelm
12380	Flatus	Karl M. Miller
13176	Murphy's Law	Ronald Schaper

Fleet 393 continued its steady growth in 1980 with the addition of two Lightnings to the fleet, bringing the total to seven. Bob Grall purchased a late model Nichols & Holman early in the season and has been training daughters Pam and Chris (or have they been training him). Either way it looks like Bob's Lightning will give the old pro's a run for their money in 1981. The Sea Explorer Ship has also acquired a very fast Lightning and will be fielding a crew next season. A hearty welcome aboard to both boats. We're sure they'll enjoy the competition and fellowship of Lightning sailing.

Fleet 393 again sponsored its Icebreaker Regatta for the Mid-West District. Eight boats participated in the three race series with Rick Larson, perennial winner from Sheboygan, taking top honors, followed by Ron Schaper, second and Karl Miller, third. Thanks to the efforts of Frank Vanderstien, Committee Chairman, Frank Petran, Bob Grall, and crews of committee boats, the racing was excellent.

Fleet Races were held every Wednesday night and Saturday afternoons from Memorial Day to Labor Day with a special series on Labor Day. Fleet Champion for the 1980 season was Ron Schaper with a little help from his crew Tom Bennin and Bob Kiorowz.

Thanks to Bob Waid and crew Nick Benzinger and Casey Holmes, the entire fleet had oval spars this year and the racing was intense. We're all looking forward to spring and the 1981 season.

ST. MARYS LIGHTNING FLEET (400)**Ohio District****Sailing on Grand Lake St. Marys, St. Marys, Ohio**

Fleet Captain Addis Katterheinrich
 Fleet Secretary Dr. Robert Wilkins

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8441	Adam's Rib	Addis Katterheinrich
9393	Follow Me	John Tilton
9884	Sandbagger	Bob Kruger
11515	.....	Roger Henkener
11777	.....	Dr. Robert Wilkins
12620	.....	Philip M. Cornett

No report.

PARKWAY SAILING CLUB (406)**Lake Erie District****Sailing on the Niagara River at Fort Erie, Ontario, Canada**

Fleet Captain & Secretary Dieter Weinmann
 Fleet Champion Des Smith
 Runner-Up Don Glenn

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5148	Evenlode	Donald A. Boon
8033	Valium V	R. Filsinger
10125	.....	Graham Misner
10200	Birg-o-Don	D. Glenn
12300	Puffin	D. Smith

No report.

TRIAD LIGHTNING FLEET (415)**Southeastern District****Sailing on High Rock Lake at Lexington, North Carolina**

Fleet Captain Kenneth Lawder
 Fleet Secretary Henry M. Boone

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
736	Huntress	W. Craig Thayer
6848	Ikon	Warren Osborne
9931	Virginia Creeper	K. A. Lawder, Jr.
10168	Interlude	Jonathan I. Lange
10284	Saratoga Trunk	David D. Addison
10723	The Patricia Ann	Frank Mills
11027	Check-Mate	Sam Boone
12336	.....	William Pleasants
12704	Special K	Gordon P. Kellogg
12776	Donnybrook	Clayton "Corky" Gray
12281	.....	Sam Boone
13140	.....	Henry M. Boone

No report.

PENN MANOR LIGHTNING FLEET (422)**Central Atlantic District****Sailing on Van Sciver Lake at Tullytown, Pennsylvania**

Fleet Secretary George F. Dennis, Jr.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11124	Swampy Skunk-bucket	Dwight Hutchison
11182	Menace II	George Dennis, Jr.
.....	.....	Gary Swangler

No report.

YACHT CLUB PAYSANDU FLEET (423)**Uruguay District****Sailing on Rio Uruguay at Paysandu, Uruguay**

Fleet Captain C. Franschini
 Fleet Secretary Ricardo Molenelli

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8414	Timbo	Homero M. Came
8810	Taboba	Ricardo Molenelli
11376	Dirki	Homero R. Came

No report.

CLUB UNIVERSTORIO DE RAGATAS, LA PINTA (424)**Peru District****Sailing on Bay of Callao at Lima, Peru**

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9977	.....	Gerhard Jansen
10605	.....	Enrique Conterno
10997	Ratita	Luis A. Bryce
12515	Cantolao	Cesar Zanatti
12518	.....	Luis Loli
12519	.....	Jose Barrera-Moller
13316	.....	Enrique Conterno

No report.

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
12581	Tico-Tico	Osmo Tanskanen
12760	Heli	Reino Moller

No report.

GREATER CHARLESTON LIGHTNING FLEET (429)**Southeastern District****Sailing on Charleston Harbor at Charleston, South Carolina**

Fleet Captain George Scarborough
 Fleet Secretary Janet Scarborough
 Fleet Champion Lenny Krawcheck

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10355	School Bus	George Scarborough
10849	Blam	Fred Martschink
11004	Caroline	Frank Robson
11984	Bayamo	John Gervais & Michael P. Alfred
12603	Last Chance	John Deas
13145	.....	Harold L. Hintz
13258	Schmoo	Leonard Krawcheck
13403	"Am I Blue?"	Saul Krawcheck
.....	.....	Henry "Pete" Russell

This year Lightning Fleet 429 hosted the third Annual Ice Breaker Regatta and The Southeastern District Championship.

The Ice Breaker, held each year the weekend before the Deep South, was iced out this year. All sailors participating had a great time at the party Saturday evening. Maybe next year the weather will cooperate with Fleet 429.

The Districts were a success. All 22 boats enjoyed the excellent races. Tom Waters from Orangeburg was the champion.

Even though we had no fleet races, Lenny Krawcheck, who sailed in all Southeastern District Regattas, placed higher than any other fleet member

and should be considered our champion.

Fleet 429 will miss Les Hall, a former Lightning sailor. Les was an active sailor who drowned in Charleston during the Prince of Wales Regatta.

We hope 1981 will be even brighter and more active than 1980.

OCEAN CITY YACHT CLUB (430)

Central Atlantic District

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

Fleet Captain Chappy Hopkin
Fleet Secretary Sandra Hopkin

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7195	Sandpiper	William H. Lindsay, Jr.
12081	Hasta Luigo	Richard Claus
12165	Murray-go-Round	A. Peter Murray
12687	White Lightnin'	Dr. C. James Kavle
12868	Dancin Fools	J. Donald Gartland III & James Accardi
13158	Peaches goes Bananas	George Glenn III
13163	Shogun	Chappy Hopkin
13304	.....	Kevin G. Robinson, MD
13380	Eleanor's Kitchen	John J. Parker

Fleet 430 was honored to commence its season by hosting the Central Atlantic District Championship in early June. Jim Carson of Metedeconk River #34 was the overall winner of the shortened regatta. Sunday's races had to be cancelled due to overpowering wind conditions.

It was no surprise that John Parker became the Fleet Champion at Ocean City this summer. This was mainly due to his sailing the Sunday Series this spring at Red Bank, NJ. He also extended his success by winning the Gamma Series title this fall on the Delaware River. John's crew for the summer was Henry Backed, his wife Eleanor or his sister Carol. Jim Accardi, Don Gartland and Allison Weir finished a close second this year having won the Fleet Championship last summer. Third place went to Kavle, Emily Henderson and various third crews. Chappy Hopkin an experienced crew but first time skipper in the Lightning Fleet placed fourth. His crew was his wife Sandra and Brownie Baer.

Gidge Glenn teamed with his brother Jim and mother Peaches showed moments of brilliance while competing this summer. Kevin Robinson sailed with us whenever possible. We also welcomed a new member Pete Murray from the Red Dragon Yacht Club. Pete also showed signs of steady improvement during the course of the summer.

Fleet 430 also had three club regattas this summer, The Flag Officers', The America's Cup, and The Club Regatta. Jack Lefort won the America's Cup. Chappy Hopkin won the Club Regatta while Brownie Baer was victorious in the Flag Officers'.

Fleet 430 continues to grow and looks forward to another season of fun filled competitive sailing next year.

SOUTHAMPTON YACHT CLUB (431)

Long Island District

Sailing on Shinnecock Bay at Southampton, Long Island, New York

Fleet Secretary Garry Glanz

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6350	Uncle Mills	Wally Carucci
7124	North Wind	Kent Ryberg
10634	Coco II	Alex D. Irving
10865	Chinese Fire Drill	Ray & Tim Rumph
11071	Windy	Hugh Halsey II
12123	.....	Lawrence Savetsky, M.D.

No report.

RUSH CREEK YACHT CLUB (435)

Texas District

Sailing on Lake Ray Hubbard at Dallas, Texas

Fleet Captain Lance Drewes
Fleet Secretary/Treasurer Bruce Hanover

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3248	All Worm	Scott Young
3498	Aeolus	Robert V. Karnaugh
10211	Blue Angel	Sam Lett, Jr.
10318	.....	Sylvan Newman
12075	Xanado	John Skiles
10405	Grok	Bruce W. Hanover
10987	Blast Off	Harris Garrett
11028	.....	John K. Condon
11046	Androsdos	Vernon R. Goldberg
11118	Roadrunner	John Haynes
11138	New Blue	John Schneider
11311	Rockwall Success	Bob & Stewart Thomas
11340	.....	Martin F. Feybusch
11877	Water Log	Warren Lewis
11955	.....	Milo Johnson
11956	Shady Lady	Roger Wach
11957	.....	Mark Hallman
12289	.....	Rick Tears
12488	Coron	Calvert Garrett
12500	Persian Lustre	Bob Kner
12835	.....	Rick Tears
13177	Desperado	John Schneider
13212	.....	Dave Irwin
13220	Trolley Dodger	Murray Benenson
13221	Rasputin	John McGown
13223	.....	Harold Ploch
13228	Too Bad	Lance Drewes
13229	.....	Greg Hatfield
13311	.....	Robert & Stewart Thomas
13329	.....	Warren Lewis
13341	Sirius	Richard Guinan
13347	.....	George Hatfield
13350	Yankee Flyer II	Paul D. Emens
13365	.....	Sylvan Newman
13537	.....	Jim & Stephen Craig
.....	.....	Peter Hunter
.....	.....	Glenn Darden
.....	.....	Ira Johnson
.....	.....	Duncan Porter
.....	.....	Harmon Cohen

No report.

PALMETTO LIGHTNING FLEET (440)

Southeastern District

Sailing on Lake Murray at Columbia, South Carolina

Fleet Captain Sonny Gresham
Fleet Secretary Paul F. Rodesiler
Fleet Champion Wayne Catoe
Runner-Up Paul Rodesiler

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9402	.....	Tom Wilson
9740	.....	William T. Malin
11412	Somethin' Else	Wilburn Brewer
11881	Nostalgia	Bondy Long
11905	Wooly Booger	S. C. Gresham
12401	Seetenfel III	Paul F. Rodesiler
12705	Windance	William George
12712	.....	William T. Malin
12742	Gail Wind	William Marshall
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

No report.

LAKE ARTHUR FLEET (441)

Lake Erie District

Sailing on Lake Arthur at New Castle, Pennsylvania

Fleet Captain David Knapp

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4582	Galadriel	Steve Murphey
10081	C'Est La Vie	David R. Weill, III
10241	Red Baron	J. Richard Porter
10339	Landler	David V. Knapp
12282	Honky	Marshall Sansbury

No report.

SAN PABLO FLEET (447) Ecuador District

Sailing on Lago San Pablo at Quito, Ecuador

Fleet Captain Dieter Dyck
Fleet Secretary Dr. Rodrigo Perez

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
12221	Impossible	Dr. Jose M. Perez
12338	Virginian	Dr. Jose M. Perez
12557	Elsie	Ernesto Martinez
13442	Guambrita	Carlos Ramsurer
13443	Naranja Mecanica	Arq. Rafael Leon Barba

No report.



*European Championship
SUMMER TIME!!!
White Cloud: is sunshine your adversary?*

MARSALA LIGHTNING FLEET (449) Italian District

Fleet Captain Gianni Pellegrino
Fleet Secretary Roberto Crucitti
Fleet Champion Pietro Marino
Runner-Up Roberto Crucitti

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11325	Joker	Pietro Zerilli
12061	Zaza	Gaspar Giacalone
12087	Milouin	Pietro Marino
12193	Joshua	Giuseppe Abbate

12537	Luktor	Gambina Raniere
12556	Seagull	Vito Genna
13035	Scirocco	Tino Pernice
13036	Lian II	Antonio DeVita & Gianni Pellegrino
13263	.....	Andrea Aloia & Gaspar Giacalone
13266	Wonderer	Riti Francesco
13402	Rainbow	Filippo Sata
13414	White Cloud	Roberto Crucitti & Sergio Messina
13455	Wind III	Gianni Pellegrino
13557	.....	Pietro Zerilli

The 1980 sailing season was a very eventful one for Fleet 449. Five crews went in Anzio for the Italian Championship and Roberto Crucitti finished third and Gianni Pellegrino fifth.

White Cloud, the new Marvellous wood boat, with crew Crucitti, Messina, Arcuri was second in the 28^o European Championship in Neuchatel and won the silver targett of the Princess Ira Furstenberg in the Capo Boco's Cup Regatta.

Piero Marino and his crew Filippo Sata and Enzo Linares won the Fleet Championship.

The 3rd Winter European Championship was won by Schmid who came to Sicily with seven Swiss crew. The wind was very strong and only two races took place.

Sergio Messina, Benedetto Allotta and Maurizio Timineri, went to Bufalo for the World Youth Championship; they were lucky and finished eighth. Now all the people are working to prepare for the next European Championship that will take place in Marsala on the third week of July; we are waiting for you to sail on the blue wave of the Mediterranean Sea...and drink the lovely Marsala wine.

ANDROSCOGGIN LIGHTNING FLEET (450) New England District Sailing on Lake Androscoggin at Wayne, Maine

Fleet Captain Bob Foster
Fleet Secretary Clinton P. Carhart

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7896	Mirage	Bob Foster
9980	Countess II	Peter J. Leadley, M.D.
10830	White Lightning	Charles M. Jackson
12194	Phoebe	George Place
.....	.....	Clinton Carhart

No report.

FLOTTA DEL TRASIMENO (453) Italian District Sailing on Trasimeno Lake, Italy

Fleet Captain Paolo Rosi
Fleet Secretary Fabio Nicciarelli

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8621	Lilian	Paolo Nebbiai
12297	Gargantua	Franco De Regis
13037	.....	Fernando Saulini
13061	Lola	Mauro Salvetti
13062	Winny 2	Paolo Rosi
13271	.....	Sauro Sarpocchi
13462	.....	Fabio Nicciarelli

For the Fleet 453, 1980 has been a not very interesting year, in fact we had three important regattas only: those of spring, September and the Moratti Trophy. In the spring's regatta (10-11 of May) many boats and crews have taken part from the whole of Italy: the races have been three of which, one with light wind, two with strong wind. Pellegrini won, with De Regis second and Viviani third. The National Regatta of September (20-21 Sept.) has failed unhappily owing to the time: for absence of wind it hasn't been possible to race, with great disappointment of the present crews.

The Moratti Trophy, Championship of the Fleet 453, was won for the third consecutive time by De Regis, Rustichelli and Rossi with 12297 *Gargantua*. At Passignano on the Trasimeno Lake (20 September) The Italian District Meeting of the Lightning Class has been very important, here the formalities of the races of selection for the World Championship of 1983 have been chosen. The fleet 453 wishes a good wind for 1981.



The Runner-Up Sauro Scarpocchi in 13271.

KLAMATH LIGHTNING FLEET (455) Pacific Northwest District Sailing on Klamath Lake at Klamath Falls, Oregon

Fleet Captain Richard Wickline
Fleet Secretary Virginia White
Fleet Champion Kenneth White
Runner-Up Bill Sisemore

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10285	Jacaranda	Richard Wickline
11151	Saxy	Kenneth White
11297	Minimum Bid	William M. Ganong
11428	Late Charge	Thomas E. Burns
11879	.....	Greg Lawson
12093	Hutser's Hornet	Suzanne Gaye
13029	This Side Up	Bill Sisemore
13106	.....	Dick Marlatt

No report.

TUUSULANJARVI LIGHTNING FLEET (456) Finland District Sailing on Lake Tuusulanjarvi, Finland

Fleet Captain Pentti Laitinen
Fleet Secretary Sirkka-Liisa Laitinen
Fleet Champion Heikki Kirjavainen
Runner-Up Pentti Laitinen

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7178	Orkari	Lauri Kitinoja & Martti Kirjavainen
9164	Evelina	Veikko Rautalahti
9438	Kulkuri	Kalevi Siiskonen
10668	Lady Bird	Pekka Hongisto & Tuomo Kauhanen
11527	Papillon	Heikki Leikoski
12434	Sunday Sailor	Leo Manninen
12435	Punkku	Antti Aromaa & Heikki Kirjavainen
12748	Hani	Juhani Haila
12750	Obelix	Ilkka Saari

12757	Blue Lady	Pentti Laitinen
12761	VIP	Vesa Tapola
12907	Lizi	Leo Korhonen
12909	Asterix	Hartti Nisonen
13098	Vipunen	Lauri Hamalainen
13413	Amarillo	Pertti Pyy
13436	Pii	Tuomo Kauhanen
		Pekka Hongisto & Kari Moisio
		Jarmo Maenpaa

The 1980 season has been full of action in our Fleet. In the wintertime we had monthly meetings, in which everybody was busy learning the theory of sailing, discussing sailing experiences and planning the next season and regattas.

We got two more boats to our Fleet in the beginning of the sailing season in May. In the very first regatta, "On The Rocks," sailed Tuomo Kauhanen and his crew with a brand new boat, which got her name, *Pii*, ceremoniously before the first race.

The first official Junior District Championship was held in June on our Lake. And we are looking forward to seeing the same five teams and many more at the Junior Championship Regatta 1981 at the Tuusulanjarvi Lake.

Asterix-Hartti Nisonen skipper and crew Heikki Kirjavainen and Antero Nummela travelled almost 4000 km to participate in the European Championship in Neuchatel, Switzerland.

We sent 11 boats and 11 junior crew members to the Finland District Championship Regatta, which was held in Valkeakoski. One boat, *Punkku*, was crewed completely by juniors: Saku Vento, Pekka Hamalainen and Panu Greis. Their final position was 14th, which was well done among 41 boats.

As a whole, our Fleet succeeded very well in the Districts. V.P. Pertti Pyy finished second after losing the Championship in the last race, just to mention one.

Several boats have taken part in the regattas around Finland and one of our crew members, Miss Leena Laitinen travelled to Buffalo to crew the Finnish team in the World Youth Championship.

During the next winter we will meet on the first Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. to learn the mysteries of sailing. All sailors are welcome to join us at Krapinhovi mansion.



"On the Rocks"—The Opening Regatta of the season Finland District held on Tuusulanjarvi Lake just after the ice-break.

Photo Credit: Pentti Laitinen

UNION LAKE YACHT CLUB LIGHTNING FLEET (458) Michigan District Sailing on Union Lake at Union Lake, Michigan

Fleet Commodore Fred Paski
Fleet Secretary Dick Cross

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2884	For Sail	Don Farmer
10387	.....	Henry Hodgson, Jr.
10388	The Red Baron	Ray Aird
11090	Turtle IV	Henry Hodgson, Jr.
11216	.....	Dale Mahrle
12645	Luff Affair	Ron Sievertson
12891	Rainbow Sunday	Ralph Waibel
12927	.....	Erwin Schwarze
12928	Limelighter	Fred Paski
13397	Brian's Song III	Brian Hussey

No report.

WATEREE LIGHTNING FLEET (459)

Southeastern District

Sailing on Wateree Lake at Camden, South Carolina

Fleet Captain Hal Storey
Fleet Secretary Robert Rowan

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10516	Lucky Strike	Harold J. Storey
11553	Nan-Sea	Samuel J. Check

No report.

NORTH FLORIDA LIGHTNING FLEET (461)

Florida District

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

Fleet Captain Bert Lacey
Fleet Secretary Fisk Hayden
Fleet Champion Fisk Hayden
Runner-Up Tully Patrowitz

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4226	.....	Pen Smith
8746	Aurora	David Backus, Jr.
12274	Beach Comber	Greg Wallace
12293	Renaissance	Clifford Spohr
12555	Shazam	Fisk Hayden
13010	Bananas	Bert Lacey
13425	White Lightning	Cecil Haas
.....	.....	Dr. Tully Patrowicz

Growth and enthusiasm have been our theme for 1980. The Fleet, which alternately sails on the St. John's River and Lake Eustis now has 14 members, a 100% growth. Our members live throughout northeastern Florida from Jacksonville to Orlando. The distance has not proven to be an obstacle to our enthusiastic sailors.

This year, in addition to our series races, our Fleet has participated in numerous local regattas including the famous Mug Race, Dixie Regatta, Mt. Dora and The Mayor's Cup.

Our Fleet Championship was held in Eustis, Florida again this year. The winds were very light the first day and moderately heavy the second day, a true test of all sailing skills. Our new Fleet Champion is Fisk Hayden, a new arrival to our area, and a welcome addition to our fleet. The Runner-up was Tully Patrowitz in a borrowed boat, with borrowed sails and shanghaied crew—unbelievable!

During the coming year we foresee even more growth. We will continue our series races. Our schedule also includes active participation in seven large N. E. Florida regattas as well as a Florida series of races with other fleets in the state and the Southern Circuit. Lightning sailors moving from the cold north are welcome to join our warm year-round sailing in N. E. Florida.

GUARAPIRANGA LAKE LIGHTNING FLEET (462)

Brazilian District

Sailing on Lake Guarapiranga, Sao Paulo, Brazil

Fleet Captain Albert G. Lunnerdal
Fleet Secretary Thomas Sumner

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6558	GTX	Jens Ruschmann & Jan W. Aten
8575	Turuna	Gehard Wiegandt
9284	Malandro II	Francisco Del Re Netto
11693	Easy Rider	Thomas & Brian Sumner
11713	Xamego	Nelson Schmitt
12407	.....	Francisco Del Re Netto
12812	Flash Rider	Michael A. Norris & Allen Anderson

No report.

LAKE WACCAMAW LIGHTNING FLEET (463)

Southeastern District

Sailing at Lake Waccamaw, North Carolina

Fleet Captain Charles B. Andrews
Fleet Secretary Vivian Hollinshed
Fleet Champion Charles B. Andrews
Runner-Up Robert G. Ames

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5564	Spiritus	Steve Small
11898	The Marty-Tee	Vivian E. Hollinshed
12936	Lulu	Charles B. Andrews
13451	.....	Robert G. Ames

Overall it has been a quiet season. Winds for the most part were favorable and made the fleet races very close, all season, with the results as noted: Fleet Champion—Charles B. Andrews; Runner-up—Robert G. Ames. A spectacular capsized caused by a loose guy brought mixed emotions. The recovery and sail out were so efficient that no one, except those involved, even knew that anything had happened.

The highlight of the year has to be the Lightning Districts held in early September. We had 19 boats on the line. A beautiful sight. Results have been published in the Flashes.

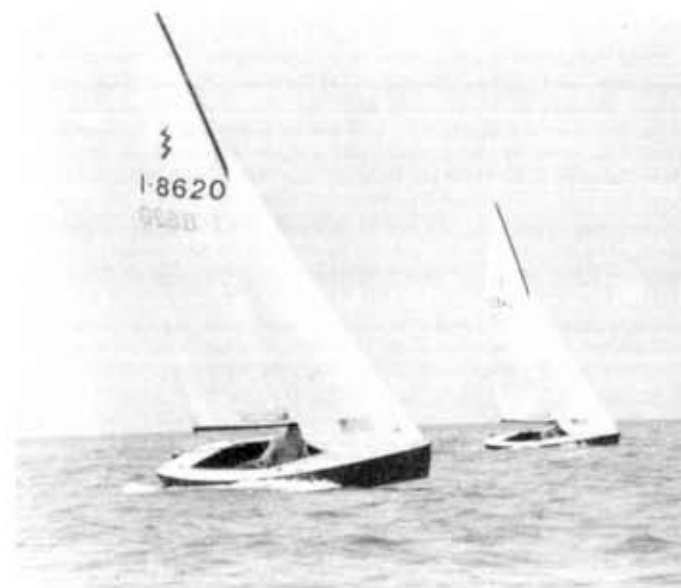
I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all the Ladies of our Fleet for their invaluable help. We could not have a successful regatta without them.

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 Brund Roccheggiani



A contest between two of the most competitive boats of the Fleet: Finalmente and Bibir.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8620	Finalmente	Alberto Vivani
12247	.....	Antonio Tessadori
12427	Julia III	Alberto Vivani, Elvio Moroni & Antonio Tessadori
13038	.....	Andriano Pelonara
13241	Piccola Istria	Giulio Viezzoli
13261	.....	Francesco Poeti & Giulio Viezzoli
13346	.....	Bruno Roccheggiani
13371	.....	Umberto Nicolini

This year our Fleet has worked hard, not only for its growth, but also for the growth of Lightning class in Italy. In fact, we have at present only four good boats, nevertheless two of these have participated in all the competition in the national Lightning calendar and they have obtained good results.

In June we organized the Second Adriatic Sea Championship which had good success because they victory was subordinated to the participation in two series of regattas: the first at Lido del Savio with Fleet 476; the second at Falconara with Fleet 466.

The boats that have participated in all the regattas were, in final position:

		Fleet	Points
1st - 8620	Vivani, Armeni, Moroni	466	5, 7
2nd - 13345	Tremante, Tezza, Benetti	249	8, 7
3rd - 13346	Roccheggiani, Bozzi, Brugia	466	11, 7
4th - 12297	De Regis, Ceccarelli, Cama	453	27, 7
5th - 13271	Scarpocchi, Scarpocchi, Barbacci	453	28
6th - 13241	Viezzoli, Viezzoli, Gara	466	34, 7
7th - 13361	Camporesi, Ravaioli, Mantellini	476	48
8th - 13343	Ravaioli, Ronconi, Mantellini	476	48

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
8619	Cecilia	Ausonio Zubiana
8702	Lolita	Luigi Guicciardi
9450	Larus	Claudio Motti
9676	Mazzagallo	Ambrogio Dell'Era
12059	Areknames	Guido Mari
12904	Moiana 2d	Luca Grisotti
13348	Lady White	
	Tina	Luigi Pellegrini

Luigi Pellegrini was our inspiration as fleet leader at home and abroad in some important events of the season. At the Winter European Championship in Marsala he started fairly badly because of sea-sickness which the crew, that is to say his children, suffered from. He won in Springtime on Lake Trasimeno. He triumphed again grandly in Gravedona, where our fleet made a hit at the De Marzi International Trophy with Pellegrini first in both the races, Motti, fourth and Grisotti, fifth. This regatta was sailed on dry and shining days, the 5th and 6th of September, by 14 Swiss and Italian boats. The Italian District got the silver cup thanks to our skippers. Saturday's first race featured a strong southern breeze over 19-20 knots so that the leeward mark began to shift. The shifting was fairly slow and none of the skippers noticed it during the last weather leg, nor did Committee before the start of the second leg. The boats were rounding the windmark when all the marks were nearly set in a row. The Committee realized too late to enforce I.Y.R.U. rule 9.1 (a) and nevertheless didn't cancel the race. Grisotti and Roccheggiani protested against the Committee, and this race was canceled at the hearing. In any case Pellegrini had finished second in that race. He was the ruler of the whole regatta. The banquet was served up in the night at Crotte Eden beside Live River, by the landlord, an excellent cook and painter. On Sunday only one race was sailed in wonderful conditions of weather and wind. Pellegrini won again followed by Weilenmann. This chap had been taking the silver medal since 1977, that is to say since the trophy institution. We wish him success for next year.

During the season Motti won again the Fleet Championship and was fifth at De Lorenzo Trophy in Venice, third at Crociera Alto Lario, second at A.V.A.L. Championship, in spite of the heavy handicap laid to the

Lightning class after the amazing victory of Grisotti last year.

In the annual meeting of Italian District it was decided that in 1982 the Italian Championship will be sailed in Gravedona. We make appointment with all Lightning sailors for the dress rehearsal next September.



Grisotti and crew, beginning the fight at the De Marzi Trophy.

VALKEAKOSKI LIGHTNING FLEET (468)

Finland District

Sailing on Lakes Mallasvesi and Vanajavesi, Valkeakoski, Finland

Fleet Captain	Aimo Jokiniemi
Fleet Secretary	Pertti Jalonen

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
12481	Sea Horse II	Pertti Jalonen
12482	Immu	Ismo Kuusisto
12992	Janita	Aimo Jokiniemi
.....	.....	Anssi Tuomi

The major occasion in the Valkeakoski Sailing Club program this year was the Finnish Lightning Championship in early August, authorized in December 1979. The organization of this started from the Commodore, Ismo Kuusisto, and involved a ladder of delegation through Juhani Saares as Race Supervisor and other members as course setters. The installation of pontoon moorings during the late winter made it possible to moor craft during the Championship rather than beach them.

Pertti Jalonen supervised the weighing-in of the 42 competitors, assisted by Veikko Ylarakkola, and the races took place on the open and clean waters above Valkeakoski—thirst quenchable direct from the surface!

Valkeakoski was represented by three Lightnings, 12481, *Sea Horse II* skippered by Pertti Jalonen, 12482, *Immu*, by Anssi Tuomi, and 12992, *Janita*, by Aimo Jokiniemi. The team races were won by SPS, skippers Antti Ruuskanen and Leif Haglund, with Valkeakoski's Pertti Jalonen and Anssi Tuomi in 13th place. They were run in feeble winds and pouring rain, compensated for by the evening's meeting and party.

The Finnish Lightning Championship was won by Oulu Sailing Club's Laase Hammar in his new boat (12 points). Pertti Pyy from Tuusula came second (14 points) and Kari Maenpaa of HSK, with 19 points, was third. Valkeakoski's own representatives were 24th (Aimo Jokiniemi in *Janita*, 12992), 33rd (Pertti Jalonen in *Sea Horse II*, 12481) and 36th (Anssi Tuomi in *Immu*, 12482).

During the summer five races for the Club Championship were run on Lake Mallasvesi. The Championship was won by Aimo Jokiniemi in *Janita*. On 5th and 6th July during the Mallasvesi Festival six Lightnings competed, victory going to Pertti Pyy in *Amarillo*, 13413; this race was also run in the weak winds which were typical of this summer.

One boat from Valkeakoski, Aimo Jokiniemi's *Janita* crewed by Tuula Jokiniemi and Hannele Tayranen, took part in the Pajanne race, the longest inland race in Europe, and came in 6th. The lake is some 75 miles away and took 18 hours to reach.

Next year in association with the Mallasvesi Festival, Valkeakoski will

apply for ranking races for the Lightning. Other Lightning events forthcoming will include the Vehoniemi event and the Toijala Race, so all Lightning sailors are welcome to visit Valkeakoski in summer 1981 and add more colour to Lake Mallasvesi.



Pertti Jalonen and Sea Horse II, 12481, in the Finland District Championship.

Photo Credit: Kalevi Visala

JAMSA LIGHTNING FLEET (469) Finland District Sailing at Paijanne

Fleet Captain Jukka Lainkari
Fleet Secretary Harri Ritala

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7983	Nina	Tapani Lahtinen
10056	Minnehaha	Seppo Raiskila
11360	Pussycat	Hannu Hurskainen
12257	Aku Samuli	Harri Ritala
12908	Lola	Antti Ilves
13096	Mimosa	Jukka Lainkari

The sailing season started in the middle of May. The main happenings of the fleet were Paijanne Regatta and Finnish championship race. Also some of the members participated in the ranking race.

In the end of May *Aku-Samuli* and *Mimosa* took part in the Kotka Spring Regatta. *Aku-Samuli*, *Lola* and *Mimosa* participated in the Great Sailing Regatta of Tampere in June.

The Paijanne Regatta was held in June, which is the biggest regatta in Europe on the inland waters. It is 60 nautical miles long and there were over 200 boats participating. From Jamsa Fleet the participants were *Nina*, *Minnehaha*, *Aku-Samuli*, *Lola* and *Mimosa*. *Mimosa* was the second and *Aku-Samuli* the third in Lightning class.

Aku-Samuli and *Lola* raced in Finnish championship race in Valkeakoski and *Aku-Samuli* in Jyväskylä in Autumn Regatta.

During the summer we sailed many training races and had pleasure sails all round on the lake Paijanne.

The boats were put away for winter in September to await the next sailing season.

CASCO BAY LIGHTNING FLEET (471) New England District Sailing on Casco Bay at Portland, Maine

Fleet Secretary Dave White

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1644	.....	Granville Dyer
10196	.....	Dave White
11886	.....	Jack Burwell
12233	Cormorant	George Huetti

No report.

ESCUELA NAVAL MILITAR ARGENTINA (474) Argentina District Sailing on Rio Santiago at La Plata, Argentina

Fleet Captain Lcdr. Luis A. Garcia
Bourimborde
Fleet Secretary Lt. Jorge E. Souto

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
13292	Escuela Naval Militar
13294	Argentina
13295	"
13296	"
13297	"

No report.

THE CLARK LAKE SAIL CLUB (475) Michigan District Sailing on Clark Lake, Jackson, Michigan

Fleet Secretary James E. Spurr
Fleet Champion Jim Spurr
Runner-Up Bob Cooper

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2945	.....	Theodore Townsend
6228	Sundance	James E. Spurr
12723	Librium	Theodore Townsend
.....	.....	Timothy S. Karasek

While bad weather and drifter conditions frustrated our attempts to conduct more races, Fleet 475, in its first season, managed to get off seven races, in winds varying from 2 to 20.

The major goal of the fleet was simple to meet and sail with other Lightning sailors on the lake, in the hopes of putting together something a little more organized next season. The 1981 season does look more promising. Tim Karasek has sold 5858 to Mike Mitchell, one of his crew members, and purchased a newer boat. Bob Cooper will be sailing a newer boat next season as well. So the fleet appears to be growing slowly, both in members and in newer boats and equipment.

Our members were represented in other Michigan District races. Jim Spurr sailed 6228 at Gull Lake, Traverse City, and Devils Lake, while Tim Karasek sailed at Traverse City and at Devils Lake as well. Spurr, Karasek, and Cooper also sailed the Clark Lake Invitational, where Lightning participation nearly doubled over 1979.

While spring is a long way off, plans have already begun for organizing something a little more regular for next summer, and as it looks now, it will be tougher for *Sundance* to repeat this season's performance.



6228 driving hard on the wind!!

FLOTTA DEL SAVIO (476)
Italian District
Sailing on the Adriatic Sea
at Ravenna, Italy

Fleet Captain Luciano Ronconi
 Fleet Secretary Sergio Camporesi
 Fleet Champion Carlo Boschi

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6728	.....	Giorgio Prosperini
9941	Marinella	Pellegrino Montanari
9943	Ghibli	Carlo Alberto Paesani
11992	Samba	Stefano Gramellini
13343	Piallassa	Luciano Ronconi
13361	Lili Marleen	Sergio Camporesi
13401	Tika	Carlo Boschi

Our fleet began its activity in June by organizing its first regatta. Only six participants, but we did appreciate the visit of new friends coming from Garda Lake, Fleet 249, from Trasimeno Lake Fleet 453 and from Ancona Fleet 466. The winner was Bruno Roccheggiani in 13346, *Bibir*, and the Runner-up was Salvatore Tremante in 13345, *Trepepe 2nd*.

Boat 13401, *Tika* took part in the Italian Championships at Anzio on Tirrenian Sea.



The oldest Lightning of the young Fleet

OLD PORT YACHT CLUB LIGHTNING FLEET (477)
Florida District
Sailing at Palm Beach,
North Palm Beach, Florida

Fleet Captain Louis J. Daniello
 Fleet Secretary William Silberberg

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
12837	.....	Old Port Yacht Club
12897	.....	Old Port Yacht Club
13218	Turkey	Dr. John Swenson

No report.

CEDAR LIGHTNING FLEET (478)
Florida District
Sailing on the Caloosahatchee River
Fort Myers, Florida

Fleet Captain Ralph Suhm, Jr.
 Fleet Secretary Michael D. Rodak

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2896	Lil' Witch	Richard Purdy
7010	Wind Seeker	Michael D. Rodak
7737	Stomper	James R. Suhm
8822	Mysti Blue	Ralph C. Suhm, Jr.
12606	.....	Art Ries
12779	Viva	Raymond A. Howe

No report.

FLOTTE DEL BRACCIANO (479)
Italian District
Sailing on Bracciano Lake
at Rome, Italy

Fleet Captain Renato Armati
 Fleet Secretary Gianni Battisti
 Fleet Champion Gianni Battisti

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5418	.....	Renato Armati
5419	.....	Giovanni Grimaldi
8764	Cicciolima	Gianni Battisti
9803	Quasar	Cesare Poggi

To celebrate the foundation of the Fleet and introduce the Lightning to Bracciano Lake Sailors, the Lightning Fleet included itself in 1980 Golden Ribbon Competition; a classic sailing regatta of this lake, to which no less than 150 boats participated last October.

Among Lightnings coming from different fleets, the winning crew were: Pellegrini, Pellegrini, Pellegrini, Fleet 467; then followed: De Regis, Col-tella, De Regis, Fleet 453; Battisti, Giardina, Sassetti, Fleet 479; Rosi, De Giorgi, Pellegrini, Fleet 453; Scarpocchi, Scarpocchi, Rossi, Fleet 453.

In consideration of the increasing interest caused by the Lightning Class of Bracciano Lake Area (which numbers a good 10,000 sailors in population) we rely on Class changes to increase the number of new boats of our rising Fleet, and let's hope 1981 be the year of number and quality rise.

FLOTTE DEL DELFINO (480)
Italian District
Sailing at Palermo, Sicily, Italy

Fleet Captain Giuseppe Grassi
 Fleet Secretary Renato Arcuri

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
12831	.....	Giuseppe Grassi
12905	.....	Rodolfo Loffredo
13349	Oh Hell!	Renato Arcuri

No report.

WAKE LIGHTNING FLEET (481)
Southeastern District
Sailing on Lake Kerr at
Raleigh, North Carolina

Fleet Captain Tom K. Hudgens
 Fleet Secretary/Treasurer Michael S. Rees
 Fleet Champion Tom Hudgens
 Runner-Up Rick Ferguson

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
451	Close Enough	John Pelosi
644	Mahogany Mistress	Donald Bland
6622	.....	Grimsley T. Hobbs
10630	.....	Bob Forsman
11370	.....	Michael S. Rees
11690	.....	Tom K. Hudgens
11738	Tobasco	Rick Ferguson & Bill Hopkins
11770	.....	Robert Voyksner
12139	Winsome	David O. Danielson

This was a year of recruiting for newly formed Fleet 481 and our successes were beyond our expectations. We started out in the early spring with two boats in the Raleigh area, and are now finishing up the season with ten boats. Most of the boats in the fleet have been newly acquired this year, with skippers new to the Lightning Class.

Grimsley Hobbs has been working all season on refinishing his wooden boat, just in time for our cool November weather. Donald Bland has been having a mysterious new finish applied to his *Mahogany Mistress*, guaranteed to free its skipper of maintenance headaches for at least ten years. John Pelosi's undaunted enthusiasm for racing was evident when he showed up for regattas with trusty #451, twenty year old sails, and makeshift spinnaker rigging. Bob Forsman and his wife, Jennifer have perhaps been the busiest of the wooden boat owners, totally dismantling and rebuilding their boat. We fully expect them to have this boat in mint condition and ready to race first thing next spring. *Tabasco* was a welcome addition to the fleet and we're delighted it's been blessed with the enthusiasm and racing experience of Rick Ferguson.

Several of our boats represented the fleet at nearby regattas. The annual Governor's Cup Invitational Regatta took place in June on Kerr Lake. The air was very light and Tom Hudgens showed the other Lightnings the way to the finish line. Some of us also attended the Oriental Sailing Social in July where five Lightnings from the boy's sailing Camp Seagull helped stiffen up the competition. Michael Rees learned how easy it is to capsize a boat during the second race. But it was worth it with his father crewing for him for the first time.

We also attended the Waccamaw Lightning Regatta in September. Some of the best sailors in the district attend this regatta. Tom Hudgens won the third race and came away with a fourth place overall. The Waccamaw Indian Summer Regatta was more hospitable in terms of good wind, but Grant Wolslagel had major problems after getting his mast stuck into the shallow mud during the first race.

Our fall social event at the end of October was initially hampered by rain and high winds, but the weather did become more cooperative, resulting in some of the best sailing we've experienced in a Lightning. Many thanks to Tom Omohundro for his fine job as social chairman.

We have an active winter planned with fleet activities to include boat repairing and informal lectures on various aspects of sailing. We'll also be teaching Dave Danielson something about priorities.

We expect to have ten active boats to begin the spring season with next year, and hope to have another successful year in 1981, recruiting new boats and skippers to the fleet.



Fleet 481 - Close competition at Kerr Lake (Hudgens, Rees, Ferguson).

CLUB DE YATES PUCON (482)
Chile District
Sailing at Pucón, Chile

Fleet Secretary Cosme Cordova

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
12673	Jorge Guridi
11023	Raul Noguera
11025	Franco Giangrandi, Sr.
11021	Ramiro Herrera
12652	Cristian Lopez

No report.



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