

NIANTIC BAY YACHT CLUB (85)
Connecticut-Rhode Island District
Sailing on Niantic Bay, Long Island Sound at
Niantic, Connecticut

Fleet Captain Nelson Hoffman
 Fleet Secretary Donna Barrett
 Fleet Secretary John Vann
 Runner-Up George Mitchell & Rit Manthous

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
168	Tanqueray	Cindy Lee
1166	Windwalker II	Hugh Teel, Jr.
7170	Baby Makes 3	Martin J. O'Meara, Jr.
7912	Blood, Sweat & Tears	Jack R. Sauer
8690	Fore Sail	Barry C. Plum
9093	Heete	W. Harmon Leete
10003	Bumble	Thomas V. Moriarty II
10066	.....	James Fennema
10801	Woody	David M. Peterson
10901	Puff	George P. Mitchell
		Aristedes K. Manthous
11100	.....	Charles Zarembo
11487	.....	Clifford J. Ashton
11603	Mar-Bar	John P. Vann
11688	.....	Franz R. Edson
11784	Ugly Fuzzy	Barry Buchler
12005	.....	Gary J. O'Brien
12069	Aplomb	Donald R. Barrett
12185	Largo Too	Bryce E. Tate
12621	Vanguard	Christopher J. Vann
12776	.....	Jack Sauer
12789	.....	Gary Davis
13456	Mellow	John Bauer
13540	.....	Barry Plum
13636	Puff-Puff-Puff	Nelson Hoffman
13708	.....	Bill Shore
		Bonnie Shore

No Report

VANCOUVER FLEET (90)
Pacific Northwest District
Sailing on English Bay, Vancouver, B.C., Canada

Fleet Captain Peter Idema
 Fleet Champion Matthew Henley

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7606	Panique	Dr. Clifford Harris
9268	Pirkko	Dick Pearce
11645	Rocket	Matthew Henley
12878	Waibalong	Cornelis G. Zandbergen
13685	.....	George McLaughlin

Fleet 90's 1982 racing season was very quiet, what with work, home renovations, car breakdowns, crewing problems and such like interfering with turnouts (yeah, I know, excuses, excuses). But seriously, things should be better this year, as we will be hosting both the District Championships and team races.

The cruising fleet, however, has grown quite a bit this year, and it is hoped we can organize an overnight cruise, or even tempt a few out on the race course.

Our big event this season was the Kitsiland Invitational, which saw an excellent fleet out to enjoy two days of decent weather and light to moderate winds. Other than some confusion over throw-outs and the sinking of the Race Committee boat, all went quite well.

AWOSTING YACHT SQUADRON (95)
Metropolitan District
Sailing on Greenwood Lake at
Awosting, Hewitt, New Jersey

Fleet Captain Nick Santoro
 Fleet Secretary Jeanette Santoro
 Fleet Champion Nick Santoro
 Runner-Up Bob Sengstacken

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9059	.....	Nancy Olsen
10048	Light Ball	Nicholas Santoro
10131	Ali-Oop	Allan Began
10218	.....	Ron Wulff
10735	.....	Herbert Dickert
12013	Dilly Dilly	Walt Johnson
12045	No Turkeys	Royal Sengstacken
.....	Murphy's Law	Daniel J. Murphy

Lightning Fleet 95 began the 1982 season saddened by the passing of our good friend and reigning champion, Ole Olson. Ole was the personification of the kind of friendly competition that makes sailboat racing a sport which is as enjoyable as it is challenging. This special person added a dimension to our fleet that will not soon be forgotten.

Our racing schedule began on June 12th with the Secretary Series for which only four of the six races were completed due to lack of wind. We were happy to see the green boat on the race course being skippered by Nancy Olson, who scored a respectable second for the series. Bob Sengstacken missed this series to travel to the Hudson River to compete in the Magnus Pederson Regatta at the Nyack Boat Club, where he put together two firsts and a second to win the thirteen boat event by a comfortable margin.

We were able to complete five of the six scheduled races of the Rear Commodore Series, which was won by the Santoro's, with Herb Dickert in second place. During the final race of this series, we saw Ron Wulff lead the fleet all the way to the finish, only to mistake the Rebel turning mark for the pin end of the finish line. Ron watched from his reddened boat as someone else got his cannon. He was not the only one to be confused by the presence of this extra mark so close to the finish line.

The Vice Commodore Series was won by Bob Sengstacken with an unbeatable four aces, and Ron Wulff & Co. earned second place honors.

In the free for all Specialty Race which was sailed in light air, there was a common start for all classes—it was a Lightning that crossed the finish line first over all of the Hobies, Rebels, and Sunfish on the course.

The Commodore Series was closely contested right up until the final race, but when all the scores were tallied, Bob Sengstacken had won, and the Santoro's had placed second in the final series of the season. The Fleet Championship, scored on the basis of the best twelve finishes of the season, went to Nick Santoro, with Bob Sengstacken in the runner-up spot.

Our annual elections were held after a cookout at the Wulff's on August 29th. Ron Wulff will be succeeded by Nick Santoro as Fleet Captain, and Jeannette Santoro was selected to serve again as Fleet Secretary.

We held our annual Whisker Pole Regatta on Saturday, September 11th, and planned all races north of Fox Island, since the deeper, more open water north of the island provided us with more flexibility in setting better courses. The first two places for this event went to visiting sailors Tom Bierman and Bob Graham from Lake Mohawk, and third place went to Bob Sengstacken of the home fleet.

Officially, our season ends at this point, but our sailors traveled to nearby regattas searching for post season fun and wind—it's gonna be a long winter and our sailing time is never long enough.

SANTA MONICA BAY LIGHTNING FLEET (102)
California District
Sailing on Santa Monica Bay
at King Harbor

Fleet Captain Bert Winther
 Fleet Secretary Ed Spori
 Fleet Champion Wendell Harter
 Runner-Up Ed Spori

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8122	Rusalka	Dick Vianden
8525	Chapaleo	Peter Aperlo
11373	Maximum	Mike Boswell
11568	Blue Wooz	Quintin Foster, Jr.
12815	Lotsa Work	Ralph Stober
13117	Well Greased	Bert Winther
13186	Paddlin Madelyn III	Wendell Harter
13191	Sea Fever	Mike Boswell
13247	Blitzen	Edward F. Spori

At this writing, the race for the Fleet Championship remains undecided. On October 24th the final series of three races will be held to decide a winner. Only two points separate the two leading contenders, so these races will be important. Leading in terms of total points scored is Wendell

Harter, the long standing Fleet Champion. Close behind is Ed Sporf, new to the fleet. It should be an exciting regatta!

This year our fleet participated in fifteen regattas in Los Angeles, San Diego, and Lake Cachuma. Our season began in late January and ends in late November. The Santa Monica Bay fleet is small, usually five boats per race, but active. Many of our races include Lightning skippers and crews from San Diego and San Francisco, where there are much larger fleets.

This year the weather in the Santa Monica Bay region was excellent — no storms, no drifters, and no rain. This is ocean racing at its finest! The competition is keen and the members of the fleet are a close-knit group who enjoy racing and enjoy each other's company.

GREAT SODUS BAY LIGHTNING FLEET (108)

Central New York District

Sailing on Sodus Bay, Sodus Point, N.Y.

Fleet Secretary..... L. Tiedemann

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
13677	Jed Dodge
.....	Bob Dodge

No Report

HIGGINS LAKE FLEET (110)

Michigan District

Sailing on Higgins Lake at Roscommon, Michigan

Fleet Captain & Secretary..... Michael L. Dow
Fleet Champion..... Stan Dent
Runner-Up..... Fred Krauss

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8762	Flicker	Barbara Lundy & Catherine Markland
10221	.....	Diane C. Dow
10944	.....	Glen G. Carlin
11070	.....	Fred Krauss
11185	.....	Ormond Barstow
12104	.....	Duane E. & Stan Dent
12108	.....	Thomas F. Baldwin
12784	Pacemaker	John N. Dent
12977	.....	Gerald M. Finch
13493	Serendipity	Michael & Mike Dow
13758	.....	Gary Cutler
Life Member	.....	Dr. Floyd R. Arnold

Our Lightning activity on Higgins Lake began with our 4th of July Firecracker Regatta made up mostly of local boats. Fred Krauss and Mike Dow tied for first place, Bob Knop came in second and Stan Dent was third.

Three days later, Fleet 110 was host to the Michigan District for the Michigan District Championship. This was certainly a high point for our season, because we attracted 59 Lightnings and had a terrific regatta. This many Lightnings sailing in one spot was the largest for Michigan to pull together in many years, and we are certainly pleased that it happened on Higgins Lake. We got in four out of five races, with excessive winds on the final day preventing that race. The regatta was won by Colin Park, a new Lightning sailor from the Bay City Yacht Club. A former Laser sailor, Colin obviously took to Lightning's like a "duck takes to water". Our top 10 finishers were as follows: first, Colin Park, Bay City Y.C.; second, Jack Engles, Gull Lake, Y.C.; third, Bruce Goldsmith, Devils Lake Y.C.; fourth, Joe Disette, Bay City Y.C.; fifth, David Hatfield, Gull Lake Y.C.; sixth, Jim McCoy, Pontiac Y.C.; seventh, Bob Mathers, Pontiac Y.C.; eighth, Tom JungJohan, Pontiac Y.C.; ninth, Gary Demarest, Tawas Bay Y.C.; and tenth, Lou Nickels, Pontiac Y.C.

The club continued with our traditional Invitational Regatta in early August and among 40 boats there were 18 Lightnings. Colin Park returned to Higgins and did it to us again. In second place was Hank Hodgson of Douglas Lake. Local sailors Mike Dow and Fred Krauss followed in third and fourth place. James Gilbert of Bay City was fifth.

Our weekly races during the summer were dominated by Glen Carlin, with Fred Krauss second and Ormond Barstow third. Mike Dow, Jr. missed on most of those because he again traveled the circuit taking the Higgins Lake "Gospel" around Michigan.

Lightning sailing on Higgins Lake continues to draw more interest and bring new boats. We are looking ahead to an even bigger and better season

in 1983. We race on Saturday afternoons, and welcome any area sailors who might wish to sample the midwest's finest sailing.

GREEN BAY SAILING CLUB, INC. (112)

Midwest District

Sailing on Green Bay at Green Bay, Wisconsin

Fleet Captain..... Steve Somerville
Fleet Secretary..... William Kulkoski
Fleet Champion..... James Knorr
Runner-Up..... John Evans

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1578	.....	Dale Phillips
2557	Tinker Bell	Eugene Goffard
8634	No Regrets	Ellen Blakeley
8644	Crocodile	Lyle Bracker
9309	Old Hickory	David Whitton
9634	Puzzle	James L. Hopkins
10178	Slippery When Wet	Douglas E. Olson
10395	Irish Eyes	Mike Quinn
10969	.....	James Knorr
11547	Peter Pan	Eugene Goffard
11931	.....	Gordon Valentine
11953	.....	Mary Jo Rosato
		Mari Vandenberg
12457	Stinger	David M. Roznowski
12496	.....	William B. Kulkoski
13063	.....	Gary Marshall
13111	.....	Bill Sims
13141	Summer Breeze	Al Fournier
13224	After You	Thomas V. Geocaris
13233	Snafu III	John Evans
13235	.....	Vernon Heyrman
13304	Gusto Too	Herb Wake
13376	Deja Vu	Jim Robinson
13486	.....	Steve Somerville
13487	B-Kaz	Dr. Bruce Bressler
13568	Pipe Dream	Bill Dean
13569	.....	Dennis Thulin
13571	Allofa Sudden	Mary Lou Schultz
13725	3 Ring Circus	Brian Phelan

Growth and parity marked the fleet's 1982 racing season as the 26 series' races produced twelve different winners and saw the fleet grow to over 30 boats, making it one of the largest in the Midwest. The starting line saw an average of almost 20 Lightnings each Monday and Thursday evening.

Jim Knorr, sailing *Bullet*, was the overall winner, with John Evans and Gary Marshall a close second and third. Jim started off by winning the Spring Series and finished second in the Fall Series. John Evans won the Summer Series after placing second in the Spring Series, and Gary Marshall took the Fall Series after placing second in the Summer Series.

The Evans Regatta found the Bay of Green Bay perfect — for blowing smoke rings, having water fights and sun tanning. Festivities were held up (we were towed in for lunch) until the afternoon brought wind sufficient for two races, the first won by Pat Considine of Chicago, and the second by Byron Roe of Milwaukee. On Sunday we were treated to rain, hail, and sun (no snow), and got to follow John Esser of Milwaukee and Jim Hopkins of Green Bay over the finish line in the third and fourth races, respectively.

The Chancellor's Race in July was marked by a final weather leg tacking duel as Dave Roznowski tried to bite on Knorr's *Bullett*. *Bullett* held on for the win, with Roznowski second, and Bill Kulkoski third. Pat Lennon was able to dodge the *Bullett* in the Vander Steen Race, with Terry Phelan taking third.

The 33rd Annual Walter Masse Cup Race, held in September, found the sky sunny, the winds blowing, and the club barrister, Bill Kulkoski, sailing *Loop Hole*, looking for justice. Justice prevailed with *Loop Hole* finishing first, with Doug Olson a close second. The Beaumont Pot trophy was won by Brian Phelan.

The club sent boats to all of the regattas in the District with the most notable accomplishment being Brian Phelan's third place finish in the Midwest District Races held partially in Chicago and finished in Milwaukee. The stories that came back from those races brought back memories of the 1979 Fastnet.

1983 should see the continued flourishing of the club with the adage "...on any given night, any given boat..." becoming more and more appropriate.

CUBA LAKE YACHT CLUB (115)
Lake Erie District
Sailing on Cuba Lake at Cuba, New York

Fleet Captain Ward Wilday
 Fleet Secretary Valerie Kane
 Fleet Champion Mike Kane
 Runner-Up Ward Wilday

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5148	Evenlode	Donald Boone
7744	Outrageous	Bob Buckley
8792	Blue Dolphin	Bill Rollo
10556	Windsong IV	Paul Branch
10730	Austerity	Michael Kane
11175	Wildfire	Bill McIntyre
11599	Bote	Don Cutler
11870	Windsong V	Paul Branch
.....	Jenny Bill	Ward Wilday
.....		C. Paul Clark

In 1982 the Lightning fleet at Cuba Lake gained three new boats and three new skippers: Dave Claybaugh, Jim Griffin, and Mike Lamb.

We were successful in hosting the Three Lakes Regatta in August. The regatta was won by Mark Grinder of Silver Lake, with Doug Matteson of Silver Lake, second, and Ward Wilday of Cuba Lake, third.

Our fleet finished the 1982 season with a six race series over Labor Day weekend.

We look forward to having more boats on the line in 1983.



Skipper Susan MacDonald with Crew Sean Torsney and Trevor Born at 19 and Under Ontario Lightning Championship.

ROYAL HAMILTON YACHT CLUB (118)
Lake Erie District
Sailing on Hamilton Bay, Hamilton, Ontario

Fleet Secretary Larry MacDonald, Sr.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11814	.....	Larry Jr., Larry Sr., & Susan MacDonald
12443	Cha Gheill	Mike Vollmer
12946	Scarlet Lady	Tom Gamelin
13609	Fog	Bill Hunter
13671	.....	Larry Sr., Susan & Larry Jr. MacDonald

Hamilton has a small fleet, but our boats are well travelled. Larry MacDonald, Jr., with Susan MacDonald and Larry MacDonald, Sr. as crew, placed seventh in the World's Championship in Chile, in January 1982.

In August 1982, Susan MacDonald, with her crew Sean Torsney and Trevor Born, placed seventh in the Junior World's Championship in Italy.

Larry MacDonald, Jr. won the Canadian Open Championship in Thunder Bay by finishing ahead of Jay Lutz, second, and Dick Hallagan, third. This qualified Larry to represent Canada in the 1983 World's.

Larry went on to an exciting second place finish in the North American's at Buffalo, N.Y.

Susan MacDonald won the Ontario 19 and Under Lightning Championship. She won the Hurrell Shaker Regatta in Toronto, as well as winning the Lake Erie District Fall Circuit. Susan was the top female finisher in the North American's.

Bill Hunter finished third in the Old Salts Regatta at Buffalo Canoe Club.

On October 2, 1982, our Turkey Regatta (nine exciting races in one day) was won by Doug Heussler.

MERRIMAC RIVER LIGHTNING FLEET (121)

New England District
Sailing at the American Yacht Club
Newburyport, Massachusetts

Fleet Captain Steve Fram
 Fleet Secretary Joe Peterson
 Fleet Champion Steve Fram/Al Lavender

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
268	Pen-G-Win	Grant Pendill
1320	Mr. Bill	Rob Carleton
10479	Phoenix	Russ Crawford
10804	Flip Top	Joe Peterson
10857	Mutiny	George Green
12385	Shamrock	Betty Savage
13576	Remedy	Al Lavender
13642	Eclipse III	Chip Wyser

The 1982 season will be remembered as one of the best ever. Great weather along with great competition among all the boats, with the winner not being decided until the final race, made for an interesting season. In June we hosted the State of Massachusetts Championships which found Georges Peter the winner. Rob Carleton won the Mayor's Trophy as the first home fleet finisher.

The Spring Series was won by Steve Fram and Al Lavender, second place was taken by Rob Carleton, and third place by Joe Peterson.

The Fall Series was again won by Steve Fram and Al Lavender, second place was taken by Rob Carleton, and third place went to Russ Crawford. The point spread between the first 4 boats in the series was less than 5 points.

The Yankee Homecoming Race was won by Steve Fram and Al Lavender. The Chester Young Memorial Race was won by Joe Peterson. The Twilight Zone Zeries was won by Steve Fram and Al Lavender. Standard equipment for this series is GOOD insect repellent and an OVERDOSE of patience looking for the wind as the sun sets. Most other comments on our evening racing have been censored.

With the good turnouts in '82, the upgrading of boats and equipment, the general UP attitude of fleet 121, all looks good for the 1983 racing season.

CEDAR POINT YACHT CLUB (126)
Connecticut-Rhode Island District
Sailing on Long Island Sound at
Westport, Connecticut

Fleet Captain Guy Moulton
 Fleet Secretary Edson White
 Fleet Champion Gianni Cuccio
 Runner-Up Tom Ingram

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7552	.....	Edson White
9542	Return	Robert Deans
10119	Loki	Kjell A. Heitmann
10690	Detuned	Gianni Cuccio
10892	Uncle Coch	Stephen Kavanewsky

11082	TNT	C. Dayton Titsworth
11113	C.O.D.	George J. Young
11143	Zap	Tim Naeser
11220	.....	Dan Cardozo, Jr.
11381	.....	Richard Price III
11576	Intricity	Arie Van Breems II
11657	Challenge	John Dymont
12119	.....	John Magenheimer
12244	.....	Chad Young
12367	Amok	Richard Thackaberry, DVM
12744	Tito	Guillermo D. Payet
12853	.....	William King
12863	Think Faster	Guy Moulton
12876	.....	Willoughby F. Chesley
		Willoughby F. Chesley, Jr.
13055	Gemma	Thomas M. LeBrun
13200	.....	Steven W. Thomas
13206	Giannina	John Cuccio
13613	Rangy Lil	Tom Ingram
		Dave Ingram
13652	Entropyx	Edson White
13779	.....	James Nolan
.....	.....	Forest Golden, P.E.
.....	.....	Phil Griffin
No Report		

SAVANNAH LIGHTNING FLEET (127)

Southeastern District
Sailing on Wilmington River at
Bradley Point, Savannah, Ga.

Fleet Secretary..... Sydney Oetgen

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11336	.....	James L. Daniell
12055	Pacifier	Randy Brooks
12828	.....	Albert H. Berry, Jr.
13013	Jinx	C.A. McMurray, Jr.
Life Member	Barbara Ann	John McIntosh, Sr.
Life Member	.....	J. Wallace Aggett

No Report

MADISON BEACH CLUB (129)

Connecticut-Rhode Island District
Sailing on Long Island Sound at Madison, Conn.

Fleet Captain..... Richard D. Grant
Fleet Champion..... Peter J. Renehan

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9703	Free Bee	Delano W. Ladd, Jr.
10689	Laurie	Charles F. Walz III
11113	C.O.D.	George Young
11207	Early Times	James R. Deephouse
11773	Frantse II	Jay W. Jackson
11933	Rosie	J. Michael Sulzbach
12068	Blood Vessel	Peter J. Renehan
12277	Debtor-in-Possession	Richard J. Grant

Once again the boats with the regular crews prevailed in the standings. Peter Renehan had an excellent year and repeated as Club Champion. Going into the last weekend Renehan needed only finish 37th in our nine boat fleet to win the series. Put another way the competition was for second and third place in the final standings. However, in spite of the rout in the standings, the more ample-waisted sailors such as myself were able to rescue some self esteem during several heavy weather weekends in August. We demonstrated that on a 100 year average on Long Island Sound, heavier is better 14% of the time. The final standings were the crews of Peter Renehan, Marsha Johnstone, and Alec Cutler, first; George Young, Sarah, and Tom Davidson, second; and Dick Grant, Kathy Manion, and Bill Gleason third.

The fleet is in good shape. We had two new boats this year and expect one or two additional boats in 1983. For the most part the fleet is very competi-



12068 Fleet Champion Peter Renehan, 11113 George Young.. Direction better part of valor — at least faster part. Pete got by George.

tive which makes racing both interesting and fun. Our fleet didn't travel as much in 1982 as usual. Those of us who must suffer under the indignities of a regular job found less discretionary time in 1982 for pursuing our avocation (or affliction) and stayed closer to home. Also, our 1982 Commodore was pregnant, to our knowledge a first for us and maybe for the sport. I suspect that we will be more evident on the circuit in 1983. We enjoy circuit events even though Madison Lightning sailors are better known for their lusty performances at receptions than their flawless performances on the race course. Please keep that covenant in mind should we schedule subsequent to this writing any Lightning events in Madison this year. In any event, we all say hello, wish you well, and look forward to seeing you on and around the race course in 1983.

LAKE WASHINGTON LIGHTNING FLEET (132)

Pacific Northwest District
Sailing on Shilshole Bay at Seattle, Washington

Fleet Captain..... Ken Dunkleberg
Fleet Secretary..... David Hammer
Fleet Treasurer..... Cheryl Zettler
Fleet Champion..... Greg Zettler
Runner-Up..... Eric Lindahl

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9024	Thespian	Carl Sander
10256	Blue Kazoo	Eric Lindahl
13084	Sandbagger	Martin Mulhern
10699	What Not	David Hammer
11031	Oh Kay?	Art Green
11457	Mrs. Henry VII	Greg Zettler
11470	Black Humor	Kenneth Dunkelberg
11636	Insatiable	Alan Hunt
11973	.....	Art Green
13242	Baby Makes Three	Eric Lindahl
13707	Jaws	Bruce Deitz
.....	.....	Frank Wise

This was the year to witness Seattle's return to dominance in district events. The entire fleet traveled to the Pacific Coast Championship in Klamath Falls, Oregon. Bruce Deitz emerged the victor in a borrowed boat and Greg Zettler was second. Eric Lindahl, a second year skipper, stunned the district in Eugene, Oregon, where he won the District Championship. His strategy was to take an early lead with three bullets and to stand aloof in the last two races as the rest of the district tried, and failed, to whittle down his six point lead. In the post race debriefing, Eric, astute sailor that he is, said "there wasn't anything that I really figured out." On the Lightning circuit, Greg and Cheryl Zettler returned from the dead to win the Circuit Championship, their fifth. This contest wasn't decided until the last regatta in the series, which was a three way battle between Zettler, Deitz, and Hickman from Portland. Deitz was gracious enough to break his rudder and Hickman beat Zettler, but not by enough to win the championship.

In other circuit action, Bruce Deitz was second at Eugene, Greg Zettler was second at Portland and second at Kitsilano, and Eric Lindahl was third at Eugene. Ken Dunkelberg was fifth at Portland. Alan Hunt, as usual, traveled to more regattas than anyone in the district in his thus far successful quest to prove that practice does not make perfect. Generally, the Seattle camp was big at circuit events and it will be bigger in 1983.

In local sailing, the fleet also had a great year as fleet members mixed it up for honors in over sixty starts. Everyone managed to grab some hardware. Most notably, Art Green sailed right out of the cellar and won the Spring Olympic Regatta and finished in the top three in several other events. Eric Lindahl was first in the Interim Series and second to Greg Zettler in two regattas. Dave Hammer was third in the Fleet Championship and in the Opening Day Regatta. Ken Dunkelberg won the Spring Series, finished in the top three in several events, and finally learned how to take transoms without hitting them. Marty Mulhern worked interminably on his boat (until July) while the fleet raced. He then gained sympathy by capsizing in the Pacific Coast Championship and finally vindicated himself by winning the Sandbagger Trophy at the District Championship and by trouncing some and scaring others in local races. Maybe we should all "Martinize" our boats. Anyway, we've decided we want him to come back next year. Every fleet needs a nice guy. Eric "Dipstick" Lindahl capsized twice in Puget Sound, proving that he really doesn't care. Cheryl says he "sails a little too loose".

The recession must be coming to an end (or else it's getting worse). Several new sailors showed up at our local races toward the end of the season and it looks as if they liked what they saw and will return as members in the spring.

Every year we sail our Lightnings and see our friends around the district is a good year and this one was no exception.

MOBILE BAY FLEET (135) Southern District Sailing in Mobile Bay at Fairhope, Alabama

Fleet Captain Robert Borneman
Fleet Secretary Robert Bernhardt, Jr.
Fleet Champion Robert Jeffcott
Runner-Up Robert Bernhardt, Jr.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8365	.....	Robert Jeffcott
8704	Wild Honey	John Kern
8890	Opus	John Alan Stringfellow
10812	Captain "Crunch"	Robert Bernhardt, Jr.
11712	Flo-N-Dee	Thomas A. Ford, Jr.
12956	Sun Kiss II	Robert Borneman
13060	Bigeminy III	Barney March

This past season has seen little activity for our members on the home front. What we've lacked in participation, we made up in performance at the major regattas. We have travelled to Shreveport, La., for the Holiday-in-Dixie Regatta, in which we placed fourth; ventured to New Orleans for the Districts and placed second and fifth. We also had the honor of hosting the annual Gulf Yachting Association Championships with our fleet members finishing first, fifth, and sixth. Our yearly trek to Jackson Yacht Club in Jackson, Mississippi, for the Hospitality Regatta and the "Grits" (Great Racing In The South) series was successful with a first and second. Our Fleet Champion Robert Jeffcott won most everything held locally, including the Wadewitz Regatta in Fairhope, Alabama. We were all happy to see a fast Rick Skinner out in a borrowed boat at Wadewitz. Things are looking good for '83 as we have a new fleet member, Mitch Bohnenkamp. We are already planning the '83 season and would like to invite all down for some southern hospitality.

GULL LAKE YACHT CLUB (137) Michigan District Sailing on Gull Lake at Richland, Michigan

Fleet Captain Jim Spurr
Fleet Secretary Bill Weston
Fleet Champion Jack Engels
Runner-Up Dave Hatfield

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6228	Sundance	James E. Spurr
9734	.....	Donald G. Albert
10842	Tsunami	Mike Rathbun
11068	Magic	Dick Howard
11090	Woobagooba	Tick Ticknow
11811	Double D	Jakob Vos
12931	.....	Tom Merritt
12938	.....	William F. Weston
12958	.....	Bill Patten
13112	.....	Carl Engels
13279	Cyxobeu	Tim VanderMeulen
13379	Coming Home	Dan Chappell
13449	.....	Carter Brooks
13617	Tim-Buck II	Tim Stewart
13627	Snicklefritz	Fred Harrison
13686	Best Shot	David L. Hatfield
13713	.....	Jack Engels
13731	.....	Fred Harrison

Jack Engels retained his championship this season, first earned in 1981. Dave Hatfield, a first year Lightning sailor, though veteran of other classes, caused many of the regular season races between himself and Jack Engels to be very close. Jack and Dave were followed in the standings by Carl Engels, Tick Ticknow, and Dan Chappell.

Carl Engels scored a bullet at the Michigan Districts, and earned a tenth place overall. Dave Hatfield made the trip to Buffalo for the North Americans, and suffered those winds and waves.

Bill Weston hosted the annual "sail to breakfast," though no one elected to portage their yachts across the road to Little Long Lake, and Fred Harrison hosted the Summer Un-Regatta party.

The well attended annual fall regatta in October was won by Bruce Goldsmith.

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

Fleet Captain Micky Meierdiercks

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9622	.....	Chuck Gustin
10920	Protea	Dave Fergusson
11084	Horizon	Frances C. Vaughan
11729	Luana	Jeffrey C. Bardell
11786	.....	Bobby Edmondson
11798	Sock It To Em	Micky Meierdiercks
Life Member	.....	Richard W. Holmes
No Report		

SPOFFORD LAKE FLEET (145) New England District Sailing on Lake Spofford at Spofford, New Hampshire

Fleet Captain Fred Turner
Fleet Secretary Bob Pinard
Fleet Champion Dave Fitch
Runner-Up Bob Hamblat

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9715	Lady Cathrune	Roger Wilken
10093	Namy	H. Fletcher Willey
10480	.....	Robert Pinard
11210	.....	Frederick Turner, Jr.
11288	Bon Joy	Robert L. Pratt
11323	Escape	Patrick MacQueen
11346	Gail	Fred H. Hamblat
12362	Three Cheers	David H. Fitch
Life Member	.....	Leonard Pratt

1982 brought with it three new fleet members: Phil Coburn, Roger Wilkin, and David Knight. Welcome Aboard! We hope to see you out on the water more next summer. Spofford hosted the Junior District Regatta over the weekend of July 24th and 25th. Attendance was adversely impacted by the belated scheduling of the Atlantic Coast Championships at Cedar Point on the same weekend. The good news is that Spofford Snipe sailor Mike Gemmell showed his versatility and knowledge of the lake by decisively outdistancing the eight boat fleet. Dave Pinard from Spofford and George Deyett from Massabesic finished second and third, respectively.

The format for this year's Fleet Championship Series was changed to add races over more weekends, the idea being to promote local sailing. District Commodore Dave Fitch displayed his consistency by finishing either first or second in every race. Dave was ably assisted by his wife Dottie and lovely daughter Laura. Congratulations to the Fitches, our 1982 Fleet Champions! On the road, the Fitches placed fifth at Androscoggin where they, and everyone else, enjoyed a super time. Bob Foster and his regatta committee are to be commended for putting on a great regatta. Fleet 450's down east hospitality stood out as one of New England's high points of the summer. In September, the Fitches took a seventh (the highest finishing position for a New England District boat) at Cedar Point's "Eastern United States Championships," and closed out the season with a fifth at Spofford's Fall Regatta.

Fast Fred (Bud) Hamblet took second place honors in the Fleet Championship series. Bud, like no other Lightning skipper I know, can keep that fast green boat in the groove all the time. Bud, without a regular crew this year, is the first to acknowledge, however, that it takes three to sail a Lightning. Fred Turner came on strong at the end of the season. After moving up to an oval spar, he had crew coming out of the woodwork and was regularly seen up there with the leaders. The Pinards did not sail enough championship races to qualify this year, having spent most of their free time away from it all in the backwoods of Maine. Dave Pinard attended the Junior North American Championship regatta in Buffalo, along with crew members Tom Fitch and Mike Gemmell, where they competed against well practiced boats from around the country. Len Pratt showed he hasn't lost his touch by qualifying for the North Americans at Marblehead, doing well at Malletts Bay and Lake Bomoseen. Len was the top Spofford boat at the Spofford Fall Regatta finishing third in a field of 33 boats. Fleet 145 congratulates George and Lib Holbrook, long time friends of Lightning sailors in the northeast, on their 50th wedding anniversary.

Lightning sailors are welcome at SYC any weekend during the sailing season. If you are ever in the area, why not stop in and sail with us.

TORONTO BAY LIGHTNING FLEET (146)

Lake Erie District

Sailing on Lake Ontario at Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Fleet Captain David Roost
Fleet Secretary Irene Elliott
Fleet Champion Dave Sprague
Runner-Up Harvey Harmon

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3182	McMuffin	John T. McDermott
8152	Mimi	Elliott M. Wilson
9091	Sans Egal	Dave Thomas
9543	Adgo	Tim Willings
		Susan Willings
10331	.....	Dave Sprague
10393	Something Special	George Styan
10446	Pip	Brooke Ryan
11136	Prometheus	Ken Inglis
11174	Janitor	David Sprague
		D. Stewart Sprague
		John Sprague
11177	Pampero	Peter E. Sulman
11331	Cul De Sac	John D. Gorrie
11631	Apprenticeship	Prentice Smith
11884	Serena	David Roost
12039	Intrigue	Fred Watson
12217	Bata Buidhe	David Thomas
12246	.....	Camilla Willings
13048	Bluenose IV	Norman F. Clegg
13519	.....	John D. Gorrie
13577	In Lieu	Brian Beattie
13659	.....	Dave Sprague

13665	.....	Ross Graves
.....	.....	J.R.G. Bleasley
.....	.....	Ron Cochrane
No Report		

SAO PAULO FLEET (147)

Brazil District

Sailing on Lake Guarapiranga at Sao Paulo, Brazil

Fleet Secretary Peter Zacher

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6591	Kicholi	Dr. Ivo Lemmi
7495	ZRBST	Mario Buckup
8495	Hummel	Wolfgang Aurbach
11708	.....	Robert Buckup
11710	Irema	Dietmar Heydenreich
12472	Xiriana	Claudio Roque Buono Ferreira
12524	Foxfire	Heinz & Horst Thielemann
12657	Perereca	Otávio Machada de Almeida
13008	Viking II	Dionisio Sulzbeck
13027	Undine IV	Silvia Buchmann Batello
13406	Meia Noite VI	Mario Buckup

No Report



Burt Preston (12205) leading the pack in the Mansfield Sailing Club Overall Championship.

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MANSFIELD SAILING CLUB (150)

Ohio District

Sailing on Clearfork Reservoir at Lexington (Mansfield), Ohio

Fleet Captain Burton L. Preston
Fleet Secretary Del Storich
Fleet Champion Burton L. Preston
Runner-Up Bernard L. Dillon

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6944	.....	Chandler Stevens
7785	Merrimax	Donald C. Walter
9581	.....	William W. Woodrow
10272	Screaming Yellow Zonker	Burton L. Preston

11557	Lantmont	Jerome Hurley, M.D.
11681	Lady	Chrls H. Huston
12085	Bambino II	R. A. Bonham
12205	Tarre On	Derek West
12439	Prosit	Ed Brennan
12498	Yacht-Not	Al Storich
12567	Wind Sprite	Thomas J. McDermott
13425	White Lightning	Cecil Haas
.....	.....	Donald E. Widman, M.D.

Burt Preston continued his winning ways in Fleet 150 by capturing the championship of every race series he competed in. He won the Principal Series, the Fall Series, and also took the Mansfield Sailing Club Overall Championship in a six race sail off between the top three skippers in the Lightning and Flying Scot fleets. In October, Burt and his super crew, wife Prudence, traveled to Cowan Lake and came home with first place in the Fall-In Regatta.

The weather cooperated well with our racing schedule this year, with good winds on almost every race day and only one severe drifter all season.

Clinics in Race Tactics and Rules and Spinnaker Handling were well received, and some of the skippers showed definite improvement as a result.

Tom McDermott, a name widely known to Lightning sailors, and our fleet's "elder statesman", did not actively race this season, but did preside over several lively protests during the year. Tom and his wife Thelda remain active as Race Judges and at our social activities.

Tom's son-in-law, Bernie Dillon, sailing *Wind Sprite*, was the fleet runner-up in the Principal Series. Bernie also won the "most vocal skipper" honors, to which his crew will attest.

The Fall Series runner-up was Bob Bonham. The Wednesday Evening Series was won by Bill Woodrow, with Derek West second.

Ed Brennan won the McDermott Trophy for Most Improved Skipper.

ANNISQUAM YACHT CLUB (151)

New England District

Sailing on Ipswich Bay at Annisquam, Massachusetts

Fleet Secretary..... Carolyn Peter

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10212	Second Effort	Dr. Georges Peter
10831	.....	Bruce P. Abbott

No Report

TAWAS BAY YACHT CLUB (152)

Michigan District

Sailing on Tawas Bay, East Tawas, Michigan

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4971	Spider	Paul Beyer
11588	.....	Charles A. Pinkerton, III
12755	Spirit	R. Garrett Demarest III
Life Member	.....	Charles H. Schreck

No Report

WAWASEE YACHT CLUB (154)

Indiana District

Sailing on Lake Wawasee at Syracuse, Indiana

Fleet Captain..... Steve Miller
Fleet Secretary..... Cynthia Yaggi
Fleet Champion..... George Buckingham
Runner-Up..... John Call

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5259	No Show	Louis Pletcher
9480	.....	Steve Anderson
9954	Big Red	Frank Yaggi
9974	Brandy Wine	Douglas Schmahl
10134	Popper	Stephen C. Miller
10726	Lil Trout	Robert Troutman

11699	Merry Crow	John C. Jarrett
12276	Yellow Bellied Sapsucker	Ray Gans
12316	.....	William Stucky
12392	Gracefullee	George Witwer
12463	Joe BFSPLK	George Buckingham
12521	Sting	Richard Boerger
12586	.....	Chuck Medlock
12692	.....	Ronald G. Kloepper, M.D.
12963	Swi's Guy	Keith Swihart
13001	Why Us	John Nixon
13047	And Harry	Dick Gallmeyer
13131	Terra Fini	Jack Gibson

Overjoyed by the number of races sailed, the closeness of the competition, and good air, the members of Fleet 154 at the Wawasee Yacht Club are already looking forward to the 1983 sailing season with high expectations! This year things changed: the weather was more accommodating, and the skippers were more adamant about sailing. This combination brought about tight competition, not only at the top, but all through the fleet, with many skippers trying to improve their positions through the final fleet race.

Many thanks to John Call, our race committee chairman, who marked out consistent racing courses throughout the season. Also, special thanks to the crew of our committee boat, led by Paul Penn, Lee Witwer, and Barb Medlock, for getting our races off to a good start and finish.

We were off to a good start with 14 boats competing in five races in the Memorial Day Series. The wind was great, with George Buckingham and his crew, son Fred and Larry Holston, taking the top award. In second and third places, respectively, were John Call and his crew, wife Karen and Lance Lantz; and Keith Swihart with sons Rob and David crewing.

Sixteen enthusiastic skippers and crews participated in the Fourth of July Series with the same results, but in different order: in first place we found Call and crew, with Buckingham number two, followed by Swihart.

Our Labor Day Series brought 15 boats to the line to sail in medium wind. Call was the winner, Buckingham was second, and Steve Miller, with wife Betty and son Ryan crewing, came in third. This was the Miller's best finish in their young racing career. Congratulations!

Regretfully, we said good-bye to long-standing members Bruce and Gloria Baiden, who moved to Florida. However, we had the pleasure of welcoming new members Alan and Pam Fox, and Steve and Nancy Anderson to our fleet. Twenty-one boats competed in our regular racing season, which was held on Sunday mornings, preceded by a wake-up coffee and followed by serious scuttle-butt about the races at lunch. The fleet trophies went to George Buckingham, first; John Call, second; and Keith Swihart, third.

For the first time we have a beautiful traveling trophy for the Commodore's Cup, generously donated by Ray Gans. This year it was won by Jack Gibson, with Ray Gans, second; and Alan Fox, third.

The coveted Cynthia Cup was again presented to George Buckingham for his outstanding sailing ability.

Our fleet hosted two invitational regattas this season. The Hoosier Regatta was held in June and won by George Buckingham (who's he?). The 1983 Hoosier will be June 11-12 at Lake Wawasee. The Wanfinlwrapmup was held at the end of September, with Dave Hatfield and crew Cheryl Hatfield and John Jackson taking top awards. John Call finished second and Mark Constant and crew Ken Wood were third. We hope to see some of you at the 1983 regattas!

Special awards went to Judy Schmahl, Woman's Award; Fred Buckingham, Youth Award; and John Nixon, Dunker's Cup. John managed to turn his boat over twice — once only 30 yards from the dock!

Our social activities for the year included a mid-winter dinner at Doug and Judy Schmahl's home; a carry-in dinner held on Memorial Day with special guests from mainland China who were brought by host families Buckingham's and Swihart's; a Fourth of July cook-out, followed by fireworks at the lake homes of John and Jane Nixon and Dick and Barb Boerger. The highlight of every season is comradeship developed through our sailing and social activities over the summer. We hope next year brings more of the same, only better!

WILLOW BANK YACHT CLUB (164)

Central New York District

Sailing on Cazenovia Lake at Cazenovia, New York

Fleet Captain..... Dick Tuttle
Fleet Secretary..... Dave Bull
Fleet Champion..... Dick Tuttle
Runner-Up..... Tadd Helmer

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9178	.....	William C. Jenner
9334	Inevitable	Houghton Carr, Jr.
10171	Cowpens	Thomas Kozlowski, M.D.
10367	.....	John Tarrant
10414	Charming II	Nelson Neidhardt
10679	.....	Richard P. Tuttle
11307	Special "K"	Ron Kokot
11555	Reluctant	Donald T. Becker
11650	Tutty Two	Richard P. & Pamela L. Tuttle
11853	Andiamo	Jeffrey Bassin, M.D.
12004	Blue Chips II	Donald B. Barter
12065	.....	Frederick S. Keith
12646	Mimi	Edward Cabaniss
12725	.....	William C. Jenner
12800	.....	Robert L. Hood
12929	Reluctant	Jim Hole
13011	Dutchman's Gold	Todd Helmer
13052	Full Deck	Steve Burrell
13353	.....	Gerald Bezner, M.D.
13369	Bull Ship III	David K. Bull
13749	.....	Paul Torrisi

The summer of 1982 featured unfulfilled promise. Even with five new boats in the fleet, attrition kept participation apace with 1981. A team race early in the season was called on account of no air and our midseason slalom race was put off until late in the day due to mechanical difficulties with the complicated buoy system.

Our two North American entrants wallowed in the yellow fleet with break downs. Tadd Helmer's flotation was within minutes of giving out when he was rescued after a couple of hours! He wasn't sure which would come first — sinking or going over the falls. Dick Tuttle thought he was reliving "Jaws" when he saw a red shark leap over his lee rail. Only his boom saved him from carnage.

Most all of us spent time in the water this year. Bill Jenner learned his bottom was bubbling when he sat on it for an hour during the third fleet race. Jeff Bassin travelled to Keuka to learn about turtles.

We all learned this summer the real need for good crew work. Dave Bull was the man to beat early in the season until his crew went off to summer jobs. While Dave's crew had grown up, Don Barter was waiting for his to come of age. Jim Hole's crew proved to be better than the skipper. Daughter Karen, with her brother and mother crewing, walked off with the Crewettes Trophy — dad was a safe distance away on shore. Ron Kokot is still looking for a third crew. Steve Burrell was "starting over." Paul Torrisi found that his boat went better with Tom Allen on board. When Pam Tuttle wasn't off campaigning with Mark Bryant or running the Willow Back junior program, she was training her crew. Toward the end of her maiden season she got it together. Finally, on her last day of racing she managed her first victory over her former skipper.

The promise for 1983 shall be fulfilled. The team race will happen. The slalom race will be a full fledged event. The fleet races will be hotly contested and we will have more participation. Becker, Bezner and Cabaniss all promise to show us their faces more often — if not their transoms. Already we have two new boats added to the fleet. Liz Stanat, who has graced our fleet with good crew work, to say nothing about her good bone structure, has brought her family into the fleet with the purchase of Dick Hallagan's other boat. Larry Martel promises to show us how to be competitive in an old woodie. And we are working on the Morgans and the Stehles to join our fleet.

Planning is already underway for the second edition of the Cazenovia Invitational Regatta. The 1982 edition was a super success. We are thankful that Stu Nickerson, Tom Allen, and Mark Bryant joined our group of Central New York sailors. They found the hospitality unparalleled, the competition tough and the sailing conditions a perfect example of lake sailing — tricky but fair. The beer ferry, the Saturday seminar, and the keepsake photos all drew compliments. We were proud and we hope to do even better in '83.

HELSINKI LIGHTNING FLEET (166) Finland District Sailing at Gulf of Finland, Helsinki, Finland

Fleet Captain..... Kari Maenpaa
Fleet Secretary..... Noora Maenpaa

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7183	.....	Heimo Apilo
11358	Katariina	Kauko Kanerva



Race is over. Vahine II and crew.

11544	Kesaheila	Raimo Aroma
12429	Elosalama	Heikkithelin
12748	Hani	Jouko Ulvila
12759	Jumbo	Bo Urbans
12906	Triple	Ahti Immonen
12914	Vahine II	Unto & Kari Maenpaa
13097	Roope	Seppo Hanninen
13130	Masi the 3rd	Terho Aromaa
13435	.....	Sayer Pekka, Myllyla Seppo, & Jukka Salmi
13561	Hani Tuu	Juhani Haila

Even though no Fleet Championship was held, we had an active 1982 season. Five of our boats were among the ten best boats on the District's ranking list.

The first ranking race of the season was held in Tuusula. Terho Aromaa having the best result of Helsinki Fleet was third with *Masi The Third*. Seppo Hanninen was fourth and Raimo Aromaa fifth. The wind was very hard during the race and several boats capsized and there were many equipment failures.

The second regatta of the spring was held in Kotka, where the wind was very favorable. After failing in Tuusula, Kari Maenpaa won the race with *Vahine II*. Terho Aromaa became third, Juhani Haila, fourth; Seppo Hanninen, sixth; and Raimo Aromaa, eighth.

Mid June we got to challenge our sailing skills in very changing weather conditions in Valkeakoski. The winner was again Kari Maenpaa and runner-up was Seppo Hanninen. Terho Aromaa became fifth and Juhani Haila, seventh.

In June and early July we finally had opportunity to sail on the home waters during the Helsinki Regatta. The wind was rather light and tricky. Teuvo Aromaa, an experienced sailor on these waters, took the first place. Second was Kari Maenpaa, third, Seppo Hanninen; and fifth, Juhani Haila.

The main event of the season, the District Championship, was held on Mantyluoto, Pori, in July. Lasse Hammar from Oulu Fleet found the light wind to his liking, and was first in the Districts. The Team Race was, however, captured by the Helsinki Fleet, thanks to Kari Maenpaa with *Vahine II* and Juhani Haila with *Hanituu*. The records of Helsinki Fleet were: Runner-up Kari Maenpaa; Juhani Haila, third; Seppo Hanninen, fifth; Raimo Aromaa, 17th; and Marjatta Ollila, 28th. Meanwhile, Terho Aromaa and his sons took part in World Youth Championship in Italy.

The last ranked race of the season in Viitasaari was won by Terho Aromaa, the only participant in the race from Helsinki Fleet.

In the final District Ranking Series, Helsinki Lightning Fleet was very well scored. First on the list was Kari Maenpaa; Seppo Hanninen was second; Juhani Haila, fifth; Terho Aromaa, eighth; and Raimo Aromaa, ninth.

We are looking forward to spring and an active 1983 season.



Sailing on the Mississippi, LDSC Polar Bear Regatta 1982.

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LAKE DAVENPORT LIGHTNING FLEET (167) **Midwest District** **Sailing on the Mississippi River at Davenport, Iowa**

Fleet Captain.....Reed Doughty
 Fleet Secretary.....Jean Steffenson
 Fleet Champion.....Jim Flick
 Runner-Up.....Ken Jensen

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7391	Old Style	Peter Bartlett
8222	Kati-D	Ron Hughes
8520	Maine-Eac	Patrick J. Goff
9368	Ta De Win	Gerry Miller
9524	White Lightning	Daniel E. Lee
10156	.....	Rodney Smith
10232	.....	Chuck White
12022	The Screamer	Mike Steffenson
12732	Gemma M	James Flick
12884	Last Hurrah	Ken Jensen
12942	Hummer	Henry Neuman
13202	Moxie	Henry Strieder
13286	Warp Drive	H. Reed Doughty
13611	Smooth As Silk	Roger Kessler
.....	.....	Bill Quaintance

Until the last two scheduled racing days, when the wind gods blew south for the winter, Fleet 167 had an intensely competitive and enthusiastic sailing season.

Ken Jensen reached into the fray early, with a win at the Memorial Day Series and remained a strong contender all year. This success was bolstered

by his experience in the North Americans, with son David and fellow sailor Henry Strieder as crew.

Jim Flick beat an aggressive group of skippers to take our Founders' Day event. All season these sailors vied for the victor's gun, but Flick held his course, winning both the Summer and Commodore Series. These wins, together with a high finish in the Fall Series, enabled him to retain the fleet championship.

With first places in the July 4th and the Labor Day Series, Mike Steffenson showed that he was the threat to the competition whenever he took the helm. By August the Steffenson family was racing regularly and won the Fall Series.

Besides their time on the water, four of our skippers admirably served on the Club Board of Directors: Reed Doughty, Jim Flick, Ken Jensen, and Henry Strieder.

Only three races of our annual Polar Bear Regatta lifted off on Saturday in light northerly conditions, as the Father of the Waters was mirror calm on Sunday. Mike Steffenson and his proficient crew swept into first, returning the W.O.C. traveling trophy to Lake Davenport Sailing Club. Several new Lightning skippers participated for the first time: Peter Bartlett, Rod Gasch, Roger Kessler, and Rod Smith.

The last race of the season was cancelled when boats approached the windward mark from astern, due to unusual conditions. Other disasters this year included Flick's rapid sail across Lake Michigan in 70 m.p.h. winds, Steffenson stranding a 45 footer on a ledge in a falling tide, Jensen and Doughty each turtling in cold water, Flick in first place sailing to the wrong mark, Bill Quaintance depositing his boat on the sea wall, Donna Strieder doing a body capsize on a spinnaker reach, and Doughty winning the Jonah Award.

Still, plenty of fair breezes and good weather made for a pleasant summer and a colorful autumn of sailing.

LAKE OF NEUCHÂTEL FLEET (169)

Switzerland District

Based on Lac de Neuchâtel, Switzerland

Fleet Captain Jean-Pierre Monnier
Fleet Secretary Annika Lambelet
Fleet Champion Stephan Scharer
Runner-Up Claude Lambelet

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11859	Pinocchio	Hans Muhlbach
12572	Boy	Gilbert Despland
12860	Garoupa	Claude Lambelet
13066	Sarcelle	Jean-Pierre Monnier
13067	Numana	Jean-Claude Dupasquier
.....	Gargantua	Pierre Grandguillaume

During this year, our fellow member Gilbert Despland travelled in Italy and to the European Championship in Greece.

A special mixed team of Claude Lambelet, Gilbert Despland and Hans Peter Schmid went to Lido di Classe to participate at the Trofeo di Lorenzo and came back with the Runner-up perpetual trophy. It was, as usual, a very nice trip to Italy when we meet again all our good friends.

This year we had three crews registered at the Swiss Championship, which was sailed in the end of September on the Lake of Greifensee. We were very glad that once again one of our fleet members made a very good showing, as Gilbert Despland, with Francois Eggenberg and Jean-Claude Gaberthuel as crew, finished Swiss runner-up.

As usual, we have closed the season with our Fleet Championship and Regate Fondue sailed on 23rd and 24th October. The weather was very bad, as it was raining during the two days, but we had enough wind to win three races. Last year Lambelet was first and Schaer second. This year they changed, Schaer is first and Lambelet second.

Here are the results:

1	13161	Schar	3.2 pts.
2	12860	Lambelet	8.5 pts.
3	12952	Scharer	9 pts.
4	13067	Dupasquier	9.8 pts.
5	12572	Despland	10 pts.
6	13091	Gmur	18 pts.

Next year the World's will be again in Europe and we hope that all of our fleet's good racers can manage to participate.

BRANT BEACH YACHT CLUB (173)

Central Atlantic District

Sailing on Little Egg Harbor at Brant Beach, New Jersey

Fleet Secretary Carl Reiting

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5837	Barracuda	Joseph L. Serrill, Jr.
11176	.....	Tom Hyndman & Bill Phillips
12873	Quakers	J. Edward Serrill & David Coward
13743	.....	Thomas III & Peter Hyndman
13772	Snookier	Carl & Glenn Reiting

Fleet 173 started the 1982 season with the expectations of increased participation and new members. When the season ended, these had been met. Tom and Peter Hyndman purchased a new boat after selling 11235 to Doug MacKinney and Bill Fritz. This added a new boat to the fleet as well as brought in some fresh talent. By the time Labor Day rolled around, there were seven boats at the starting line, up from five in 1981. It appears that Rob Baldi has decided to participate in more fleet racing. This addition to the racing fleet is appreciated by the other racers.

Active racing by fleet members was not limited to club racing only. Members traveled to and participated in numerous regattas. The following is a list of regattas attended by Fleet 173 members and their finishes.

New Jersey State Championship — Peter and Tom Hyndman — 7th.
Surf City Memorial Day — Ed Serrill and Dave Coward — 2nd; Glenn and Carl Reiting — 3rd; Peter and Tom Hyndman — 5th.

CAD Championship — Glenn and Carl Reiting — 6th; Dave Coward and Ed Serrill — 10th; Tom and Peter Hyndman — 18th.

Little Egg Harbor Annual — Dave Coward and Ed Serrill — 4th; Tom and Peter Hyndman — 12th T; Doug MacKinney — 12th T.

Surf City Annual — Dave Coward and Ed Serrill — 2nd; Glenn and Carl Reiting — 4th; Peter Hyndman — 11th; Doug MacKinney — 12th.

Manahawkin Bay Cup — Glenn and Carl Reiting — 3rd; Ed Serrill — 12th; Tom and Peter Hyndman — 13th.

Pennsylvania Governor's Cup — Glenn and Carl Reiting — 5th.
Monmouth Boat Club "Fall Has Fell" — Glenn and Carl Reiting — 1st.

Club competition was keen again this past season. There was a particularly tight battle between Doug MacKinney and the Hyndman brothers. Going into the last day of racing, they were virtually tied for third place. The Hyndmans won and clinched third place silver. The Reiting brothers won the championship series, with Dave Coward and Ed Serrill finishing second.

As with every other season, 1982 would not have been the success it was if it had not been for the crew members who contributed many hours, both on and off the water. Below is an attempt to list all of those who crewed on Fleet 173's Lightnings this season: Barb Serrill, Sue MacKinney, Beth Reiting, Mary Hyndman, Kim Anastasia, Bill Fritz, Bert Hirschler, Hubert Streep, Jeff Sanford, Steve Roth, Jim Titus, Bill Stewart, Lois Perry, Jim Perry, Patty Doggett, Chuck Hitchler, Joe Bechel, Bob Seybold, Scott Metz, Andy Phillips, Gary Hoffing, and Dave Nichols. Their time and effort was greatly appreciated by their skippers!

Fleet 173 members actively contributed to BBYC's running of the Sunfish Mid-Atlantic Regionals and the Mariner National Championship, along with numerous other club activities.

For the first time, Sue MacKinney and Beth Reiting organized our first annual Labor Day "Pick It" race. All agreeable owners placed their crew's names into a hat. Skippers then drew, assuring that they did not select their own crew. Boats were drawn in the same manner. Consequently, all skippers sailed a different boat with a different crew. (Some crew members through their skipper was "different".) Another rule was if the wind was up over 12-15 knots, boats and crews would revert to normal. But the wind cooperated and everyone had a great time, with several new faces joining the "crew pool".

Ed Serrill served as CAD District Commodore this past year (he'll be back in '83, also), doing an outstanding job keeping the District well organized and providing the Class with some of its most competitive sailors.

Now for the 1983 outlook: it looks even better than last year! Doug MacKinney is looking to buy a new boat. Bob and L. J. Seybold are moving back into the area from Tampa and are expected to resume their Lightning Class activities again. The Reitingers took delivery of a new boat in September. We are actively trying to get both the M-Scow and Mariner fleet champions to take the step up to a Lightning, as well as getting Hubert Streep active again.

Fleet 173 will host the 1983 CAD Championship June 24-26 and is looking forward to providing outstanding sailing to District members. See you next year.



Fleet 173's Peter Hyndman as always "Tuning".

SHREVEPORT FLEET (175)

Southern District

Sailing on Cross Lake, Shreveport, Louisiana

Fleet Captain..... James H. Mills
Fleet Secretary..... Joe Cletcher
Fleet Champion..... Marshall H. Walker
Runner-Up..... Mark & David Moore

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4158	Moriah	David McCary
4747	.....	Michael Kidda
11081	Mahi Mahi II	James Mills
11385	Buglet	David McCary
11562	Mahi Mahi	James Mills
11725	.....	Michael Kidda
12699	Cooter Poo III	Marshall H. Walker
12836	Keg Killer	Mark Moore
12839	Knee Deep II	Larry Pledger
13040	Gray Ghost	Marcus Millican

No Report

GREAT SOUTH BAY FLEET (178)

Long Island District

Sailing on Great South Bay at Amityville, New York

Fleet Captain..... Alan Pearlman
Fleet Secretary..... William Weiss
Fleet Champion..... Frank Atkinson
Runner-Up..... Frank Marinaccio

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7948	Trilogy	John A. Davidson
8780	Islander	Robert Beckman & Donald Haylish, Jr.
9804	.....	Richard Miller
10243	Windblown	W.I. Orchard
10315	Chinese Fire Drill	George Cerny
10260	BullsHit	Elizabeth Brewer & William Weiss
11530	Ay, Caramba!	Tom Green
11774	.....	Alan Pearlman
11775	Pisces III	Ben Schwartz
12042	Cookie Monster	Frank Marinaccio
12656	.....	Stanley Stiansen
12987	Kow-A-Bung-A	Charles A. Ford
13460	.....	Frank Atkinson, Sr.

The "season" started with a potluck supper and business meeting in April, and racing began on May 16th. There were three blow-outs in the Spring Series, and the nine races that were scored spread silver up and down the fleet. Individual victories were posted by Mike Garguilo, Al Pearlman, and Ben Schwartz. Frank Atkinson, Frank Marinaccio, and Bill Weiss each won twice. Atkinson's ace-deuce on the last day took the Series cup.

The summer regatta series was mostly a shoot-out between Frank Atkinson and Frank Marinaccio, with only Al Pearlman and Bill Weiss taking any individual races away from the front-runners. Atkinson won the regattas at Babylon, Wet Pants, Long Island, and Bellport Yacht Club. Marinaccio won Narrasketuck, Unqua, Bayshore Sayville, and Race Week to just squeak ahead at the wire for the GSBYRA Season Trophy, with scoring based on the fifteen-best finishes.

By the end of the Invitational Regatta series, however, Atkinson's consistency at the top of the fleet had assured the Fleet Championship.

In the Fall Series, Atkinson crewed for others, and with the further departures of Marinaccio's ace crew for colleges, the series was thrown wide open. Betsy and Bill Weiss sneaked in from left field to steal the silver, with individual race victories also going to Marinaccio and Adam Koller.

In the Wednesday Night Series, Sandy Myhro won once, Frank Marinaccio won twice, and Betsy Brewer won three times to cart off the cup. With the Koller boat once again transportable, and Mal Hendry recovered from a bout with mono, we are looking forward to some good competition next year.

CONNEAUT LAKE YACHT CLUB (180)

Lake Erie District

Sailing on Conneaut Lake, Pennsylvania

Fleet Captain..... John N. Shaffer



Fleet Captain John Shaffer "surveys the action" with crew Linda McCartney and Todd Andrews.

Fleet Secretary..... Linda Ragghianti
Fleet Champion..... Skip Ragghianti
Runner-Up..... Eddie Shaffer

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7171	Heid Aweigh	R. Duane Good, M.D.
9427	Whirlwind	John N. Shaffer
10941	Stormy	Dr. John Hanek
11063	Old Duker	Bob Lilly
11563	.....	John E. Shaffer
11747	Heid Aweigh III	Charles Good
12226	Cherlyn	Thomas E. McFate
13372	Wind Walker	Skipper Ragghianti
13506	.....	Lawrence Levine
13602	.....	Edward J. Benevent
13711	.....	R. Duane Good

Our season opened with a dinner on May 22 at the Iroquois Club. We welcomed Larry Levine and his family as new members of our fleet. The 1982 schedule of 28 races over three series was announced.

The Early Bird Series started on Memorial Day Sunday. The first five races were won by five different skippers, indicating the tight season to follow. The Early Bird was won by Skip Ragghianti. John Shaffer was second and Eddie Shaffer, third. We were pleased to see Doc Good's new boat #13711 and a great early turnout despite cool weather.

The Championship Series was a combination of excellent sailing and frustration. The best sailing days seemed to be at mid week. Many races were cancelled due to drifting conditions. Skip Ragghianti is always tough, and repeated as Fleet Champion. Eddie Shaffer was consistent to finish second, and Mark Prather sailed very well to finish third.

In late August we joined the Hobie 16 fleet for a party on a sternwheeler, the *Barbara J* and cruised around Conneaut Lake. Everyone had a great time.

Our Season End Series was also won by Skip Ragghianti (we're just a little tired of watching his transom). Mark Prather was second and Chuck Good had several good races to finish third.

We closed our season on Labor Day with a Portsmouth Rating Race. The Lightnings were joined by Hobie 16's, Sunfish, Sailfish, a Coronado, a 420, and a Tanzer 22. Bob Lilly's Lightning won, both the race and on corrected time. It was a new and fun time for us all.

We are again grateful to the North End Stalwarts for our awards picnic. The Goods, Shaffers, Andrews, et al, are generous hosts. Mark Prather was elected Fleet Captain for 1983. We are hopeful of yet another new fleet member for next year.