

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

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

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

Oulu, the home town of the fleet 307 is a well-known center of sailboat racing. There are, however, so few Lightning boats in Oulu that races for them have not been arranged in the home town for several years, not even in the hot summer of '82. Contacts with other Lightnings have been made by lifting the boats on trailers and by driving hundreds of miles to different parts of Finland in order to participate in the ranking series with nine different series of races.

Markku Paloma and his boat, Kikka II, 12918 was the most enthusiastic participant in ranking from Oulu fleet. He took part in five different series of races and was 11th in the final ranking list. Markku Paloma sailed as 15th in the Finnish Championships. Oulu's most victorious Lightning sailor of '82 was, once again, Lasse Hammar with his boat, Rio-Rita IV, 13505. In the Finnish Championships arranged in Pori he sailed as the winner among 32 captains with the positions 1, 2, 1, 2. The crew of Rio-Rita IV included besides Lasse, the captain, his brother, Harry Hammar and Pentti Suorsa. By this feat Lasse Hammar became the Finnish Champion for the 6th time. The third Lightning sailor from Oulu, Ilmo Hassinen and his boat, Hattiwatti II, 13137 were on vacation last summer and did not participate in the races.

Although racing activity of the Oulu Lightnings is scarce, the standards are still high and up-to-date as to boats, equipments and achievements in racing. Here in Oulu we are eagerly waiting the following hot summer and its competitions.

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

Fleet Captain Ernst Beyer
Fleet Secretary Kaspar Tschudi

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5664	Hejatra	Martin Jaeger
7352	Koralle	Emil Beyer
7590	Mascotte	Paul Gmur
10904	Sucuri	Martin Jaeger
11495	Goja	Jurg Sporri
12091	Popeye	Uve Dohrn
12299	Zibo II	Dr. Fred Zobrist
12306	White Star	Jakob Blickenstorfer
13071	.....	Hermann Himmel
13085	Aquilo	H. Kaspar Tschudi
13086	Favorita II	Peter A. Giesch
13090	Lixa	Albert Fruh
13091	.....	Paul Gmur

The addition of two new boats to our fleet has made Fleet 309 the strongest yawl class on the Greifensee.

Four regattas were posted for the Cup-Greifensee, with an average of 15 boats in each. Even on long distance races, our boats always participated with success.

The Spring Regatta was carried out as a Swiss District Regatta.

This fall we held the second Swiss Championship of Greifensee in the past four years. The top three skippers and their crews were: first, Schar, Schar and Schar, boat 13161; second, Despland, Eggenberg and Gaberthuel, boat 12572; and third, Gmur, Rahn and Gmur, boat 13091.



Sailing the Swiss Championship at Greifensee. (left to right: Wyler (12637), Despland (12572) and Schar (13161).)

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

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

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
12913	Desiree	Kari Anttila
12995	Pohjan-Akka	Aulis Naykki
13129	Nano-Nano	Mikko Pekkala
13134	Viivi	Heikki Ulen



Wilma and her new owner.

Photo credit: Kari Anttila

The problem of Fleet 310 this year was low activity. Only three or four boats competed in all races, the others competing only a few times all summer, although the weather was almost always fine.

The Kemi Regatta was a national ranking race. Four boats from our fleet competed. Our Fleet Captain, Heikki Ulen, was first with his boat *Vivi* and crew Erkki Puupera and Petteri Haggstrom. Second was Markku Paloma from Fleet 307 and third was our Fleet Champion Aulis Naykki.

Four boats travelled almost 500 miles to the Finland District Championships in Pori. The weather was wonderful (thanks to Fleet 306), but the winds were too weak. The best of our boats was Aulis Naykki's *Pohjan-Akka* with crew Sven Nyberg and Harri Raikamo in seventh place. Kari Anttila, *Desiree*; Heikki Ulen, *Fivi*; and Mikko Pekkala, *Nano-Nano*, also participated.

Some boats changed ownership in the summer. A new fellow in our fleet, Teuvo Ypya, bought *Linda* from Sven Nyberg, and Sven bought *Wilma* (who is said to be the Gulf of Bothnia's beauty) from Martti Raisanen. We hope to see some more new members and boats in Kemi next year. See you in 1983.



Fleet 314 Champion Al Mast (center) and his winning crew, Howard Edson (left) and Bill Alden (right).

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

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10019	Play Boy	Antonio & Francesco Galeota & Luigi Nasoni
12375	.....	Salvatore La Rocca & Angiolo Rolli
13262	Coco II	Mario Mieli
13036	.....	Guido Tulli
No Report		

This sure was Al Mast's year, like none other! With his crew (Howard "Joe College" Edson and Bill "Hot Rod" Alden), the *Bald Bullet* wrapped up almost every bit of competition we could muster. In fact, only Tom Hopkins and Ted and Jim Ganley placed in the money all summer.

Al won both the Early Series — Tom was second and Ted was third — and the Late Series — Jim second and Tom third. Al also won the Summer Bay Race, but was aced out by Jim in the Fall Bay Race.

Tom Hopkins may have won the Taylor Cup and the Stardust Trophy, and Grace Hopkins won the Britt Award for demonstrating perseverance in spinnaker handling, but Al did something that has never been done in the history of the fleet — he won all four of the perpetual trophies: Walbert Cup, Buss Neff Cup, Skipper's Cup and the Commodore's Trophy. Not too bad!

SASSAFRAS RIVER FLEET (314) Dixie District Based on Sassafra River, Maryland

Fleet Captain	Al Mast
Fleet Secretary	Bob Horne
Fleet Champion	Al Mast
Runner-Up	Everybody Else

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9391	Doc's Boat	Doc Walbert & Bob Horne
9800	Inverass	John Farquhar, M.D.
10246	Glass Slipper	Dr. John H. Myers
10336	Bayberry	David Scott Ingram
12381	Clairvoyant	Charles S. Witomski
12453	Sassy	Tom Hopkins, M.D.
12484	Foxfire	Karne E. Biles
12710	Bald Bullet	Alfred Mast
12964	Redoubtable	James T. Elliott, Jr.
13043	.....	Kirk Williams
13056	Squeeze Me	Bill McShane
13495	Awesome	Dr. James V. Ganley

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

Fleet Captain	Carol Mertes
Fleet Secretary	Carol Mertes
Fleet Champion	Fred Mertes
Runner-Up	Dave Racine

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3481	.....	Jim Mumford
7592	Capricorn	Ed Niemann
9527	Bo Bo II	Bob Purnell
9199	.....	Rehoboth Bay Sailing Club
10427	Just One Look	Fred Mertes
10851	.....	John Hazzard
11155	.....	Rehoboth Bay Sailing Club
11291	Lily Pad	Bernie Hedges
11899	Pises	Dave Racine
		David Racine
13670	.....	Robert W. Hansen, M.D.
Life Member	.....	Jacob Zimmerman

Over the past five or six years, we have seen our active racing fleet diminish from eight or ten boats to three. If not for the dedication to sailing of these three, Fred Mertes, Dave Racine, and Bernie Hedges, Lightning racing on Rehoboth Bay would have all but disappeared. Our efforts to turn this situation around have been concentrated on coaxing our existing, but inactive, fleet members back into racing. This approach has proved to be frustrating and fruitless. Unfortunately, not everyone has the same enthusiasm for racing as our dedicated trio.

This year we took a new tack and concentrated our efforts on attracting

some "new blood" into the racing scene. Dave and Fred offered an adult sailing class, which had moderate success and may be offered again next year. (I might even attend myself, B.H.). We invited the local press to the club at the beginning of the season for a mini-sailing seminar and race, in exchange for some welcome press coverage. We also changed our racing format around, once again having a green fleet series to encourage new skippers into racing. All of these efforts, along with our own radiated enthusiasm for the Lightning, have begun to show results. This year we have added two new fleet members, Ron Dawson and Dr. Bob Hansen, and have more than a few prospects for the coming year. We have also attracted several excellent crew members, who are always prospective Lightning owners and skippers. An era has ended at RBSA and Fleet 325: the era of the three boat race. There is every season to be optimistic about the future of the fleet. It is not hard to imagine once again seeing eight or ten or more Lightnings in a fleet race on Sunday afternoon.

Now for the 1982 racing results. Once again the wind and weather on Rehoboth Bay gave us unparalleled sailing conditions. Our fleet racing consisted of a season-long Green Fleet Series, and, for the first time, a Fleet Championship Regatta. During the Green Fleet Series, we had three to five boats racing every weekend. We gave trophies for the first three places. Third place went to young Duffy Knoll; second place went to one of our new sailors, Dr. Bob Hansen; and first place went to our own Fleet Secretary, Carol Mertes. Carol has been crewing for her brother Fred for many years and he was finally able to coax her behind the tiller, with excellent results. All she needs now is a boat of her own.

The Fleet Championship Regatta was held August 28-29. Six boats raced five races in everything from a drifter to 20 knots. Fred Mertes once again mastered the varying conditions to blitz everyone with five firsts. Dave Racine did just as good a job, finishing second with five seconds. Bernie Hedges finished a not so convincing third.

The annual Governor's Cup Regatta on June 19-20 saw Joe Friebele of SSA blitzing a fleet of 23 boats. Second place went to Bob Wardwell of Susquehanna, while third, fourth, and fifth went to Dieter Grotheer, Bill McShane, and Peter Buckley. Our other annual regatta, the Fall Regatta, turned out to be the usual gear-buster (two capsizes, one broken mast), with another SSA sailor, Steve Bachman, taking top honors for the second year in a row. Al Mast was second and Ron Buchanan was third. Dave Racine won the Middle-of-the-Fleet Trophy. At the Dixie Districts, Fred Mertes represented the fleet very well, finishing seventh overall in an extremely competitive 35 boat fleet.

Have a good winter. We hope to see you all back in Rehoboth in June for the Governor's Cup Regatta.

GRAND TRAVERSE YACHT CLUB (326)

Michigan District

Sailing on Grand Traverse Bay at Traverse City, Michigan

Fleet Captain John Van Dalson
Fleet Champion James Milliman
Runner-Up John Van Dalson

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10429	Syndicate	John Van Dalson
11107	Classic Case	Craig S. Horvath
11256	Marikate	George Brown
12372	.....	David P. Anderson

The Grand Traverse fleet saw a newcomer to the area dominate the fleet. Jim Milliman moved to Traverse City this summer and handsomely displayed his sailing skills. Formerly a crew for Michigan's District Officer Tom Vickers, Jim certainly learned his lessons well. His regular crew, Mary Beth Milliman and Kevin Hands, aided Jim's rise to the top.

Another newcomer, Dave Anderson, also sailed well. Even though Dave gave us a handicap by sailing with a non-oval mast and old sails, he was very fast during many races. If he decides to upgrade his equipment next year, all we will see next season will be his transom.

Last year's Fleet Champion, Gordon Cornwell, sailed the first race series finishing only fourth and fifth and was never seen on his boat again. Craig Horvath, a seasoned veteran and sailing with new sails, sailed well at times, but apparently lost his directions to the yacht club and wasn't seen during the second portion of the season. Two other veterans, George Brown and Dave Dykstra, experienced boat problems. A mid-summer lightning storm struck their boats one night and welded their boats to their trailers. John Van Dalson capsized, bit and fell overboard on his way to his runner up position.

SEVERN RIVER FLEET (329)

Dixie District

Sailing on Chesapeake Bay at Annapolis, Maryland

Fleet Captain Bob Astrove
Fleet Secretary Doug Dixon
Fleet Champion Steve Bachman
Runner-Up John Richardson

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9110	Quick Beam	Bruce Lewenstein
10643	.....	Steve Bachman
10800	High Hopes	Donald R. Hope
11036	Think Fast	Dr. Donald P. Delorme
11217	.....	Gordon G. Hastings
11754	Harvard Square	Paul I. Grinberg
11767	.....	Alex Humphrey
11792	III	Dr. Edwin M. Oritz & John Richardson
12365	.....	Doug Dixon
12470	Lightning Bug	E. Joseph Friebele
12752	Yankee	William H. Buckley
		Peter K. Buckley
12772	Clarrissa Marie	H. Warren Cooper
13306	Green Wave	A. Lee Fentress
13620	Peaches En Regalia	Robert Astrove
.....	.....	Tom Donlan
.....	.....	Myron Jonsberg, Jr.
.....	.....	Curt Matthews
.....	.....	Doug Perley

From the mountains of Pucon to the olive groves of Sicily, from the warmth of Florida to the frostbite of Quantico, from the drifters of the Potomac to the gales of Buffalo, and from the bars of Wrightsville to the slicktrack of Rehoboth, 1982 was a year that saw SSA Lightning sailors virtually span the globe in search of competition. Fleet members attended a total of 26 regattas, and at least one fleet member attended all 19 Dixie District regattas. On top of all this activity, the fleet hosted its usual six open regattas on the Chesapeake Bay.

The season began very early when Steve Bachman and Dr. Don (Her- man) Delorme attended the World Lightning Championship in Pucon, Chile. While Steve and Don were enjoying the South American summer, the rest of the fleet members held their usual winter meetings discussing tactics, boat preparation, and other topics. Joe Friebele shared almost all his secrets on mast bend and boat speed (why did you leave the part on duct tape out, Joe?) and Steve Bachman gave us a slide show on the Worlds. Towards the end of winter, Bob Astrove and Don Delorme, no longer tolerable of the Washington, D.C. cold, headed south to compete in the Southern Circuit.

The local racing season began in May when the fleet hosted the annual NO GAS REGATTA. Eighteen boats competed in the two day gear buster with Bob Wardwell taking the top shot and the empty gas can, followed by Don Delorme and Bob Astrove. The SSA SPRING REGATTA was also held in May with Joe Friebele taking first and Steve Bachman and Bob Astrove taking second and third, respectively, in a fleet of 14 boats.

June and July were traveling months for fleet members. At the Havre de Grace Spring Regatta, sailing under Portsmouth Rules against J-24's, Thistles, Stars, Islanders, and Solings, Peter Buckley and Doug Dixon in their Lightnings placed first and second. Joe Friebele, with his strategically placed duct tape, easily won the Delaware Governor's Cup at Rehoboth and Steve Bachman won the Potomac River Charity Regatta. Fleet members also did well at the Dixie District Championship at the Susquehanna Yacht Club with Steve Bachman, second; Don Delorme, third; and Joe Friebele, fourth. Steve Bachman also traveled to Cedar Point, Connecticut for the Atlantic Coast Championship and brought home the second place silver, and then ended the month by winning the Miles River Regatta sailed at St. Michaels, Maryland.

August began with Peter McChesney, who normally sails with Bob Astrove, teaming up with Peter Hallagan of Rochester, N.Y. to take fourth place at the World Youth Championship held in Sicily, Italy. The SSA ANNUAL REGATTA and MARYLAND GOVERNOR'S CUP were held in August. Steve Bachman, Bill McShane, and Dieter Grotheer were the order of top finishers at the Annual, and Joe Friebele, Ron Buchanan, and Tom Clark took the silverware in that order at the Governor's Cup. Steve Bachman, Don Delorme and John Richardson also attended and "survived" the North Americans sailed at the Buffalo Canoe Club.

In September, the SSA FALL REGATTA was won by Bob Wardwell with second going to Steve Bachman and third to John Richardson (are

these names sounding familiar?). Steve Bachman also wrapped up the 1982 Fleet Championship in this regatta. John Richardson "traveled" over to the Potomac and won the National Yacht Club Collier Cup. Steve Bachman won the Fall Rehoboth Regatta and then dazzled us with his grand prix talent by winning the slicktrack championship as well (one more victory lap please, Steve!).

Fleet 329's last 1982 invitational, the FRIGID DIGIT REGATTA, was held in late October. Thirty-one boats from as far away as Rochester, N.Y., and North Carolina battled against very frigid winds for two days. This regatta has obtained a reputation over the last couple of years as a real gear, sail, and boat buster. The order of top finishers, or rather survivors, were Steve Bachman, Jim Carson, Bob Wardwell, Mark Beaton, and Doug Hopkins. Finally, Steve Bachman continued his fall winning ways by taking the 30th Annual Quantico Frostbite Regatta and along with it the Frigid Digit — Quantico Overall Championship and just above every other piece of silver in Quantico! Congratulations on a tremendous year Steve!

Well, 1982 was a busy and action packed year, and 1983 should be even better. Our fleet continues to grow with new members Mike Denning, Gordon Hastings, and Malcomb Kane joining the ranks. If you're looking for action filled sailing, join us on the Chesapeake Bay. Our regattas average 15 to 20 boats and the cocktail parties rarely end. See our ad for our tentative 1983 regatta dates.

LIGHTNING FLEET 329

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**SEVERN SAILING ASSOCIATION
ANNAPOLIS, MD.**

TENTATIVE 1983 REGATTA DATES:

NO GAS Invitational May 7, 8

SSA SPRING Regatta May 21, 22

SSA ANNUAL Regatta August 6, 7

MARYLAND

GOVERNORS CUP August 27, 28

SSA FALL Regatta September 24, 25

FRIGID DIGIT October 15, 16

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SQUAM LAKES LIGHTNING FLEET (332)

**New England District
Sailing on Big Squam Lake at
Holderness, New Hampshire**

Fleet Captain Robert Ayotte
Fleet Secretary Crecia C. Closson
Fleet Champion John Russell, Jr.
Runner-Up David Closson

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10732	Go-Mo-Shun	David Closson
10818	Pequod	Donald P. Todd, M.D.
12173	Omega	Allan Whatley
12859	.....	John S. Russell, Jr.
13101	Super Shuttle	Robert Ayotte
12266	Wind Witch	L. B. Flint

Despite a shortage of member boats, Fleet #332 maintained an active and exciting season — somewhat shortened to only the month of August, but nevertheless enjoyed. Our 1982 sailing season Fleet Skipper, Dr. Don Todd (who cheerfully took over the responsibility for the second year in a row!) was busy marrying off a daughter and only got on the lake as an observer, reducing our number racing even more.

The last race of the season on Labor Day weekend turned out to be a cliff hanger with a photo finish more appropriate to horseracing than yachts, when Bert Flint and the *Wind Witch*, in their only race of the summer, took some surprising and successful tacks to come in an unexpected second for that race.

The "Pop" Closson Trophy, decided by the final three races of the season, was a nightmare of arithmetic to resolve, but was finally awarded to David Closson in his *Go-go Motion*. The Fleet Champion, Jack Russell, sailed high on the wind to an unquestioned first — making it his first time as our Champion — and about time, too! If our fleet still awarded a "most improved" trophy, it would belong to Jack.

The efforts of the ILCA and the Fleet Secretary to encourage new Lightning owners to race with the fleet have, over the last three years, come to naught, and our numbers have dwindled to three and sometimes four racers out on a Sunday afternoon. Neither have we been able to enveigle members of our sister fleets (Sunfish and Sailfish racers) to move up to the bigger boat. So the fleet has initiated an alumni membership at one-half the cost of full fleet membership. From our alumni, who are all former Lightning owners and racers, we draw race officials, protest committee if/as needed, and extra crew. While it doesn't get more boats out on the lake, it does help those who have occasional need of crew, keeps interest in the fleet active and makes for a great end-of-season party — this year graciously hosted by our 1982 Fleet Champion and his lovely wife, Betty.

Fleet #332 on Big Squam Lake has been around on Sunday afternoons for a long time, and, one way or another, we plan to keep it up!

BARNEGAT LIGHT CLUB (335)

LIGHTNING FLEET

Central Atlantic District

Sailing at Harvey Cedars, New Jersey

Fleet Captain Art Steitz
Fleet Secretary Bill Clarke
Fleet Champion Bill Clarke
Runner-Up Dave Kunz

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10445	Der Sea Adler II	Art Steitz
10526	Talisman	Paul B. Wood
11189	Bat Toe	Bill Clarke
13158	.....	Larry Murphy
13359	.....	David K. Holland

Lightning Fleet 335's summer series of 18 races on Saturday afternoons in July and August was the most extensive series of races the fleet has held in recent years. This year's winner was Bill Clarke, followed by Dave Kunz, first year skipper, with Larry Murphy in third place (two points behind Dave), Art Steitz in fourth, and Paul Wood in fifth.

The Fifth Annual Weekend Regatta was held August 28 and 29 and the results of that regatta were Clarke, Kunz, Murphy, Steitz and Wood, in that order.

Crews obviously were important to the success of the skippers. Marilyn Angell and Rich Hill crewed for Bill Clarke. Ed Hathaway and Julian Willis crewed for Dave Kunz. Missy Murphy and Raleigh Nelson crewed for Larry Murphy. Daughter Marianne Toedtman, and Carol Murphy crewed for Art Steitz; and Heidi Wood and Jennifer Muhlenberg crewed for Paul Wood.

Jim Carson and Paul Gelenitis returned to our club on the weekend of June 26 for our second annual fleet clinic. We again found this clinic to be a highlight of the season with it serving to correct numerous deficiencies.

For the first time in a number of years, our fleet joined Fleet 196 from Surf City Yacht Club, in a series of races on two Saturday afternoons. We

plan to continue, and perhaps expand, this series next year.

Plans for next year include another mid-winter seminar, another sailing clinic, and getting Raleigh Nelson to skipper his own Lightning. Hopefully, Jim Faus will also return to racing.

A special occasion for our fleet next year will be the weekend of July 23 when Barnegat Light Yacht Club will host the New Jersey State Lightning Championship. We are looking forward to hosting this regatta and plan to make it a great occasion for all who attend.

We again express our thanks to Fleet Captain Art Steitz and a special thanks to Don Haight, the Race Committee Chairman, ably assisted by our sailing instructors, Randy Swartley and Rick Sanford.

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

Fleet Captain Walt Nial
Fleet Secretary James Millard
Fleet Champion James Millard
Runner-Up .. Dale Brown/Walt Nial (co-owned)

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
12115	.....	James Dickson
12573	.....	Kenneth E. Buhrmaster
13655	Huggie	R. James Millard

The 1982 sailing season brought light to moderate air for most of this summer's races. Jim Millard won enough races, despite traveling to various regattas, to repeat as champion, thanks to crew Nell Burrows and Paul Heiner. Jim also went to the North American blowout in Buffalo where he competed in the President's Cup with Dale Brown as crew. What a change from quiet little Galway where we don't even have a jibe mark unless the wind shifts, much less winds up to forty.

It was a tight race for second on Galway between the Brown/Nial entry and Maury Gardner in July until Maury was sent to China on business in August. Maury is talking about a new boat, and Dale and Walt about new sails, so next year should be super competitive.

The Vintage Trophy for wood boats was again won by Dick Millard with August help skippering and crewing from friends and family while Dick pulled some R & R in the hospital. We are hopeful that more of the wood boats will be on the water next year.

The "dunkin' donut" award for dumping your boat was awarded to Walt Nial, and the weeklong evening series went to Ric Klug of neighboring Sacandaga Lake. All were careful not to luff up after sunset except when avoiding the bats that frequent the lake at night.

We're all looking forward to another summer of excellent weather and sailing on Galway.

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

Fleet Secretary Don Lambrix

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9259	Took	Mry Ann Bates
10071	Wiki-Wiki	Peter Northup
12177	.....	Chris Cowles
12371	Greased	Cliff Dibelka

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
8992	L'Oiseau	Audrey Matteson
		J.P. Matteson
12038	For Sail	Steve Sickler
12452	Woodstock	Bill Connor
12790	.....	Roger O. Copel
12822	Spike	Audrey Matteson
		J.P. Matteson
12969	.....	Porter Bailey
13144	V3	Bob Novak
13225	Free Spirit	Gene Matthews

No Report

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
11117	Moonshine	David Rosner
11132	Valkyrie	Larry Minshall
11883	Red Pepper	Dave Kopec
12569	Family Fued	Ed Van Puymbroeck

No Report

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

Fleet Captain Bill McCarthy
Fleet Secretary Ehmann Miller
Fleet Champion Bill McCarthy
Runner-Up Gordon Snyder

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8559	Robert	Karl Schedler
10687	Walloping Window	
	Blind	Frankland Oakley
11796	White Lightning	Charles Schmidt
12015	Goldie Marie	Ehmann Miller
12346	Irish Mist	Bill McCarthy
12950	Wave Dancer	Gordon Snyder

We are now at the end of our sailing season, and, regretfully this year was not the best. Six of our members left for bigger thrills, and larger boats, but those of us who stayed behind enjoyed the fun of sailing, even in September when the water was so low we needed a hoist to put our boats in the water.

The highlight of the season was determining our Fleet Champion. Bill McCarthy was the winner, followed by Gordon Snyder, second; Frank Oakley, third; and Ehmann Miller, fourth. The Hoover Yacht Club Labor Day Series for the Lightning fleet was won by Charles Schmidt. To our race committee chairman, Frank Oakley, goes a lot of thanks for his tireless efforts over the past season.

Our fleet sponsored the HYC Octoberfest. It was a huge success. Fifty-two members attended and enjoyed the fair weather, delicious food, and music by Adolf Eiselt, and Susie Rauch playing the spoons.

The fleet will be holding winter get-togethers to plan for the coming season.

YACHT CLUB OLIVOS (356)**Argentina District
Sailing on the River Plate at
Olivos, Argentina**

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
12747	"50"	Jose M. Blanco
13360	.....	Horacio Gonzales Dume
No Report		

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

Fleet Captain Jerry Harris
Fleet Secretary Ellen Nobles-Harris

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5074	Old Salt	John Scott
5558	Merry Jo	Raymond M. Horwitz, Jr.
8379	Ta'Aroa	Franz Schneider
9970	L2D2	Larry Hoffmaster
10072	.....	Grace Smith
10215	Ho-Ho	Clarence W. Cramer
11124	Swampy Skunk	
	Bucket	Dwight Hutchison, M.D.
11157	Truckin' On Home	Mark Young
11666	Cirrus	John Teigland, Jr.
12728	Bin Im Urlaub	Bruce R. Kloss
13624	Sparkie	Gerald Harris
No Report		

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

Fleet Captain Roland Baumgartner
Fleet Secretary Adreas Hofer
Fleet Champion Urs Wyler
Runner-Up Urs Schar

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4649	Krapus	Paul Kurth
8190	Sarabande	Rolf Buchschacher
10465	Malibu	H.F. Meyer
10898	Milan III	Hans-Peter Schmid
10899	.....	Danie Fischlin
11857	.....	Jean-Pierre Durr & Gilber Durr
12307	Dambema	Dr. Bernhard Gruninger
12637	Waggu	Rudolf & Urs Wyler
12951	Santa Fiamma	R. Fluhmann & M. Divernois
12952	.....	Peter Bernasconi & Stephan Scharer
		Ernst Schar
13161	.....	Hans-Peter Schmid
13692	.....

The ski weekend was the traditional first event of the past year. Maybe some newcomers will be found for new records in the downhill competition. No doubt, the long Saturday evening is always fun.

As every year, different crews took part quite successfully in different international yachting competitions. The newly formed junior crew of Stefan Scharer, Susanne Schar and Louis Gerber participated in the Junior World Championships in Marsala. At the European Championship, the crew of H.P. Schmid, Res Hofer and Ronald Knopfli finished in fourth place. Urs Schar, Ernest Schar and Thomas Scharer fetched seventh place in this very pretentious race.

The skilled competitors, Hasu, Res and Beat, won (in their first year with the new wooden Lighting) the annual championships, and, therefore, the Kami-Kazi-Cup.

This year the Pfauencup had fifteen boats registered for the start. However, the winds on the lake were very calm and the trophy was given to

Gilbert Desplands after only one race. Anyway, the nice summer weather helped a lot to have an amusing Raclette Dinner. We are very grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Divernois' hospitality and the great help of the fleet staff.

The fleet competition was sailed, as every year, at the Criterium Aventure. Only four boats started. Urs Wyler was the winner and Urs Schar finished second.

OKANAGAN LIGHTNING FLEET (368)**Pacific Northwest District
Sailing on Okanagan Lake at
Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada**

Fleet Captain William Ehmann
Fleet Secretary Robert Bazett
Fleet Champion Robert Bazett

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9267	.....	Alf Puder
10658	Firedance	A. Grant MacKinnon
11462	Aristeia	William Ehmann
12158	.....	Neil MacGibbon
13299	Hot Chocolate	Ernie Chatham
13477	White Shadow	Robert Bazett

The big news for 1982 is that the site of our new sailing facility has been confirmed and for those of our friends in the Lightning Class whom we have been happy to host on beautiful Lake Okanagan, they will be pleased to see the redevelopment of a large new site on Okanagan Lake. The new location which the fleet will occupy will be on a much wider part of the lake and exposed to more steady southwest winds. We will also be able to set better courses at the new site. In addition, in the near future, we expect to build in conjunction with several other classes sailing on Lake Okanagan a new club house to take advantage of the permanent site. In the meantime, we will be a short walk down the beach from the Eldorado Arms Hotel, which is a very pleasant watering hole indeed!

The Tuesday night racing series was a great success with veterans Neil MacGibbon and Robert Bazett teaching the more inexperienced members of the fleet various ways to observe their sterns. Special thanks go to Neil and Robert for their unfailing support and guidance in teaching the other struggling members of the fleet their winning ways and all at the cost of a brew or two. "Meetings" can often last far into the night after the Tuesday night races.

Ernie Chatham's racing team, in particular, showed great improvement over the past year as did Hans Hart.

Our major regatta, The Blossom Time, attracted ten competitors and was a great success, with Robert Bazett being the eventual winner. A report on The Blossom Time appeared in the Lightning Flashes earlier in the year.

In out of town action, Robert Bazett did most of the travelling and came second in The Kitsilano Invitational Regatta which was sailed in good condition with fourteen boats. Neil MacGibbon attended this regatta as well and finished first overall, while Robert finished third in some very close racing.

The Saltspring Regatta was attended by Robert Bazett in July, along with six other Lightnings, in an around-the-island race, which lasted an epic 29 hours. The order of finishing was irrelevant as finishing at all was a very tremendous achievement.

Finally, in October, The Seattle Regatta was attended by Robert Bazett where he finished second in some very close racing with Greg Zettler of Seattle, Dave Hickman of Portland, and Phil Parshley of Portland.

We hope to have our new site fully developed within the next year or two and we will report on its progress. To those of you in other parts of the country who have never been in the Lake Okanagan area, we extend a warm welcome and hope that you will be able to join us in racing on Lake Okanagan.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA FLEET (372)**California District
Sailing on San Francisco Bay, California**

Fleet Captain Bill Hole
Fleet Secretary Timothy Barnes
Fleet Champion Mark Patty
Runner-Up Bruce Arnold

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10481	Sweet Okole	Bob Smith
10809	Dyna-Flo	Donald Wilson-Beaton
11463	Greyhound	John Hoffman
11511	Peppermint Patty	Bruce B. Arnold
12163	Orcas	Lynne S. Miller
13243	Raggedy Ann III	Mark D. Patty
13246	Genie III	Bill Hole

The San Francisco Bay Area Fleet has been keeping it's year round sailing schedule. This year has given everyone a lot more practice in light air sailing than in the past. Our winter series at Richmond Yacht Club gave us all lots of practice in drift sailing (where the bay current far exceeds that of the wind). Randy Eckman won the series, which is held on the last Sunday of each month from November-March.

Our season with the Small Boat Racing Association has kept us fairly busy, including our typical travelling races. This year we made our fleet present in various places, such as Klamath Falls, Oregon, for the Pacific Coast Championships; Eugene, Oregon; Los Angeles and San Diego for the annual Southern California Easter Circuit; as well as San Diego for the California Districts. There was also the two separate regattas at Lake Cachuma, Santa Barbara.

Then we have our travelling representative, Bill (Puka) Hole, who has spent the year travelling and racing. He went to Chile for the Worlds; sailed in the Southern Circuit, through Georgia and Florida; sailed at Buffalo Canoe Club in the North American's; and has made many separate races throughout the northeastern states. Puka is not a sailing ace by any means, but he does one thing consistently — enjoys himself wherever he sails. Owning and sailing a Lightning for well over thirty years, he is definitely one you would term an "enthusiast".

Work has moved away two of our avid skippers: Timothy Barnes to further his Montessori teaching in San Diego; and Randy Eckman to Okinawa, Japan, to continue with his dentistry. Travelling has struck in a different sense to Jack and Linda McCarthey, who spent seven months of this year logging 10,500 miles on their Traveller 34 on a Pacific cruise into paradise and back again.

Then we have a Mark Patty in the fleet, who not only thrives on winning, but then he isn't happy enough with his fast boat, so he gets busy building his own idea of the ultimate Lightning racing machine. Plywood and epoxy are once again into action as a valuable combination in boat-building. On the other side of the hand is Joe Ujcic and friend Frank Minnemayer, who have logged hundreds of miles on his Lightning 6638 in Canada's Desolation Sound, as well as California's Lake Tahoe. Baja, Mexico, is the next plan for this cedar cruiser.

DOUGLAS LAKE LIGHTNING FLEET (374) Michigan District Sailing on Douglas Lake at Cheboygan County, Michigan

Fleet Captain.....	Howard Eddy
Fleet Secretary.....	Maurice Olsaver
Fleet Champion.....	John Young
Runner-Up.....	Maurice Olsaver

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9663	Daddy-O II	Maurice Olsaver
10198	Mer Sea	John G. Young
10387	.....	Henry Hodgson, Jr.
12754	Shrub	David O. Peters
12755	Spirit	Garry Demarest
13015	Don Quixote II	Howard Eddy
13123	Mod-Mid	Earl J. Peters
13174	Oh Pear	Leo Lighthammer

Although our racing season is short at best, only Fourth of July to Labor Day, this year was a record low: Every race day except two brought either a deadly calm or a howling gale, and even those two days were only good for one race each. We were luck for our Third Invitational Regatta on July 25-26, however, and got in all five scheduled races, although heavy winds took their toll on certain parties. Our own member, Jack Schulte, was the winner; although Hank Hodgson took first in four races, a capsized in one race dropped him to runner-up. Competition was hot with thirteen boats, seven from other fleets, and again we count it as a successful occasion — hope we'll have even more boats here next year.

Weather was again marginal for our traditional Labor Day Series, and

we only managed two races. Earl and Rick Peters won both races for first place, with John Lighthammer taking second in his father's boat. Fleet Captain Howard Eddy hosted a fine family potluck to wind up the season — if you can call it that — and was elected to serve as our fearless leader for another year with Jack Young as secretary-treasurer. In spite of the sad season, however, enthusiasm is undampened, and we'll be back to make up for it next year!

SMITH MOUNTAIN LAKE FLEET (377) Dixie District Sailing on Smith Mountain Lake at Scruggs, Virginia

Fleet Captain.....	Hank Riviere
Fleet Secretary.....	Hank Riviere

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
651	Tarantelle	Franklin H. Pritchard, Jr.
11871	Jabberwock	Henry W. Riviere
12773	Shady Lady	Stephen E. Shade

Fleet 377 suffered from very light participation in 1982. The economic situation and a wet summer combined to reduce our activity to a very low point.

The weird weather patterns even effected our Invitational Regatta held on October 2 & 3. In past years it has been cold, wet and windy. This year is was warm, dry, and calm. In fact, it was so calm we were only able to get in one race on Saturday and one race on Sunday. However, the weatherman has promised wind for 1983, so come on and join us.

We sail series races almost every Sunday afternoon and our Invitational Regatta for 1983 is scheduled for October 1 & 2. We know you will enjoy sailing on Smith Mountain Lake.

LANSING SAILING CLUB FLEET (387) Michigan District Sailing on Lake Lansing at Haslett, Michigan

Fleet Captain.....	Mike Caterino
Fleet Secretary.....	Robert Klimek
Fleet Champion.....	Bill Celio
Runner-Up.....	Bob Hill

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3618	Big Mac	Robert MacDonald
5885	Red Baroness	Raymond Yerkie
8288	.....	Michael J. Caterino
11488	Diligence	Robert Hill
12328	Greezed	William J. Celio
12341	Lady Jane	Robert E. Klimek
12888	Dudley Dorite II	D. Dennis Dudley

We sailed another exciting season. Our Tune-Up Regatta led off the Michigan District circuit. Hank Hodgson managed a win over Dave Peters and the rest of the participants.

During the regular season we sailed with mostly favorable winds. Unfortunately, the adequate water level in the spring receded to marginal levels later in the season. A new Fleet Champion was crowned — Bill Celio.

Everyone believes the Farmers' Almanac and we're geared for a lot of snow this winter. But it's all worthwhile to guarantee sufficient lake water next summer. If so, we can anticipate the best season in many years. See you at the Tune-Up Regatta in the spring.

LAKE HARTWELL FLEET (391) Southeastern District Sailing on Lake Hartwell, Anderson, South Carolina

Fleet Secretary.....	William Sloger
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Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10149	Round-Tuit	C.L. Dalton
13512	Intueri	William Sloger

No Report



ETS II with Lori Hunter, Joy Schaus and Trish Adam readying for a start.

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 Dave Wilhelm

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9763	Circa	Bill E. Williamson
9823	Hunky Dory	Robert A. Waid
10632	TLC and J	Tom Bennin
11172	Ets II	Robert G. Grall
12179	Captain Crunch	David Wilhelm
12380	Faltus	Karl M. Miller
13176	Jaws II	Ronald Schaper

Sailing the sometimes unpredictable waters of Lake Michigan, Fleet 393 of Manitowoc, Wisconsin, ended another successful sailing season with top honors once again going to skipper Ron Schaper and his crew of Bob Krowiorz and John Creagh aboard the newly dubbed boat *Femme Fatale*.

Sponsored by the Manitowoc Yacht Club, the local Lightning Fleet sails two weekly series and one special series, the Labor Day Series. Ron Schaper and crew took first place in both the Tuesday and Thursday Night Series, with *Captain Crunch*, skippered by Dave Wilhelm with crew Chuck Hardy and Terry Kukral, taking second place in both series. Bob Waid took third place honors in the Tuesday Night Series, while Karl Miller gained the same honor in the Thursday Night Series. The Labor Day Series was won by Dave Wilhelm.

The annual Ice Breaker Regatta was again held, dates being July 24 & 25. Two good days of sailing found Sheboygan's Tryg Jacobson in first place, Brian Phelan of Green Bay in second place, and Gene Mathews of Lake Geneva, Doug Olson of Green Bay, and local skipper Ron Schaper taking the remaining third through fifth places.

Special thanks go to Chuck Hunter, MYC's Sailing Committee Chairman, Ruben Kluczinski, and Dave Schmidt, and crews who helped man the committee boats throughout the sailing season.

PARKWAY SAILING CLUB (406)

Lake Erie District

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

Fleet Captain D. Weinmann
Fleet Secretary D. Weinmann

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8033	Valium V	R. Filsinger
10200	Brig-o-Don	D. Glenny

No Report

TRIAD LIGHTNING FLEET (415)

Southeastern District

Sailing on High Rock Lake at Lexington, North Carolina

Fleet Captain Craig Thayer
Fleet Secretary Ann Kellogg
Fleet Champion Ann Kellogg

Fleet Champion Gordon Kellogg
Runner-Up Delbert Foster

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
736	Huntress	W. Craig Thayer
9931	Virginia Creeper	K. A. Lawder, Jr.
10168	Interlude	Jonathan I. Lange
10284	Saratoga Trunk	David D. Addison
10723	The Patricia Ann	Frank Mills
12336	.....	William Pleasants
12603	.....	Delbert E. Foster
12704	Special K	Gordon P. Kellogg
13105	.....	Lloyd Peterson
13140	.....	Henry M. Booker

Despite a relatively light turnout at the starting line on race weekends, Fleet 415 showed renewed life in 1982. Prior to the start of the season several members got together and discussed the possibility of staging a Lightning boat show at one of the local shopping malls. The idea came to fruition in June when fleet members, armed with three Lightnings, posters, handouts, and a slide show, promoted the Class in our area for three days during Safe Boating Week. As a result, we gained one more boat, several prospective buyers, and uncovered lots of crew.

Our invitational in June was blessed with great weather and wind for all races, with our own Del and Gordon taking third and fourth place silver. Bill Pleasants showed an amazing ability to call the shifts during a light and fluky Southeastern Districts at Lake Murray and captured second place.

With only one more race weekend to go, it appears that Gordon Kellogg has bested all comers, with Del Foster wrapping up the runner-up spot, for the Fleet Championship. Del was one of two new faces in our fleet this year and we look forward to adding several more in 1983.

YACHT CLUB PAYSANDU FLEET (423)

Uruguay District

Sailing on Rio Uruguay at Paysandu, Uruguay

Fleet Secretary Ricardo Molinelli

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8414	Timbo	Homero M. Came
8810	Taboba	Ricardo Molinelli
11376	Dirki	Homero R. Came
13689	.....	Ricardo Molinelli

No Report

CLUB UNIVERSTORIO DE REGATAS, LA PINTA (424)

Peru District

Sailing on Bay of Callao at Lima, Peru

Fleet Secretary..... Luis A. Bryce

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9977	Chimpum Callao	Gerhard Jansen
10997	Rafita	Luis A. Bryce

No Report

GREATER CHARLESTON LIGHTNING FLEET (429)

Southeastern District

Sailing on Charleston Harbor at
Charleston, South Carolina

Fleet Captain..... William R. Sloger, Jr.
Fleet Secretary..... Ann B. Sloger

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10807	Doagie	Ann B. Sloger William R. Sloger, Jr.
11004	Mean Machine	Ken Nichols
13145	.....	Harold L. Hintz
13403	.....	Franklin Robson
13656	Alo Ha	Leonard Krawcheck

No Report

OCEAN CITY YACHT CLUB (430)

Central Atlantic District

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

Fleet Captain Pete Murray
Fleet Secretary John Parker
Fleet Champion John Parker
Runner-Up Gidge Glenn

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
12687	White Lightnin'	C. James Kavle, M.D.
13159	Peaches goes	C. James Kavle, M.D.
	Bananas	George Glenn III
13380	Flower Child	John J. Parker

The 1982 sailing season for Fleet 430 was very eventful due to our new skippers and crews, and the usual brisk sea breezes. In addition to our fleet championship series, Fleet 430 also had three club regattas this summer, the Independence Day Regatta, the Open Club Regatta, and the Labor Day Flag Officers' Regatta.

John Parker won the Fleet Championship, including victories in both the July and August series. John's crew for the summer was Henry Backe, his sister Carol, or Leslie Carroll. Henry Backe, who co-skipped the August series with John as crew, provided many impromptu lectures on proper spinnaker trim to his crew. Gidge Glenn teamed with his brother Jim and Jim Kavle to finish second overall with a third place in the July series and second in the August series. Gidge demonstrated excellent speed throughout the summer, only to be slowed by frequent mark collisions. Our new boat, skippered by Bruce Wigo with wife Dawn and son Wolf or Terry Theriault as crew, finished third overall, including a second place in the July series and a third place in the Independence Regatta. Bruce's first competition since his Moth boat racing days. In addition, Fred Rexon, with wife Anne and Terry Theriault as crew, sailed Bruce's boat in several fleet races, including a close second place in the Ocean City Open Regatta.

Pete Murray, also with a new boat, finished second in the August series with his beautiful crew, wife Kathy and Allison Weir. Pete was honored at our sailing awards banquet for his swimming ability (guess why???)

The Labor Day Flag Officers' Regatta provided an exciting finish to our local sailing season due to the close competition in all races. Gidge Glenn finished first, with Henry Backe, second, and Allison Weir, third.

John Parker, with Brownie Baer and Leslie Carroll, finished second in the NJ State Championships held at Riverton Yacht Club in June.

Fleet 430 is hoping to increase our fleet membership in 1983 and continue the close competition we enjoyed this year.



"Survivors of the summer of '82"

RUSK CREEK YACHT CLUB (435)

Texas District

Sailing on Lake Ray Hubbard
at Dallas, Texas

Fleet Captain Bruce Hanover
Fleet Secretary Harmon Cohen

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9473	.....	David Card
10211	Blue Angel	Sam Lett, Jr.
10275	Xanado	John Skiles
10318	Go For It	Clarke Newman & Sylvan Newman
10405	Grok	Bruce W. Hanover
10811	.....	Greg Hatfield
10854	.....	Martin Koppers
11046	Androsdos	Vernon R. Goldberg
11138	New Blue	John Schneider
11311	.....	Stephen Craig
11955	.....	Milo Johnson
11956	Shady Lady	Roger Wach
12289	.....	Rick Tears
12488	Coron	Calvert Garrett
12500	Sailbad The Sinner	Bob Knerr
12834	.....	Stan L. Wessel, Jr.
12835	.....	Rick Tears
13177	Desperado	John Schneider
13220	.....	Paul D. Emens
13221	Rasputin	John McGown
13223	Driven Snow	Harold Ploch
13228	Too Bad	Lance Drewes
13231	.....	Don R. Johnson
13248	Blood, Sweat and Tears	Rick Tears
13311	.....	Robert Thomas
13329	.....	Warren Lewis
13341	Sirius	Richard Guinan
13347	.....	Warren Delano Smith
13365	.....	Sylvan Newman
13537	.....	Stephen Craig
13622	Dark Horse	Glenn Darden
13644	Bailinara	T. Alden Ritch
13691	.....	George Hatfield
.....	.....	George P. Banke, Jr.
.....	.....	Harmon Cohen
.....	.....	Harris Garrett
.....	.....	Dave Irwin
.....	.....	Duncan Porter

The 1982 season opened with a special award to Sylvan Newman for his 25 years of participation and service to the Lightning fleet. Our fleet has been lucky to attract some super people over the years and we are very proud of their contributions.

The Rush Creek fleet was represented at the Southern Circuit, and in several other regattas in the South, again winning the Tri-district trophy. Warren Lewis continued his streak from fall of 1981 into the spring of 1982. He dominated the spring series and just beat John Schneider in the summer series. Greg Hatfield got hot in the late summer and has kept warm in the fall. With six weeks to go at this writing, Greg has the lead in the fall series. The fleet championship is still undecided and could go down to the last week of the season when we usually have very big fleets just before our annual Thanksgiving Regatta. Thanksgiving usually has something interesting weatherwise and last year was rather light. We have started a B-Fleet this year and the results have been very interesting. got to find some way to keep those hot sailors from qualifying...

This year our fleet was well represented at the North Americans. Warren Lewis, John Schneider, Steven Craig, Lance Drews, Richard Guinan, and Bob Kneer qualified in the Texas districts, and Greg Hatfield and John McGowan qualified in the Junior NA's.

The big news for 1983 is that we have the North Americans here! Rush Creek Yacht Club, in downtown Heath, Texas, is planning a good time for you... Y'all come on down, ya hear!

SOUTH SKANEATELES LIGHTNING ASSOC. (439) Central New York District

Sailing on Skaneateles Lake at Cortland, New York

Fleet Secretary..... W. Howell Finn

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
13375	.....	Neil Gutches
13400	The Wind Suits	
	Us II	Frank H. Suits, Jr.
000	.....	John G. Hazard
No Report		

PALMETTO LIGHTNING FLEET (440) Southeastern District Sailing on Lake Murray at Columbia, South Carolina

Fleet Captain Sonny T. Weaver, Jr.
Fleet Secretary Paul Rodesiler
Fleet Champion Wayne Catoe
Runner-Up Wilburn Brewer

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11412	Somethin' Else	Wilburn Brewer
12401	Seetenfel III	Paul F. Rodesiler
12705	Windance	William George
12709	Second Wind	Sonny T. Weaver, Jr.
12712	.....	William T. Malin
12975	Sea Ya	Wayne B. Catoe

This was another outstanding year for Lightning sailing here at Lake Murray Sailing Club. We are fortunate enough to start our racing season in March, and it continues through November. We determine our fleet champion from the best nine out of fourteen races which are spread all through the year. A myriad of conditions are encountered during our season and with the intense competition among our fleet members, it takes a truly skillful skipper and crew to win our fleet championship.

Although we still have a few more races to go, at the time of this writing it looks like our Fleet Champion is going to be Wayne Catoe, who is doing a repeat performance of last year. He and his family are truly the epitome of hardworking, skillful Lightning sailors.

Fighting it out for the runner-up position are Bill Malin, Paul Rodesiler, and Wilburn Brewer.

Fleet 440 would like to welcome the well-known and well-skilled Tom Waters. Everyone in the Southeastern District knows what a fine skipper he is. With Tom as a stablemate, we see our sailing skills improving tremendously.

We here at Lake Murray Sailing Club would like to wish all the members of the I.L.C.A. a healthful and prosperous 1983.



Palmetto Lightning Fleet 440 members. Front row left to right: Jerry Bright, Bill George, Danielle Catoe, Wayne Catoe, Peter Catoe. Second row left to right: Paul Rodesiler, Sue Rodesiler, Wilburn Brewer, Joye Waters, Tom Waters, Lisa Waters.

CLUB UNIVERSITARIO DE BUENOS AIRES (446) Argentina District

Sailing on Waters of Rio De La Plata Buenos Aires, Argentina

Fleet Secretary..... J. Manuel Irizar

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7768	Flamingo II	Heraldo Tramaglia
11037	.....	Horacio Luis Tettamanti
11041	Flamingo III	Rolando L. Turrado
No Report		

SAN PABLO FLEET (447) Ecuador District Sailing on Lago San Pablo at Quito, Ecuador

Fleet Captain Mauricio Martinez
Fleet Secretary Patrizio Galotti
Fleet Champion Mauricio Martinez
Runner-Up Jaime Martinez

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
13443	Naranja Mecanics	Rafael Leon Barba
13444	.....	Mauricio Martinez

The 1982 sailing season was again very interesting for our fleet. Early in January, three of our sailors, Mauricio, Gonzalo, and Ernesto Martinez, represented the Ecuador District at the Worlds in Chile, enjoying the hospitality and some strong wind.

The annual "Lightning Circuit" was a great success because we were able to sail twelve regattas in different wind conditions. Mauricio Martinez and his crew, wife Cynthia and brother Ernesto, won the circuit. Jaime Martinez and crew, Jaime Holguin and Felipe Rivadeneira, was second, and Carlos Ramsauer and crew, Werner Gremlich and Alex Smidh, was third. New skippers like Rafael and Diego Leon showed some good speed and enthusiasm in these races.

Werner Gremlich, our good friend and Laser Fleet Captain, moved to his native Switzerland in mid-season. We are going to miss Wernie a lot. He is an excellent sailor as well as a very nice guy. Everybody hopes he will return some day.

We are expecting the Interclubs Regatta to be sailed at Lake Tomine near Bogota with our good friends of Club Nautico del Muna.

MARSALA LIGHTNING FLEET (449) Italian District

Fleet Captain Gianni Pellegrino
Fleet Secretary Roberto Crucitti
Fleet Champion Attina, Attina, & Brocato
Runner-Up Marino, Abate & DiBartolo

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11325	Joker	Tommaso Laudicina
12027	Wind I	Francesco Figuccia
12061	Zaza	Gaspar Giacalone
12087	Milouin	Pietro Marino
13035	Scirocco	Tino Pernice & Antonio De Vita
13065	Sherazade	Andrea Aloia Giuseppe Clemente Sergio Messina
13266	Wonderer	Francesco Riti
13402	Rainbow	Filippo Sata & Pietro Marino
13414	White Cloud	Roberto Crucitti & Sergio Messina
13455	Wind III	Gianni Pellegrino
13481	Wanted III	Alessandro & Marcello Attina
13557	Ausonia	Pietro & Angelo Zerilli

This year the Marsala 449 fleet has managed her duty very well. We are pretty proud that we have had the opportunity of participating in the World Championship at Pucon through our young crews, Messina, Nizza and Vitaggio; and Attina, Attina, and Alagna. We are very satisfied that many young people are now interested in the Lightning Class, which only a few years ago was still considered class fit for grown people.

Of course Lightning's performances are better now than some years ago, as many good changes have been operated in its fittings. Our crews have participated very actively in the regattas which have been organized by the various fleets of the Italian District and have run many kilometers with their trailers. Four boats were in Naples during the regatta "Settimana Velica di Napoli" and our crew Crucitti-Di Girolama-Pipitone was the winner. Five of our boats participated to the ORCES Trophy in Brehzone at Garda Lake and Crucitti was once again the winner.

Five boats participated in the Italian Championship at Gravedona and our young crew Messina-Vitaggio-Nizza was the winner. Three of our crews went to Greece and participated in the European Championship and Messina and his crew were the runner-up. Many crews of other fleets have participated in the Sicilian Championship as it was considered a valid trial to be included in the World Championship in Naples. The crew Zerilli-Zerilli of our fleet was the winner.

But the biggest event of our fleet has been organization of the third World Youth Championship, which succeeded very well, even if we had to overcome some obstacles, as to find the boats, repair them and give the boats back after the Championship.

This year in the well known Regatta of Cap Boeo's Cup, to which many classes can participate, classification has been done using the "compensated time" obtained from Portsmouth's tables. We have had very interesting results: Lasers, Lightnings, 420's, and 470's were within the first six classes. As I believe that it is a good system to do regattas with many classes, we will still use it.

Now we are preparing ourselves for the "End of the Year" regatta, then we shall have two months' rest, after which we will begin again working very hard, because five crews of our fleet have been selected for the next World Championship in Naples and we must do our best.

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

Fleet Captain Bob Foster
Fleet Secretary Bob Foster
Fleet Champion Bob Foster
Runner-Up George Place, Jr.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
67	Neandratol-Whoopie	Richard Hoddinott
7896	.....	J. William Jackson
9980	Countess II	Peter J. Leadley, M.D.
10613	Eidolon	Bob Foster
10830	White Lightning	Charles M. Jackson

12194	Phoebe	George Place
12564	.....	Lawrence H. Vautour
.....	.....	Clinton Carhart

It was a truly super sailing season according to the skippers of Fleet 450. The highlight, of course, was being able to host the State of Maine Regatta July 10th and 11th. Richard Hale and his crew captured first in the regatta. It was most gratifying to have all the visiting boats.

Fleet 450 continues to grow with the addition of Jim Boufor and his boat. J. W. Jackson has taken over 7896, Bob Foster's old boat, and to the dismay of some, Bob now has 10613 in tune. This gives a total of eight active boats and one woody that will be going in '83. There are indications that there may be some crew members getting their own boats next year.

We ran fourteen races this season which included the three for the State of Maine Regatta and three on Labor Day weekend, which is the Androscoggin Yacht Club Regatta. The end results show that Bob Foster and his crew, with six first place finishes, had things pretty much his way. George Place finished the season in second place, with Larry Vautour close on George's heels. The Labor Day Regatta saw Pete Leadley fall from second to fourth place in one swell bloop, also known as a capsized. Pete was heard to say at dockside while bailing, "Look at that, my copy of *Sailing Made Easy* never got wet."

The crew that put on the State of Maine Regatta are to be congratulated for a job well done. I did think that Doug Stevenson raised the five minute signal upside down, but then any guy that tries to sail a pick-up truck can't be too reliable. It is a pleasure to be around when Doug launches his boat, as you know things will just have to be better when you launch your boat. Anyway, the regatta crew has signed on for another year and are looking forward to seeing you at the State of Maine's at the Androscoggin Yacht Club July 9th and 10th, 1983. Ayuh!

by: Sweet Ol Bob

PERUVIAN NAVAL SCHOOL FLEET (452) Peru District

Sailing on Callao Waters at Lima, Peru

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11714	Escuela Naval del Peru
11715	" " " "
11716	" " " "
11718	" " " "
11719	" " " "
11720	" " " "

No Report

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

Fleet Captain Paolo Rosi
Fleet Secretary Fabio Nicchiarelli
Fleet Champion Fabio Nicchiarelli
Runner-Up Franco DeRegis

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
13037	.....	Sauro Sarpocci
13061	Lola	Mauro Salvetti
13062	Winny 2	Paolo Rosi & Sergio Rustichelli
13068	.....	Franco De Regis
13271	King Furious 3	Carlo Musso
13462	Areknames II	Fabio Nicchiarelli

No Report

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 Bill Sisemore
Runner-Up Ken White

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11151	Saxy	Kenneth White
11297	Mimumum Bid	William M. Ganong
13029	This Side Up	Bill Sisemore
13106	.....	Dick Marlatt

Hosting 22 boats for the Pacific Coast Championships on the 4th of July was the major event for the Klamath Lightning Fleet for 1982. We missed the representation from the distant spots, Canada and San Diego, but all who came had good races, good times, and a spectacular display of fireworks over the lake added to the excitement of a great week-end for the new Champion, Bruce Deitz of Bellevue, WA. Tales will be told of setting the Ken Whites and Paul Fischers adrift under the stars on an old dock, but don't you believe it!

We are pleased to have Bill Sisemore, a charter member of Fleet 455, acting as Commodore of the Pacific Northwest District for 1982.

Our club has instigated a "Lady Skipper" handicap series, and a five-race "All Ladies" regatta. Dick Marlatt's oldest daughter, Lisa Mulvey, sailed off with the trophy for the "Lady Skipper" series in Dick's Lightning. Congratulations, Lisa! The gals like handling the tiller...what have we been doing all these years getting bruised and battered up front as crew?!

This fleet was greatly saddened by the untimely death of our good friend, Hannah Torgeson, of Portland. She was an excellent sailor, avid competitor and a ray of sunshine that we always welcomed in our midst. We shall miss you, Hannah.

TUUSULANJARVI LIGHTNING FLEET (456) Finland District

Sailing on Lake Tuusulanjarvi, Finland

Fleet Captain	Kalevi Siiskonen
Fleet Secretary	Petri Siiskonen
Fleet Champion	Hartti Nisonen
Runner-Up	Pertti Pyy

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5552	.....	Jorma Lehtonen
9164	Evelina	Veikko Rautalahti
9438	Kulkuri	Kalevi Siiskonen
10668	Lady Bird	Tuomo Kauhanen
11001	.....	Jorma Lehtonen
12258	Marigold	Jorma Karkkainen
12434	Sunday Sailor	Leo Manninen
12750	Obelix	Ilkka Saari
12757	Blue Lady	Pentti Laitinen
12803	Charlie Brown	Antti Ruuskanen
12907	Lizi	Leo Korhonen
12909	Asterix	Hartti Nisonen
13098	Vipunen	Lauri Hamalainen
13413	Amarillo	Pertti Pyy
13436	Pii	Tuomo Kauhanen
13560	No Uno	Jorma Lehtonen

Some of us found it quite tricky to sail again after the long winter, especially since the beginning of our sailing season was blessed with lots of wind. The On The Rocks Regatta in May saw seven of the 20 boats capsize and others had mechanical troubles. As summer drew on, the winds became lighter. So light that in our Autumn Regatta in September only one of four scheduled races could be sailed due to the lack of wind.

The biggest event of the season was, of course, the Districts, sailed in light winds at sea outside the town of Pori in the beginning of August. Our fleet sent seven boats. The best finisher of these was *Amarillo*, skippered by Pertti Pyy. Pertti and his crew, Saku Vento and Petri Wikman, finished sixth among 32 boats. The champion was Lasse Hammar from Oulu. The very light winds, together with the high swells, caused some difficulties to us used to sailing on an inland lake where the waves never get very big.

The Junior Race, which was planned to take place on Lake Lohja, about 70 kilometers west of Helsinki, would also have been one of the season's greatest happenings. Unfortunately, it never came to be since only two boats and crews appeared. This was a surprise because the 1980 and 1981 races gathered five and seven boats, respectively, fighting to win.

Participation in our weekly evening races was also down this year. In the past there were usually ten boats in every race, but this summer there were generally only four or five. Let's hope the coming season brings some increased participation once again.

There are still some seven months to go till the ice melts next spring. While waiting for the thaw there will be monthly fleet meetings to keep our spirits high. Everyone, especially the newcomers, is welcome.

UNION LAKE YACHT CLUB LIGHTNING FLEET (458)

Michigan District

Sailing on Union Lake at Union Lake, Michigan

Fleet Secretary..... Dick Cross

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11216	.....	Dale Mahrle
13397	Brian's Song III	Brian Hussey
.....	.....	Erwin Schwarze

WATEREE LIGHTNING FLEET (459)

Southeastern District

Sailing on Wateree Lake at Camden, South Carolina

Fleet Captain	Robert A. Rowan
Fleet Secretary	Nancy Cheek
Fleet Champion	Sam Cheek
Runner-Up	Bill Canniff

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11553	Nan-Sea	Samuel J. Cheek

Wateree Lightning Fleet 459 was small, but big in accomplishment this year. Nearly every Sunday you can find our Lightnings on the line for club races, whether it's 30 degrees or 100 degrees. Sam Cheek won the Club's Summer Series against all classes of boats using the Portsmouth Handicap.

Campaigning in the Southeastern District regattas were Sam Cheek, his wife Nancy, and expert Lightning crew David Sears from Savannah, Georgia. Winning the High Rock Regatta and having good finishes in the other regattas, enabled them to win second place in the Southeastern District.

Wateree did not host a district regatta this year, but plans to hold one in October of 1983. Hope you will plan to sail with us then.

NORTH FLORIDA LIGHTNING FLEET (461)

Florida District

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

Fleet Captain	Bob Brown
Fleet Secretary	Al Miller
Fleet Champion	Steve Hayden
Runner-Up	Tully Patrowicz

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1843	.....	Bill Clemens
4226	.....	Pen Smith
7117	The Wrobs	Robert E. Brown
8746	Aurora	David Backus, Jr.
10035	Flamin Mabel	Colman Holt
12274	Pour Devil	Bill Clemens
12293	Renaissance	Clifford Spohr
13010	Bananas	Bert Lacy
13592	Shazam II	Fisk & Steve Hayden
13621	Sea-Saw	Dr. Tully Patrowicz
.....	Jackie	A. R. Tomassetti

Fleet 461 has had an active year in 1981-82, competing in a number of major one-design regattas around central and south Florida; the District Regatta, held in June at Coconut Grove; and, thanks to Steve and Fisk Hayden, the World Youth Championships in Italy, and the Juniors and North American's in Buffalo. We're looking forward to another good year and hope to impress some more sailors with our enthusiasm for the Lightning! Remember, you northern sailors, our sailing season is really just organized at Lido del Savio. For this reason we are hoping to increase the membership of Fleet 476.

GUARAPIRANGA LAKE LIGHTNING FLEET (462)

Brazilian District

Sailing on Lake Guarapiranga, Sao Paulo, Brazil

Fleet Captain	Michael Norris, Jr.
Fleet Secretary	Jens C. Rushman

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6558	GTX	Jens Rushman
8795	Flyaway	Per Olav Hornell
9284	Malandro II	Francisco Del Re Netto
11693	Easy Rider	Thomas Sumner
11713	Xamego	Nelson Schmitt
12407	.....	Francisco Del Re Netto
12812	Flash Rider	Michael Anthony Norris

Our Fleet activities began early in the year with an intensive boat preparation for the Brazilian Championship, sponsored by Fleet 401 at Guanabara Bay. We competed with the best Lightning crews and we reached very good positions. Michael Norris, with Cristina Martin and Bryan Sumner, sailing *Easy Rider* finished in a fantastic fourth place. Nelson Schmitt, sailing with Tom Schmitt and Stefan Bolowich, placed seventh in the Districts.

In the State Championships at Guarapiranga Lake, our fleet participated with six boats. Our new Fleet member Ber Olov Hornell bought *Juriti* and overhauled and refitted it completely. He sailed superbly and won the class B (same as "Governor's Cup") Championship.

We also prepared one brochure to tell everyone about the Lightning and the first Brazilian fiberglass hull. The first presentation was at Sao Paulo Yacht Club, home of our fleet.

We are also looking forward to next year, and we hope to increase our fleet with five or six more boats, and why not, with the brand new Brazilian hull.

LAKE WACCAMAW LIGHTNING FLEET (463)

Southeastern District

Sailing at Lake Waccamaw, North Carolina

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

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11898	The Marty-Tee	Vivian E. Hollinshed
13598	Bubbles	Robert G. Ames

No Report

FLOTTA DEL CONERO (466)

Italian District

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

Fleet Captain	Lina Moroni
Fleet Secretary	Renzo Bozzi
Fleet Champion	Bruno Roccheggiani
Runner-Up	Alberto Vivani

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8620	Finalmente	Roberto Brugia
9620	.....	Alveto Vivani
13261	Piccola Istria	Giulio Viezzoli
13346	Bibir	Matteo Rossi

During 1982 Conero's fleet has increased in importance principally due to the good results obtained at the national level by two stronger crews, *Bibir* and *Finalmente*. For the first time in Conero's fleet story, *Bibir* and her crew overcame *Finalmente*'s crew and *Bibir*'s skipper can be declared, with satisfaction, Fleet Champion. During the next year this strong competition will continue and it should really get interesting because we know that *Finalmente*'s crew is already working to make the boat quicker so they can reconquer the leader position.

Our fleet organized the Juniors' World Championship Selection. Six crews, the best of north and central Italy, competed in three regattas that were sailed in varying wind conditions.

The Classification has been:

1 — *Excelsior*, Barra, Lo Sardo, Gambuli; 2 — *Tika*, Pellizzaro, Dallari, Bacchi; 3 — *Ladiwhitina*, Pellegrini, Perusini, Ristori; 4 — *Finalmente*, Babbì, Oreglia, Oreglia; 5 — *Bibir*, Brugia, Vivani, Pignocchi; 6 — *Horizon*, Rossi, Varrotti, Del Prete.

We are hoping to organize a district championship for next year. Good luck to all from Fleet 466.



Fleet 466's Champions sailing on the Adriatic Sea.

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	Luca Grisotti
Runner-Up	Claudio Motti

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8619	Cecilia	Carlo Lampugnani
8702	Lolita	Luigi Guicciardi
9450	Larus	Claudio Motti
12059	Areknames	Guido Mari
12904	Lady White Tuna	Luigi Pellegrini
		Luca Grisotti
		Giuseppe Bosetti
13348	.....	Luigi Pellegrini
		Enrico Pellegrini

The big event of the last season was the Italian Championship sailed in Gravedona during the last week of June. We had wonderful weather conditions and all the races were sailed in an unremitting breeze 15-18 m.p.h. Before the end we had to bear in triumph Sergio Messina who had won five races back to back, but the whole team of Marsala got a big success. We have also to remember the excellent performance of our good fellow Schmid, coming from the neighbouring Switzerland, second in the competition. The organization by our guest club, Associazione Velica Alto Lario, was perfect.

During the season our skippers sailed in Switzerland and in Lido del Savio, but they did not go any farther than the fifth place. It was a year to forget soon, with reference to performances. Nevertheless, we noticed that, in spite of our few boats, the number of the Lightning sailors has increased.

VALKEAKOSKI LIGHTNING FLEET (468)

Finland District

Sailing on Lakes Mallasvesi and Vanajavesi, Valkeakoski, Finland

Fleet Captain	.....	Aimo Jokiniemi
Fleet Secretary	.....	Pertti Jalonen
Fleet Champion	.....	Aimo Jokiniemi
Runner-Up	.....	Ismo Kuusisalo

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
12482	Immu	Ismo Kuusisalo
12992	Janita	Aimo Jokiniemi
13760	Sea Horse III	Pertti Jalonen

The major occasion in the Valkeakoski Sailing Club's program this year was the ranking Lightning races on June 19-20. Fleet 468 was represented by two Lightnings: 12482, *Immu*, skippered by Ismo Kuusisalo with crew Tapio Ylarakkola and Anssi Tuomi; and 12992, *Janita*, skippered by Pertti Jalonen with crew Tuula Jokiniemi and Hannele Tayranen. Fourteen boats competed and the winner was Kari Maenpaa in Lightning 12914, *Vahine II*. Jalonen finished tenth and Kuusisalo was eleventh.

In July, two of our boats took part in the Paijanne Race. This is the longest inland race in Europe. Aimo Jokiniemi's *Janita*, crewed by Tuula Jokiniemi and Hannele Tayranen, finished third; and Ismo Kuusisalo's *Immu*, crewed by Tapio Ylarakkola and Anssi Tuomi, finished sixteenth. Paijanne-Lake is about 120 kilometers (75 miles) long and this year it took nineteen hours to sail.

Our own races are sailed on Lake Mallasvesi and we have a five part competition over the summer. Besides this we have some tour sailing races every summer. Best wishes to all sailors from Valkeakoski Sailing Club.

JAMSA LIGHTNING FLEET (469)

Finland District

Sailing at Paijanne

Fleet Secretary.....Harri Ritala

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7983	.....	Tapani Lahtinen
10056	Minnehaha	Seppo Raiskila
12257	Aku Samuli	Harri Ritala
12908	Lola	Timo Lainkari
13437	.....	Seppo Sipponen
13559	.....	Hannu Hurskainen

No Report

FLOTTA DEL SAVIO (476)

Italian District

Sailing on the Adriatic Sea at Ravenna, Italy

Fleet Captain	.....	Luciano Ronconi
Fleet Secretary	.....	Sergio Camporesi
Fleet Champion	.....	Gaetano Pellizzaro

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9941	Marinella	Pellegrino Montanari
9943	Bhibli	Carlo Alberto Paesani
11992	Samba	Stefano Gramellini
12781	.....	Altiero Giamperetti
13343	Paillassa	Luciano Ronconi
13361	Lili Marleen	Sergio Camporesi
13401	Tika	Carlo Boschi & Gaetano Pellizzaro
13558	.....	Massimo Gislon

For many years, the Lightning was an unknown boat to the young people from Lido del Savio. But this year a young crew of Pellizzaro, Dallari and Bacchi took part in some Lightning regattas and qualified for the World Youth Championship. At Marsala, "Tato" Pellizzaro obtained a very satisfactory sixth place. He returned home with such enthusiasm for the Lightning that he purchased 13401 *Tika* from Carlo Boschi.

In September, Fleet 476 and the Circolo Velico del Savio organized the "Di Lorenzo Memorial Trophy" with 14 participants. The final results were:

1st — Pellizzaro, Dallari & Bacchi, Fleet 476; 2nd — Lambelet, Schmid

& Despland, Swiss District; 3rd — Tremante, Benett & Vivani, Fleet 249; 4th — Roccheggiani, Bozzi & Brugia, Fleet 466.

At the meeting of the Italian District, which was held at the Hotel Adler near our club, it was decided that the 1984 Italian Championship will be organized at Lido del Savio. For this reason we are hoping to increase the membership of Fleet 476.



"Tato", Fabio and Max in 13401 *Tika*.

OLD PORT YACHT CLUB LIGHTNING FLEET (477)

Florida District

Sailing at Palm Beach, North Palm Beach, Florida

Fleet Captain	.....	Phillip Wagner
Fleet Secretary	.....	William Silberberg

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8847	.....	Robert E. Hamilton
10165	In-a-jam	John A. Mintz
12837	.....	Old Port Yacht Club
12897	.....	Old Port Yacht Club
13218	.....	John Blash & John Hoy
13709	Woodpecker	Jim Theriault
13748	Turkey	John Swenson, M.D.

No report.

CEDAR LIGHTNING FLEET (478)

Florida District

Sailing on the Caloosahatchee River Fort Myers, Florida

Fleet Secretary.....Michael Rodak

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2896	Lil' Witch	Richard Purdy
7010	Wind Seeker	Steven Ewing
7737	Candy Babe	Regina G. Patty
8822	Mysti Blue	Ralph C. Suhm, Jr.
12606	Gadget	Art Ries
.....	.....	Raymond A. Howe

No Report

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

Fleet Captain Romano Passeri
Fleet Secretary Gianni Battisti
Fleet Champion Gianni Battisti
Runner-Up Stefano Fantozzi

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5418	.....	Luigi Mancini
5419	.....	Luigi Mancini
8764	Cicciolina	Dario Carnevali
9598	.....	Stefano Fantozzi
9803	.....	Cesare Poggi
10678	Mon Ile II	Romano Passeri
11477	Calimero IV	Michele Salvatore
12297	.....	Gianni Battisti
12427	.....	Antonio Diomaiuta

In 1982 Fleet 479 created a new challenge trophy, the "Due Laghi." This championship gets together the two Spring Lists: that of the Lake of Bracciano (Sabatino Championship) and that of the Trasimeno Lake (Spring Regatta). The trophy was donated by Guido Tulli. It is the tiller from his boat, *Calimero Ist.* Tulli won two District Championships and one European Championship in this boat.

The two regattas in Bracciano were won by Cruciani and Vivani. The winner of the first "Due Laghi" trophy is Vivani because of his good finishes in the Trasimeno regattas. The top five crews in the "Due Laghi" challenge were:

1. Vivani, Armeni, Moroni, 8620 *Finalmente*
2. Roccheggiani, Bozzi, Burgia, 13346 *Bibir*
3. Nasoni, Nasoni, Galeota, 12375 *Coco II*
4. Cruciani, Cruciani, Pagliarini, 8764 *Cicciolina*
5. De Regis, De Regis, Bortolaso, 13068 *Sistiana*

Outside activity by Fleet 479 was a little poor in 1982, but we are already bustling with athletic and technical preparations for 1983 and we are hoping for a remarkable year. Best wishes to all I.L.C.A. members.

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

Fleet Captain Richard Ferguson
Fleet Secretary Donald Stone-Bland
Fleet Champion Rick Ferguson
Runner-Up Michael Rees

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
451	Close Enough	John Pelosi
8511	Sorcerer	Jonathan H. Morgan
11204	Steppin out	Bill Hopkins
11370	.....	Michael S. Rees
11690	Schmetterling	Tom K. Hudgens
11738	Tobasco	Rick Ferguson
11770	Green Eyed Lady	Robert Voyksner
12072	#31	Jerry Hulka
12139	Winsome	David O. Danielson
13178	Frog	James E. Nutt, M.D.

1982 was a super year for Fleet 481. We added several new boats to the fleet, replacing some inactive members with active ones. We now have 12 active boats and are a well-established fleet in our club. Several fleet members made an effort to travel to many of the regattas in our district, and we expect to do more in the coming year, including some events beyond our district. We hosted the Borderline Regatta on Kerr Lake at the NC/VA border and everyone agrees it was a tremendous success, with 24 boats present from eight fleets in six states! Don Delorme cleaned up with two firsts and a fourth; others in the top five were (in order) Lenny Krawcheck, Jim Capron, Jim Carson, and Bob Astrove. Fleet 481 members provided lunches and dinners as well as sailing in the regatta, so things got a little busy for some of us, but all worked out great. Many thanks to those sailors from other fleets who traveled so many miles to be with us; their superb competition really made the regatta a success (with a little help from some spectacular fall weather). We hope more of you will come next year on the

last weekend in October to see our beautiful lake and sailing center, and get together with some super Lightning sailors before putting your boats away for the winter. We hope to make the Borderline one of the strongest Lightning regattas in the mid-Atlantic area, and we plan to keep pushing to make our fleet one of the most enthusiastic. Come sail with us!



Fleet 481's Borderline Regatta, Oct. 30-31 on Kerr Lake, NC featured 24 Lightnings from six states, including several Blue Fleet sailors. Plan to come next year!

ITHACA LIGHTNING FLEET (484) Central New York District Sailing on Cayuga Lake at Ithaca, New York

Fleet Captain Larry Ames
Fleet Secretary Jesse Miller

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1267	.....	Thomas C. Corey
5638	.....	Gordon Pugh
9582	Cosmic Zap	Larry J. Ames
10113	Whisper	Jesse W. Miller
13422	Seajammer	Warren Brown

Since the charter two years ago, the fleet has evolved from old uncompetitive boats to six competitive boats. Three are privately owned, and three are owned by the Ithaca Yacht Club.

Racing this year consisted of three "special weekends" or "mini regattas", and three weekly races. Invitations were sent to other Central New York Lightning fleets. Although these special events were not sanctioned as CNY District regattas, we enjoyed the company from both Keuka and Willowbank Yacht Clubs.

Sailing varied from heavy north winds early in the season to a drifter for the last race in August. Larry Ames took a first in the summer series, with Jesse Miller, second; and Warren Brown, third. All three sailed with family members as crew. Juniors from the IYC sailing program skippered two of the yacht club Lightnings. Tom Miller, a young crew member, borrowed and skippered a Lightning during the third race series and won the last race. We also greatly enjoyed traveling together and competing at the Champagne Regatta at Keuka. Larry Ames also placed fifth in the CNY District Triple Crown.

This year there were new spars and sails on several boats. These, along with the closer attention to tuning, tactics, and lessons learned the hard way from the more experienced members of the fleet, produced much closer competition and more exciting racing. We all learned a lot about sailing the Lightning, and are looking forward to next year and additional competition. We want to say a special thank you to Larry Ames for his work, advice, and enthusiasm as Fleet Captain this year.



The surviving skipper congratulates the Fleet 485 Champ.

PORT OSWEGO FLEET (485) Central New York District Sailing on Lake Ontario at Oswego, New York

Fleet Captain Robert Finn
Fleet Secretary Edward Taverni
Fleet Champion Joseph McCloskey
Runner-Up James Finn

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
176	White Face	Robert J. Finn
6600	Fannie D.	C. Franklin Owens
6860	No Problem	Edward Taverni
10118	.....	Joseph J. McCloskey
10378	Kingfish	Fran Watts
13338	Marie C.	James P. Finn

The fleet started the season with a gathering that Executive Director Helen Limbaugh thought was so unusual she requested the Captain of this fleet to write an article about it for "Flashes". A local tavern owner, Robert Harrold, former Dick Hallagan crew member at the Worlds in Ecuador, threw a party at his tavern and arranged for Dick Hallagan to attend in order to promote the fleet. About 50 small boat skippers and crew members showed up to hear Mr. Hallagan's views, enjoy a Lightning movie, and refreshments. A special thanks to Dick, who made it from Newark, N.Y., in an unexpected spring snowstorm. The party did appear to stir up a lot of interest, with our fleet growing from three boats to six boats before summer.

The fleet prepared an exhibit for the opening of the maritime museum in Oswego, which also appeared to create interest in our efforts. At the request of the museum, the fleet sailed by during the opening ceremonies, which the museum director noted as "adding an eloquent touch to the event."

We scheduled twenty races through September 19 for the Fleet Championship. Moderate to strong winds prevailed throughout the summer, which saw only one race cancelled due to lack of air. Joe McCloskey, a newcomer to the fleet, took the fleet championship, sailing with his wife, Grace, and Lori Hunter to become the first recipient of the William Gardner Cup, named for the local talented designer of the Atlantic.

The fleet also enjoyed the hospitality of the Henderson Harbor Yacht Club, who invited us to sail in what they billed as the first Oswego Invitational Regatta. Although our fleet could not find the winning formula, winds gusting up to 27 knots made the races an exciting learning experience.

Fourth of July weekend saw the fleet sail from Oswego to Fair Haven Bay, which is a scenic cruise along the bluffs, to celebrate the Fourth with a beach party under a spectacular firework show.

The fleet had a successful raffle, which raised money for inflatable markers.

At the end of the summer, we met with the officers of the Oswego Yacht Club, who agreed to make the Lightning their racing dinghy. A joint committee of Yacht Club officers and Lightning sailors has been formed to plan activities for the 1983 season. It was determined that next year's Fleet Captain will be a Flag officer with the Yacht Club.

1982 proved to be a most interesting and active season for the fleet. At the close of the season, Lightning fever continued evident with three more boats being bought by local skippers. The fleet wants to sponsor an invitational regatta for 1983, but at this time, it is only in the discussion stages.

At our final meeting for the 1982 season the fleet elected Joseph McCloskey, Captain, and Edward Taverni, Fleet Secretary, for the 1983 season.

VALLEY LIGHTNING FLEET (486) Mississippi District Sailing on Alton Lake at St. Charles, Missouri

Fleet Captain Leo Donovan
Fleet Secretary Nancy Wilson
Fleet Champion Wayne Watson
Runner-Up Beverly Bishop

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
609	Sparrow	Leo Donovan
8664	Chaos	C. Graeme Wilson
11184	Lorac	John Lark
11598	Witchcraft	Joseph Goltzman
12033	.....	Francis C. Renschen
12048	She's A Lady	James Trull
12891	Summer Madness	Wayne Watson
13596	Oscar's Boy	Philip W. Stephenson
13627	.....	Ronald Palmer

Lightning Fleet 486 at Valley has progressed from our first year into our second with much success. We have become the largest fleet at Valley, now with 12 boats. During this sailing season we made steps in a positive direction, with various members traveling to the District Championships, Whale of a Sail, and the Impromptu at Lake Carlyle. We also helped host the Governors Cup Regatta at Valley this year which was very successful. Congratulations to Matt Burridge, owner of Lightning 11800, of the Carlyle Fleet the regatta winner.

As our year began, our racing skills sharpened and we avidly got into our season of racing. In fact, we will be racing until the third week in November. Our first five fleet positions, as of Sept. 30, are: first, Ralph Coffee, boat 11290; second Wayne Watson, boat 12891; third Graeme Wilson, boat 8664; fourth Jim Trull, boat 12048; and fifth, Fran Renschen, boat 12033.

We did suffer one loss — that of our Fleet Captain, Mary Bartholomew, who moved south. We miss her and John, but wish them the best in their new location and with their new fleet. However, Leo Donovan has taken over and kept things going, while restoring his Lightning 609, which has turned out to be a beauty.

The competition at Valley is growing and we would welcome anyone at anytime to pit their skills against ours. Our races are Sunday afternoons and open to all sailors. The Mississippi District was formed at Valley and it is good to have such a successful Lightning fleet there. It is only appropriate that we be there, and only appropriate to invite others to join us for the competition. Wayne Watson, new to Valley last year, has instilled in all of us the importance of racing and the thrill of competition. Feel free to contact Wayne for information on our club races. We also thank him for the wonderful organization of our Junior Sailing Program, which was a week of 9-5 instruction and has produced junior sailors skippering Sunfish during our races. We are an active group, on and off the water.....come join us.

PROVINCETOWN Y.C./WEST END R.C. LIGHTNING FLEET (487) New England District Sailing on Provincetown Harbor at Provincetown, Massachusetts

Fleet Captain Richard Meads
Fleet Secretary Ted Barker
Fleet Champion Richard Abare
Runner-Up Donald Murphy

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7544	Wetu III	Eric L. Beck
10389	Metaxa II	Stuart Furman
11077	.....	Ted Barker
11626	Joker	Richard J. Abare

Growing interest and an additional month of competitive sailing marked the program for fleet 487 this past year.

Traditional Fleet Champion Richard Meads got a very late start on the season but five other boats staged lively competition during the July-August summer series. The result was a new Fleet Champion Richard Abare. The fleet has grown to six boats this year and promise of at least one new boat and possibly two for the 1983 season has the gang gathered around the wood stove at Flyer's Boat Yard buzzing about the increased competition for next year.

1982 also marked the first year of the September Series, it was experimental and there were a lot of crew changes but we fielded at least five boats each Saturday during the month. All members of the fleet agreed not only to continue the September Series but to add a June Series to the agenda for 1983. The hope is however, the weather in June '83 will be better than that of last year!

Yet another evidence of the growing enthusiasm of fleet 487 is the early-stage planning of a Junior program. In conjunction with the Youth Sailing Program of the West End Racing Club of Provincetown the adult/senior members of the fleet have decided to add a Saturday morning series during July and August. However, in order to qualify for this series each boat must have at least one member of the West End Racing Club, a junior sailor, onboard. Each skipper has already begun doing some "scouting and recruiting" in anticipation of what should be a great addition to our regular program.

One final note: we are most happy to report initial contacts with the Chesquesset Lightning Fleet in Wellfleet would seem to indicate a revival of an old traditional competition between the two fleets. Time and dates yet to be announced.

We're proud to report another growing year for fleet 487. We aspire to be not only active and contributing members of the New England District, but to Lightning sailing throughout the world. Come sail with us any Saturday during June, July, August or September while vacationing on the Cape. Contact Fleet Secretary Ted Barker at 617/487-0050.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN LIGHT FLEET (488) U.S. at Large District

Sailing in Colorado and Nebraska

Fleet Captain Bob Stoller
Fleet Secretary Dean Lauston
Fleet Champion Steve Thomas
Runner-Up Bob Stoller

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4865	Obsession	Bob Stoller
5945	.....	Dean Lausten
7860	.....	Wilford J. McGinley
12344	Light'n-Up	John T. Ferguson & John F. Davis
13021	.....	Steve Thomas

After numerous boat restorations, the moth balls were cleaned out, and the Rocky Mountain fleet was established by five ambitious sailors, led by Bob Stoller of Boulder, Colorado.

There are three things unique to Rocky Mountain sailing: 1) Colorado's mountains are some of the most beautiful in the world. Our first invitational was held at Carter Lake in the foothills west of Ft. Collins, Colorado; the second was at Lake Dillon, nestled between Breckenridge and Keystone resorts at 9000 feet. 2) Lack of abundant water sometimes necessitates long journeys in search of a race. The highlight of the season was the Lake McConaughy Governor's Cup, four hours from Denver in Ogallala, Nebraska. 3) Where else can you come about and watch the masthead fly go around in circles? Mountain winds can lead to squirrely races where even the winner can't figure out why.

We presently have nine Lightnings that are sailable (most of which are refurbished wooden boats), but our Fleet Champion is Steve Thomas, owner of #13021, a plastic marvel. Needless to say, the wooden boats have something to fight for. We enjoy fierce competition and endless friendship

afterwards, but we need more competition! So, if you are thinking of moving to Colorado, don't sell your Lightning. Bring it with you and let us know who you are!

RACINE YACHT CLUB LIGHTING FLEET (489)

Midwest District Sailing on Lake Michigan Racine, Wisconsin

Fleet Secretary Bill Lewis

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
12288	Arete	Bruce Freise
13565	James Romanshek
13727	Bill Lewis

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ACULEO LAKE FLEET (490)

Chile District Sailing at Aculeo Lake, Champa, Paine

Fleet Captain Manuel Gonzalez Barjacoba
Fleet Secretary Manuel Gonzalez Mas

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10196	.....	Luis Herman Sanhueza
11011	Second Wind	Manuel Gonzalez Barjacoba
		Alberto Gonzalez
11099	Pixie	Manuel Gonzalez Mas
13395	Power	Alberto Gonzalez
		Manuel Gonzalez Barjacoba
13396	Pixie	Manuel Gonzalez Mas

Our fleet sails on a lake called Aculeo, which is about 50 miles south of Santiago. Aculeo is 3.5 miles long and 2 miles wide, and is the nearest lake, and, other than the sea, the only place we can race on weekends.

Our season began late in 1981 when we held two championships in order to get ready for the Worlds.

In November, 1982, we will be hosting the trials for the next South American Championship, which will be in Argentina.

We are also making plans for our first Fleet Championship in 1983. Our fleet was registered only this year in the North Americans.

TOHICKON CREEK LIGHTNING FLEET (491)

Central Atlantic District Sailing on Lake Nockamixon at Allentown, Pa.

Fleet Captain Charles Shoemaker
Fleet Secretary Christine Malz

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5339	Gerda	Ted Plutzer
9928	Code Blue	Charles Shoemaker
13453	Robert Blalock
13484	Hanseatic	Hans Malz

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