

ROCKY RIVER LIGHTNING FLEET (71) **Ohio District** **Sailing on Lake Erie at Cleveland Yachting Club** **Rocky River, Ohio**

Fleet Captain Wally Sellars
 Fleet Secretary Don Friswold
 Fleet Champion Paul Auer

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8100	Tweedy Too	John L. Horton
9489	Germania	Jim Rooney
9498	Earthly Delight	Donald Friswold & Dave Jeffries
10024	Helter Skelter	Kevin Hughes
10293	.....	Philip Johnson
10646	Sting Rea	John Rea
11700	.....	James E. Disch, Jr.
11876	.....	David M. Douglass
11912	Newfie	Wally Sellars
12594	Bump N Grind	George Auer
13771	Kiss Mueller	Bill Buckles
Life Member	.....	John Mueller, Sr.

The 1983 sailing season began with Fleet 71's winter meeting held at the yacht club. Great fellowship and discussions of the up coming sailing season were discussed with great enthusiasm. During this meeting, the prospect of hosting the Ohio Districts were first discussed. These later became a reality when the proposal was accepted at the district meeting in February.

The sailing season began for John and Jack Mueller and Janice and Donald Friswold with a trip down to the Southern Circuit. A great time was had by all.

Throughout the year Fleet 71 held many social gatherings, starting with Bill Buckle's (now annual) shrimp boil, numerous cocktail parties, a steak roast, and potlucks.

The racing this summer was superb, with Paul Auer finishing as the Fleet Champion. He, along with Wally Sellars, John Mueller, and Jim Disch were weighted down with hardware on trophy night. On the regatta circuit, someone from Fleet 71 sailed at Indianapolis, Decatur, Atwood Lake, Buckeye Lake, Cowan Lake, and the Blue Nose in Nashville. In fact 9 year old Jay Mueller, gave the district's best fits at Atwood Lake and finished second over all. Does the last name sound familiar?

One of the highlights of the 1983 sailing season was the Ohio District Championships held in July. With the help of both the social members and the sailors of the fleet, the event was a tremendous success.

As the cold and snow grow near, we have many warm memories of the great sailing on Lake Erie to reflect upon. Hope to see you next year!

CLUB NAUTICO DEL MUNA (73) **Colombia District** **Sailing on Lake Tomine at Bogata, Colombia**

Fleet Captain Garry Jackson
 Fleet Secretary Philippe Jacob
 Junior Champion Jose Leopoldo Gonzalez

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3041	Tiz Taz II	Andres Lisocki
6371	Donald III	Xavier Roca
7451	Falconetty	Eduardo Bernal
7453	Krunch	Rudolf Salmang
8911	Play Boy	Antonio Pacini
13300	Antares	Jaime Casabianca
13339	Marite	Rodrigo Gutierrez
13410	Claudia	Eduardo Colmenares
13427	Garufa	Roberto Matarraz
13428	Aloha	Richard Deeb
13447	Chekelate	Jorge Uzcatogui
13461	Candelaria	Vincente Hernandez
13549	Torcusto	Carlos Montoya
13604	Nino's	Andres Lisocki
13607	Gin & Tonic	Garry Jackson

The Colombia District, as opposed to the District of Columbia, has only Fleet 73. It has over 30 boats (17 fiberglass) and sails on Lake Tomine, which is an hours drive north of Bogota and about 8,000 feet high. There are

9 clubs on the lake (approximately 13 x 1.5 kms) but the Fleet is based in 2 clubs: MUNA (20 boats) and PORTILLO (10 boats), with some 7 others in the other clubs.

The lake is shared with Snipes, Lasers, Windsurfers, Optimists, 420's, Europas, Sunfish, Hobiecats and a solitary Wayfarer.

A very full racing program has been carried out during 1983, with the SAN PABLO-MUNA Regatta as the highlight. Ecuador sent 4 crews plus a support team. Colombia fielded 10 boats. MUNA's Andres Lisocki with wife Beatriz and son Felipe winning first place. Philippe Jacob, with Alejandro and Michel Jacob came in second and got the silver, Roberto Matarraz with Fernando and Pamela de La Concha took home the bronze cups.

The Colombians received the Ecuadorians at Bogota's Eldorado airport and took them to the lake. After everyone was cozily settled in a cottage on a farm overlooking the lake, the Ecuadorians received their 4 competitive fiberglass boats to distribute among their crews. Then there was a HUACHIPICHAY or inauguration party (in QUECHUA). The following day there were 2 back to back races and at night, another party. This was the daily/nightly routine for 3 days.

The SAN PABLO-MUNA Regatta was started in 1976 by the two Club Commodores, Gustavo Izurieta (San Pablo) and Rafael Obregon (Muna) and the first trophies were won by Muna.

Because the event has been so successful, Muna is quite interested in starting up additional relationships with other Districts or Clubs, on the same basis: 4 crews and their families and friends are invited and receive, gratis:

- Airport pick-up and delivery and transport to/from the lake.
- Bed and breakfasts, at family homes on the lake.
- Lots of partying and entertainment.
- Trophies for the winners and momentos for all participants.

All those interested should call or write the District Commodore or I.L.C.A. Should the response merit it, the event can be repeated several times during 1984. Why don't you check how much it costs to fly to Bogota? It's really worth it! The first event will take place in or around February 1984. The actual dates will be fixed between the hosts and guests.

CALL/WRITE now!



Leopoldo Gonzales with Gabriel Cuervo and Miguel Gonzalez turtled after receiving sudden and unexpected might (it can be called other names!) puff during a spinnaker gybe.

DECATUR LIGHTNING FLEET (74) **Mississippi Valley District** **Sailing on Lake Decatur, Decatur, Illinois**

Fleet Captain Greg Florian
 Fleet Secretary Ralph Wells
 Fleet Champion Roger Grohne
 Runner-Up Vince Daube

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10100	.....	Bob Ohlsen & James Lackman
10603	Wings	Tom L. Blackwell

11125	Shillelagh	Lloyd Irish
11133	Full House	J. Parke Boyer
11203	Blew None	Mike Kerber
11456	Bottoms Up	Don L. Johnson
12464	.....	Ralph K. Wells
12540	Todd's Fault	Carl Sternaman
12554	Pink Campaign	R. Vince Daube
12974	Bionic Chicken	Greg Florian
13059	Last Chance	William E. Badorek
13078	Enterprise	Roger Grohne
13308	Dammit II	Barton A. Cole
.....	Shark	Gary Quinlan

No Report

NYACK LIGHTNING FLEET (75) **Metropolitan District** **Sailing on Hudson River at Nyack, New York**

Fleet Captain	.....	Mons Grinager
Fleet Secretary	.....	William C. Cook
Fleet Champions	.....	Paul Connell/Elissa Hall
Runner-Up	.....	Gary Hurban

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3322	Norvind	Mons Grinager
5950	Elite	William L. Moe
7616	Festival of Fools	Rod Johnson
8023	Newfie Bullet	William G. Cook
8182	Gotcha	Gary Hurban
8323	.....	Curtis Deyrup
8885	.....	George Conk
9369	.....	Paul Connell
10030	Charade	Geoffrey Parker
10207	Gopher Broker	Daniel J. Kapica
10220	.....	Neil F. Schreffler
10769	Different Drummer	Edward Deeb
10907	Squeeze Two	Stephanie Mayo
11076	.....	Terence E. Gibbs
11771	.....	Irwin & Jed A. Kwartler
12337	Eluside	Alfred K. Klinger
12386	Transfusion	Richard Weitzman
12642	.....	Howie Rinehart
13832	Avanti	William Day
.....	.....	Bill Reeve

Our season had 31 scheduled races and was a tight contest. Paul Connell and Elissa Hall (54½ pts.) teamed up to edge out Gary Hurban (57) and Stephanie Mayo (57¼) for the Fleet Championship. It appeared that Gary Hurban had it all wrapped up going into the last race, when on October 30, 1983, (a superb fall day with moderate winds out of the south) Team Hurban failed to show up; something to do with young Gary's college career. With these scrambled priorities putting a new light on things, Elissa Hall steered her way to a victory gun, with Stephanie Mayo close behind. Congratulations to all, and special mention to Bill Mayo, a key to Stephanie's success.

Fleet 75 continued its special events series with our annual Magnus Pedersen Regatta. We got in three races in good winds under threatening June skies. Chet Proctor of Cedar Point took the honors in that one. We also had Nyack's first ever Lightning-Thistle Challenge. Unfortunately the new PCB Cup now has another Classes' device enscribed upon it. I would like to thank Reed Barret of Fleet 50 for his letter of advice on how to run this gala event. The day was so perfect that the race committee, under Jon Gorbald of the Open Fleet, decided that if three races were good, five were better. We thus spent a delightful 4th of July. Gary Hurban was top Lightning. Our fleet picnic series continued unabated.

Various boats received face lifts or other improvements. Curt Deyrup, Rod Johnson, Paul Connell, and Bill Cook all painted their hulls. Their efforts might be described in this order: nice, spiffy, somewhat silly, very silly. Dan Kapica's woodwork shone so bright that *Gopher Broker* was acclaimed MOST LOVELY LIGHTNING and exhibited on the lawn at the annual NBC Open House. Bill Day has a new boat and Howie Rinehart has sold his boat to Mike Seife, (welcome to the fleet, Mike) and ordered a new one. Other improvements were everywhere in evidence. It should be mentioned that former champ Rod Johnson's spruce up seriously compromised this years' effort. You can't start to race after Labor Day and score well overall.



"Team Hurban"

Photo Credit: Nancy Hall

We were pleased to gain three new boats this year. Walt Stepien purchased Ed Deeb's boat. Bob and Roberta Maione are enthusiastic day sailors, and ready racing crew. Neil Schreffler shows the same, with a definite ability to swim. These new members look like strong future contenders. We are also fortunate in having several new members of the Nyack Boat Club interested in the fleet.

Fleet members continued to travel. Paul Connell placed in the Mid-Hudson Circuit. Gary Hurban, Paul Connell, Terry Gibbs, Bill Cook, Howie Rinehart, and the Mayos all went to one or more of the following: Chelsea, Lake Wallenpaupack, Lake Mohawk, Greenwood Lake, Cedar Point, and Minnesceonga. Thanks for having us, we enjoyed your hospitality.

Fleet officers, despite their best efforts, were unanimously returned to office. We currently stand at 27 boats, with as many as 14 starting on a given day. Feel free to visit us on the beautiful Tappen Zee 10 miles north of New York City. Fleet 75 is always looking for a few good friends.

NEWPORT YACHT CLUB (77) **Central New York District** **Sailing on Irondequoit Bay, Rochester, New York**

Fleet Captain	.....	R. Neal Smith
Fleet Secretary	.....	Anne C. Faust
Fleet Champion	.....	Steve Sals
Runner-Up	.....	George Sereno

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
868	Ja-Bo II	Matt Harris
6710	.....	Glenn F. Himmelsbach
7300	Orange Crate	Richard Arnold
9386	Anwyl	Russell Morton
10096	Sparkle	Allen Hamilton
10410	Spindrift	Wilmer & Gordon Wright
10487	.....	Robert A. Blakley
11010	.....	Norman B. Thayer
11051	Snookums	Larry Stephens
11074	Kopykat	Howard Stickney
11395	Fire Fly	Ernest L. Brown, Jr.
11537	.....	Peter & Dick Hallagan
12220	.....	Leland Atkinson, III
12355	Shadow	Dick Hallagan
12764	.....	Gene Faust
12924	Gen Eva	Robert E. Wheeler
13080	Misty Beethoven	James I. McIntosh
13081	Irish VI	Richard Doherty

13082	Anemone	C. Edwin Howe
13083	Sea Fever	Barbara B. Platt
13192	Slicker	R. Neal Smith
13287	Tamar	Dr. Jacob Schaechter
13313	Reunion	Stephen C. Sals & Arnold Sals
13363	Pure Luck	Wayne Menz
13469	White Cap	Dr. Robert Jamison
13651	Celebration	Tom Kenne
13660	Luv	Bill & William M. Gordon, III
13679	Blue Jacket	John & James McIntosh, M.D.
13697	.....	Daniel J. Koretz, M.D.
13714	.....	Mark Sertl
13742	Kavale	Laurin & Linda Williams
13853	Spar Trek	George Sereno



Fleet 77 Champion Steve Sals and crew Nancy Sals and Donna Brennan.
Photo credit: Bob Shanebrook

After a mild winter, our home waters froze very late, almost spring. The DN's were out for a last ride on the soft ice on March 3. Jim Doherty cut classes to catch their act and heroically rescued three sailors. Our Lightning season began April 9, with 12200 (Landy Atkinson) the first to launch, April 18, 3" snow, the first since February.

April 24, Tune up races snowed out—but then the fun began. Good racing with Dick Hallagan inching out the first trophy.

Spring ends with our Celebration of Spring Regatta. This year 41 boats from Michigan to New Jersey to Thunder Bay, competed in our unusual for Newport weather. Race Chairman Russ Mortan set splendid courses to capitalize on available conditions. Local sailors had no advantages. Dick Hallagan had to win the fifth race to take home any trophies. With crew Doug Weeks and John Altmeyer, he won first place.

Summer was unusual. The July 4th weekend has become an informal regatta with Peter Hallagan winning the Burns Hanna series.

In July and August half the fleet was away to regattas on most weekends. Peter Hallagan with our Maureen Smith, won the Districts and with our Billy Golden won juniors at Texas. Dick Hallagan with our Tammie Jamison ranked ninth place at the Worlds. Eight skippers out of 35 managed to qualify for the summer series, won by Steve Sals.

Labor Day weekend rids us of those pesty young collegiates (P. Hallagan, B. Golden, G. Wright, J. Doherty, etc....) to let the likes of a fleet captain win the Missel Series.

Fall, good sailing went so fast as Dick Hallagan nosed out Steve Sals for the crown.

This year again, the Fleet Championship was determined by a skipper's best eight finishes in ten scheduled races, two on a preset date each month, with Steve Sals inching by Dick Hallagan for the trophy. Steve with his crew Nancy Sals and Donna Brennan, has earned the "Most Improved" and sailed the most fleet races.

With no delay, we organized the "Snow Brush" season, to finish December 18th or when the water gets too hard. Our new Fleet Captain — Dick Doherty will probably have us finish this series in DNs.

Many thanks to regatta chairman, George Sereno and our continuing Secretary/Treasurer, Anne Faust.

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

Fleet Captain	Chris Vann
Fleet Secretary	Franz Edson
Fleet Champion	Don Barrett
Runner-Up	John Vann

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
168	Tanqueray	Cindy Lee
169	.....	Cindy Lee
7170	Baby Makes 3	Martin J. O'Meara, Jr.
9093	Heete	W. Harmon Leete
10003	Bumble	Thomas V. Moriarty II
10212	Second Effort	Cindy Lee & Jim Gannon
10440	.....	Robert Vannini
10801	Woody	David M. & Sandy Peterson
10901	Puff	George P. Mitchell & Aristedes K. Manthous
11100	.....	Charles Zarembo
11487	.....	Clifford J. Ashton
11603	Mar-Bar	John P. Vann
11688	.....	Franz R. Edson
11784	Ugly Fuzzy	Barry Buehler
12005	.....	Gary J. O'Brien
12069	Aplomb	Donald R. Barrett
12185	Largo Too	Bryce E. Tate
12776	.....	Jack Sauer
12789	.....	Gary Davis
13456	Indolent	Bill Veit
13540	.....	Barry Plum
13636	Puff-Puff-Puff	Nelson Hoffman
13681	.....	John Oldham, Jr.
13708	.....	Philip Lotz
13835	.....	Bill Shore & Kenneth Read
13857	.....	Bill Shore
13880	.....	Bill Shore

1983 was a banner year for Fleet 85, with beautiful weather, fair breezes, and a solid 10 to 12 boats at the starting line every weekend.

The season started in February at Fleet Captain Chris Vann's home with the annual Fleet 85 Winter Party. The cold New England weather was quickly forgotten thanks to the talk of upcoming summer events and the seemingly never-ending flow of libations.

Fleet 85 kicked off the summer with a two-day Lightning clinic in early May. Jay Lutz gave an excellent presentation consisting of both dockside and on-the-water demonstrations. This will be an annual event and we are hoping for an even better turnout in 1984.

Fleet 85's competitive season started on Memorial Day Weekend and ran all the way through mid-September. In our regular fleet races, Don Barrett just bested John Vann for first place. John Oldham, who was in the top three, had to leave early for college, thus missing the last few races and allowing Franz Edson and Barry Buehler to finish third and fourth, respectively, for the season. As for our holiday regattas, Don Barrett won the Independence Day and Labor Day series. He also had the Memorial Day series wrapped up, but 300 yards from the finish, he decided a cold swim would be preferable to warm congratulations. Dave Peterson capitalized to win that one.

In addition to a busy fleet schedule, Niantic Bay sailors spent a good deal of time on the road at the Long John, Early Bird, Newport, and Spofford regattas and at the CT/RI District Championship, the Long Island Sound Championship, the Eastern U.S. Championship, and the North Americans in Texas.

The final Fleet 85 event was the sixth annual Niantic Bay Governor's Cup. 26 Lightnings attended this event and it was one of the most closely sailed Governor's Cups in memory. Between the competition, the fantastic weather, and the top-notch steak dinner, it was a fitting way to end Fleet 85's season.



1981 — 45 Boats
1982 — 41 Boats
1983 — 44 Boats

"Celebration of Spring"

At Irondequoit

Newport Yacht Club, Rochester, New York



"Celebration of Spring" fifth race off Stony Point.

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

Fleet Captain Peter Idema
 Fleet Champion Matthew Henley

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7606	Panique	Dr. Clifford Harris
9268	Pirkko	Dick Pearce
11645	Rocket	Matthew Henley
12878	Waibalong	Cornelis G. Zandbergen
13680	Maelstrom	Peter A. Idema
13685	.....	George McLaughlin

No Report



Fleet #95 and Dog

Photo Credit: Ann Wulff

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

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

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6784	.....	Richard & Donald Jr. Naples
8632	.....	Jim Cosmas
9059	.....	Nancy Olsen
9971	Ali-Oop Too	Allan Began
10048	Eight Ball	Nicholas Santoro
10083	.....	Louis Van Hoff
10218	.....	Ron Wulff
10735	.....	Herbert Dickert
11983	.....	Jim Cosmas
10213	Dilly Dilly	Walt Johnson
12045	No Turkeys	Royal Sengstacken
.....	Murphy's Law	Daniel J. Murphy

1983 was a great year for Fleet 95! It was a year marked by good breezes all season and a year of "firsts" on Greenwood Lake.

It was the first year anyone can remember in which there were no races cancelled due to lack of wind and the first season during which we didn't get rained on even once. It was the first season that Jim Cosmas flew his spinnaker and the first season that Ron Wulff didn't capsize with his — even once. It was the first time Roy and Bob Sengstacken skippered two different Lightnings in the same race. It was the first time Walt Johnson weighed his boat and the first time Nick Santoro helped empty the Port-a-Jon. It was the first time a boat raced with an outboard on its transom (in keeping with club rules, the prop was out of the water), and the first time an Eight Ball sunk a crew on a gybe. It was the first time Nancy Olsen missed so many races, and the first time in a long time a prospective new member showed up on the starting line. It was the first time Bob Sengstacken became District Commodore and the first time he was elected Fleet Captain. It was the first year in which Walt Johnson, Herb Dickert, Lou Van Hoff and Ron Wulff joined forces before and after the racing season to bare boat charter in the Chesapeake Bay.

It was also a year in which the Awosting Yacht Squadron celebrated its 50th anniversary and hosted a multiple class regatta including Stars, Hobies, Rebels, Catalinas, and Sunfish, in addition to Lightnings. We were pleased to have some of our friends from Fleet 41 join us for this gala event. We all had such a great time, we are eagerly looking forward to the upcoming 100th Anniversary.

Regular season competition saw the Santoros win three of the four scheduled series, with second place honors going to Walt Johnson, and Ron Wulff twice. The remaining series was won by Bob Sengstacken with Herb Dickert finishing second. Bob S. also won the Labor Day race and was able to clinch the runnerup spot for the First Championship with only twelve appearances in the twenty-four scheduled races.

This year's Whiskerpole Regatta, the first leg of the Short Circuit, was a huge success. Even more boats than last year arrived under sunny skies to participate in this one day event which is held in the broadest, deepest part of the lake. First and second place honors went to Rich Miner and Tom Bierman of Lake Mohawk, while third place went to Bob Sengstacken of the home fleet who went on to finish second overall for the entire Short Circuit.

We are actively seeking new members to join our fleet and hope that the clean water, good fellowship, friendly competition, and natural splendor of Greenwood Lake will combine to attract new people to sail with us next year.

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

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

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

No Report

LAVALLETTE YACHT CLUB (104)
Central Atlantic District
Sailing at Barnegat Bay, New Jersey

Fleet Secretary Chris Larsen

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10633	Stardust Again	Fred Slovak
12350	Elam	Chris Larsen
12957	Puck	Walter Krueger

No Report

GREAT SODUS BAY LIGHTNING FLEET (108) **Central New York District** **Sailing on Sodus Bay, Sodus Point, N.Y.**

Fleet Secretary Jed Dodge

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11134	Jed Dodge
13677	Jed Dodge
No Report		

HIGGINS LAKE FLEET (110) **Michigan District**

Sailing on Higgins Lake at Roscommon, Michigan

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

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8285	.....	R. Gary Stauffer
10221	.....	Herbert Doan
12104	.....	Stan Dent
12784	Pacemaker	John N. Dent
13493	Serendipity	Michael, Diane & Mike Dow
13758	Serenity II	Gary Cutler
Life Member	.....	Dr. Floyd R. Arnold

Higgins Lake racing last summer began on the 4th of July with our Annual Firecracker Regatta. This is a mostly local boat regatta, but outsiders are welcome. Our winner this year was Mike Dow and we had a tie for second place between John Dent and Fred Krauss.

The Higgins Lake Boat Club Invitational Regatta was held on the 6th and 7th of August and was won by Clarence Holman III of Pontiac. Mike Dow of Higgins Lake, second; John McCree of Bay City, third; followed by Hank Hodgson of Douglas Lake and John Vandalson of Grand Traverse Yacht Club.

Our weekly races held each Saturday were dominated by Fred Krauss, followed by Barbara Lundy and Stan Dent.

On Labor Day weekend, we held our Annual Championship Regatta, sailing a full five races. The Lightning championship and the Alex Carlin trophy went to Fred Krauss followed in second place by John Dent and third place by Stan Dent.

Fleet 110 sailing at the Higgins Lake Boat Club welcomes any Lightning sailor to any or all of our racing. We hope that more and more of you will see the light and come sail with us on beautiful Higgins Lake.

GREEN BAY SAILING CLUB, INC. (112) **Midwest District**

Sailing on Green Bay at Green Bay, Wisconsin

Fleet Captain William Kulkoski
Fleet Secretary Gary Marshall
Fleet Champion Bill Dean
Runner-Up Jim Hopkins

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1578	.....	Dale Phillips
2557	Tinker Bell	Eugene Goffard
5952	.....	William T. Gallagher
6440	.....	J. Edward Kelso
8634	No Regrets	Ellen Blakeley
9309	Old Hickory	David Whitton
9634	Puzzle	James L. Hopkins
10178	Slippery When Wet	Douglas E. Olson
10680	.....	Douglas Olson
10799	Ragtime	James Gagnon, Jr.
10969	Bullet	James Knorr
11547	Peter Pan	Eugene Goffard
11931	Hearty	Gordon Valentine
11953	.....	Mary Jo Dean
12457	Stinger	David M. Roznowski
12496	Loop Hole	William B. Kulkoski
13111	.....	Bill Sims
13224	After You	Thomas V. Geocaris

13233	Snafu III	John Evans
13235	.....	Vernon Heyrman
13304	Gusto Too	Herb Wake
13376	Deja Vu	Jim Robinson
13486	.....	Steve Somerville
13487	B-Kaz	Dr. Bruce Bressler
13568	Pipe Dream	Bill Dean
13725	3 Ring Circus	Brian Phelan
13817	.....	David M. Roznowski
13818	Hayseed II	William E. Hayes

Every Monday and Thursday afternoon found about 20 boats on the starting line. That certainly is a good formula for lots of exciting sailboat races. Special events were a big attraction this year. Dean Cady from Milwaukee won this year's extremely competitive Evans Regatta attended by 27 boats. Dave Roznowski from Green Bay took second place with Gary Marshall skippering Daves' brand new boat. Bill Dean, Jim Cagnon and Gene Mathews took third, fourth and fifth place respectively. Bill Kulkowski shared his house with those attending the Evans Regatta for a kick off party on Friday night. Everyone enjoyed Bill's new hot tub and pool.

Bill Hayes won both the Walker Masse and Beaumont Cup this year. Bill Hayes is a veteran Lightning sailor in Green Bay for many years and really enjoyed his victory in a new boat.

This year's summer social event was held at Bill and Mary Jo Dean's house on the Green Bay. Plenty of good conversation, great food and drink, and excellent Catamaran, Windsurfing and Laser sailing (provided by Bill and Mary Jo) was had by all.

The end of our sailing season was capped off by a Thursday night chili party at Bruce and Kay Bresslers house. The final Green Bay Sailing Club 1983 standings are Bill Dean, first; Jim Hopkins, second; Brian Phelan, third; Jim Knorr, fourth; and Doug Olson, fifth.

CUBA LAKE YACHT CLUB (115) **Lake Erie District**

Sailing on Cuba Lake at Cuba, New York

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

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5148	Evenlode	Donald Boone
5851	.....	Dave Clabault
7744	Outrageous	Bob Buckley
8792	.....	James P. Griffin
10556	Windsong IV	Paul Branch
10730	Austerity	Michael Kane
11175	Wildfire	Bill McIntyre
11599	Bote	Don Cutler
11870	Windsong V	Paul Branch
12881	.....	Ward Wilday

Racing in 1983 began in May with the Red Flannel Series. From then until Labor Day was an action packed season not only on the race course but at the after sailing get-togethers as well.

Our winds consisted of typical Cube Lake shifts, but we did not have as many "floaters" this year as in years past.

We held our Three Lakes Regatta again this year. Thanks to all of our area sailors for the support! A good time was had by all.

We are looking forward to an even better summer in 1984!

ROYAL HAMILTON YACHT CLUB (118) **Lake Erie District**

Sailing on Hamilton Bay, Hamilton, Ontario

Fleet Secretary Larry MacDonald, Jr.

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

No Report

MERRIMAC RIVER LIGHTNING FLEET (121)

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

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

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10479	Phoenix	Russ Crawford
10804	Flip Top	Joe Peterson
10857	Mutiny	George Green
13517	Swan	W. J. Snow, Jr.
13576	Remedy	Al Lavender & Steve Fram
13642	Eclipse III	Chip Wyser

No Report



Cedar Point Yacht Club Fleet 126 and Steketee Trophy.

CEDAR POINT YACHT CLUB (126)

Connecticut-Rhode Island District Sailing on Long Island Sound at Westport, Connecticut

Fleet Captain James Nolan
Fleet Secretary Dorothy Gough
Fleet Champion Tom Ingram
Runner-Up Edson White

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9526	Moondance	Dorothy Gough
9542	Return	Robert Deans
10119	Loki	Kjell A. Heitmann
10462	.....	M. Catey Torok
10690	Detuned	Gianni Cuccio
10702	.....	Candy Neville & Robert Scanlon
11082	TNT	C. Dayton Tittsworth
11220	.....	Dan Cardozo, Jr.
11381	.....	Richard Price III
11510	Magic Man	Brian Bugbee
11576	Intracacy	Arie Van Breems II
11657	Challenge	John Dymont
12119	.....	John Magenheimer
12168	.....	Edward Burke
12244	.....	Chad Young
12367	Amok	Richard Thackaberry, DVM
12749	.....	Stuart R. Browning
12852	Silver	Steven Kumpian
12853	Fannie's Foley	Jeanne Stewart
12876	.....	Willoughby F. Chesley & Willoughby F. Chester, Jr.
13055	Gemma	Thomas M. LeBrun
13200	.....	Steven W. Thomas
13206	Giannina	John Cuccio
13494	Aalen	Gottfried Perbix
13613	Rangy Lil	Tom & Dave Ingram
13652	Entropyx	Edson White
13779	Scummer	James Nolan
13798	.....	William Kernan
.....	.....	Steven Kavanewsky
.....	.....	Tim Naeser

Lightning Fleet 126 opened the 1983 season on April 9th with a terrific party hosted by Kathy and Dick Thackaberry at their home.

The fleet substantially increased its membership this year with the addition of 11 new members. We welcome new members Randy Browning, Brian Bugbee, Debby and Ed Burke, Nina Cuccio, Dorothy Gough, Christina and John Magenheimer, Susan and Steven Kumpian, Candy Neville, Andrew Ruff, Bob Scanlon, and Jeanne and John Stewart.

Many of our fleet members were active in away regattas this summer, beginning with Tom Ingram and Edson White's trek South in March to co-skipper boat 13613 in the Lightning Southern Circuit. Their standings were 12th of 34 boats in the Miami Mid-Winter Championship, 46th of 72 in the Lightning Mid-Winter Championship in St. Petersburg and 23rd of 46 in the Deep South Regatta in Savannah, Georgia. After a week of sun, fun and southern hospitality, Edson and Tom were ready to compete individually in the Long John Regatta, held at Redbank, N.J. on April 30-May 1. The first major Lightning Regatta in the northeast proved less hospitable than the sunny south, as both Edson and Tom capsized, thus winning the first "in the water" 1983 award.

In May, the CPYC hosted the Early Bird Regatta, the first of three regattas to be held at the club. Kurt Kling of Vermont won, followed by Dick Hale, Ric Klug and Stuart Nickerson. The evening cocktail party and steak dinner were a tremendous success, and the fleet was introduced to Ingrams First Premium Ale brewed by our own Tom Ingram.

The Memorial Day Vice Commodore's Cup series saw Tom Ingram starting out his winning year with a first. Edson White was second and Jim Nolan, third. Tom went on to win the Commodore's Cup 4th of July series, followed by Bud Tittsworth and Randy Browning. Tom capped the series with a first in the Rear Commodore's Cup on Labor Day Weekend, with Edson White placing second and Dick Thackaberry, third.

The Nyack Boat Club Regatta held Saturday, June 3rd, was a CPYC sweep! Ched Proctor skippered Nina Cuccio's Lightning and won all three races. Tom Ingram was second in overall standings and Jim Nolan, third. The following weekend, Edson White traveled to Newport for the Northeast Regional Championship Regatta and captured a third overall.

CPYC also held the 1983 Connecticut-Rhode Island District Championship. The first good start saw Bill Shore called over early. He rounded the pin end of the line and took every stern in the fleet, but he went on to finish first, Jim Crane finished second and Don Barrett third. The second race saw Shore and Crane go to the right side after the start. Jim Nolan and Don Barrett went up the middle and after a forty degree shift to the right, they rounded the windward mark first and second and held those positions to the finish. Shore and Crane worked their way out of the bottom of the fleet to finish fifth and seventh. Another great party was held Saturday night. The third and fourth races were won by Jim Crane. Bill Shore took two second places. Bill Shore won the regatta and Jim Crane was second, Jim Nolan, third, Don Barrett, fourth, Phil Lotz, fifth, Tom Ingram, sixth, Candy Neville, eighth, and Tom Naeser was tenth.

For the Connecticut Governor's Cup Regatta, Nina Cuccio, Candy Neville, Bob Scanlon, Steve Kumpian, Dan Sheehy, Randy Browning and Edson White ventured to Niantic Bay Yacht Club. Edson had the highest finish of the CPYC members with a fourth place overall. Jim Nolan and Randy Browning then competed in the Long Island Sound Championship at Madison, Ct., where Jim finished third overall and Randy finished.....somewhere.

Tom Ingram and Randy Browning represented CPYC at the North Americans in Dallas, Texas. Tom placed a very respectable ninth in the President's Cup and Randy finished in the bottom third.

The Eastern U.S. Championship was held at the CPYC and turned out to be one of the finest regattas ever. Excellent sailing conditions, 40 boats (included ten from the Blue Fleet) and the superb race management from R. C. Chairman, Ted Fontelieu (the 1981 North American Race Chairman). The Regatta was won by Ken Read followed by Jim Crane, Jim Carson, Stuart Nickerson and Don Brush.

Kathy and Dick Thackaberry and Edson White traveled to the Spofford Regatta in N.H. They didn't win the Regatta, but they won the party! And Edson placed sixth.

Randy Browning and Edson White ended the season at the Frigid-Digit Regatta at Annapolis, Md. Edson finished tenth overall and Randy was "finished" by his equipment failure!

It was an exciting and active season for members of Fleet 126. There was 28 races, a total of 400 boats participated with an average of 14.3 boats per race. Twenty boats qualified for the season standings. Tom Ingram and Edson White battled tooth and nail for the club championship, with Tom emerging victoriously the final weekend of the season. Randy Browning finished third, Gianni Cuccio was fourth, and Jim Nolan, fifth.

Our racing activities were truly a family affair. Fleet Captain, Jim Nolan's wife, Mary Ann, crewed all summer as did Edson White's sister,



John Cuccio and the Steketee Trophy won by the Cedar Point Yacht Club.

Maria. Bud Titsworth filled the generation gap with his dad, Dayton and son, Gregory, as crew. And there was the boatload of Thackaberrys with Dick as Skipper, assisted by his wife, Kathy and son, Evan, and Dick Price with his wife, Toni, and daughter, Jennifer, crewing regularly. The Chesley family competed with Bill, Winky, Bill, Jr., and Fred all sharing the helm. Gottfried Perbix sailed with daughter, Eva, and son-in-law, Andy. Our husband and wife teams included Debby and Ed Burke, Pat and Dan Cardozo, Christina and John Magenheimer, Jeanne and John Stewart, and Susan and Steve Kumpan. And the Cuccio family, Nina, Gianni, and their father, John, each skippered their own boats. Andrew Ruff is our youngest regular skipper and fleet member.

All the members of CPYC Fleet 126 were delighted and honored to receive the Steketee Trophy this year. This trophy is awarded to recognize the North American Fleets who are outstanding in furthering the purpose of ILCA in promoting and developing racing in Lightnings. Our fleet showed the greatest increase in membership. Also cited was the major contribution made by John Cuccio for his devoted and on going efforts which have resulted in the expansion of Fleet 126 and the continued enthusiastic participation of fleet members in the racing program. The fleet has honored John Cuccio by entrusting the trophy to him for the year.

Congratulations to Arie and Hester Den Breens and their new baby, and to Gianni Cuccio and his new bride, Amy. We all missed Guy and Kathy Moulton who moved to Atlanta, Georgia in January.

The fleet expresses its appreciation to the race committee and especially, R.C. Chairman, Ted Fontelieu (a Thistler); to John Dymont, our financial wizard; Gottfried Perbix, who did a superb job of keeping track of the race scores each week; Jim Nolan, our Fleet Captain, who made things happen, and to Dorothy Gough, Fleet Secretary, who recorded all that was printable.

Thanks also to the Regatta Chairmen Edson White, Steve Thomas and Tom Ingram, and to all the generous people who worked so hard and so successfully at the regattas, dinners and parties.

Next year is going to be an even bigger and better year for Fleet 126. See you all at the Early Bird!

SAVANNAH LIGHTNING FLEET (127) Southeastern District Sailing on Wilmington River at Bradley Point, Savannah, Georgia

Fleet Secretary Sydney Oetgen

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

No Report

MADISON BEACH CLUB (129) Connecticut-Rhode Island District Sailing on Long Island Sound at Madison, Conn.

Fleet Captain Richard D. Grant
Fleet Champion J. Michael Sulzbach

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9703	Free Bee	Delano W. Ladd, Jr.
10689	Laurie	Charles F. Walz III
11113	C.O.D.	George Young
11207	Early Times	James R. Deephouse
11773	Frantse II	Jay W. Jackson
11933	Rosie	J. Michael Sulzbach
12277	Debtor-in- Possession	Richard J. Grant
12863	Think Faster	Guy D. Moulton
.....	Blood Vessel	John M. Renahan

The Madison Beach Club has a long and distinguished list of top Lightning sailors who have been dominant names on Long Island Sound in the past. Great Lightning sailors like John and Lew Pettit, Mary Lew Stearns, Ted Baylis, John Johnstone, Nancy Young and Jay and Peter Renahan all sailed at Madison. This year a new name was added to that great chronicle of Madison Beach Club sailors, the Championship plaque. J. Michael Sulzbach sailed aggressively, and with the enviable crew work of Rosemary O'Connell Sulzbach and Robert Page prevailed comfortably by season's end overcoming the best efforts of some highly qualified competitors.

George Young finished second for the season and Jim Deephouse was third. We added a new Lightning skipper this year in Bill Gleason who moved from the front of the cockpit to the back. It turns out that Bill sneaked up to Essex in the spring for some frostbiting on the Connecticut River in a Blue Jay so he was ready for a Lightning on Long Island Sound as were his knees.

We held the Long Island Sound Championship in Madison in 1983. It was a great regatta. We had a good turnout and held three excellent races. Everybody was very patient with our dock/lawn logistics and our club manager of 35 years awarded this group the highest consumption/head/minute award for the decade. It was suggested that Lightning Sailors lighten the boat by hollowing out their legs. Plan on a Madison Regatta in 1984.

LAKE WASHINGTON LIGHTNING FLEET (132) Pacific Northwest District Sailing on Shilshole Bay at Seattle, Washington

Fleet Captain Martin Mulhern
Fleet Secretary David Hammer
Fleet Treasurer Cheryl Zettler
Fleet Champion David Hammer
Runner-Up Alan Hunt

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9024	.....	Carl Sander
10384	.....	Martin Mulhern
10699	What Not	David Hammer
11031	Oh Kay?	Art Green
11457	Mrs. Henry VII	Greg Zettler
11470	Pasties And A G-String	Kenneth Dunkelberg

11636	Insatiable	Alan Hunt
13242	Baby Makes Three	Eric Lindahl
13707	Spirit	Bruce Deitz

Seattle's fleet was active as ever in 1983 with the majority of fleet members participating in major regattas, at home and away. Greg Zettler had his usual fine season capturing the circuit championship with wins at Eugene, Portland, and Maple Bay. Bruce Deitz was not far behind with seconds at Eugene and Vancouver, B.C. The Fleet had a good showing at the Districts held in Vancouver, B.C., placing second, fourth, fifth and sixth.

Alan Hunt finally began winning races after extensive travel to regattas within the district. Alan placed fourth in Eugene and at the Districts. Eric Lindahl, our local "underwater" sailor, definitely had a better year as he only capsized his boat once. That's two-thirds less than last year! Eric placed fifth in Eugene, fifth in the Districts and had a very good season at home. Martin Mulhern finally put his boat in the water and did a lot of sailing rather than rigging it during the Thursday night races. Bruce Dietz took his place as the new "landlubber" after purchasing his new boat unrigged. After burying his head in the architecture books for many a Thursday night and regatta weekend, Art Green can finally actively participate in fleet activities. Congratulations Art! Billy Taylor and Carl Sand are newcomers to the Fleet. Carl's first major regatta was a wet one when he capsized on the first beat of the first race in Maple Bay. His performance improved throughout the season. Rumor has it to look out for Billy Taylor next year as he has been doing well in the local Thursday night regattas. Dave Hammer had an anticlimatic win at Seattle's Invitational held in October. Dave walked away with the Fleet Championship after only sailing two races all weekend due to the uncooperative weather.

We are looking forward to a lot of hard work and good sailing in 1984 as the North Americans are being held in Seattle in 1984. Ken Dunkelberg is acting chairperson with help from organizational committee members, Alan Hunt, Greg Zettler and Bruce Dietz. We hope to see you all in Seattle in 1984. Come and see the beautiful Pacific Northwest.

MOBILE BAY FLEET (135)

Southern District

Sailing in Mobile Bay at Fairhope, Alabama

Fleet Captain	Robert Borneman
Fleet Secretary	Barney March
Fleet Champion	Robert Jeffcott

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7399	Opus	John Alan Stringfellow
8365	.....	Robert Jeffcott
8704	Wild Honey	John Kern
8890	Waverider	Mickey Lake
10812	Captain "Crunch"	Robert Bernhardt, Jr.
12956	Sun Kiss II	Robert Borneman
13060	Bigeminy III	Barney March

The 1983 season has been a year of change for our fleet. The year started out on a bright note with the relocation of Mitch Bohnenkamp from Fleet 266 to the warm south. Mitch has added a good and needed spark to the fleet with his attitude of "I'll race, just tell me when and where. Oh, and by the way, my kids (ace crew) are away at school. How about finding me some crew!" His activity has gotten new people into Lightning sailing and a couple are looking for boats for next season. With the extra attention we are getting from other classes due to our steady growth and great attitude, things have to be on the upswing.

This year also had its shaky points as a couple of the regulars (Bob Borneman and Robert Bernhardt) took time off to get married, which cut into "on the water activities," but as the year was winding down all got back into the swing with some solid sailing and new crews.

The biggest high point of the year was touched on above all, new crews. As we all know it's hard to sail a Lightning in a race by yourself. And I would like to say thanks to the many new and old crews that have helped all of us this year and hopefully in years to come.

On to our sailing season. It can be summed up very neatly by saying "all or nothing." This year has been very strange for Mobile Bay as the spring and early summer saw every race with 20+ knot winds. However, by District time the summer calms set in and light to nothing was the name of the game. Some of us had just learned to sail in the heavy stuff when we had to rethink and "look for ripples on the water, not the biggest black cloud."

All in all the Fleet held on another year and with some Fleet racing going on this year and hot prospects on the horizon for next year, spirits are high and the South may rise again.



Starting line action at the October Invitational Regatta.

GULL LAKE YACHT CLUB (137)

Michigan District

Sailing on Gull Lake at Richland, Michigan

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

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6228	Sundance	James E. Spurr
10842	Tsunami	Mike Rathbun
11090	Iron Maiden	Tick Ticknor
11811	Double D	Jakob Vos
12958	.....	Bill Patten
13112	.....	Carl Engels
13279	Cyxobeu	Tim VanderMeulen
13379	Coming Home	Dan Chappell
13449	.....	Carter Brooks
13617	Tim-Buck II	Tim Stewart
13713	.....	Jack Engels
13731	.....	Fred Harrison
13839	.....	William F. Weston
13846	.....	Mike Rathbun
.....	.....	Dave Hatfield

The 1983 Gull Lake Lightning fleet made substantial gains in membership and newer and more competitive boats. Membership for the 1984 season may reach an all time high of 20 and while we'll miss Tim Stewart, we welcome Martin Zonnenberg, Brian James, Don Coggin and Art Riley. It is nearly certain that some of the three or four boats now for sale by present members who are upgrading their equipment, will remain on Gull Lake and join the class and fleet.

Bill Weston and Mike Rathbun finished the season racing brand new boats, while Tick Ticknor campaigned a totally refurbished already proven winner. It is expected that Dave Hatfield, Carl Engels, and Dan Chappell will begin next season with new boats as well.

Jack Engels repeated last years superb performance and well earned the fleet championship. Dave Hatfield is again the fleet runner-up, and did very well at other Michigan District regattas. Carl Engels, Tick Ticknor and Dan Chappell placed third, fourth and fifth, respectively.

Once again, Fleet 137 sponsored two regattas. The June regatta, attended by twenty-four boats, was won by Jack Engels from Gull Lake. The October regatta was very popular, with 37 boats crossing the line. Colin Park from Bay City won top honors in October.

Tim and Julie Stewart graciously hosted the annual Sail-to-Breakfast, which probably set a record for being the furthest from the shores of Gull Lake. Nevertheless, a great turnout emphasized the obvious social nature of our fleet, in addition to being one of the most competitive within the district.

CONESUS LAKE (140)
Central New York District
Sailing on Conesus Lake, Rochester, N.Y.

Fleet Captain Glenn Poyzer
 Fleet Secretary Fred J. Pearce

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10917	Pennies from Heaven	Thomas J. Brindisi
13570	Crackerjack	Glenn A. Poyzer
13824	Hallelujah	Frederick J. Pearce

No Report.

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

Fleet Captain Chuck Gustin
 Fleet Secretary Frances Vaughn

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9622	.....	Chuck Gustin
11084	Horizon	Frances C. Vaughan
11786	.....	Bobby Edmondson
11798	Sock It To Em	Micky Meierdiercks
Life Member	.....	Richard W. Holmes

No Report

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

Fleet Captain Fred Turner
 Fleet Secretary Bob Pinard
 Fleet Champion Dave Fitch
 Runner-Up Dr. David Knight

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9715	Lady Cathrine	Roger Wilken
10093	Namy	H. Fletcher Willey
10480	.....	Robert Pinard
11210	Smurfing Along	Frederick Turner, Jr.
11323	Escape	Patrick MacQueen
11346	Gail	Fred H. Hamblet
12362	Three Cheers	David H. Fitch
12370	.....	Alexander Gemmell
12821	Remedy	David L. Knight
.....	Bon Joy	Robert L. Pratt
Life Member	.....	Leonard Pratt

We are pleased to report that Lightning sailing has been on the increase at Spofford for the past couple of years. The enthusiasm was in evidence at the mid-winter social hosted in December by Bud and Sophie Hamblet at their home in Keene. In addition to a great cocktail party and meal, this meeting served as the launch point for an exciting and busy 1983 sailing season.

If the success of junior sailing is measured by the number of participants, Spofford would not rank among the big club front runners. However, if enthusiasm and participation are key measures, and we think they are, Spofford's Juniors are involved and doing well. Robin and Rick Turner, juniors of not long ago, crewed in this year's North American Championship in Texas. Robin is an active Lightning sailor who spends most of her on water time on the upper reaches of the Chesapeake. Jody Turner (LTJg, U.S. Coast Guard) spent a number of weekends back in the home waters of Spofford helping her dad tune *Smurfing Along* which sported new sails and new ovals this year. Dave Pinard, with Jill Turner pulling the strings and Laura Smith as crew, prevailed upon Jill's dad to use their newly upgraded boat for the New England Junior Regatta. Dave captured a second overall with this Turner crew/boat combination. Laura and Tom Fitch, who both sailed on the Northfield/Mount Hermon Sailing team this past summer, achieved sailing success both on and off campus. Tom, last year's Sunfish Fleet Champion, is almost unbeatable in single handed boats. Laura has now replaced Tom as crew in the family's actively campaigned Lightning. Tom and Laura captured third at the Junior Districts. Mike Gemmell showed that winning the New England District Junior Regatta last year was

no fluke by winning it again this year. Mike's versatility and sailing ability is evidenced by the fact that he consistently does well in Lightnings, Snipes, and Sunfish. Congratulations Mike, on another fine year!

Spofford was fortunate to gain two additional Lightning families this past summer, the Gemmells and the MacQueens. The Gemmells, with good tactics and speed, were regular top finishers throughout the season. The MacQueen family began the season by traveling to Narragansett Bay and the Newport Open. It's clear from observing Patrick's sailing energy this season that the MacQueen boat is destined to carry a Spofford fleet champion across the finish line before too many more seasons have passed. Dr. David Knight and wife Debbie, who joined Fleet 145 only a year ago, made their presence known by winning the Fleet Championship Runner-up spot in their first full season of sailing on Spofford Lake. Nice going Debbie and David! And to think it was I who found Clay Murphy a crew spot in the Knight boat. Prior to this summer, Clay had been a regular crew for Dick Hallagan, a Lightning heavy from upstate New York.

The Hamblet's demonstrated they can not only put on a good party but can sail as well. Fast Fred (Bud) Hamblet with son Kip navigating, nailed down a 10th at Cedar Point this fall under challenging sailing conditions. The very next weekend Kip Hamblet, in the family boat, sailed to a third overall at Spofford's Fall Regatta.

Fletcher Willey was often seen out on the course cheering us on when not sailing himself. We appreciate your support Fletcher, both on and off the water. Bob, David and Brian Pinard, who did not sail much during the summer, finished the year on a strong note capturing 2nd at the Spofford Regatta, one point behind winner Dick Hallagan. The Fitches demonstrated once again, as they have in so many prior years, that consistency pays off. Congratulations to David, Dottie and Laura Fitch, our 1983 Fleet Champions!

No fleet stands on the results of its race course happenings alone. In closing this year's article, I would like to salute the strength of our Lightning fleet — our wives, mothers and cheering section. Thank you: Sophie, Dottie, Carol, Muriel, Winnie, Karen, Debbie, and Sandra for making Lightning sailing a super family activity at Spofford.

TORONTO BAY LIGHTNING FLEET (146)
Lake Erie District
Sailing on Lake Ontario at Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Fleet Captain John Gorrie
 Fleet Secretary Irene Elliott

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
3182	McMuffin	John T. McDermott
8152	Mimi	Elliott M. Wilson
9543	Adgo	Tim & Susan Willings
10393	.....	John T. McDermott
11174	Janitor	David & D. Stewart Sprague
.....	.....	John & Janice Graham
11177	Pampero	Peter E. Sulman
11331	Cul De Sac	John D. Gorrie
11631	Apprenticeship	Prentice Smith
12039	Intrigue	Fred Watson
12246	.....	Camilla Willings
13048	Bluenose IV	Norman F. Clegg
13519	Boomstick	Frank Parker
13577	In Lieu	Brian Beattie & Allan Humphreys
13659	.....	Dave & Stewart Sprague
Life Member	.....	J.R.G. Bleasley
.....	.....	Jim Ingram

No Report

SAO PAULO FLEET (147)
Brazil District
Sailing on Lake Guarapiranga at Sao Paulo, Brazil

Fleet Captain Peter Zacher
 Fleet Secretary Erica Zacher
 Fleet Captain Claudio Biekarek
 Runner-Up Otavio M. Almeida

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6591	Kicholi	Dr. Ivo Lemmi
8495	Hummel	Wolfgang Aurbach & Alexandre Ferraz
9284	Malandro	Adauto Marques Maduro



XXVI Brazilian Nationals at Sao Paulo, Brazil

9774	Jangadeiro	Flavio Caiuby
11708	Ciranda	Robert Buckup
11709	Canarinho	Willy Tietze & Jurgen Lajus
11710	Irema	Dietmar Heydenreich
12414	Meia Noite IV	Ricardo Del Bianco
12440	Patua	Antonio Carlos Martins
12472	Xiriana	Claudio Roque Buono Ferreira & Manfred Kaufmann, Jr.
12489	Phrescura	Claudio Biekarek
12524	Foxfire	Heinz Thielemann
12657	Perereca	Otavio Machado de Almeida
12686	ET, C	Mario Buckup
13008	Viking III	Dionisio Sulzbeck
13406	Meia Noite VI	Jadir Teixeira Serra
13796	Lucky Lubber	Claudio Roque Buono Ferreira
13797	Nosso Senhor Bom Jesus Dos Navegantes	Claudio Roque Buono Ferreira

Over Carnival weekend, Feb. 12-16, fleets 147 and 462 hosted the 26th Brazilian Nationals at Lake Guarapiranga in Sao Paula. Rigorous sail measurement, hull weighing and inspection (some bridles were rejected) were the responsibilities of Wolfgang Aurbach, Oscar Werkele and helpers. In total, 34 of the top Brazilian Lightning sailors were present at this championship, which was also the qualifier for the Pan American Games in Caracas. The champion was Claudio Biekarek and crew of Gunnar Ficker and Ralph Berger. He represented Brazil and our fleet in the World Championship in Italy, where he was third and went on to win the Pan Americans. Congratulations to Claudio and crew and Fleet 147.

Next year the South American Championship will be sailed in Sao Paulo, with fleets 147 and 462 hosting the event. The dates are April 18-22 and will be organized by District Commodore Nelson Schmitt, Peter Zacher and Michael Norris.

MANSFIELD SAILING CLUB (150)
Ohio District
Sailing on Clearfork Reservoir at
Lexington (Mansfield), Ohio

Fleet Captain	Burton L. Preston
Fleet Secretary	W. W. Woodrow
Fleet Champion	Burton L. Preston
Runner-Up	Bernard L. Dillon

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2854	Cookie Cutter	Robert D. Leonard
6944	.....	Chandler Stevens

7785	Merrimax	William F. Zaffiro
9581	Wiki-Wiki	William W. Woodrow
10047	Merrimax II	Donald C. Walter
10272	.....	Burton L. Preston
11557	Lantmont	Jerome Hurley, M.D.
11681	Lady	Charles H. Huston
12085	Bambino II	R. A. Bonham
12439	Prosit	Ed Brennan
12498	Yacht-Not	Al Storich
12567	Wind Sprite	Thomas J. McDermott

It was "business as usual" again for Burt Preston who won the Fleet Principal Series and the overall Mansfield Sailing Club Championship for the 11th straight year in 1983. Bernie Dillon was Runner-Up in both series.

The Sunday A.M. Series was taken by Bernie Dillon with Ed Brennan as Runner-Up.

Bernie Dillon also won the Wednesday P.M. Series with Bill Woodrow in the Runner-Up spot.

Burt Preston sailed to first place in the Fall Series with Bernie Dillon again in the second place position.

Fleet 150 enjoyed a good season with generally good winds and some exciting times on the lake. Our Holiday Weekend Series on Memorial Day, July 4th, and Labor Day provided good competition and good fellowship during the festivities that followed the racing.

This was the 30th Anniversary of the formation of Fleet 150, so it was a special year for us. We look forward to another 30 years of the joy of sailing. We cordially invite any and all Lightning sailors to join us on our beautiful lake in the heart of Ohio.



Lightning Fleet 150 and Friends "Class sailing since 1953."

ANNISQUAM YACHT CLUB (151)
New England District
Sailing on Ipswich Bay
at Annisquam, Massachusetts

Fleet Secretary Carolyn Peter

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
.....	Second Effort	Dr. Georges Peter

No Report

TAWAS BAY YACHT CLUB (152)
Michigan District
Sailing on Tawas Bay, East Tawas, Michigan

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4971	Spider	Paul Beyer
11588	.....	Charles A. Pinkerton, III
Life Member	.....	Charles H. Schreck
No Report		

WAWASEE YACHT CLUB (154)

Indiana District

Sailing on Lake Wawasee at Syracuse, Indiana

Fleet Captain Keith Swihart
Fleet Secretary Cynthia Yaggi
Fleet Champion George Buckingham
Runner-Up Keith Swihart

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5259	No Show	Louis Pletcher
8686	.....	John F. Call
9480	.....	Steve Anderson
9954	Big Red	Frank Yaggi
9974	Brandy Wine	Douglas Schmahl
10134	Popper	Stephen C. Miller
11699	Merry Crow	John C. Jarrett
12276	Yellow Bellied	.....
.....	Sapsucker	Ray Gans
12316	.....	William Stucky
12392	Gracefullee	George Witwer
12408	.....	Alan Fox
12463	Joe BFSPLK	George Buckingham
12521	Sting	Richard Boerger
12586	.....	Chuck Medlock
12692	.....	Ronald G. Kloepper, M.D.
13001	Why Us	John Nixon
13047	ARR	Dick Gallmeyer
13131	Terra Fini	Jack Gibson
13721	.....	George Buckingham
13851	The Swi	Keith Swihart
13860	One Last Gasp	John R. Nixon

As the fall season ripens to its fullest, Fleet 154 of the Wawasee Yacht Club is "packing it in" with fond memories of a successful racing season.

Special thanks go to our race committee chairman, Bill Stucky, who was consistent in setting up good courses. Also, to our committee boat crew led by Paul Penn for their good starts and finishes.

Highlights for the season were the three holiday series beginning with the Memorial weekend. Winning skippers were Doug Schmahl in first, George Buckingham second, and Jack Gibson third. The July 4th series was won by Keith Swihart with George Buckingham, and Bill Stucky following. In the Labor Day series it was George Buckingham, Doug Schmahl and Keith Swihart taking honors.

Our fleet was host to two invitational regattas along with the Districts this season. The Hoosier regatta which was held in June was won by our own Dick Boerger with wife Barbara and daughter Tammy as crew. The following week, District races were held with George Buckingham and crew, son Fred and Larry Holston taking top honors. The wind gods were generous as 19 enthusiastic skippers participated in the October run of the Wanfinwrapup. Winners included Clarence Holman in first, Dave Hatfield second, and Colin Park third.

The season's best awards went to George Buckingham first place and Keith Swihart second place with Buckingham again retaining the highest honor, the Cynthia Cup. The Commodore Cup went to John Nixon with Steve Anderson as runner-up. Special awards went to Jane Nixon, outstanding woman; and Jeff Schmahl, outstanding youth award.

We're proud to report that three teams from our fleet went to the North Americans. George Buckingham, Keith Swihart, and (to the Juniors) Jeff Schmahl made the long trek to Texas. As rumor has it, they had a great time.

At the annual meeting held in September, new officers elected for the 1984 season are Keith Swihart, Commodore; George Buckingham, Vice Commodore; Cynthia Yaggi, Secretary; Jack Gibson, Treasurer, with Alan Fox and Bob Troutman as Board members.

Included in our social activities for the year were a late winter dinner, two summer theater musicals, July 4th fireworks at the homes of John Nixon and Dick Boerger, and a wedding shower for Dee Stucky, (daughter of Bill and Jean) and John Gotta at the home of Gordon and Barbara Medlock.

We are looking forward to a productive and fun summer in 1984, hoping that many of you in our area will join us for our regattas. The comradeship brought about by racing and social activities is a pleasure!

WILLOW BANK YACHT CLUB (164)

Central New York District

Sailing on Cazenovia Lake at Cazenovia, New York

Fleet Captain Dick Tuttle
Fleet Secretary Dr. Jeffrey Bassin
Fleet Champion Tadd Helmer
Runner-Up Dick Tuttle

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
1381	Maris II	Lawrence Martel
9334	Inevitable	Houghton Carr, Jr.
10171	Cowpens	Thomas Kozlowski, M.D.
10414	Charming II	Nelson Neidhardt
10679	.....	Richard P. Tuttle
11307	Special "K"	Ron Kokot
11555	Reluctant	Donald T. Becker
11650	Tutty Two	Pamela L. Tuttle
11853	Andiamo	Jeffrey Bassin, M.D.
12004	Blue Chips II	Donald B. Barter
12725	Hang Loose	William C. Jenner
12792	Molly Brown IV	Don Stehle
12800	.....	Robert L. Hood
12929	Wild Fire	Jim Hole
13011	Dutchman's Gold	Tadd Helmer
13052	Full Deck	Steve Burrell
13369	Bull Ship III	David K. Bull
13749	.....	Paul Torrisi

The 1983 season brought lots of sun, plenty of air and our usual Cazenovia shifty winds. 18 boats began the season, with new sails, new masts, new crews and lots of promise.

We planned our usual triangular courses, trying an olympic course occasionally to keep everyone on their toes. The racing program planned one Saturday and two Sunday races, giving more skippers a better chance to qualify with enough races.

It appeared that Tadd Helmer and Dick Tuttle would go at it again for the Club Championship with Jim Hole and Dave Bull right on their transoms. Dave got married this summer; it may have slowed him a little. Steve Burrell wasn't around much this summer and rumor has it he also got married. Congratulations to both.

The Cazenovia Invitational was, once again, a great success the weather cooperated and an excellent Saturday night dinner was enjoyed by all. Plans for next years Invitational are already underway.

Tadd went off to Keuka and got a first in one race and also went to Dallas for the North Americans, finishing eighth in the green fleet. Dick Tuttle won the club free for all. The Tuttle armada grows; with two Lightnings, a Sunfish, Laser, Windsurfer, rowboat and canoe.

Dave Gorgrono, a Lightning skipper, went off to the USYRU Junior Windsurfing Championships and came home with a sixth place.

Ned Cabanas, missing early this summer, showed up on Jeff Bassins boat, then skippered his own most of August. Pam Kekot was also seen crewing for Jeff—where was Ron?

HELSINKI LIGHTNING FLEET (166)

Finland District

Sailing at Gulf of Finland, Helsinki, Finland

Fleet Captain Kari Maenpaa
Fleet Secretary Noora Maenpaa

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11544	Kesaheila	Raimo Aroma
12748	Hani	Jouko Ulvila
12805	.....	Liisa Holm
12914	Vahine II	Unto & Kari Maenpaa
13130	Masi the 3rd	Terho Aromaa
13435	.....	Jukka Salmi

The activity and number of boats in our fleet has unfortunately dropped during the last few years. Just five boats were racing last summer and therefore we held no fleet championship.

Even though we are not so many in number we reached quite good results during the season. In the Districts we were scored first, second, third, seventh, 12th and 21st.

We were very happy when Audrey Matteson from Lake Geneva fleet USA came to visit us last June. She sailed in the Helsinki Regatta as a crew of Terho Aromaa finishing third. From here she continued her trip to Ischia, Italy where we had the pleasure to meet her again.

Lightnings have always been a large class in Helsinki and we hope it will be that way in the future too. Therefore we are looking forward to a more active 1984 season hoping to get new enthusiastic members to our fleet.

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

Fleet Captain Bill Quaintance
Fleet Secretary Fran Doughty
Fleet Champion Ken Jensen

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7391	Old Style	Peter Bartlett
8520	Maine-Eac	Patrick J. Goff
9524	White Lightning	Dnaiel E. Lee
10156	Amorphous	Rodney Smith
10232	.....	Chuck White
12022	The Screamer	Mike Steffenson
12732	Gemma M	James Flick
12817	Peripatetic	Donovan D. Stiegel, M.D.
12843	Clipper	Rodney Gasch
12884	Last Hurrah	Ken Jensen
12942	Hummer	Henry Neuman
13202	Moxie	Henry Strieder
13286	Warp Drive	H. Reed Doughty
13430	.....	Bill Quaintance
13579	.....	Bill Quaintance
13611	Smooth As Silk	Roger Kessler

For Fleet 167 it was another outstanding sailing season with many races, intense competition and brisk river air.

A larger than usual group of serious skippers and crew appeared on the starting line this year. The keenness of this competition is demonstrated by the winning or placing records of almost every boat participating regularly.

A reversal of prevailing conditions brought moderate to heavy winds throughout the summer and lighter breezes during the fall.

The large contingent of top midwest sailors racing in Lake Davenport's Polar Bear Regatta made this years event tough and 'heck of a lot of fun'. May the months fly by til the sun goes off again!

LAKE OF NEUCHÂTEL FLEET (169) Switzerland District Based on Lac de Neuchâtel, Switzerland

Fleet Captain Jean-Pierre Monnier
Fleet Secretary Annika Lambelet
Fleet Champion Gilbert Despland
Runner-Up Urs Schar

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11859	Pinocchio	Hans Muhlbach
12572	Boy	Gilbert Despland
12860	Garoupa	Claude Lambelet
12997	Gargantua	Pierre Grandguillaume
13066	Sarcelle	Jean-Pierre Monnier
13067	Numana	Jean-Claude Dupasquier
13841	.....	Claude Lambelet

A lot of us which have these past years played an important activity in the Lightning Class were very busy this year and unfortunately did not find time to race. Fortunately one of our best skippers had a great important participation.

Gilbert Despland and crew got down to Lake Trasimeno and Gravedona where they did quite well. They participated too at the European and World Championship in Italy where they had less success. They also sailed in Switzerland and participated at the races of Sempach (2e), Greifensee (4e) and Morat (1er). These good results in Switzerland bring them the Kami-Kaze Cup 1983.

Claude Lambelet, our Swiss ILCA vice-president did participate at the European Championship in Procida with an Italian crew.

Last race of '83 was the Regata-Fondue in October on Lake of Neuchâtel with 7 boats. Here are the results:

1-13840-Despland — 0 pts.; 2-13161-Schar — 1, 6 pts.; 3-12860-Adam — 2, 9 pts.; 4-12637-Wyler — 4 pts.; 5-13091-Gmur — 5 pts.; 6-13074-Weilenmann — 6 pts.; 7-13709-Beyer — 7 pts.



Fleet 173 Champion at the Manahowlin Bay Cup Regatta.

BRANT BEACH YACHT CLUB (173) Central Atlantic District Sailing on Little Egg Harbor at Brant Beach, New Jersey

Fleet Captain Glenn Reitingner
Fleet Secretary Carl Reitingner
Fleet Champion Glenn Reitingner
Runner-Up Dave Coward

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5837	Barracuda	Joseph L. Serrill, Jr.
9462	Marcelinda	Philip J. Escoll, MD
11176	.....	Tom Hyndman & Bill Phillips
12873	Quakers	J. Edward Serrill & David Coward
13743	.....	Thomas III & Peter Hyndman
13772	Snookier	Carl & Glenn Reitingner
13809	.....	Doug MacKinney & James Perry

Fleet 173 continued its recent growth pattern with the addition of another new boat owned by Doug MacKinney and Jim Perry. Their boat arrived in time for the CAD's which were hosted by BBYC. The CAD's were won by Jody Lutz with Dave Coward the best fleet 173 finisher with a fifth. The club racing schedule this season reflected the past with two races Sunday counting towards the Club Championship. After the conclusion of the 16th race the three top finishers were as follows: Glenn, Carl, and Beth Reitingner, first; Dave Coward, Ed and Barb Serrill, second; and Tom, Peter, and Laurie Hyndman, third. As is true every other racing season, crew participation allowed for yet another successful season of sailing. The following crews' active participation in racing and other Lightning events enhanced this years' program. Jim and Lois Perry, Jim Titus, Steve Roth, Joe and Cindy Bechel, Mary and Steve Hyndman, Bill Stewart, Bill Serrill, Bob Seybold, Nick and Jim Nicolini, Bert Hitschler, Mac and Judy MacKinney, Rick Dingfelder, Janet Coward, Kim Anastasia, Scott Metz, Hubert Streep, and Burt Boyle. Two of our boats attended the North Americans at Rush Creek Yacht Club in Dallas. The Reitingner and Serrill/Coward boats represented BBYC well during the week of light air and hot competition.

Labor Day provided excellent weather for our second annual "Pick-It" race. It must be noted that Tom Hyndman, Jr. won this race for his first win, rumor has it in 18 years. This victory has inspired rumblings of a new boat for Tom next year. Along with this boat are the promises of several others who plan on adding to our fleet next year. They are Bob Seybold, Pete Pierce (M-Scow Club Champ.) and Gene Kelly. Rick Dingfelder (Mariner Club Champ.) and Joe Schurig, and Mac MacKinney. We as a fleet are very much looking forward to the addition of these individuals. Fleet 173 is now strongly entrenched in some serious growth. If present plans hold up we will expect 9-10 boats on the line every Sunday and up to 12 boats for our "money" races. Everyone is anxiously anticipating next year's sailing on Little Egg Harbor Bay.

Champion and that Greg Zettler came up from Seattle and walked away with the Lightning trophy honors at the annual MBYC Labor Day Regatta. I should also mention, if I ever hope to crew with him again, that George Maggs and crew won both of these last year. George has been active in Lightning racing for over forty years and this was the first time he won both trophies in the same year and then I forgot to file a report, 'nuff said.

MILWAUKEE YACHT CLUB FLEET (69)

Midwest District

Sailing on Lake Michigan, Milwaukee

Fleet Captain Dr. John Esser
Fleet Secretary Randall D. Crocker

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10350	Sans Souci III	John H. Esser
11442	Rampage	Dean S. Cady
11888	Firebird Suite	Wayne E. Babler, Jr.
11903	Ariel	Randall D. Crocker
12342	Bluette	Allen N. Rieselbach
13026	RoeBoat	Byron K. Roe
13259	Fountainhead	Mark Johnson
13695	Whimsey	Robert C. Mahne
13727	Dos Manana	Walter C. Nickerson
13794	Allen Rieselbach

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RED BANK ON THE SHREWSBURY (70)

Metropolitan District

Sailing on the North Shrewsbury River at Red Bank, New Jersey

Fleet Captain Rob Held
Fleet Secretary Denis Farley
Fleet Champion Sandy Huntsman
Runner-Up Tony Fink

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
279	Sunny	Pete McEwen
6735	Mischief	Richard Beck
8502	Dawn Mere	James M. Kelly
9217	Chandu	Paul Forsman
9407	Repechage	Arthur S. Hunnewell
10249	Red Baron	Warren Kaiser
10371	Celeste	Arky Bianco
10408	Sandpiper II	Jeffrey F. Chandor
10538	.....	Denis Farley
10626	Seaweed	William V. Kolshorn, Jr.
10942	Rollover	Dr. Robert Kane
11007	Daddy's Joy	William T. Griffin
11327	Bam II	V. N. Vaughn, Jr. & V. Nelson Vaughn II
11740	River Blues	Walt Colantuono
11958	.....	John Brewster
12133	Kennebec II	Nick Smith
12499	Frigid Bitch	Bob Hutchinson
12714	Adios	Ralph F. Wilson
12716	My Honey	Richard C. Davis
13053	Murphy-Magee	Ralph Messersmith
13104	.....	Ted Kummer
13139	Stinger	Alfred C. Morton
13386	Silver Spoon	Kevin & Pat Corr
13459	.....	Louis Zinterhofer, M.D.
13572	Sting	Paul Huntsman, Jr.
13573	Scramblin Rummy	Rob Held
13675	.....	Arnold & Jon Schwartz
13782	Jack Huntsman
13792	Paul Huntsman Jr.
Hon. Member	Harold Beck
Hon. Member	Les Hathaway
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The good news is that Jack Huntsman had an excellent year of Lightning racing, and the bad news is that the fleet activity and attendance dropped to the lowest level in anyone's memory. Part of the problem is that a few sailors had difficult years due to some peculiar problems that limited their participation, and we are looking forward to 1984 as a year of renewal.



Fleet 70 Champion Sandy Huntsman, Larry Colantuono, Tony Fink.

The season started on the Southern Circuit for Jack Huntsman and Jon Schwartz. Jack finished fifth at Miami and seventh overall. Jon sailed at St. Pete and Miami.

Fleet 70's major event is the Long John Regatta held every April and in 1983 we had great competition as usual, warm and windy weather and the traditional great party on Saturday night. Bill Shore won the regatta followed by Stu Nickerson, Larry MacDonald, Jack Elfman, and Fleet Captain, Rob Held. Fleet members Denis Farley and Ralph Messersmith were ninth and tenth in the 41 boat fleet.

The Spring Series is traditionally our most competitive series and 1983 was no exception. It was a Huntsman affair as ILCA President Sandy Huntsman won with son Jack in second. Bill Clausen, Ralph Messersmith, and Arnold Schwartz rounded out the top five. Sandy Huntsman continued in form at the Memorial Day Regatta followed by John Brewster, and Walt Colantuono. Winner of the Independence Day Regatta was Kevin Corr with Tony Fink in second and Walt again third. The Labor Day Regatta was the last of the holiday regattas and was won by Tony Fink ahead of John Brewster and Walt in third. Walt's consistency paid off as he won the Atwater trophy for the best combined score for the three regattas.

This year's Met Districts were at Lake Wallenpaupack and for the 11th consecutive year was won by a member of MBC. Jack Huntsman won, Sandy Huntsman was second, John Brewster sixth, and Pat Corr tenth. Rob Held would have done well for found out in the first race that upside down is slow.

MBC hosted the MET-CAD Junior Districts and was won by Tony Fink followed by Larry Colantuono in second, and Elisa Smith in third.

In July, Jack Huntsman with crew Henry O'Hern and Mike Hein traveled to Italy for the World's and made us all proud of them as they won the first race and finished fifth overall. Jon Schwartz with crew Arnold Schwartz and Will Jeffers finished 13th.

Jack continued his excellent sailing at the North American's in Dallas with a ninth overall. Sandy Huntsman made the blue fleet, and Pat Corr, sailing in his first North American's sailed in the yellow fleet.

The team of Tony Fink, Larry Colantuono and Johanna Verkooyen sailed a terrific series at the Junior North American's in Dallas and wound up in a three way tie for first. They lost on the tie-break and finished third overall.

We managed to have a Summer Series at MBC and this series was decided on the last day. Winner was Tony Fink ahead of Denis Farley and John Brewster. There was also a National Sweepstakes Regatta sailed at MBC during the summer and the winner was Tony Fink with Denis Farley second ahead of Pat Corr.

Our Fall has Fell Regatta is a one day regatta held in October as part of the Short Circuit (three regattas — Greenwood, Mohawk, and Monmouth) and is increasing in popularity. There were 19 Lightnings this year with all three previous winners on hand. A new winner emerged: Bill Ewing, followed by Jack Huntsman, Glenn Reiting, Sandy Huntsman, and Tom Bierman.

Our final series was the Fall Series which was won by Sandy Huntsman, Rob Held was second, and Pat Corr third.

Changes are already taking place in the fleet and we know that 1984 is going to be a good year. We will miss John and Sandy Stewart who moved to Florida, but we have gained Ted Kummer and Herb Ulrich. With a little luck we will get our fleet attendance up and start growing again.