

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

Fleet Captain Ron Wilson
 Fleet Secretary Alan Becke
 Fleet Champion Michael Caterino
 Runner-Up Justin Holkamp

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5885	Red Baroness	Raymond C. Yerkie
12561	.....	Ronald W. Wilson
12888	Do Rite	D. Dennis Dudley
13031	Fubara	Larry Koster
13254	.....	Michael J. Caterino
13595	Lady Jane	Robert E. Klimek
13834	Diligence	Robert M. Hill
13903	Bananas	Alan Becke
14147	Hull Speed	Fred Hull

The 1987 racing season was a fantastic one for Fleet 387. Our weather was exceptional, with only a couple of drifters on race days.

The Spring Tune-Up Regatta, drew 17 boats from five clubs with the first and second place boats separated by a single point after two days of super racing.

Most of the summer races were hotly contested with two new members adding to the over-all enthusiasm. Everyone's looking forward to next year's friendly competition.

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

Fleet Secretary William R. Sloger

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10807	Rozalie	Theo Papas
13512	Intruder	William R. Sloger, Sr.

No Report.

MANITOWOC LIGHTNING FLEET (393)
Midwest District
Sailing on Lake Michigan at Manitowoc, Wisconsin

Fleet Captain Tom Bennin
 Fleet Secretary Dr. Allen Lande

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9763	Stand & Deliver	Allen Lande
9823	Hunky Dory	Robert A. Waid
10632	Orange Blossom	.....
	Special	Thomas B. Bennin, D.D.S.
12179	Captain Crunch	David K. Wilhelm
12380	Flatus	Karl M. Miller
13176	.....	Dr. Ronald Schaper

No Report.

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

Fleet Captain Dick Barber
 Fleet Secretary Addis Katterheinrich
 Fleet Champion Phil Cornett
 Runner-Up Dick Barber

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7372	.....	Addis Katterheinrich
8441	Adam's Rib	Addis Katterheinrich
9099	.....	Dick Denning
9884	Sandbagger	Richard C. Barber
13665	Knot-T Knot-T	Phillip M. Cornett

The St. Mary's Boat Club is located on Grand Lake in West-Central Ohio. The topography is very flat and open, allowing for ideal wind conditions on our 11 mile long, 2½ mile wide lake. We hold two eight-race

series during the summer, under the Portsmouth Handicap system. Our first series was won by Dick Barber, and the second by Phil Cornett. Our Fleet Champion is determined by the best ten races of the summer, and was won by Phil Cornett.

The Thundermug Regatta was once again blessed with ideal sailing conditions and a participation of 10 boats. Tom Varley walked away with all honors, followed by Phil Cornett and Dick Pugh. We are extremely pleased with the support from our sister fleets of Leatherlips and Cowan at the event, and are hoping other neighboring clubs send representatives to the Thundermug next year.

GUANABARA (401)
Brazil District
Sailing at Guanabara Bay

Fleet Captain Claudio Allevato
 Fleet Secretary Elizabeth A. Chaves
 Fleet Champion Alzir Faria, Jr.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11706	Almar VII	Alzir Faria, Jr.

No Report.

SALINAS YACHT CLUB (405)
Ecuador District
Sailing on the Pacific Ocean

Fleet Secretary Juan Carlos Plaza

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11263	Monona	Santiago Romero B.
11928	.....	Juan Santos G.
12054	Gaus Salvaje	Santiago Romero B.
12422	.....	Juan Carlos Plaza P.
13441	Splash	Aparicio Plaza P.
14145	Culilla	Juan Carlos Plaza P.
14160	.....	Santiago Romero B.

No Report.

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

Fleet Captain Aldred K. Warren, III
 Fleet Secretary Jimmie Nickell

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10386	.....	Aldred K. Warren, III
10722	Strike	Joseph H. Wishon
10723	Patricia Ann	Frank Mills
11027	.....	Clayton C. Gray
12336	.....	William W. Pleasants
12520	.....	Sea Explorer Post 263
12603	Dad's Toy II	Delbert E. Foster
12704	.....	Bruce W. Smith
13140	.....	Henry M. Bookey
13856	.....	William R. Deaton, III
14044	Special K II	Gordon Kellogg

No Report.

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

Fleet Captain Leonard Krawcheck
 Fleet Secretary Creighton Walters
 Fleet Champion Leonard Krawcheck
 Runner-Up Creighton Walters

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
13145	Indian Underwear	W. Creighton Walters, III
14050	Land Shark	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

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
13380	Flower Child	John J. Parker

No Report.



Champion Tim Rumph with his wife Susan and father Ray as crew. They sail out of Southampton Yacht Club on Shinnecock Bay, Long Island, NY.

SOUTHAMPTON YACHT CLUB (431)
Long Island District
Sailing on Shinnecock Bay at Southampton,
Long Island, New York

Fleet Captain Tim Rumph
 Fleet Secretary Erich Glanz
 Fleet Champion Tim Rumph
 Runner-Up Kent Rydberg

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7124	Northwind	Sven Rydberg
11071	Windy Too	Hugh Halsey, II, M.D.
11219	Off	Malcolm B. Hendry, III
12123	Quantum Leap	Kent Rydberg
12173	Mega \$	Erich Glanz
12244	St. Elmo's Fire	Randy Cardo
14033	Beaujolais	Tim & Raymond V. Rumph
14074	.....	Robert G. Shewan
14138	.....	Richard Warren
14157	Fulmen	Gary Glanz
.....	.....	Americo S. Fiore
.....	.....	Alexander D. Irving, II

The Easternmost Lightning Fleet on Long Island, Fleet 431 sails on Shinnecock Bay out of Southampton Yacht Club. Shinnecock Bay is a wonderful place to sail with consistent breezes blowing in from the nearby Atlantic. Best of all there are very few power boats!

Fleet 431 increased from 11 to 15 boats during the 1987 season. Two boats were brand new and the rest were "previously owned" boats from outside the Fleet and from members moving up to a new boat.

Racing on Shinnecock Bay begins in June with our Commodore's Membership Party to get everyone together and to give new sailors the opportunity to see our facilities. We have a Championship Series of races which is held on Saturday afternoons and a Wednesday Night Series. The Long Island Lightning Districts were held on Shinnecock Bay on July 11 and 12th. Many Long Island Lightning sailors enjoy the fine conditions on Shinnecock Bay and the Districts are often hosted by Fleet 431. Fleet 431 racing ends the week after Labor Day. We host the Annual Shinnecock Bay Lightning Regatta the last weekend in September. Please plan to attend next year!

This year our Championship Series was won by *Beaujolais* skippered by Commodore Tim Rumph with his wife Susan and father Ray as crew. *Quantum Leap* with Kent Rydberg at the helm was Runner-Up. The Early Season Trophy was won by Hugh Halsey II sailing *Windy Too* with his son John and Past Commodore H. Rogers Benjamin as crew. The Late Season Trophy was presented to Richard Warren sailing his brand new, bright red 14138. This was his first time in the silver. The Time Allowance Trophy was awarded to Randy Cardo for his fine effort during his first year as skipper.

The Wednesday Night Series was also won by Tim Rumph. John Halsey skippered his Father's boat to a second overall, Kent Rydberg was third and Gary Glanz was fourth in his grand new *Fulmen* 14157.

This year the Long Island Districts had an unusual addition — fog for both days. After some difficulty, three races were finished. Tim Rumph (he's something else, eh?) and Bruce Atkinson both finished with 6¼ points. First went to Bruce as he had beat Tim twice. Bob Shewan was third and Alan Pearlman was fourth.

Southampton Yacht Club celebrated 50 years of Sailing this year. A very successful dinner dance was held on August 7th. Special thanks go to Missy Glanz for the fine job she did organizing this event. Everyone hopes we don't have to wait another 50 years to have a fine evening like this one!

Selected Excerpts From the 1937 SYC Treasurer's Report

Sailing Instruction	\$ 629.86
Dredging	250.00
Pennants, Racing Markers, Life Jackets	81.90
Maintenance — Mr. Dingwall	195.00
Cleaning, Ice, Entertainment	27.23
Herrick, Supplies	62.78
Boat, Outboard Motor	100.00
Telephone	36.43
Total Dues	\$1,430.00

RUSH CREEK YACHT CLUB (435)
Texas District

Sailing on Lake Ray Hubbard at Dallas, Texas

Fleet Captain Art Wilson
 Fleet Secretary Clarke Newman
 Fleet Champion Warren Lewis
 Runner-Up Vernon Goldberg

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2914	.....	Greg Gondran
7205	Calico Cat	Arthur M. Wilson
10405	Brews Brothers	Henry L. Hoefelmeyer
10854	.....	L. W. Marshall
10937	Honey B.	S. R. Newman, D.D.S. & Clarke Newman, O.D.
11046	Andros Dos	Vernon R. Goldberg
11340	"Masada"	Martin F. Feybush
12289	.....	Rick Tears
12500	Blitz'n	Sidney L. Trest
12835	.....	Rick Tears
12975	"Sea Ya"	Wayne B. Catoe
13288	Too Bad	Greg Gondran
13311	Pandora	Robert H. Thomas
13622	Nerds in Paradise	Glenn Darden
13691	.....	Greg Hatfield
13722	.....	Don R. Johnson
13806	Making Hay	George R. Hatfield
13831	Flashdance	Richard C. Guinan, Jr.
13953	.....	Warren Lewis
14028	.....	Bill Lett
14089	.....	Devry W. Garrett
Life Member	.....	John Schneider
.....	.....	Stephen W. Thomas

As our season runs until the end of November, we report the season champion and runner-up for 1986.

1987 has been an interesting year for our fleet. Many of the hard-core racers who moved through our fleet for the '79 World Championships and the '83 North American Championships are gone. We are going through a time of rebuilding. Most fleets have gone through these times of transition; our fleet is no exception. Fleet participation is just beginning to show a come-back. We have also welcomed several new members to our fleet. Bill Keating purchased 13200. Experienced Lightning sailor John Morse joined

us from Michigan. Rush Creek also added Roger and Karen Parks. Roger and Karen join us from Missouri. Clarke Newman returned to the fleet after completing his education. The Rush Creek Lightning Fleet is looking forward to a resurgence of strong fleet participation.

The 1987 Spring series made for some good competition. All but one of the nineteen races were won by either Warren Lewis or Clarke Newman. Warren Lewis won the series by one point. There was pretty good participation throughout the series. DeVry Garrett won the handicap series.

The Summer Series showed that even the best of intentions may fall victim to the heat of a Texas summer. Even though fleet participation was not as high as it was during the Spring Series, the sailing was still fun, and very competitive. Wayne Catoe edged out Warren Lewis for the series championship. The handicap series was won by Henry Hoffelmeyer.

For the first time in many years, no fleet members went to the North American Championships. We will be represented in San Diego in 1988—count on it. Except for a tight reach, a strong gust, and a weak gudgeon, Warren Lewis would have won the Holiday-In-Dixie Regatta in Shreveport. Warren showed us his Greg Louganis impression when the gudgeon broke. There is some controversy about whether the mast head or Warren's head hit the water first. Kurt Shuler showed that he can also drive the boat by sailing to a third place finish at Memphis.

We look forward to the rest of the 1987 season. We also look forward to a continued growth in our fleet in 1988.

PALMETTO LIGHTNING FLEET (440)

Southeastern District

Sailing on Lake Murray at Columbia, South Carolina

Fleet Captain Bill George
Fleet Secretary Ray Brush
Fleet Champion Bill George
Runner-Up Ray Brush

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
12705	Windance	Bill George
12709	.....	Frederick Gertz
12712	.....	Edward M. Colie, III

Fleet 440 had a low level of participation this year with only two boats qualifying for the Fleet Championship. This is a long series with 14 races which began in April and ran through the first weekend in November. Four different boats participated with 5 different skippers. Bill George finally outlasted the competition from years before (having finished runner-up in the three previous years), by taking a first in every fleet race. Ray Brush was the runner-up in this series. Bill also had a good season on the Southeastern Circuit. He finished in a three-way tie for first in the Bottoms' Up Lightning/Thistle Regatta which resulted in a third when the tie-breakers were put into effect, and sailed to a fifth place finish in the Lightning/Y Flyer Regatta at our neighboring sailing club in the fall. Where else can you enjoy two quality District Regattas on the same lake?

Our Fleet participation shows changing interests in our fleet. So next season we plan to make modifications to more clearly meet our needs and interests. Rather than having a long, difficult and competitive series, our Fleet Championship will be held in our Open Regatta and we will use the Fleet races to expose prospective Lightning sailors to friendly club racing and build the skills of our new fleet members. Perhaps in a few years the old competitive format will be revived with new blood. Come sail with us in early June for the Bottoms' Up Regatta and enjoy our major project for the year...our NEW CLUBHOUSE!!!

FOND DU LAC LIGHTNING FLEET (442)

Midwest District

Sailing on Lake Winnebago at Fond du Lac, Wisconsin

Fleet Captain Tom Drews
Fleet Secretary Mike Elmergreen
Fleet Champion Mike Elmergreen
Runner-Up Jeff Johnson/Jim Kalmbacher

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
13280	Imaginary Voyager	Tom Drews
13580	Splurge	Jeffrey P. Johnson & James A. Kalmbacher
13617	Escape	Mike Elmergreen

The recently re-activated Fond du Lac Lightning Fleet started the season with the multi-class Lighthouse Regatta on June 6 and 7. Plenty of wind greeted 19 boats to the warm early season waters of Lake Winnebago. After one race, the wind continued to build and no other races were sailed all weekend. Seven Lightnings participated along with Rebels, Lasers, Force Fives and three other classes. Lightnings took the first four places with Rick Larson, first; Doug Olson, second; Tryg Jacobson, third; Mike Elmergreen, fourth.

The Fond du Lac daysailor fleet had a good Summer Series and Holiday Series. Many sailors improved rapidly through the season. We hope to have a few more Lightnings next year and a bigger turnout for the Lighthouse Regatta also.

CLUB UNIVERSITARIO DE BUENOS AIRES (446)

Argentina District

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

Fleet Captain Carlos Luis Schenone

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7768	Flamingo II	Heraldo Tramaglia
9200	Allegreto	Carlos L. Schenone
11035	Que Se Yo V	Juan M. Irizar
11037	.....	Horacio Luis Tettamanti
12747	.....	Mario Abinzano
13409	Flamingo IV	Pablo Gianelli & Heraldo Tramaglia

No Report.

SAN PABLO FLEET (447)

Ecuador District

Sailing on Lago San Pablo at Quito, Ecuador

Fleet Captain Mauricio Martinez
Fleet Secretary Mauricio Martinez F.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
12566	Alster	Dieter Dyck
13442	Guam Brita	Carlo Ramsauer

No Report.



Sailing in Italy attracts many foreign crews.

MARSALA LIGHTNING FLEET (449) Italian District

Fleet Captain Giovanni Pellegrino
Fleet Secretary Giuseppe Valenti
Fleet Champion Pasquale Vitaggio
Runner-Up Sandro Attina

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11325	Joker	Vincenzo Di Girolamo
12027	Wind	Francesco Figuccia
12061	Zaza'	Vito Bonanno
12537	Luktor	Ranieri Gambina
13266	Wonderer	Francesco Riti
13349	Ho! Hell	Vito Pernice
13402	Rainbow	Pietro Marino
13481	Wanted III	Alessandro & Marcello Attina
13557	Ausonia	Pietro Zerilli
14102	.....	Robert Crucitti
14197	Wind IV	Giovanni Pellegrino
.....	.....	Sergio Messina
.....	.....	Pasquale Vitaggio

This year three boats from Fleet 449 took part in the European Championship at Numana. The European Champion was, once again, the crew Attina-Rallo-Spano; and the crew Vitaggio-Pulizzi-Alagna were in third place. Moreover, the crew Vitaggio-Pulizzi-Alagna took part in the "Worlds" in Cartagena (Colombia).

Our fleet was present with five crews in the Italian Championship which was sailed on the Garda Lake. The forerunner was the crew Attina-Spano-Rallo, third was the crew Alagna-Di Girolamo-Pulizzi. The local Championship has been won by Vitaggio-Lima-Di Benedetto, second was the crew Attina-Spano-Rallo.

Just to finish the sailing activities of the year, we'll have a fabulous Criterium, at the very end of December. Many foreign crews will sail in this event and we shall have the opportunity to sail with crews from Switzerland and Finland.

By the way, the State of Maine Championships are scheduled for July 9th and 10th, 1988. Come and join the festivities.



Captain Place of Fleet 450 trying to emulate a well known Sailmaker.

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

Fleet Captain Larry Vautour
Fleet Secretary Bob Foster
Fleet Champion Michael Ladd
Runner-Up Bob Foster/Sarah Bonney

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9980	Countess II	Peter J. Leadley, M.D.
10613	Eidolon	C. Robert Foster
12194	Phoebe	George J. Place, Jr.
13169	Oody	Lawrence H. Vautour
13246	Genie 3	Michael Ladd

I would like very much to be real positive and say Fleet 450 has grown in numbers. Unfortunately, this is not true as the Fleet suffers from that old Malady of 'Lackcrew'. We are taking steps to remedy this situation by working with some highschoolers. Hopefully we will be able to get crew members when needed. There is also thoughts of changing the Yacht Club by-laws to allow junior members as an incentive to become involved with sailing.

The Fleet raced a total of 14 times including the State of Maine Championships. Weather was a factor in cancelling several dates. However, twelve diehard crews manned their trusty steeds for the State of Maine Championships. Through rain and fog etc., etc., they tell me that Ray Harrington took first place, with the Deyett brothers in second and Alex Gemmell in third. I was there, but when you get back to the mooring and all the other crews are on the porch, you know that you have done something wrong. Our supper crew and Sunday breakfast crew did a fine job of serving excellent meals. Thanks to all.

There are always good things to report along with the not so good. The not so good is that I got sick out in Illinois at my daughter's new home. I can't blame Illinois for my illness, but it is a thought. This was in July with *Eidolon* sitting forlornly on the mooring back in Maine. Not so! The good news now, my fourteen year old granddaughter, Sarah, who has been part of my crew for several years, took over the skipper's duties and sailed to a second place position for the season. Now if you find a button in your yearbook, it popped off the shirt of a very proud grandfather.

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

Fleet Captain Paolo Rosi
Fleet Secretary Sergio Rustichelli

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9881	Valentina	Massimo Coltella
13062	Windy 2	Paolo Rosi
13271	King Furious III	Carlo Musso
13455	.....	Sauro Scarpocchi
13462	Areknames II	Fabio Nicchiarelli & Sergio Rustichelli
13841	Atom	Franco DeRegis

No Report.

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

Fleet Captain Tuomo Kauhanen
Fleet Secretary Hannu Hanskala

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5552	.....	Jorma Lehtonen
9438	Kulkuri	Petri Siiskonen
12258	Marigold	Jussi Karkkainen
12429	Maruzella	Antero Punttila
12434	Sunday Sailor	Leo Manninen
12907	Lizi	Leo Korhonen
13098	Vipunen	Lauri Hamalainen
13413	Amarillo	Pertti Pyy
13562	Amanda	Hannu Hanskala
14018	.....	Pentti Laitinen
14179	.....	Tuomo Kauhanen

The main objective of the fleet this year has been to activate Lightning sailors in the area. For this purpose we introduced this year a new type of

competition. This new series of races is named "Tuusulanjarvi Cup" and the rules are similar to the America's Cup. We got five defenders from our fleet and four challengers from other fleets. Pertti Pyy qualified as our defender and the challenger was Terho Aromaa from Helsinki Fleet 166.

The final race was held in September and Pertti Pyy succeeded in keeping the cup "at home". Our Fleet Captain said in his speech during the ceremony that the cup is going to stay in Tuusula for the next 132 years. So, the ambition level is set properly.

The cup succeeded in achieving it's main goal. The activity in the fleet increased considerably. Though it is not solely due to the Cup, it certainly contributed a lot.

The District Championships were sailed this year in Hanko, on the Gulf of Finland, 100 km west of Helsinki. 33 boats were on the starting line. Our fleet was represented by five boats. The results were excellent from our point of view; Chris Winter was second and Pertti Pyy third. The good results continued in the District Ranking Series; Chris Winter won this with a clear margin.

In summary, the year was good to our fleet. The results in the races were even better than we could expect and our biggest problem, the falling activity, disappeared. Our goal for the next year is to maintain this good momentum.

NORTH FLORIDA LIGHTNING FLEET (461) Florida District Sailing on Lake Eustis near Orlando, Florida

Fleet Secretary Fisk Hayden

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
10035	.....	Bill Coughlin
10815	.....	Fisk & Steve Hayden
14005	Summer Madness	Wayne M. Watson
14066	Shazam	Fisk & Steve Hayden
.....	.....	John Raymond, IV

Fleet 461 hosted the Fifth Annual Invitational Regatta which serves as the second leg of the Florida District Triple Crown. Boats from all Fleets in Florida attended, including our new Fleet at Davis Island on Tampa Bay, making it a great success.

Our Washington Day Regatta was also a great success with good attendance from afar. We welcome Wayne Watson from the Severn Sailing Association and Bill Coughlin from Gainesville to our Fleet this year.

Fisk and Steve Hayden represented our Fleet at the North Americans in Buffalo. We look forward to seeing everyone on the Circuit in March. Ya'll come.

GUARAPIRANGA LAKE LIGHTNING FLEET (462) Brazilian District Sailing on Lake Guarapiranga, Sao Paulo, Brazil

Fleet Captain Per Olov Hornell
Fleet Secretary Ingrid Hornell

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6558	GTX	Jens C. Ruschmann
7854	.....	Marcelo Leitz
8088	Patinho Feio	Cesar Murilo Barbi
8795	Flyaway	Bernardus T. Marttin
11693	Easy Rider	Thomas G.S. Sumner
11713	Xamego	Nelson Schmitt
12440	Patua	Arthur A. DeFarias
12513	Abuelo	Per Olov Hornell
12526	Gringo VII	Alberto M. Torres
12657	Perereca	Fabrizio Cavazza
12812	Flash Rider	Michael Anthony Norris & Mario Buckup
14071	Xamego II	Nelson Small Schmitt
14167	.....	Michael Anthony Norris
14168	.....	Jens C. Ruschmann
14169	.....	Bernardus T. Marttin

In 1987 our fleet obtained significant improvement in the quality of it's boats with the construction of new boats in Sao Paulo. Therefore we obtained 4 boats as follows: one in exchange for an old fiberglass; two in exchange for old wood boats; and one new acquisition.

In competitive terms, we had significant participation in our National's in Florianopolis — Santa Catarina in April/87.

However, our great event of the year was the "II Campeonato Centro-Sul Taca Sonnervig", in October, with boats from Rio and Sao Paulo. After fourteen years without being raced, we finally reactivated this cup which was won by Claudio Bickarck (Bronze Medal in the Pan-Am Games), and will be included in our 1988 calendar.

LAKE WACCAMAW LIGHTNING FLEET (463) Southeastern District Sailing on Lake Waccamaw, North Carolina

Fleet Captain Robert G. Ames
Fleet Secretary Vivian Hollinshed

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
5564	.....	Robert G. Ames
11898	Whiskers	Vivian E. Hollinshed
13598	Bubbles	Robert G. Ames
.....	.....	Karen Gochnauer

No Report.

FLOTTA DEL CONERO (466) Italian District Sailing on Adriatic Sea at Numana, Ancona, Falconara and Senigallia

Fleet Captain Lino Moroni
Fleet Secretary Renzo Bozzi

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
13065	.....	Guido Armeni
13346	Bibir	Bruno Roccheggiani

No Report.



Flotta Del Conero Skipper Guido Armeni represented the Fleet at the '87 European Championship.



1987 European Championship — Numana, Italy

FLOTTA DEL LARIO (467)

Italian District

Sailing at Gravedona on Lake of Como, North Italy

Fleet Captain Luigi Guicciardi
Fleet Secretary Luca Grisotti

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
13348	Lady White Tuna	Luigi Pellegrini

No Report.

VALKEAKOSKI LIGHTNING FLEET (468)

Finland District

Sailing on Lakes Mallavesi and Vanajavesi, Valkeakoski, Finland

Fleet Captain Aimo Jokiniemi
Fleet Secretary Pertti Jalonen

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
12992	Janita	Aimo Jokiniemi
13760	Sea Horse III	Pertti Jalonen

No Report.

FLOTTA DEL SAVIO (476)

Italian District

Sailing on the Adriatic Sea at Ravenna, Italy

Fleet Captain Sergio Camporesi
Fleet Secretary Gaetano Pellizzaro

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9599	.....	Riccardo Cattabriga
9941	Marinella	Pellegrino Montanari
9943	Chibli	Carlo Alberto Paesani
11992	Samba	Stefano Gramellini
12966	.....	Gianfranco Cercogna
13037	JO Condor	Pier Angelo Elmi
13343	Pialassa	Luciano Ronconi
13361	Lili Marlene	Sergio Camporesi
13401	Tika	Gaetano Pellizzaro
13558	.....	Massimo Gislon

No Report.

CEDAR LIGHTNING FLEET (478)

Florida District

Sailing on the Caloosahatchee River and Sarasota Bay

Fort Myers and Sarasota, Florida

Fleet Captain John Foster
Fleet Secretary Steve Ewing

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
12606	Gadget	Arthur J. Ries
13822	"T"	Steven R. Ewing & Charles W. Cook
13872	"Kate"	John Foster
.....	.....	Robert R. Desfosses

Well, we don't have much to say this year. We sailed in many regattas throughout Florida, but, unfortunately, nobody from our fleet won. We will try harder this year. Hope to see some of you down here for the Mid-Winters.

FLOTTE ROMA (479)

Italian District

Sailing on Bracciano Lake at Rome, Italy

Fleet Captain Gino Di Camillo
Fleet Secretary Gianni Battisti
Fleet Champion Francesco Cruciani
Runner-Up Paolo Tartaglia

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8251	Natralite	Paolo Tartaglia
10740	Kalimero	Francesco Cruciani
12297	Gargantua	Finello Di Camillo
13715	Megaride-Reisal	Gianni Battisti
.....	.....	Gaetano Piserchia

This year the "Fleet of Rome" was present at the European Championship with two boats: Cruciani, with crew Battisti and Cruciani, finished 11th and Tartaglia, with crew Di Camillo and Mosconi, finished 12th. The other activities of great interest were the Fourth Edition of ISVEUR Trophy, which took place in Tarquinia, the famous Etruscan city. Also, the De Lorenzo Trophy, awarded to Pellizzaro, with crew Falcini and Capucci, of the "Fleet of Savio" (476).

Next season our Fleet will again sail on the Lake of Bracciano as one of our bases.



Fleet 479 Fleet Secretary, Gianni Battisti.

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

Fleet Captain Billy Dixon
 Fleet Secretary Aubrey G. Blanchard
 Fleet Champions (3 way tie) . Aubrey G. Blanchard
 John Pelosi, Robert Lamb

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2503	.....	Claire Alderks Miller
10190	Vim	Stacy Holt
10354	Rainmaker	David H. Walker
11198	Chimo	William C. LeLievre
11204	Beast of Play	John Pelosi
11738	Tobasco	William Boyd Dixon
12730	"Love Affair"	Robert V. Lovelace
13178	Frog	James E. Nutt, M.D.
13490	Subject to Revision	R. Grant Wolslagel
13656	Gunsmoke	Kent R. Mullikin
13709	Sheep Thrills	Robert S. Lamb
13738	Plane Crazy	Robert M. Wilkins
13877	.....	Michael S. Rees, M.D.
13982	.....	David H. Walker
14106	Flying Circus	Aubrey G. Blanchard
14129	.....	Tom K. Hudgens

Fleet 481 brought in the new year with its first ever exhibit at the Raleigh Boat Show. Lightning No. 14129 attracted more than its share of attention with lots of questions from the power boat side about "what you did with all the bright colored ropes". The show was the Fleet's first effort of the year to gain new members and potential crew and resulted in over forty serious inquiries.

Fleet 481 sponsored the Southeastern District Races in Oriental, North Carolina. The weather produced some of the heaviest air of the season with many races sailed in over twenty knots of wind. Attendance was excellent on the Pamlico Sound with some eighteen Lightnings from the southeast in attendance.

The Fleet normally sails every April through October at Kerr Lake with the Carolina Sailing Club. This year Lightning Fleet Champion, John Pelosi, was Commodore of the Carolina Sailing Club when it was picked as the outstanding One Design Club in the Nation by the United States Yacht Racing Union. The Fleet again saw heavier than normal air for most of the twenty-four races of the season. For the first time there was an unbroken three way tie for Fleet Champion.

Each October, the Fleet sponsors the Borderline Regatta at the boundary on North Carolina and Virginia. This year's races attracted thirty-four boats from New York to Georgia. It is not unusual for the Borderline to attract a number of nationally ranked Lightning sailors and this year was no exception. Again in keeping with the tradition of Fleet 481, there were no members in the silver.

At the annual fleet get together, John Pelosi was suitably recognized for the best fleet standing in the Southeastern District and new skipper, Bob Wilkins, received the award for most competition spirit. Newly elected officers Tom Hudgens and Ned Nutt look forward to expanding the Fleet and its activities, now in its eighth season.

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

Fleet Captain Jesse Miller
 Fleet Secretary Rick Eckstrom
 Fleet Champion Jesse Miller
 Runner-Up Rick Eckstrom

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8033	Thesis Interruptus	David Lansky
10113	Whisper	Jesse W. Miller
11960	.....	Peter V. Lent
12789	.....	Dean Eckstrom
13124	Scudder	Rick Eckstrom
13179	Illusion	Thomas A. Keebler
13934	Sunshine High	Frank H. Atkinson, Sr. & Bruce M. Atkinson

We planned an ambitious summer series for the fleet, the best 7 of 11 races. Even after adding race days to make up some of the days lost to lack of wind, rain, too much wind (including capsize) and lost racing marks we had only 6 races to count for the series. If we hold a regatta and count all 5 races as part of the Summer Series, it would double our season. This was our strongest season yet with 4 boats racing regularly in tight competition. It doesn't get much closer than neck and neck spinnaker duels, finishes with 3 boats within 4 boat lengths and days when the two races give a complete flip-flop of the order of the finishers. We brought out some new crew members who raced on a regular basis, despite all the ways we managed to get them wet. We have the crew for at least another boat and we are looking for a few new skippers and boats.

Three of us made it to the Keuka Lake Champagne Regatta with some of us doing well. Our 1987 Fleet Captain (Rick) has moved up from organizing our fleet to head the new small-boat race committee at our Yacht Club. We are hoping he can convince the rest of the committee to provide us with better wind.



Michelob Lightning Classic at Oswego.

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

Fleet Captain Tom Doran
 Fleet Secretary Fran Watts
 Fleet Champion Tom Doran
 Runner-Up Joe McCloskey

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
808	.....	Jed Dodge
10378	Gangster	Fran Watts
11134	Against The Wind	Joseph J. McCloskey
11308	VIM	Edward Taverni
11379	.....	Clay Murphy
11728	.....	Bill Pirillo
12687	Shaky Puddin'	Arthur Tirrell
13881	"Bill"	Frank Palmer
14130	.....	Jed Dodge
14244	.....	J. Thomas Doran
.....	.....	Robert J. Finn

1987 proved to be the most active season for the still young Fleet. The Fleet continued to establish itself as an active road Fleet sending good numbers to all regional regattas as well as a number of other Southern and New England regattas.

The Fleet's premier event, the Michelob Classic Regatta was successful, drawing 31 boats. With a little help from the N.A.'s being at the B.C.C., we

were able to attract Crit Currie from Tennessee, Scott Finkboner from California, and Fisk Hayden from Florida. We hope in the near future those skippers will be coming to Oswego for the N.A.'s.

Peter Hallagan won the regatta followed by three skippers from our Fleet: Jed Dodge second; Tom Doran third, and Art Tirrell fourth. Fisk Hayden had the best performance on the second day with a first and fourth, but was late for Saturday's race.

Dennis Dorsey, our local Michelob Distributor, did a great job sponsoring the event. Dennis provided the dunking tank which saw the top ten skippers after the first day of racing being barraged by their crews who paid to take a shot at dunking them. \$88.00 was raised for I.L.C.A. Tom Doran and Fran Watts chaired the regatta and did an outstanding job. Special thanks to Brahm Palm and Bob Harold for excellent Race Committee work.

Jed Dodge joined Fleet 485, and represented the Fleet in outstanding fashion, finishing second in the N.A.'s and second in the CNY Districts.

Fleet Captain Tom Doran won the Fleet Championship with Spensor and Rachal Johnson as crew. He also won our Mayor's Cup Regatta and our Fall Series. Tom and his road crew of Dave Lacey and Ed Hawkins had their best season in area regattas finishing consistently in the top five.

Art Tirrell and his crew of Peter Van Schaack and Doug Keith had some outstanding performances on the local circuit which included one first place finish in our District Championship. Art was also the overall leader in our Michelob Regatta going into the last race but came up a little short finishing fourth overall.

Art made an effort to venture to a regatta held in Sacketts Harbor, NY in the Fall of 1987 and was excited to see some new growth of Lightning enthusiasts on the Eastern end of Lake Ontario. Art won the regatta and became more excited about Lightning racing on the lake (if that's possible).

Joe McCloskey with crew of Jim Finn and Frank Palmer was second to Tom Doran in the Olin Stephens Fleet Championship Series. Joe and crew also finished consistently in the top ten of area regattas.

Fran Watts and crew of Bob and Wendy Finn finished third overall in the Summer Championships Series. Fran, Fleet Secretary/Treasurer, managed some good races in area regattas and continued to become more competitive.

Ed Taverni and crew of Greg Auleta and Brahm Palm finished second in our local Mayor's Cup Championship. Ed continued to be our most active local sailor, usually competing in every local race. Ed also attended area regattas. Ed was Chairman for our open Michelob Regatta which saw three classes compete.

Steve, Vivian and Doug Tucker co-skipped their boat in our local Fleet Races and became involved in local Fleet and O.Y.C. activities. Steve is off to medical research at Ohio State and we all wish him the best. Doug plans to continue to campaign their boat in Oswego.

Clay Murphy also became a Fleet Member this year and continued his consistent good sailing in area regattas. We hope Clay and Jed Dodge can become regulars around our Club. They would be a nice addition to Fleet Racing.

Jim Finn, the Fleet's first Captain, took some time off from racing in 1986 but returned as regular crew for Joe McCloskey in 1987. Jim is currently searching for a new boat and plans to return to active racing in 1988.

Bob Finn, who sold his boat in the beginning of the season, enjoyed crewing with his wife Wendy for Fran Watts, but Bob is also looking for a new boat to chase his brother Jim. Bob may have to share the helm with his wife Wendy who got a taste of skippering this summer. Her first race involved an extensive tacking dual at the finish, which got her very excited about making Bob do the crew work for her.

Frank Palmer bought Jim Finn's old 13881 and plans to campaign *Mr. Bill* next season. Frank should prove competitive with a good boat and years of crew experience.

Jeff Germain bought 10118 from Joe McCloskey and we all hope to see Jeff on the race course next season.

Ed Hawkins also had some good performances skippering Tom Doran's *Striker* in our Fleet Races with Tracey Taylor as crew. Doug Keith skippered Art Tirrell's boat in our summer series and gives every indication that some day he will be at the front of the Fleet.

This year also saw the Fleet and the O.Y.C. become closer with O.Y.C. members crewing on Lightnings and Lightning Skippers getting involved in keel boat races. The Fleet again sponsored the Old Salt Regatta which got O.Y.C. Members involved in Lightning Racing for a day.

The Fleet looks forward to the 1988 season and welcomes everyone to the 1988 Michelob Classic Regatta on Lake Ontario.

Fleet 485 joins the rest of the Central New York District in encouraging every Lightning Crew to attend the 50th Anniversary Regatta at Skaneateles Y.C. in 1988.

VALLEY LIGHTNING FLEET (486) Mississippi Valley District Sailing on Alton Lake at Machens, Missouri

Fleet Captain Jim Scrivner
Fleet Secretary Fran Renschen
Fleet Champion Rick Conaway
Runner-up Steve Wyers

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7268	Lord Jeff II (a.k.a. Caprice)	James V. Scrivner
8664	Chaos	C. Graeme Wilson
11637	.....	Francis C. Renschen
12136	Thunder	Bryan Uhlmansiek
12891	Sparrow	Leo J. Donovan
13088	Kant Believe It!	Gerald L. Wnorowski
13379	Top Secret	Stephen Wyers
13627	.....	McDonnell-Douglas Sailing Club
14088	Fascination	Richard Conaway

Good sailing conditions (which means no floods in the spring) ushered in a new sailing season at Valley Sailing Association along the beautiful bluffs of the Mississippi River. Many opportunities to sail this year helped us initiate our new racing schedule. This year we went to the triple series breakdown of spring, summer and fall to determine the Fleet Champion. By changing from the past single series, we feel we have allowed more boats to qualify for the Fleet Championship.

Our Wednesday evening series has always been popular. We sail until sunset, not only against other Lightnings, but also Comets, Lasers and any other class that can get their sandwiches and drinks together for the 6:00 harbor gun. After a couple of hours of sailing amidst the pleasant environs of the River we make a hasty retreat to the harbor in hopes of packing the boats away before those miniature blood sucking vampires, otherwise known as mosquitoes, emerge.

This year's highlights came during the first two weekends in October with our Governor's Cup Regatta and Muddy Rudder Regatta. Over forty boats made up this year's multi-class Governor's Cup. Rick Conaway our past and present Fleet Champion not only aced out the Lightning field but the following weekend placed second against stiff competition from Memphis and Decatur in our 5th annual Muddy Rudder Regatta.

It seemed fitting that one boat from each of the participating Fleets placed in our growing Muddy Rudder Regatta: Bill Baxter (Memphis, Fleet 274) first place; Rick Conaway (Valley, Fleet 486) second place; Bob Ohlson (Decatur, Fleet 74) third place.

Amidst the normal changes in boat ownership and new members, the Lightning racers are now reckoning with the name Jerry Wnorowski. Jerry's performance to date has added an element of friendly but formidable competition to the fleet racing. It appears that Jerry is ready to make the Mississippi Valley District circuit next year. Our Fleet encompasses quite a genial mix; there are not only racers but day sailors. Interestingly enough, at Valley the crews of both racers and day sailors are often composed of family members. A prime example of consistent family sailors is Steve Wyers and his daughter Becky who are active in all facets of sailing at Valley. (Is it possible that Becky will be our 1988 Juniors rep?)

The growing Lightning fleet at Valley looks forward to the 1988 season. Come join us and "Sail the Valley."



L-R — Dave Nick, Rick Conaway, Jim Scrivner — "Fascination" Fleet Champion Rick Conaway's 14088.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN LIGHTNING FLEET (488) **U.S. at Large District** **Sailing on Colorado and Nebraska**

Fleet Captain Robert Stoller
 Fleet Secretary Ann Crammond, Jr.
 Fleet Champion Robert Stoller

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7860	Dealah	Ed Saboe
9809	Arrogantly Shabby	Larry Arbuthnot
13478		Bob Stoller

Fleet 488 raced on Carter Lake infamous Lake Dillon. They also sailed in Nebraska in their Governors' Cup Regatta. Bob Stoller retained his status as Fleet Champion in his new boat. Please contact the Fleet Secretary if you're coming through Denver (late April — late September), we'd love to have you sail with us.

ACULEO LAKE FLEET (490) **Chile District** **Sailing at Aculeo Lake, Champa, Paine**

Fleet Captain Manuel Gonzalez Barjacoba
 Fleet Secretary Manuel Gonzalez Mas
 Fleet Champion Manuel Gonzalez
 Runner-Up Luis Herman

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11011	Ojo De Lince	Alberto Gonzalez Mas
11099	Pixie	Manuel Gonzalez Mas
13396		Manuel Gonzalez Mas

The Chilean sailing season is usually started at Aculeo Lake, the home of our Fleet 490, because the weather and water are warmer than the ocean. The Trials for the Junior Worlds were held at the Lake. Two crew qualified to compete at the World Youth Championship in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Manuel Gonzalez participated in the Trials for the South American Games and won the silver medal for Chile.

Manuel and Alberto Gonzalez participated in the South American Trials and the Chilean Championship and finished first and third. That Regatta was also the trials for the Pan Ams and Worlds. Manuel went to Cartagena for the World Championship, with crew Alberto Gonzalez and Rodrigo Zuazola. We are proud that Manuel and crew are World Champions.

We are looking forward to increased membership for the Fleet in 1988 and another successful year.

TOHICKON CREEK LIGHTNING FLEET (491) **Central Atlantic District** **Sailing on Lake Nockamixon at Quakertown, Pa.**

Fleet Captain Robert Blalock
 Fleet Secretary/Treasurer Joseph J. Rogan
 Fleet Champion Joseph J. Rogan
 Runner-Up Robert Blalock

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
8663		Thomas Gerhard
8690	Arete	Michael H. Keene
9928	Esprit	Charles S. Shoemaker
11157	Lolina	James K. Black
12728		Tom Davis
13453		Robert Blalock
13720		Joseph J. Rogan

The 1987 sailing season on Lake Nockamixon was a series of light air races. The Fleet Championship was won by Joe Rogan with Bob Blalock as the runner-up. Jim Black won the Cup Series.

The Lightning fleet managed to sweep the Nockamixon Sail Club Championship with Jim Black taking a first place, in spite of suffering from a patched hull complements of a port tack starter from the Pennsylvania Governors Cup. Joe Rogan and Bob Blalock finished 2nd and 3rd respectively.

Both Tom Davis and Charlie Shoemaker shared in many fine sailing performances the entire season.

The captains of Fleet 491 offer warmest thanks to their crews and the Nockamixon Sail Club for an enjoyable season on the lake.

If you're in the area and would like to sail with us contact Joe Rogan, at 6 Queen Anne Rd., Levittown, PA 19057 for details.

BOW LAKE LIGHTNING FLEET (493) **New England District** **Sailing on Bow Lake, New Hampshire**

Fleet Captain William Latham
 Fleet Secretary Ned & Jean Hinds

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9662	Incredible Too	William C. Latham
10738		Russell Cavanaugh & James Mann
11440	Ragtime	Edward E. Hinds, III
11579	Andalo	John Thomson
12124	Pzazz	Edward E. Hinds, Jr.,
12877	Double Trouble	Bruce Donle
13556		Richard G. Warner

No Report.

QUARTER BARREL LIGHTNING FLEET (494) **Midwest District** **Sailing on Lake Michigan**

Fleet Captain Ted Kroll
 Fleet Secretary Frank Weber

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7375	Lite-ning	Frank E. Weber
12038	Blazer	Ted Kroll

No Report.

PIONEER VALLEY LIGHTNING FLEET (495) **New England District** **Sailing on the Connecticut River**

Fleet Captain Frank Schafer, III
 Fleet Secretary Bob Hager
 Fleet Champion Ed Ryan
 Runner-Up Charlie Brids

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
4607		Charlie W. Brids
5737		Robert B. Hager
6609		Edmond F. Ryan
7544	Wee Too III	Franklyn F. Schafer, III
8236		Richard L. Rowley

No Report.

SWIFT CREEK FLEET (496) **Dixie District** **Sailing on Swift Creek Reservoir in Chesterfield County**

Fleet Secretary James E. Richards

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
9406	Wildfire	Gary R. Rhinesmith
11648		Kenneth R. Hopson
12989		Donald E. Foos
13766	III Snickers	James E. Richards

No Report.

CLUB REGATAS UNION (497)

Peru District

Sailing at LaPunta, Callao, Peru

Fleet Captain Carlos Navarro, M.D.

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
11611	T.N.T.	Carlos Navarro, Jr.-Mulanovich
12825	.....	Francisco Ayulo
13114	Polvorita	Carlos Navarro-Gasparetto
13367	Camotito	Augusto Navarro-Mulanovich

No Report.

SELKIRK LIGHTNING FLEET (498)

Central New York District

Sailing on Lake Ontario at Pulaski, New York

Fleet Captain Joseph Cummiskey

Fleet Secretary Emil F. Weisenburger

Fleet Co-Champions Joseph Cummiskey & Herbert E. Clark

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6602	Frontenac	Peggy Hodge
6926	.....	Herbert E. Clark
7961	Cirrus	Emil F. Weisenburger
9424	.....	Herbert E. Clark
11370	.....	Herbert E. Clark
13939	Rolling Thunder	Joe Cummiskey

Exciting things have been happening to the Selkirk Lightning Fleet this splendid summer of 1987. Our fleet size expanded to eight boats with the addition of 9424 and 11370 purchased by the Clark brothers.

The number of wooden boats equals those constructed of fiberglass in our fleet. We especially admire the loving care which Fred and Chris Weisenburger have put into the restoration of their beautiful turquoise blue boat, *Cirrus*. Their Lightning would be a prize winner in any contest for looks and style in a wooden boat. Another potential prize winner in the same category would be *Frontenac*, painted an enchanting pink by her capable owners, Peg and Skip Hodge. And the Clark brothers (Herb and Don) could be seen many an early morning making those all important last minute adjustments to their Lightnings.

Gary Phillips designed and built a boat hoist for his gray Lightning, *Gloria Days*. And the construction by some of the members of our own green "Lightning lift" to facilitate efficient launching on race days is an accomplishment of which the Selkirk fleet is extremely proud. The lift is located on a point of land along the Salmon River near the clubhouse of the Selkirk Yacht Club, to which all of our fleet members belong. The clubhouse itself sports a new look with the addition of a wooden bar which is actually the bow half of our former "committee boat," complete with running light for those who like to continue drinking after sunset. The bar can be seen extending outward from under our porthole along the deck toward the water. It is a great place to relax and swap "boat stories" after those Sunday afternoon races on the sparkling waters of Mexico Bay.

But the biggest construction job of the summer has been taking place at the mouth of the Salmon River and is called the Safe Harbor Project. It involves the building of two "breakwaters" by Durocher Dock & Dredge of Cheboygan, Michigan. Our Lightning Fleet has had to dodge barges, cranes, rock piles, moorings, and tugboats as we made our way through the construction out onto Lake Ontario for our weekly Sunday races. The completed breakwaters and final dredging will facilitate long race seasons in the future and ensure safe passage to and from our race courses.

Some of our Lightnings were sailing as early as mid-April. The summer offered a variety of race conditions. Even on cold, rainy Sundays, we adhered to a philosophy of "the race must go on!" One particularly hearty soul was Pat Clark, who was so involved in the first race on just such a blustery day in May, that she hiked out so far her whole head and body were dragged underwater for several minutes. She had to be pulled back into the boat by her husband and skipper, Herb Clark. But did she give up and come in to port for a hot shower and a change of clothes? No way! Pat remained aboard to crew in the second race and should be commended for her loyalty to the sport and to her skipper!

One of the favorite race courses of the summer was set when favorable southern breezes allowed spinnaker runs to a mark set near Sandy Pond

and back to Selkirk. During one of these races, Dykes "J.R." Riggs was really flying along in second place when he suddenly pulled out of the competition to join a previously planned party at Sandy Pond. Some of the members were surprised at the time, but everyone understood when he returned several hours later with the addition to his crew of a beautiful blond clad in a bathing suit!

In addition to the above named boat owners, we were pleased to have various other sailors participate as crew, including Phil Switzer, Judy Templeton, Bob Perrine, Rob Bernard, Marty Switzer, Louis Lichtenstein, Dan Lapham and David Hastings. One race, Joe Cummiskey was fortunate enough to have two visiting yacht club members join him at the last minute (Bob and Marty Wart). They won the race in *Rolling Thunder* despite the fact that Marty didn't have time to change clothes. She had hopped aboard in her dress and stockings!

We had some great close starts and some equally great close finishes. And, as always in the Selkirk fleet, during the summer of 1987 a good time was had by all!

POINTE CLAIRE YACHT CLUB (499)

St. Lawrence Valley District

Sailing on Lake St. Louis in Québec, Canada

Fleet Captain R. A. (Tony) McBride

Fleet Secretary Timothy Harris

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
13150	Bumble Bee	David & J. Browne
13519	Ooroo	Timothy G. Harris
13577	Krista Too	Adrian D. Niderost
14200	.....	R. A. (Tony) McBride

We could only get three boats to the line for the 1987 Fleet Championships but we were blown away by a 25 m.p.h. westerly wind and steep chop, even though the three entrants agreed to use M & J only. But the rest of the season produced some excellent racing, some new interest in the Class and the acquisition of a new boat by our Fleet Captain. As well, Fleet 499 hosted the "Districts" and qualified three boats for the "N.A.'s". Peter Hall our neighbor from Fleet 215, won the "Districts" and the "Canadians" but gave up his "N.A." spot to go to Michigan City, Indiana, for the "Pan Ams" where he copped the silver. Tony McBride qualified for the Presidents' fleet at Buffalo and finished 8th with crew James Parkyn and, Peter McBride in the orange *Firefly*. David Browne and daughter Lisa also qualified for Buffalo but had a tougher time in the heavy airs and look forward to 1988 enthusiastically.

While 1987 saw no new boats added to the roster, more and more interest in being shown by itinerant crews in Lightnings. Tony McBride has drawn on his extensive advertising background to promote and demonstrate the boat at every opportunity to his 'pick-up' crews, and takes out anyone at any time for a thrilling reach when the wind's up.

Adrian Niderost, owner of *Krista II*, used his boat again as a cruiser on his summer vacation and swears by the boat's seaworthiness and ease of handling when sailing to out-of-the-way gunk-holes for picnics.

All in all 1987 was a year of consolidation for the fleet, and now that all the boats are tucked away for the winter, we plan to work tirelessly to introduce more sailors to the pleasures of the Class with fireside information meetings and get-togethers.

TENNESSEE VALLEY LIGHTNING FLEET (500)

Southeastern District

Sailing on Fort Loudon Lake at Knoxville, Tennessee

Fleet Captain/Secretary Jonathan I. Lange

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
2854	.....	Douglas L. Moisson
5556	.....	John W. Eleam
10168	.....	Jonathan I. Lange
10931	.....	Terry Igoe
11638	.....	John W. Eleam
12000	Chaos	David A. Rasmussen
13105	Hoinonia	J. R. Walker
.....	.....	Jim L. Michielsen
.....	.....	Thomas S. Baer

Fleet 500's second season was a successful one. New members Doug Moisson, Sharon Boyce, Jack Woodall, and Dave Rasmussen joined our ranks. Three more families are in the market for Lightnings. Activities included Sunday racing, a family picnic, and our first invitational.

Our invitational was a ten boat regatta. Four races were completed in light air. Steve Simmons of Chattanooga won the regatta, Bob Shingler placed second, Peter McCulley placed third, and Jonathan Lange was fourth.

Interest is increasing in our class in East Tennessee. We turned our eight boats to race. We fully expect to be the largest one-design fleet at Concord in two to three years. You should expect to see a few Fleet 500 members beginning to travel soon, too!



Weather leg action at Fleet 500's first ever Invitational.

ship to the less veteran owners and crews. Among the speakers invited are: Richard Deeb, "My Experience in the Last Lightning Nationals in Cartagena"; Leopoldo Gonzalez, "Strategy and Tactics"; Jorge Recaman, "My First Experiences as a Lightning Owner and Skipper" (we expect this presentation to be very interesting, funny, and most important, very constructive for the owners of future Lightnings); Rodolfo Salmang, as the official Measurer of the Lightning Class for Colombia, will prepare a presentation in "Getting the Boat Ready". Topics to be scheduled next are: "The Weather, How To Read It"; "Wind Patterns On Tomine Lake"; and "How To Organize Regattas".

One point worth mentioning, three boats in our fleet are wooden rescues of the old timers — series 745 x - cedar planked, all in top competitive condition. Long live the Lightning!

We are very proud of our Fleet 501 and the success sailing and getting all our friends and families together. The formation of the fleet has really helped our objectives as stated above. We have two big challenges in front of us: 1) We have requested the Colombian Yachting Federation for Fleet 501 to organize a 1988 Lightning Nationals Championship, and 2) we are ready to start fabricating six new Lightnings with the assistance and direction of "Maestro Cruz", the same carpenter that built the 1987 World Champion boat.

From the new Fleet 501, hello to our Lightning friends.

THE SUNCOAST FLEET (502)

Florida District

Sailing on Tampa Bay at Tampa, Florida

Fleet Captain Albert London
Fleet Secretary Clark T. Higgs

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
12991	Afternoon Delight	William H. Meyer, III
13010	Strikes Twice	Albert London
13285	.....	Clark T. Higgs
14006	.....	William H. Meyer, III

No Report.

CLUB NAUTICO EL PORTILLO (501)

Colombia District

Sailing on Tomine Lake at Bogota, Colombia

Fleet Captain Rafael Gutierrez
Fleet Champion Santiago Douat
Runner-Up Jose L. Gonzalez

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
7451	.....	Rafael Gutierrez
7452	Cingara	Alvaro Sanjines
12570	Chan Chan	Santiago Douat
13216	Acuarius	Leopoldo Gonzalez
13427	.....	Andres Iriarte
13428	.....	Jorge Recaman
13429	Sirius	Leopoldo Gonzalez
14057	.....	Hernan Salcedo
14111	.....	Richard Deeb
.....	.....	Alvaro Acosta

Fleet 501 was established after the Lightning World Championship in Cartagena last July. Owners of new and old boats, members of the Club Nautico el Portillo, decided on the importance of creating this fleet to strengthen the life of our club and the Lightning Class on Lake Tomine, where we share the water with Fleet 73 from the Club Nautico el Muna; a fleet with many years experience and with excellent skippers and crews. There were 12 Lightnings in Fleet 501 when members purchased four new boats after the Cartagena Lightning World Championship.

We have been very active, starting with the fleet initiation regatta last August 15 and 16 when ten boats participated. Since then we have scheduled a monthly regatta (August 30 with ten boats) and a cruiser regatta (September 13, 15 boats) when we took our families and friends sailing to a thermal water spot in Lake Tomine for lunch and an evening of sun and wind.

We have also scheduled monthly meetings where we requested our most veteran skippers and friends to give talks on tactics, rules, and sportsman-



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