

1992 Junior North Americans

By Warren Emblidge

This years Junior NA's were held at my home club, the Buffalo Canoe Club. The nineteen boat fleet that assembled looked fairly strong; especially fellow "Canoe Clubbers" Tom Starck and Steve Roseberry.

The first day of sailing brought typical wind from the SW at 15 knots which brought along a large chop. Tom demonstrated excellent upwind speed and downwind control, and by the end of the day had tallied up two bullets. We finished the day with fourth and third place finishes, which left us in third place, one point behind Steve.

The third race was again sailed in 15 knot winds and chop. At the start, we found ourselves ducking the entire fleet on port. Tom once again worked a big lead on the fleet, but we closed the gap by playing the middle on the second and third upwind legs. Tom finished first with us close behind in second, Steve finished in fourth, giving us a one point lead in the race for second place.

The fourth race was sailed in diminishing winds from the SW. The left side of the course showed more wind velocity, so away we went with Tom and most of the fleet. We figured to be in second place when a 10 degree lift hit us. We held the tack, hoping it would come back down, but it didn't. When we tacked back in, we found ourselves deep. Steve crossed us with an incredible lead which he continued to increase throughout the race. Tom made a nice comeback to finish second, and we managed sixth. At the end of two days of racing, we were four points behind Steve and ten points behind Tom.



Day three of the regatta brought light winds from the South and plenty of slop from the day before. The Race Committee was hesitant to start the race, and postponed until a breeze filled in from the East. Light southeasterlies are very unstable in Abino Bay, and we figured that the wind would oscillate between South and East, so we decided not to commit to either side of the course. Most boats went into the bay off the start, and got knocked coming back in on port tack. Playing the middle brought us several isolated breezes and starboard tack lifts which gave us a substantial lead at the windward mark. The wind continued to die, and on the third leg, only tight reaching would keep the chute filled. Our lead decreased as wisps of wind found their way down the course. The Race Committee shortened the course, as we rounded the leeward mark in first, on our way to winning the race and the regatta.

Teamwork is an important part of any activity, and I'd like to especially thank my crew of Pat Buckley and Amy Tillou for pulling together in little more than a week for a true team effort.

I'd like to especially congratulate Tom, with crew of Martha Wilson and Guy Adema who will be joining me in Vina del Mar this October for the Youth Worlds. Also, congratulations to Steve and Beau for sailing a great series. Finally, I'd like to thank Dave Adams, Curt Montgomery, and the rest of the Race Committee for an excellent regatta. Good luck to everyone next year — it's been fun!



Pat, Amy and Warren



How they did it!

Junior Championships 1992

Pos.	Sail #	Skipper/Hometown/Crew	Races					Pts.
			1	2	3	4	5	
1	14286	Warren Emblidge, Orchard Park, NY; Pascal Buckley, Amy Tillou	4	3	2	6	1	16
2	14176	Tom Starck, Buffalo, NY; Guy Adema, Martha Wilson	1	1	1	2	12	17
3	14532	Beau Samuelson, Augusta, GA; Josh McIntosh, Will McIntosh	6	8	6	5	3	28
4	13945	Steve Roseberry, Buffalo, NY; Kirsty Agrell, Sean Righelelaar	2	4	4	1	18	29
5	13681	Andrew Horton, Shelburne, VT; Richard Villamic, David Halsted	7	6	7	8	2	30
6	14424	Joe Buczowski, Mantoloking, NJ; Mike Buczowski, Chris Arner	14	2	10	3	11	40
7	14495	W. David Clausen, Philadelphia, PA; Tim Hathaway, Latham Pali	5	7	14	9	5	40
8	13273	Mark Sanford, Chesterfield, MO; Bart Snyder, Jennifer Aljets	3	14	3	12	14	46
9	14397	Chad Atkins, Rochester, NY; Scott Kinsella, Justin Damore	8	12	13	4	10	47
10	14013	Tobi Heisler, Kirkwood, MO; Christie Aljets, Matt Berg	16	13	12	7	4	52
11	14148	Mike Thomas, Bowling Green, OH; Jason Gorsuch, Andy Paullin	13	11	5	10	13	52
12	13947	William Currier, Washington, DC; Laura Milne, Jamie Currier	12	5	9	13	16	55
13	14031	Keith Shaw, Troy, MI; Richard Beaubien, Jim Beaubien	10	9	15	14	7	55
14	14548	Meredith Bone, Orchard Park, NY; Alison Emblidge, Sara Gaughan	9	16	11	18	9	63
15	13652	Jake Frank, Amherst, NY; Ben Ellcome, Pete Froman	11	10	17	15	15	68
16	14180	Gerard Kinzel, Brick, NJ; Harold Herbert, Stam Shrier	15	dsq	18	11	6	71
17	14004	Robert Howell, Nashville, TN; Sonny Heiser, Behdad Shahsavari	19	15	8	16	17	75
18	14358	Carr Boyd, Charlotte, NC; Michael Palumbo, Molly Ward	17	dnf	16	17	8	78
19	14266	Bryan Short, Snyder, NY; Patrick Hylant, Bill Witzleben	18	17	19	19	dns	93

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Lightning Women's North Americans

By Cory Sertl

About ten days before the Women's, Abby Ruhlman left a message on my answering machine that Kathryn Josenhans and she needed a skipper for the Women's. My husband, Mark, who had already listened to the message, gave me thumbs up to take the boat and a few more days off work!

With such an experienced crew how could I say no? Since I rarely get an opportunity to steer the Lightning, I spent a little extra time at the Oswego Regatta the next weekend paying attention to all of the setup tricks; mast blocks, how many turns to put on the lowers, how tight to put on the backstay, etc. — all things as a crew I take for granted that my skipper knows how to set up. I made a few simple rules up for what changes to make in certain conditions and decided not to worry any further about boatspeed — just keep it simple and I couldn't screw up too much.

I drove into the BCC parking lot on a rainy Tuesday morning looking forward to four days of racing with two really fun people. After a lengthy measuring process, mostly waiting in line socializing, we finally got out on the water for some practice. This was mostly practice for me since my crew had their jobs down pat.

Wednesday gave us beautiful sailing weather 8-12 knots for the morning race 15+ in the afternoon. There was a close racing all day between the top three, ourselves, Hannah Swett and Betsy Alison. At the end of the day we were tied with Betsy, each with a 1, 2 and Hannah was not far off with 3, 3. The racing was close and a lot of fun, a mistake on the part of any of the teams was quickly capitalized on by the boat behind. The reaches were tight and the jibes challenging!

The next day, Abby, our spinnaker trimmer, was pleased to see light to moderate conditions so she could get a bit of rest from the windy afternoon the day before! Our team decided before the third race that we should stay close to Betsy and cover her closely if ahead. In both races I had miserable starts and really had to concentrate to recover. Kathryn helped us to pick up some good shifts and with some good boatspeed we managed to get back in the game and made sure we were ahead of Betsy's team at the first weather mark.

In Race 3, Judy Walker showed tremendous speed to round the weather mark in first. We passed her halfway up the second beat only to have her sail around us again to round the weather mark first again. We managed to pass her on the last beat, but Judy sailed well to finish second in the race.

We had a particularly exciting fourth race for first place with Hannah, who matched us tack for tack up the second beat. We managed on one exchange to get a little bow out with free air and ended up forcing her to tack away. Hannah, not happy to have been passed, made sure to keep second by covering Betsy the rest of the race.

Thursday's racing made Friday a little easier for us. Betsy had a 2,1,4,3. We had a 1,2,1,1 and Hannah had a 3,3,3,2. We waited for some breeze and finally started in a very light, fluky East wind. Betsy played the first shift perfectly and had an early lead. We struggled to stay in phase and not to stray too far away from the group. Betsy rounded the weather mark first and we were a distant third. Abby did a tremendous job of light air spinnaker flying made very tedious by the presence of swarms of annoying bugs and ever lightening conditions. We drifted close to the top two boats and were able to get to the filling wind first to round the leeward mark just ahead of two boats to go on to win the final race. Betsy held on for second, and second overall.



Women's Championship — 1992

Pos.	Sail #	Skipper/Hometown/Crew	Races					Pts.
			1	2	3	4	5	
1	14298	Cory Sertl, Rochester, NY; Abby Ruhlman, Kathryn Josenhans	1	2	1	1	1	6
2	14566	Betsy Alison, Newport, RI; Pat Raymond, Marshall Lawson	2	1	4	3	2	12
3	14486	Hannah Swett, Jamestown, RI; Dodi Moffet, Bobbie Fisher	3	3	3	2	5	16
4	14567	Susan Rogers, Burlington, Ont.; Cheryl Day, Alison Jones	4	6	5	7	4	26
5	14291	Judith Walker, Snyder, NY; Amy Franke, Amy Beisel	5	5	2	8	8	28
6	10817	Christine Dillard, Fairfax, VA; Kathy Coxe, Robin Turner	8	8	7	4	3	30
7	13930	Christine Kronich, Pewaukee, WI; Michou Braun, Greta Riechelsdorfer	6	4	8	6	6	30
8	11583	Joan Hurban, Palisades, NY; Judy Hanlon, Marjorie Liddle	7	7	6	5	7	32

1992 Masters Championship

By Jim Crane

The Buffalo Canoe Club, the site of many, many Lightning Championships, hosted this years Masters Championship. This setting enticed the most competitive field to yet compete for the Championship. Tom Allen, Bruce Goldsmith, George Fisher, Stu Anderson, John McIntosh, Jim Carson, Dick Hallagan, Bob Crane, Cal Schmiede, Sandy Huntsman and a host of other past legends lined up for the first gun. If you could turn back the clock, it could have been the Blue Fleet in 1960 or 1965.

My perspective of the regatta was from the middle crew position aboard Bob Crane's boat. This was a special regatta for us because it was the first time in at least 15 years that my father had steered a Lightning. Over the years we had sailed as a team with my Dad crewing for me when I won the Mid-Winters and placed second in the Worlds in Buenos Aires in 1969. As a skipper he finished second to Tom Allen in the 1960 North Americans. But it had been a very long period of time since my Dad had stepped foot in a Lightning and at the young age of 72, our goals were first to have fun, and secondly, to do everything possible to beat my Dad's old sailing buddy and rival John McIntosh.

The first race was sailed in a beautiful 10-12 knot southwest breeze. The fleet broke clean from the line and at the weather mark my father-in-law, Tom Allen, led followed by ourselves and George Fisher. The reaches didn't change the positions except we were able to whittle Allen's lead down to a boat length. On the next beat we found a little extra speed and were able to slip by my father-in-law. At the finish it was Crane, Allen and Fisher.

Race two was a carbon copy of the first race with a sparkling southwest breeze. Tom Allen again led at the top mark with our boat on his heels and, I believe, John McIntosh third. The positions held until the run of the Olympic course. With the wind softening, Allen elected to play the inshore side of the course. The Crane boat, farther out in the

lake, found a little extra wind slipping by the Allen boat at the leeward pin. McIntosh held third. Nothing notable happened on the last beat with the Crane boat taking the gun. Allen second and McIntosh third.

After two races the Crane boat had a 1, 1 to Allen's 2, 2. To say the least we were more than a little surprised at our unexpected performance. With one race to go we hoped we could keep it going.

The last race presented a whole new set of conditions. The wind had shifted around to the south-southwest and was very unstable. There was a nasty left over sea that made steering in the three knot breeze an exercise in patience.

At the start the fleet wanted to head south, out into the lake. We had a good start heading in that direction with my father-in-law to leeward of us. We held this position until a header arrived offering us the option of tacking. He, to leeward of us, tacked first but still behind us. The logical decision as we converged was to tack on him, because, first, we needed to beat him to win the regatta, and, second, the header made it a wise decision. A lively debate followed in our boat and we decided not to tack because, first, he is my father-in-law, second, his daughter, Brenda, was our third crew (also my wife), and third, he was our host for the week and there was some doubt whether we would get fed if we really laid a tack on him. We let him go. We extended our port tack about 100 yards and then followed on starboard. As luck would have it the wind then shifted more into the east putting Allen well ahead of us. He went on to finish second in the race to our tenth.

In the end Tom Allen won his first Masters Championship with the convincing finishes of 2, 2, 2. The Crane boat placed second with George Fisher in third. While we were disappointed with our final finish nothing could take away the unexpected joy of the first two races. It just goes to show you are never too old!

Masters Championship 1992

Pos.	Sail #	Skipper/Hometown/Crew	Races			Pts.
			1	2	3	
1	14524	Tom Allen, Sr.; Buffalo, NY; Leonardo Witting, Peter Bone	2	2	2	6
2	14572	Bob Crane, Darien, CT; Jim Crane, Brenda Crane	1	1	10	12
3	14345	George Fisher, Hilliard, OH; Greg Fisher, Tom Emch	3	7	7	17
4	14449	Bruce Goldsmith, Hillsdale, MI; Tom Niles, Sherry Goldsmith	12	5	1	18
5	6983	Stu Anderson, Stuart, FL; Paul Niederlander, Bill Neal	4	9	5	18
6	14229	Jim Carson, Brick, NJ; Robert Burrige, Stacey Heisler	5	6	8	19
7	11011	Manuel Gonzalez, Santiago, Chile; Tito Gonzalez, German Schacht	6	14	4	24
8	14369	David Bull, Cazenovia, NY; Scott Finkboner, Joan Duncan	7	11	6	24
9	13911	John McIntosh, Hilton Head, SC; Anne Allen, David Copestick	11	3	11	25
10	14255	Dick Hallagan, Newark, NY; Nancy Bargar, Len Tiedemann	10	4	12	26
11	13944	Cal Schmiede, Lewiston, NY; Larry MacDonald, Sr., Don Allen	16	10	3	29
12	14490	Bob Mathers, Livonia, MI; Bob Shaw, Steve Thomas	9	8	16	33
13	14482	Sandy Huntsman, Rumson, NJ; Karin Huntsman, Bill Clausen	8	13	17	38
14	14396	John Pelosi, Wake Forest, NC; Richard Waters, Bob Harkrider	14	12	15	41
15	13605	James McDonnell, Lakewood, NY; H. Kutschke, Mindy Salada	19	19	9	47
16	11177	Pete Sulman, Markham, Ont.; Ron Cochrane, Kathy Sulman	18	16	13	47
17	14547	David Gorman, Malone, NY; Rick Fastiggi, Dick Spurlack	17	20	14	51
18	14513	Jack Borland, New Castle, PA; Jeff Borland, Bridget Frymier	15	15	dnf	51
19	13870	Crit Currie, Memphis, TN; Audrey Matteson, Rick Buckley, Jr.	13	19	dnf	52
20	13082	Neal Smith, Rochester, NY; Eva Smith, Robert O'Kane	20	17	18	55





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1992 Qualifying Series

By Matt Fisher

The 1992 North Americans' Qualifying Series was held in a variety of conditions this year off the shores of the Buffalo Canoe Club. This is a strange article to write since there were twelve separate races sailed and my crew of Ned Roseberry and Joe Starck obviously sailed in only four of them. Also, I think the reason I'm writing this article instead of Tim Healy (his team also had scores of 1-1-2) is either because F comes before H or 14045 is older than 14341. We were just tagged with the bad luck of winning the Qualifying Series. Anyway, I'll try to describe what was going on without too much detail.

Sunday dawned as the first day of six when the weather forecast was significantly inaccurate. The Buffalo weather prior was calling for Northwest wind 15-25. The day actually turned out to be an almost typical Canoe Club day but with the first race being 15 out of the SW and the second race dying to 10 out of the same direction.

The first race felt like it was going to be windy. Everyone was wondering if the infamous Buffalo right side would be mandatory. In our fleet, Dave Peck showed us that, indeed, the right side would be favored. But we won our first race with Dave a close second. Jim Crane and Larry MacDonald won their fleets also. All we heard in between races was that "Larry won by a mile", about 15 times. The Canoe Clubbers

really like it when Larry wins so it was a very happy week.

In our second race, Jimmy Allen found the right side to his liking and won the race. I sailed about 15 weather legs at the Canoe Club this year before the N.A.'s and I'm pretty sure that Jimmy owns the water rights near Pt. Abino. He doesn't play the right side, Jimmy goes right hard! It usually works. We were second in that race. Tim Healy and Phil Lotz won the other two races.

Monday, the second day was much lighter (5-8 mph) with winds still out of the Southwest. Mark Sullivan, Steve Thomas and Jim Crane were all race winners. The last race saw our boat, Phil Lotz and Tim Healy all win.

The qualifying is a tough, strange series. The top three in the finals of the Presidents' Cup qualified in the same order, but the average qualifying position for the top ten in the North Americans was 15th (should be 5th?). I think this was a very tough fleet overall. There really weren't very many first timers in the Blue Fleet and it seemed that three fourths of the Green Fleet are ex-blue flecters.

I'd like to congratulate Larry MacDonald, Trevor Born and Ian Jones for sailing an outstanding series in the Championship regatta. Their consistency and ability to stay in the top five in nearly every mark rounding was superb in this fleet.





N.A. Qualifying Series — 1992

Betsy Alison, Tito Gonzalez, Leonardo Witting, Will Jeffers,
Diana Fernando.

Pos	Sail #	Skipper & Crew	1	2	3	4	Pts	Pos	Sail #	Skipper & Crew	1	2	3	4	Pts
1	14045	Matt Fisher, Joe Starck, Ned Roseberry	1	2	(5)	1	4	61	14219	George Sipel, Craig Gabel, Jeff O'Connell	(27)	23	20	14	57
1	14341	Tim Healy, Bob Almeida, Mike Vann	2	1	(10)	1	4	61	14038	Tom Vickers, Jeff Hagman, J. P. Little	20	(23)	22	15	57
3	14572	Jim Crane, Bill Crane, Brian Hayes	1	5	1	(6)	7	66	13911	John McIntosh, Kelley Oetgen, Eric Oetgen	23	22	(29)	15	60
3	14453	Mark Sullivan, Jim Starck, Joe Donovan	4	2	1	(19)	7	66	14383	Carlos Lecaro, Pasco Sola, Jr., Gonzalo Vargas	19	20	21	(27)	60
3	14176	David Starck, Kevin Robinson, Tom Starck	3	2	(10)	2	7	66	14531	David Nickels, Kevin Nickels, Walt Plamondon	26	22	12	(36)	60
6	10111	Tito Gonzalez, German Schecht, Pilo Urzua	2	4	2	(43)	8	69	14246	Darrell Peck, Brenda Peck, Brenda Kuzine	21	27	13	(49)	61
6	14525	Phil Lotz, Wendy Lotz, Paul Donovan	(12)	1	6	1	8	70	14174	David Sprague, Mindy Salada, Craig Seger	16	27	19	(28)	62
8	14553	Colin Park, Karen Park, Greg Bull	4	3	3	(11)	10	71	14424	Jim Carson, Billy Bogardus, Joe Buczowski	27	(39)	29	7	63
9	14298	Mark Serti, Cory Serti, Brad Swett	4	4	3	(17)	11	72	11087	Philip Grotheer, Patty Forster, Mike Beaver	(27)	20	27	17	64
10	11010	Tom Doran, John German, Ray Cudney	(15)	5	4	4	13	73	14293	Francisco Perez, Antonio Benvenuto, Christian Barahona	18	21	26	(33)	65
11	14523	Tom Allen, Jr., Bill Pictor, David Adams	7	3	4	(21)	14	74	14238	Neil Hayes, Kjell Heitmann, Stephane Paturel	21	30	15	(32)	66
11	14482	Jack Huntsman, Henry O'Hern, Ben Luccarilli	(10)	6	2	6	14	75	14511	Adrian Irving, Patrick McBriarty, Kristine Simonson	25	29	(39)	13	67
11	11136	Stu Nickerson, Sean Campbell, Lisa Brauer	5	6	(25)	3	14	75	13886	Georges Peter, C. H. Ritt, Diana Fernando	30	7	(37)	30	67
11	14499	Jody Swanson, John Swanson, Mike McGarry	6	3	(19)	5	14	77	11289	Keith MacDonald, Allison Jones, Steve McMurphy	(30)	25	17	26	68
15	14307	Manuel Gonzalez, German Navon, Rodrigo Zaazola	9	4	2	(43)	15	77	13787	Robert Starck, Brian Starck, Ellen Starck	(35)	30	8	30	68
15	14569	Larry MacDonald, Ian Jones, Trevor Born	1	9	(11)	5	15	79	14425	Karl Suter, Jesse Tremaine, Beau Samuelson	(dns)	23	30	16	69
17	14454	Jim Allen, Brian Milne, Tom Ray, Jr.	8	1	(22)	8	17	80	14338	Frank Kelly, Jr., Joseph Cunningham, Mark Stanley	25	29	(32)	17	71
17	14439	Sean Fidler, Ben Hoffman, Scott Sellers	5	7	5	(12)	17	80	14378	Hugo Carey Long, Mara Doughty, Peter Orlebeke	28	16	(30)	27	71
19	14552	Terry Hutchinson, Matt Bryant, Will Jeffers	3	9	6	(16)	18	80	13994	Dan Reichelsdorfer, Hans Grat, Greta Reichelsdorfer	(43)	20	26	25	71
20	14486	Bill Fastiggi, Rick Fastiggi, Hannah Swett	5	6	9	(23)	20	83	6983	Bill Neal, Larry MacDonald, Sr., David Copstick	24	(31)	30	18	72
21	14255	Dick Halligan, Bob Bush, Lori Foster	6	11	(15)	4	21	83	14478	Paul Wurtzbach, Karen Johnson, Terry Phelan	23	28	21	(31)	72
22	14345	George Fisher, Joyce Ferguson, Barry Vanderhorst	(18)	8	8	7	23	85	14056	Raymond Harrington, Bruce Atkinson, Kenny Deyett	18	31	(38)	24	73
23	14479	Allan Leibel, Frank Hall, Ian Brown	12	10	(20)	2	24	86	11737	Chandler Owen, Bill Killebrew, Wade Thwaatt	(37)	33	18	24	75
23	14148	Sieve Thomas, Bill Thomas, Mike Thomas	(16)	7	1	16	24	87	14573	Scott Finkboner, Craig Thayer, Tim Jamison	38	(43)	19	20	77
25	14350	Bill Healy, Mike Breaud, Tom Bornham	10	8	7	(33)	25	88	14495	William Clausen, III, David Clausen, Tim Hathaway	27	13	(39)	38	78
26	14084	Doug Fisher, Jeff Linton, David Clement	11	(16)	3	12	26	88	13717	Steve Harris, Patty Harris, Marlene Holt	33	(38)	16	29	78
26	14566	Brad Read, Elizabeth Alison, Larry Colantuono	8	(18)	5	13	26	90	14260	David Laidlaw, Scott Anderson, Bill Allen	32	(35)	24	23	79
26	14289	David Peck, Nina Peck, John Verelley	2	(21)	13	11	26	91	14420	Dean Caley, Mark Eashoo, David Huber	31	(36)	22	28	81
26	14546	Rob Ruhlman, Abby Ruhlman, Greg Maras	7	16	(dns)	3	26	91	14112	Dick Aubrecht, Chris Aubrecht, Meredith Emblidge	(34)	32	23	26	81
30	14548	Peter Bone, Larry Bone, Meredith Bone	11	(24)	7	9	27	91	14180	Philip Kinzel, Jr., Gerard Kinzel, Jack Whitman	24	26	31	(35)	81
30	14507	Jim Cameron, Porter Bailey, Janice Cameron	7	12	8	(22)	27	94	14226	William Holmstrom, Mandy Holmstrom, Stephen Hershaw	28	28	28	(49)	84
32	14073	John Oldham, Chris Vann, Maria White	9	11	(18)	8	28	95	14286	Warren Emblidge, Pascal Buckley, Amy Tillou	30	24	(34)	31	85
33	14519	Lenny Krawcheck, David Archer, Chris Abbott	3	17	9	(21)	29	96	14229	R. G. (Lall) Burridge, Stacey Heisler, Bart Schneider	(41)	27	32	29	88
33	13862	Eric Larson, Al McReynolds, Michou Braun	13	(18)	12	4	29	96	11368	David M. Gail, James L. Stone, Julie Moore	(40)	35	21	32	88
35	14398	Mark Osterman, Jane Lakunde, Andrew Horton	13	8	(28)	9	30	96	14396	John Pelosi, Richard Waters, Jack O'Donnell	36	31	(39)	21	88
35	14450	Jon Schwartz, Matt Smith, Meredith Schreyer	9	12	9	(25)	30	99	14555	Rick Kaiser, Josh Kerst, Matt Berg	31	(34)	24	34	89
35	11739	Keith Taboada, Brian Taboada, Russell Schon	(17)	10	10	10	30	99	14500	David Kunz, Joe McGinnis, Alex Cano	26	28	(40)	35	89
38	13970	Sieve Hayden, Mark Taylor, Bart Batzer	13	(18)	16	2	31	99	12045	Bob Sengstacken, Lois Rudden, John Sengstacken	34	29	(37)	26	89
38	14485	Bob Wardwell, Rob Wardwell, Charlie Wardwell	15	10	6	(22)	31	99	13832	Chris Sprole, Ryan Sprole, Robert Dusel	35	36	(40)	18	89
40	14530	William Faude, Jared Drake, Perry Lewis	16	11	7	(30)	34	99	14502	Tom Ward, Kate Ward, T. Steivater/B. Moore	39	(40)	17	33	89
41	14370	Juan Santos, Oscar Viteri, Werner Moeller	(18)	14	14	7	35	104	13957	Bob Cotton, Anne Cotton, Clark Higgs	33	26	31	(34)	90
42	14119	Thomas Niles, Glenn Hallett, John Lauderbach	(20)	15	17	5	37	105	14365	Neff McIntosh, Josh McIntosh, William McIntosh	34	25	32	(37)	91
42	13927	Jean Francois Seward, Derek Robertson, Claude Prevost	12	5	(33)	20	37	105	14486	David Wood, Sean Ailor, S. Calan	22	33	36	(43)	91
44	14419	Franz Edson, Jim Perkins, Gary Mayer	(24)	24	12	3	39	107	14426	Tom Buechner, Peg Faben, Marty Schad	(36)	33	35	25	93
44	14328	Kenneth Krawcheck, Chris Jankowski, Kevin Rast	(22)	19	14	6	39	107	13870	Crit Currie, Audrey Matteson, Tom Hudson	32	(dns)	27	34	93
44	14360	Theresa Parker, Deb Hopkins, Hank Breitenhack	15	(18)	14	10	39	107	13944	Cal Schmeiger, Larissa Higgins, Ryan Higgins	(38)	37	37	19	93
44	14220	Mark Whitley, Leslie Whitley, Jane Allen	14	(15)	11	14	39	107	14291	Judy Walker, Amy Bessel, Jim Berry, II	27	32	34	(35)	93
48	14275	Brian Hughes, Shelley Hughes, John Hughes	23	14	4	(36)	41	111	13940	Hadi Dickerson, David Dickerson, George Wiedeman	26	30	38	(39)	94
48	11958	Frank Mergenthaler, Dave Watts, Carl Rodenberg	11	(21)	16	14	41	112	14510	Jeffrey Maludy, B. Brown/D. Ortiz, Trish Szydzik	(49)	43	29	24	96
50	14524	Tom Allen, Sr., Leonardo Witting, Caroline Schnieder	14	17	11	(28)	42	113	8182	Gary Hurlan, Tim Reilly, Latham Daley	32	40	(41)	27	99
51	14374	Mike Huffman, Meg Huffman, B. Hein/D. Heussler	(18)	13	13	18	44	114	10817	Jim Dillard, Christy Dillard, Jim Welch	(37)	36	34	31	101
51	14526	Brian James, Bonnie Foley, Dean Cady, Jr.	(25)	9	15	20	44	114	14384	Carter Utzig, Bob Wamsley, Brad Keller	35	37	(40)	29	101
53	14449	Bruce Goldsmith, Chris Schorn, Chris Marake	6	(32)	24	15	45	116	14422	John Werley, Bertie Werley, Leslie Frymier	33	41	28	(43)	102
53	14014	Djoerd Hoogstra, James Schorn, Matt Riser	18	19	(23)	8	45	117	11416	Patrick McCormack, Laura Milne, Mike Deyett	28	38	(42)	37	103
55	14318	Hank Hodgson, Karen Hodgson, Amy Hodgson	17	19	(36)	11	47	117	13979	Tom Varley, Kurt Andrews, Zach Austin	(37)	35	31	37	103
56	14013	Gerry Paoli, Tobi Heisler, Bob Steul	22	17	(26)	10	49	119	11387	Mark Sandberg, Innes Martin, Tim Maenpaa	36	37	36	(42)	109
57	14532	Bob Harkinder, Tom Schroder, Judah Rubin	10	22	18	(28)	50	120	13728	Mike Brewer, Peter Wilcox, Richard Brewer	38	34	39	(40)	111
58	13945	Ed Roseberry, Jr., Steve Roseberry, J. McCormick/D. Teach	14	14	25	(36)	53	120	13837	Don Rau, Galen Guenowicz, Kent Anderson	(43)	43	25	43	111
59	14344	Jim Harris, Connie Harris, Jerry Decker	29	15	(33)	12	56	122	13876	John Fau, John Demming, Steve Wright	(49)	42	38	32	112
59	14387	Jose Manuel Ugarte, Juan Carlos Martinez, Claudio Leon	21	26	(35)	9	56	123	13043	Howard Edson, James Garley, Jr., Walter Pletcher, III	(dns)	35	38	116	116
61	14327	Don Brush, Ann Brush, Jack Wallace	19	25	(27)	13	57	124	11583	Joan Hurlan, Dave Reeves, Bill Mann	40	39	(41)	38	117
61	13084	Paul Gienitis, Mike Buczowski, Chris Arner	(31)	12	23	22	57	125	14358	Carr Boyd, Alan Hinds, Tara Chamberlain	37	(43)	41	41	119
61	14490	Bob Mathers, Jim McCoy, Keith Shaw	20	(34)	20	17	57								

1992 North Americans

By Dave Starck

Do you recall the last time a sailor won four races in a six race (w/ one throwout) series and lost the regatta? Unfortunately for Matt Fisher, the 1992 North Americans brought back some memories of the '91 Worlds in Annapolis. Although the scenario was a bit different, grabbing defeat from the jaws of victory is something Matt will be looking to change before traveling to Brazil this May.

Yes, the '92 NA's had their ups and downs for many sailors, but the event was truly a *classic*. The sailors witnessed *classic* BCC weather conditions off Point Abino, competed against many of the *classic* sailors in the class, and enjoyed the *classic* hospitality of the Lake Erie District and Fleet 12.

With a turnout in excess of 125 teams, it was a treat for me to compete with the best. I must say, however, from looking through the results, all three flights were extremely tough. I am thankful the qualifiers went well for us because competing in the President's or Governor's wouldn't exactly have been a party!

After the qualifiers had been sailed and the top flight determined, my team (1980 Youth World Champ — now semi-bald and married Kevin Robinson and my brother, Tom, the 1992 Youth World Champion) and were psyched to get the regatta underway. With so many top-notch Lightning sailors present, our goal was to be in the top 10 at the weather mark each race and try to grind down from there. Other than one particular weather mark rounding where

virtually the entire fleet rafted, our game plan for the regatta was successful.

With a variety of conditions witnessed, it was a challenge keeping focused for the week long event. Fortunately, Kevin and I knew we had to put slight restrictions on Tom's night life. We felt a curfew of 11 pm for a 19 year old was fair. We figured knocking only five hours off his "normal" evening wasn't too big a deal. Needless to say, we were all pretty tired by that time and, therefore, abiding by the curfew wasn't a big problem.

The racing itself was hard fought and tough. It was very apparent that many, many teams showed up well prepared and ready to win. Being slightly more consistent was the difference for the Champions, Larry MacDonald, Trevor Born, and Ian Jones. After tuning with Larry this summer, I knew he would be on the pace. I had a good feeling about our speed and boat handling, but I knew Larry (and Matt) would be in phase. My congratulations goes out to both of them. Also, I would like to congratulate Jr. NA Champion Warren Emblidge, Women's Champion Cory Sertl, Master's Champion Tom Allen, Sr., Presidents' Cup Champion Steve Hayden, and Governors' Champion Scott Finkboner. Nice job to all of you.

My thanks goes out to all the competitors, class officers, and committee organizers. I realize this event would not have been successful without their help and support.

I hope to see you next year in Milwaukee!



'91 Champ Passing the Trophy to '92 Champ



1992 North American Championship

Pos.	Sail #	Skipper/Crew	Races						Pts.
			1	2	3	4	5	6	
1	14567	Larry MacDonald, Ian Jones, Trevor Born							
2	14176	David Starck, Kevin Robinson, Tom Starck							
3	14045	Matt Fisher, Joe Starck, Ned Roseberry							
4	14572	Jim Crane, Bill Crane, Brian Hayes							
5	14552	Terry Hutchinson, Matt Bryant, Will Jeffers							
6	14203	Manuel Gonzalez, German Novion, Rodrigo Zuazola							
7	14073	John Oldham, Chris Vann, Maria White							
8	14350	Bill Healy, Mike Breault, Tom Bornham							
9	14525	Phil Lotz, Wendy Lotz, Paul Donovan							
10	14566	Brad Read, Elizabeth Alison, Larry Colantuono							
11	14289	David Peck, Nina Peck, John Verelley							
12	14341	Tim Healy, Bob Almeida, Mike Vann							
13	11739	Keith Taboada, Brian Taboada, Russell Schon							
14	14482	Jack Huntsman, Henry O'Hern, Ben Luccarilli							
15	14486	Bill Fastiggi, Rick Fastiggi, Hannah Swett							
16	14441	Jody Lutz, Ched Proctor, Kathryn Josenhans							
17	14499	Jody Swanson, John Swanson, Mike McGarry							
18	14553	Colin Park, Karen Park, Greg Bull							
19	11011	Tito Gonzalez, German Schecht, Pilo Urzua							
20	14454	Jim Allen, Brian Milne, Tom Ray, Jr.							
21	14519	Lenny Krawcheck, David Archer, Chris Abbott							
22	14546	Rob Ruhlman, Abby Ruhlman, Greg Maras							
23	14298	Mark Sertl, Cory Sertl, Brad Swett							
24	14255	Dick Hallagan, Bob Bush, Lori Foster							
25	14345	George Fisher, Joyce Ferguson, Barry Vanderhorst							
26	11010	Tom Doran, John Germain, Ray Cudney							
27	14439	Sean Fidler, Ben Hoffman, Scott Sellers							
28	14084	Doug Fisher, Jeff Linton, David Clement							
29	14453	Mark Sullivan, Jim Starck, Joe Donovan							
30	14507	Jim Cameron, Porter Bailey, Janice Cameron							
31	11136	Stu Nickerson, Sean Campbell, Lisa Brauer							
32	14450	Jon Schwartz, Matt Smith, Meredith Schreyer							
33	13862	Eric Larson, Al McReynolds, Michou Braun							
34	14523	Tom Allen, Jr., Bill Pictor, David Adams							
35	14398	Mark Osterman, Jane Lalonde, Andrew Horton							
36	14548	Peter Bone, Larry Bone, Meredith Bone							
37	14148	Steve Thomas, Bill Thomas, Mike Thomas							
38	14479	Allan Leibell, Frank Hall, Ian Brown							
		Skipper Hometown/Yacht Club	1	2	3	4	5	6	Pts.
		Toronto, Ontario, Buffalo Canoe Club	4	5	4	4	4	(18)	21
		Buffalo, NY, Buffalo Canoe Club	10	(22)	1	5	2	5	23
		Westerville, OH, Buckeye Lake Y.C.	1	21	(25)	1	1	1	25
		Norwalk, CT, Cedar Point Y.C.	(26)	3	18	7	3	4	35
		Traverse City, MI, Saginaw Bay Y.C.	2	(18)	13	2	8	14	39
		Santiago, Chile, Aculeo Y.C.	5	6	3	3	(dnf)	22	39
		Cupertino, CA, San Francisco Bay L.F.	3	2	11	(23)	13	17	46
		Niantic, CT, Niantic Bay Y.C.	8	8	(19)	12	16	2	46
		New Canaan, CT, Cedar Point Y.C.	6	13	5	(15)	10	12	46
		Middletown, RI, Annisquam Y.C.	11	(29)	8	6	9	13	47
		Westport, CT, Cedar Point Y.C.	18	23	(27)	14	7	3	65
		Niantic, CT, Niantic Bay Y.C.	7	9	(31)	17	26	6	65
		Brick, NJ, Metedeconk River Y.C.	17	4	2	(26)	25	18	66
		Red Bank, NJ, Monmouth B.C.	14	7	9	(25)	24	15	69
		Burlington, VT, Mallets Bay B.C.	(22)	17	14	20	12	11	74
		Monroe, CT, Cedar Point Y.C.	15	11	20	9	21	(20)	76
		Eggertsville, NY, Buffalo Canoe Club	(dnf)	20	16	8	5	28	77
		Midland, MI, Saginaw Bay Y.C.	9	15	17	21	19	(23)	81
		Santiago, Chile, Aculeo Y.C.	13	14	33	13	(dnf)	10	83
		Buffalo, NY, Buffalo Canoe Club	24	1	26	18	20	(24)	89
		Charleston, SC, Charleston Y.C.	20	24	6	22	23	(31)	95
		Euclid, OH, Pymatuning Y.C.	31	32	12	(dnf)	6	21	102
		Rochester, NY, Newport Y.C.	23	30	28	10	11	(35)	102
		Newark, NY, Newport Y.C.	(35)	10	22	16	29	27	104
		Hilliard, OH, Buckeye Lake Y.C.	19	26	7	31	(34)	26	109
		Oswego, NY, Oswego, Y.C.	12	27	(35)	28	35	8	110
		Troy, MI, Pontiac, Y.C.	(36)	12	15	29	30	25	111
		Sarasota, FL, Clearwater L.F.	34	28	10	24	18	(dnf)	114
		Buffalo NY, Buffalo Canoe Club	27	31	(dnf)	11	14	32	115
		Thunder Bay, Ontario, Temple Bay Y.C.	(28)	19	21	27	28	20	115
		Marshfield, MA, Chequessett Y.C.	21	(35)	34	19	17	29	120
		Lincroft, NJ, Monmouth Boat Club	30	16	30	30	15	(33)	121
		Sheboygan, WI, Sheboygan Y.C.	16	(36)	32	36	31	9	124
		Kenmore, NY, Buffalo Canoe Club	22	25	(36)	33	22	24	126
		Montreal, Quebec, Royal St. Lawrence Y.C.	32	37	(dnf)	32	27	7	135
		Perry, NY, Buffalo Canoe Club	(37)	33	24	34	32	16	139
		Bowling Green, OH, Devil's Lake Y.C.	25	34	29	35	33	(36)	156
		Toronto, Ontario, Boulevard Club	29	38	23	37	(dnf)	dnf	166

1992 Presidents' Cup

By Steve Hayden

After finishing the Qualifying Series, our team was presented with quite a reality check — one point out of the Blue Fleet. Once we accepted that there was no way to get that last point back, we had to put things in a positive perspective — we were the first boat into the Green Fleet.

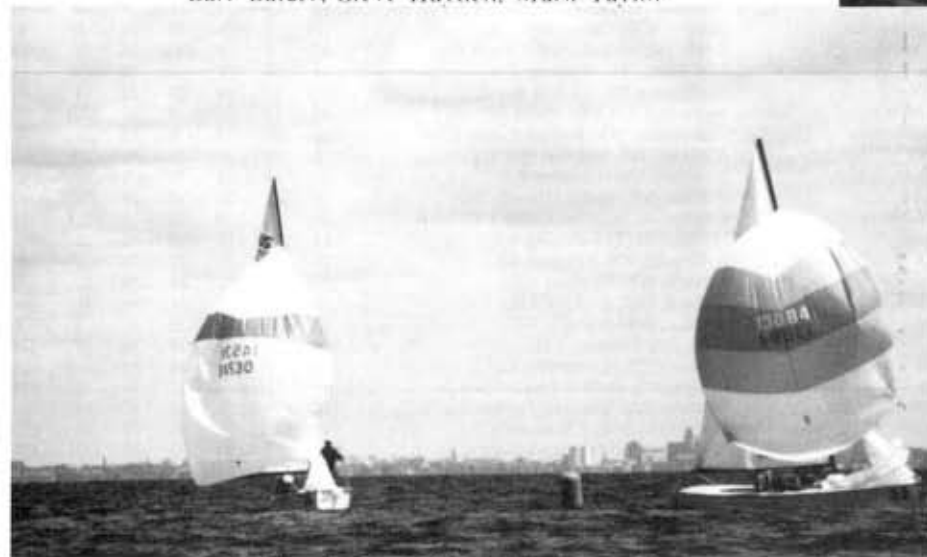
My team, from Florida, consisted of Mark Taylor and Barr Batzer. These guys are great. We have sailed together a lot over the past year and were very psyched for Buffalo. Once in the Green Fleet we decided we had to put it in high gear if we were to finish well. As many of us know, the Presidents' Cup is no easy regatta. This fleet finished with the first three boats tied in points and fourth and fifth also tied. Nothing was settled until the last race. Talk about pressure. Fortunately we were leading going into the last race. Although, with a throwout, Tom Allen, Sr. had seven points on us and Bob Harkrider one point behind. Bob Wardwell, Bill Faude, and Mike Huffman were also close behind. Sailing in Buffalo all week showed us that no two

racers were going to be the same. In the last race, we had our share of problems and rounded the first mark deep. Fortunately for us, Tom Allen and Bob Harkrider were back there with us. After some intense, tough, exciting, scary, ugly, great, and hilarious sailing (and drifting), we managed to keep Allen and Harkrider back far enough. Wardwell, Faude and Huffman sailed a good race but were not able to finish high enough to make up the points. It cannot get much closer than this. At first, we were not exactly sure where Wardwell and Faude finished. Upon finding the official scores with our boat in first, we could not believe we had pulled it out. (Can you say monkey?)

I want to thank my team, Mark and Barr, for their super efforts and not ever letting us get down. I always have a great time sailing with these guys. I also want to thank the Buffalo Canoe Club for putting on such a great regatta. We look forward to next year's North Americans in Milwaukee. See you in March on the Circuit.



Barr Batzer, Steve Hayden, Mark Taylor



Bill Faude chases Paul Gelenitis in Race 6.





Tom Allen (3rd left) and Jimmy (5th left) and Lightning friends from Ecuador.

1992 Presidents' Cup

Pos.	Sail #	Skipper/Crew	Skipper Hometown/Yacht Club	Races						Pts.
				1	2	3	4	5	6	
1	13970	Steve Hayden, Mark Taylor, Barr Batzer	Altamonte Springs, FL, North Florida L.F.	1	5	9	9	10	(29)	34
2	14530	William Faude, Jared Drake, Perry Lewis	Cedarburg, WI, Milwaukee Y.C.	11	(15)	8	5	6	4	34
3	14485	Bob Wardwell, Rob Wardwell, Charlie Wardwell	Richmond, VA, Greater Richmond S.A.	7	10	4	6	(dns)	7	34
4	14374	Mike Huffman, Meg Huffman, B. Hein/D. Heussler	Chicago, IL, Chicago Corinthian Y.C.	(16)	11	13	1	5	8	38
5	13084	Paul Gelenitis, Mike Buczowski, Chris Arner	Kearny, NJ, Metedeconk River Y.C.	(40)	7	3	14	12	2	38
6	14532	Bob Harkrider, Tom Schroder, Judah Rubin	Augusta, GA, Clarks Hill L.F.	(24)	1	19	4	1	19	44
7	14328	Kenneth Krawcheck, Chris Jankowski, Kevin Rast	Charleston SC, Charleston S.C.	2	(28)	2	17	13	10	44
8	14524	Tom Allen, Sr., Leonard Witting, Caroline Schneider	Eggertsville, NY, Buffalo Canoe Club	(dsq)	2	11	2	2	28	45
9	14387	Jose Manuel Ugarte, Juan Carlos Martinez, Claudio Leon	Santiago, Chile, Acuelo Y.C.	5	3	16	3	21	(34)	48
10	14318	Hank Hodgson, Karen Hodgson, Amy Hodgson	Manitou Beach, MI, Devil's Lake Y.C.	4	(33)	1	27	14	15	61
11	14220	Mark Whatley, Leslie Whatley, Jane Allen	Northville, MI, Pontiac Y.C.	3	14	18	7	19	(26)	61
12	14360	Theresa Parker, Deb Hopkins, Hank Breitenhach	W. Hatfield, CT, Niantic Bay Y.C.	6	4	(34)	26	8	23	67
13	14249	George Sipel, Craig Gabel, Jeff O'Connell	Manitou Beach, MI, Devil's Lake Y.C.	(27)	26	14	12	9	9	70
14	14383	Carlos Lecaro, Paco Sola, Jr., Gonzalo Varsas	Guayaquil, Ecuador, Salinas Y.C.	22	19	6	24	(35)	5	76
15	14246	Darrell Peck, Brenda Peck, Brenda Kizzire	Gresham, OR, Columbia S.C.	(37)	8	15	16	4	35	78
16	14449	Bruce Goldsmith, Laura Bryant, Chris Marske	Hillsdale, MI, Devil's Lake Y.C.	12	21	(26)	11	24	12	80
17	14174	David Sprague, Mindy Salada, Craig Seger	Toronto, Ont., Boulevard Club	19	18	(39)	22	3	20	82
18	14526	Brian James, Bonnie Foley, Dean Cady, Jr.	Chicago, IL, Chicago Corinthian Y.C.	(39)	6	7	36	22	13	84
19	14327	Don Brush, Ann Brush, Jack Wallace	Charlotte, VT, Lake Champlain Y.C.	(42)	29	10	8	28	11	86
20	14419	Franz Edson, Jim Perkins, Gary Mayer	Stonington, CT, Niantic Bay Y.C.	10	16	20	(30)	18	27	91
21	12614	Jim Harris, Connie Harris, Jerry Decker	Berkley, MI, Pontiac Y.C.	(38)	32	17	20	23	1	93
22	13911	John McIntosh, Kelley Oetgen, Eric Oetgen	Hilton Head, SC, Savannah Y.C.	9	23	28	13	20	(38)	93
23	13994	Dan Reichelsdorfer, Hans Graf, Greta Reichelsdorfer	Sheboygan, WI, Sheboygan Y.C.	13	30	(43)	29	7	18	97
24	11958	Frank Mergenthaler, Dave Watts, Carl Rodenberg	Red Bank, NJ, Monmouth B.C.	14	31	5	19	30	(dnf)	99
25	14014	Djoerd Hoekstra, James Schon, Matt Riser	Malvern, PA, Metedeconk River Y.C.	18	(38)	38	10	32	6	104
26	14424	Jim Carson, Billy Bogardus, Joe Buczowski	Brick, NJ, Metedeconk River Y.C.	15	20	24	18	(34)	32	109
27	11289	Keith MacDonald, Allison Jones, Steve McMenemy	Ancaster, Ont., Royal Hamilton Y.C.	31	13	27	(37)	36	3	110
28	14490	Bob Mathers, Jim McCoy, Keith Shaw	Livonia, MI, Pontiac Y.C.	20	9	21	(42)	38	22	110
29	14531	David Nickels, Kevin Nickels, Walt Plahondon	Holly, MI, Lake Fenton S.A.	17	34	35	23	11	(dnf)	120
30	13927	Jean Francois Sinard, Derek Robertson, Claude Prevost	Laval Que., Royal St. Lawrence Y.C.	23	(dnf)	12	15	29	(dnf)	125
31	13787	Robert Starck, Brian Starck, Ellen Starck	Kenmore, NY, Niagara S.C.	8	43	41	21	(dnf)	17	130
32	14378	Hugo Carey Long, Mara Doughty, Peter Orlebeke	Deer, IN, Chicago Corinthian Y.C.	25	(42)	22	32	15	36	130
33	14275	Brian Hughes, Shelley Hughes, John Hughes	Salem, NH, Merrimack River Y.C.	29	17	25	(dsq)	17	(dnf)	134
34	14038	Tom Vickers, Jeff Hagman, J.P. Little	Grosse Pointe Farms, MI, Crescent S.C.	26	22	30	33	(dnf)	25	136
35	14119	Thomas Niles, Glenn Hallett, John Lauderbach	Auburn, MI, Saginaw Bay Y.C.	32	24	36	(38)	31	16	139
36	14511	Adrian Irving, Patrick McBriarty, Kristine Simonson	Chicago, IL, Chicago Corinthian Y.C.	21	(41)	31	41	25	21	139
37	13945	Ed Roseberry, Jr., Steve Roseberry, J. McCormick/D. Teich	Buffalo, NY, Buffalo Canoe Club	35	27	(37)	25	16	37	140
38	14013	Gerry Paoli, Tobi Heisler, Bob Steul	Belleville, IL, Carlyle, S.A.	36	12	(42)	40	39	14	141
39	14293	Francisco Perez, Doug Reid, Christian Barahona	Santiago, Chile, Acuelo Y.C.	30	36	32	31	26	(dnf)	155
40	11087	Philip Grotheer, Patty Forster, Mike Beaver	Beltsville, MD, Severn S.A.	28	35	23	35	37	(dnf)	158
41	13886	Georges Peter, C. H. Ritt, Diana Fernando	Barrington, RI, Annisquam Y.C.	44	(dsq)	29	28	27	31	159
42	14425	Karl Suter, Jesse Tremaine, Beau Samuelson	Tucker, GA, Lake Lanier L.F.	(41)	39	33	39	40	30	181
43	10801	Neil Hayes, Kjell Heithann, Stephane Paturel	Huntington, CT, Cedar Point Y.C.	38	40	40	34	33	(dnf)	185
44	14338	Frank Kelly, Jr., Joseph Cunningham, Mark Stanley	Brentwood, TN, Harbor Island Y.C.	43	37	44	(dnf)	(dnf)	24	194
45	14370	Juan Santos, Oscar Viteri, Werner Moeller	Quayaquil Ecuador, Salinas Y.C.	34	25	(dnf)	(dnf)	(dnf)	(dnf)	197

1992 Governors' Cup

By Scott Finkboner

The 1992 Governors' Cup at this years NA's proved to be close and exciting — it was not won until the last race!

I welcomed the New York crew of Tammi Jamison and Craig Thayer — to say they did a tremendous job is an understatement.

The Race Committee did their usual terrific job setting square courses in spite of often shifting winds. Everyone was treated with every conceivable weather and wind condition — drifters, 25 knot breezes with clear skies! A real test thus was created for all contestants!

Our first two qualifiers set us back early — a capsized, DFL, and a PMS! Starting in the Yellow (Governors') Fleet for the first time was a new experience. The large fleet — 43 boats (a record) — was full of competitive sailors. I usually don't do well in large fleets. I was hoping to just sail clean, stay out of trouble, and be as consistent as possible.

First Race — Sailed in one of the most beautiful days all year, we started at the favored pin end. Moments later we tacked to port and sailed nearly to the starboard lay line. Rick Kaiser was to weather of us on port and was sailing very fast. Hofmeister followed Kaiser at the weather mark, then us, Wurtzebach, and Schmiede.

The 8-10 knot breezes prevented any passing. Kaiser went on to win followed by Hofmeister and us. The order stayed the same with most of the leaders loosely covering the remainder of the fleet.

Second Race — The breezes freshened in the afternoon to 15-16 knots, still out of the Southwest. Again Kaiser started well and held on all the way to the gun. We had a terrible start mid-line and had to battle the entire first weather leg, rounding the weather mark 10th to 15th — way back. Buechner battled Kaiser the first triangle — ending up fourth — a very nice race for him. We played a few shifts picking up a few boats near the finish to take seventh. The entire fleet in this race was very close together at the finish. Lal Burridge loved the strong breeze and took second. After two races, Kaiser had a commanding lead and looked unbeatable and confident. We hoped we had had our throwout!

Race Three — Light air caused the Race Committee to postpone and eventually restart very late in the afternoon. Winds went from East to South and finally settled in at four knots from the SW. The forecast was for a Northerly shift mid-day but it never came. At the start we had to luff up to clear the pin. Tacking on the rhumb/left side on Zephyr shifts, we found ourselves rounding the weather mark first, followed by Werley, Maludy and Wurtzebach. We had to do turns as we nipped the mark trying to round. Wurtzebach took Maludy high on the reach and we sailed the rhumb to round the reach mark first again. By this time we were mixing it up with the President's fleet. It was becoming very crowded!

On the final leg I made a choice to cover Harrington on the left. This allowed Werley and Wurtzebach to go right, picking up the gradual shift to the north and taking first and second.

Crit Currie nipped us at the finish when we had to give room to Green fleters at the pin.

Kaiser ended up 37th but was still leading with this as his obvious throwout. We were in second and tied with Wurtzebach.

Fourth Race — A front which passed the night before brought medium winds and rain out of the East. Just before the start the wind exploded to 20-25 knots, pushing all competitors to their limits, especially on the tight reaches.

Harrington took off middle/right and flew the reaches in spectacular fashion. He won by a large margin. The planing conditions finally came to Buffalo! Jibing was treacherous in the 3-5 foot chop and many doused chutes to keep upright. Kinzel sailed a fine race to take second, followed by Kaiser, McIntosh, Wurtzebach and us.

Race Five — The wind subsided somewhat to 15 knots but the chop remained. Our goal was to start clean, play the shifts and stay near the front. We were fourth at the weather mark, behind Wurtzebach, McIntosh and Hofmeister. We all took a large lead on the rest of the fleet for the majority of the race.

The winds on the last weather leg were beginning to phase to the right or gave signs of phasing. Rounding the last leeward mark fourth we continued on port. The first three boats were loosely covering each other and appeared to have forgotten about us. As they went left, we continued right, picking up the predicted right shift. Wurtzebach, McIntosh and Hofmeister fell in behind us and we finally got the gun. We had to work extremely hard and smart in this race in the face of the very tight competition.

We were now leading the fleet. Still — it was anybody's regatta — one bad race by us or good one in the final race by Wurtzebach, Kaiser, Harrington, Clausen and any one above could emerge victorious. It was a one final race regatta! — Just like it should be!

Final Race Six — During many recalled starts my competitors were covering me at the presumably favored pin end. Fortunately several recalls saved our hides as we were buried on two straight starts. The winds were lessening to eight knots. During the last 15 minutes prior to the start I felt the wind wanting to go to the right! A minute and half prior to the start, I started from near the pin end, sailing through the fleet on port tack, peeling off Kaiser, Harrington and others.

My disguise of wanting to start at the pin end worked as I was able to get to about 3/4 of the way to the boat end. I found a lot, started on starboard and almost immediately tacked to port.

The other leaders went way left, Steve Harris, Cal Schmiede and I tacked up the middle/right side.

Wurtzebach and Kaiser kept going left. Halfway up the leg we picked up a big header, tacked to starboard and had most of the fleet in our window and the three of us led the fleet by 300-400 yards at the weather mark!

Schmiede rounded first, followed by Steve Harris and us. All we had to do was stay in front of our competition and we had it won. The problem was, the wind was dying. We finished second on a shortened course at the last leeward mark.

Harris ended up first, with Bob Cotton third and Schmiede fourth.

I had finally won a large fleet regatta! Tammi, Craig and I celebrated all the way to shore. Again, many thanks to these two persons for their great contributions helping to call wind shifts and telling jokes, etc. I hope Tammi survived the week away from Dick. Aloha — until next year.

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Pos.	Sail #	Skipper/Crew	Skipper Hometown/Yacht Club	Races						Pts.
				1	2	3	4	5	6	
1	14573	Scott Finkboner, Craig Thayer, Tami Jamison	San Diego, CA, Mission Bay Y.C.	3	(7)	4	6	1	2	18
2	14478	Paul Wurtzbauch, Karen Johnson, Terry Phelan	Woodridge, IL, Chicago Corinthian Y.C.	5	8	2	5	2	(12)	22
3	14555	Rick Kaiser, Josh Kerst, Matt Berg	Chicago, IL, Chicago Corinthian Y.C.	1	1	(37)	3	15	17	37
4	14056	Raymond Harrington, Bruce Atkinson, Kenny Deyett	Bomoseen, VT, Lake Bomoseen	20	6	7	1	5	(dnf)	39
5	14495	William Clausen, III, David Clausen, Tim Hathaway	Philadelphia, PA, Red Bank	6	5	23	(dnf)	7	7	48
6	14286	Warren Emblidge, Pascal Buckley, Amy Tillou	Orchard Park, NY, Buffalo Canoe Club	10	3	(19)	18	8	10	49
7	14510	Jeffrey Maludy, B. Brown/D. Ortiz, Trish Szydzik	Toledo, OH, Devils Lake Y.C.	(27)	12	5	16	10	16	59
8	13957	Bob Cotton, Anne Cotton, Clark Higgs	Nashville, TN, Harbor Island Y.C.	17	18	(24)	12	11	3	61
9	14226	William Hofmeister, Mandy Hofmeister, Stephen Hinshaw	Nashville, TN, Harbor Island Y.C.	2	9	32	(dnf)	4	15	62
10	14180	Philip Kinzel, Jr., Gerard Kinzel, Jack Whitman	Brick, NJ, Metedeconk River Y.C.	16	14	13	2	18	(19)	63
11	14396	John Pelosi, Richard Waters, Jack O'Donnell	Wake Forest, NC, Wake Fleet	9	17	(41)	23	6	13	68
12	14365	Neff McIntosh, Josh McIntosh, William McIntosh	Richmond Hill, GA, Savannah Y.C.	12	15	35	4	3	(pm)	69
13	13940	Heidi Dickerson, David Dickerson, George Weideman	Waterford, CT, Niantic Bay Y.C.	27	(29)	22	11	12	5	77
14	13870	Crit Currie, Audrey Matteson, Tom Hudson	Memphis, TN, Delta S.A.	8	25	3	29	(dnf)	14	79
15	14260	David Laidlaw, Scott Anderson, Bill Allen	Saline, MI, Devils Lake Y.C.	22	(32)	20	17	14	6	79
16	13043	Howard Edson, James Ganley, Jr., Walter Fletcher, III	Eagleview, PA, Kentmore Park S.C.	11	23	6	19	21	(dnf)	80
17	11737	Chandler Owen, Bill Killebrew, Wade Thweatt	Nashville, TN, Harbor Island Y.C.	21	13	11	25	(27)	11	81
18	11486	David Wood, Sean Ailor, S. Cision	Etobicoke, Ont., Royal Hamilton Y.C.	(35)	11	30	7	9	25	82
19	14550	David Kunz, Joe McGinnis, Alex Cano	Churchville, PA, Barneget Light Y.C.	15	(35)	12	15	13	27	82
20	13944	Cal Schmiede, Larissa Higgins, Ryan Higgins	Lewiston, NY, Niagara S.A.	4	40	10	32	(dnf)	4	90
21	13832	Chris Sprole, Ryan Sprole, Robert Dusel	Lake Carmel, NY, Nyack Y.C.	38	28	9	8	(dnf)	9	92
22	8182	Gary Hurban, Tim Reilly, Latham Daley	Palisades, NY, Nyack Y.C.	23	21	8	(28)	19	23	94
23	6983	Bill Neal, Larry MacDonald, Sr., David Copestick	Wyoming, NY, Buffalo Canoe Club	18	19	(28)	9	22	26	94
24	14229	R. G. (Lal) Burridge, Stacey Heisler, Bart Schneider	St. Louis, MO, Carlyle, S.A.	24	2	14	13	(dnf)	dns	97
25	14112	Dick Aubrecht, Chris Aubrecht, Meredith Emblidge	Orchard Park, NY, Buffalo Canoe Club	13	10	31	(36)	24	21	99
26	13876	John Faus, John Demming, Steve Wright	Port Chester, NY, Barnegat Light Y.C.	28	16	26	10	20	(dnf)	100
27	12045	Bob Sengstacken, Lois Rudden, John Sengstacken	Guilford, CT, Awosting Y.S.	26	20	15	(27)	23	20	104
28	14426	Tom Buechner, Peg Faben, Marty Schad	Corning, NY, Keuka, Y.C.	7	4	33	20	(dnf)	dns	108
29	10817	Jim Dillard, Christy Dillard, Jim Welch	Fairfax, VA, Potomac River S.A.	(30)	26	16	22	25	28	117
30	13717	Steve Harris, Patty Harris, Marlene Holt	Kingwood, TX, Conroe Y.C.	34	(36)	29	31	29	1	124
31	14384	Carter Utzig, Bob Wamsley, Brad Keller	Atlanta, GA, Lake Lanier S.C.	(38)	37	17	28	16	29	127
32	14422	John Werley, Bertie Werley, Leslie Frymier	Pittsburgh, PA, Pymatuning Y.C.	33	27	1	26	(dnf)	(dnf)	131
33	14420	Dean Caley, Mark Eashoo, David Huber	Bolivar, OH, Atwood Y.C.	31	(dnf)	38	24	17	24	134
34	14291	Judy Walker, Amy Beisel, Jim Berry, II	Snyder, NY, Niagara S.A.	25	22	36	21	(dnf)	31	135
35	13979	Tom Varley, Kurt Andrews, Zach Austin	Delaware, OH, Leatherlips Y.C.	32	34	25	30	(dnf)	18	139
36	13837	Don Rau, Galen Gornowicz, Kent Anderson	Ann Arbor, MI, Pontiac Y.C.	14	24	(dnf)	14	(dnf)	dns	140
37	14358	Carr Boyd, Alan Hinds, Tara Chamberlain	Charlotte, NC, Unaffiliated	36	30	18	34	26	(dnf)	144
38	14502	Tom Ward, Kate Ward, T. Stievater, B. Moore	Buffalo, NY, Buffalo Canoe Club	37	31	27	(38)	28	22	145
39	11368	David M. Gall, James L. Stone, Julie Moore	Dellroy, OH, Atwood Y.C.	40	38	34	37	(dnf)	8	157
40	11583	Joan Hurban, Dave Reeves, Bill Mann	Palisades, NY, Nyack Y.C.	(41)	41	21	35	30	30	157
41	13728	Mike Brewer, Peter Wilcox, Richard Brewer	Santa Monica, CA, Mission Bay Y.C.	19	42	40	39	31	(dnf)	171
42	11416	Patrick McCormack, Laura Milne, Mike Deyett	Stoneham, MA, American Y.C.	42	33	39	(dnf)	(dnf)	(dnf)	202
43	11387	Mark Sandberg, Innes Martin, Tim Maenpaa	Thunder Bay Ont., Temple Reef S.C.	43	39	42	(dnf)	(dnf)	(dnf)	212

