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

| Fleet Captain | Drew Woodall, Sr. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Fleet Secretary | Drew Woodall, Jr. |
| Fleet Champion | Fred Mertes |
| Runner-Up | Chris Raubacher |


| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7592 | Capricorn | Edward Niemann, Jr. |
| 9976 | Therapy | Carl Slocomb |
| 10258 |  | W. David Racine, III |
| 10335 | China Doll | Barry W.C. Pierce |
| 11155 |  | Louis Cohen |
| 11444 | Artful Dodger | Thomas R. Clark |
| 11899 | Pisces | W. David Racine, III |
| 14043 | Fleeting Glance | Fred Mertes |
| 14156 | Rebecca | Christopher Raubacher |
| Life Member |  | Jacob Zimmerman |

The season got underway in early June with the 22 nd running of the Delaware Governor's Cup. Four fleet boats took part in this fleet of 20 boats, and RBSA didn't take any back seat in the finishing, with DaveRacine taking sixth, Chris Raubacher fifth and Fred Mertes and crew of Dennis Farley and Carol Mertes taking first for the second time in two years. Second place went to Jody Lutz, third to Jack Elfman and fourth to Frank Gallagher.

The next event for the RBSA Lightning Fleet was the hosting of the 40 th Dixie District Championship in late June. This two day, five race series brought 20 outside boats to challenge some of RBSA's best. Fred Mertes and crew of Carol Mertes and Bill Ljungquist took first place for RBSA while Barry Pierce moved from the front of the boat to the back and finished with a very respectable seventh. In second place was Steve Bachman third was Don Delorme, fourth was Class President Bob Wardwell and fifth was (someday he's going to be trouble) Ted Ganley.

The next event was the hosting of the "Yachting" portion of the First State Games. This event was sailed in Lightnings with RBSA sailors taking all three medals. Bernie Hedges took the bronze, Dave Racine the silver and Fred Mertes the gold.

This year Lightning Fleet 325 held a one day fleet series to honor the 25 th Anniversary of RBSA. This event will be held each year to celebrate the Club's birthday and its involvement with Lightning Class sailing. Next year this might be an open event and if so then we hope to see many of our friends from out of town. Fifth place was won by Pal Littleton, fourth was Drew Woodall, Sr., third was Bernie Hedges, second was Dave Racine and first was Fred Mertes. Drew even picked up the much coveted Bucket Trophy for his first capsize.

In between some of the special events the fleet held the Fleet Championship over two different weekends. This proved to be a good format with eight boats competing with some very good competition. Drew Woodall took top honors in the green fleet while in the gold fleet it was Dave Racine in third, Chris Raubacher in second and Fred Mertes in first.


The Rehoboth Fleet returns from another day:
Photo credit: Fred Mertes

The final event for Lightning Fleet 325 was the hosting of the Robert Purnell Memorial Regatta. This regatta was named for former fleet member and winner of the first two Dixie District Championships in 1949 and 1950. Fourteen boats competed with RBSA sailors Bernie Hedges taking eighth, Dave Racine fifth, and Fred Mertes first. Second place went to Phil Grotheer and third to Steve Bachman. This event also marked the changing of the guard, with Drew Woodall, Sr. taking over the duties of Fleet Captain from Fred Mertes. Drew has really gotten involved over the last two summers and we look forward to him turning it on.

Now if you can find what the common thread was with all the 1988 Fleet 325 events then I hope you too, zero in on him and don't let him do it to us again in 1989.

Special thanks goes to Mary Katherine Mertes for arranging all of the 325 dinners and social events and for giving Fred that added luck. Also, thanks to the race committes - Kitty Racine, Rob Davis, Molly Murray, Tucker Thompson, Seith Frankle and any and all others.

See you on the water in " 89.

## GRAND TRAVERS YACHT CLUB (326) Michigan District Sailing on Grand Traverse Bay at Traverse City, Michigan

Fleet Captain . .................... Paul C. Davis
Fleet Secretary .............. John Van Dalson

| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7007 |  | Michael Fisher |
| 13932 | Blue Jay | Paul C, Davis |
| 14149 |  | John Bruder |
|  |  | R. Garrett Demarest, III |

No Report.

\section*{JYVASKYLAN LIGHTNING FLEET (328) Finland District <br> Sailing on Lake Paiijanne at Jyvaskyla, Finland <br> | Fleet Captain | Ilkka Lilja |
| :---: | :---: |
| Fleet Secretary | Samppa J. Salminen |
| Fleet Champion | Samppa J. Salminen |
| Runner-Up | Ari Kokko |


| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 12479 | Melanic | Antero Westerlund |
| 12908 | Lola | Ari Kokko |
| 12918 | Mafalda | Vesa Purokuro |
| 12996 | Kristiina | Samppa J. Salminen |
| 13437 | Viuhahtaja | Vesa Purokuru |
| 13734 | Valko | Ilkka \& Anssi Lilja |

No Report.

## SEVERN RIVER FLEET (329) Dixie District Sailing on Chesapeake Bay at Annapolis, Maryland



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14207 14278
Once again, the season produced a variety of conditions, from thrills and spills to drifters, and lots in between. Something for everyone.
NO GAS: 20 boats. Four races were sailed in the first day of racing in $10-18$ knots providing a great beginning for the Fleet 329 season, but on Sunday, alas, it pooped out on us. Most boats were at anchor within sight of the weather mark when the "abandon" was signalled. Results: Brad Read first; Ched Proctor, second; Fred Mertes, third; Moose McClintockj, fourth and Mark Schneider, fifth.

SSA ANNUAL SPRING: Eight boats. A stagnant weather system produced August conditions in the usually breezy month of May and no racing was achieved on Saturday. Sunday, after considerable delay and debate, two light-air races were staged with Phil Grothier emerging the winner, Joe Friebele second and Pam Marks third.
WOMEN'S DISTRICTS: Four boats. Although only four boats raced, this regatta was very tightly sailed with the lead changing hands several times each race and the boats bunched up at many marks. Breeze ranged from 5 to 15 for the three-race series seeing Mary Anna Elliot winning, Robin Turner second and Julie Winters third, once again, a Fleet 329 sweep.
DIXIE DISTRICTS: 23 boats. Held this year in Rehoboth, the first day produced crisp breezes off the Atlantic and a typical number of general recalls before everyone settled down. The second day produced an untypical dying breeze with huge shifts. The pattern emerged early on with Fred Mertes the eventual winner and 329's Steve Bachman and Don Delorme tied for second with Steve taking the tie-breaker.
SSA ANNUAL SUMMER: 13 boats. A tightly contested regatta in light air and hot, summer conditions resulted in a win for Bob Wardwell. Phil Grothier won the last two races to lock up second place while Steve Bachman edged out John Richardson by one point for third.

SSA ANNUAL FALL: 10 boats. The first day saw $15-17$ knots, perfect Lightning conditions (in August?) with almost every boat getting a chance to lead the pack at some point or another. The second day was even better with steady wind at $17-20$ knots and lots of big rollers to plane on. At the end it was Joe Friebele first, Mike Denning second and Allen Crew coming down from Pennsylvania to take third. With good race committee work, this was probably the best regatta of the season.

MARYLAND GOVERNOR'S CUP: Nine boats. There being dire forecasts of bad weather on Sunday, the race committee elected to sail all three scheduled races on Saturday. Breeze was $6-10$ knots with some slopright up Joe Friebele's alley, as he posted a bullet in every race. Real battles took place down the line, however, with Mike Denning securing a hold on second and Simeon Coxe beating Steve Bachman in a tie-breaker for third.
FRIGID DIGIT: 37 boats. Matt Fisher came down from Columbus, turned on the afterburners and was gone! He won all three races in 10-20 knots with the usual Chesapeake Bay chop that confounds so many sailors, locals and visitors alike. Tom Allen, Jr. was second, and with his second at the Borderline, captured the combined regatta title. Third was Ched Proctor, and Brad Read took fourth in a tie-breaker with Jody Swanson. This regatta always reads like a "Who's Who" of Lightning sailing, and 329's Joe Friebele and Steve Bachman sailed tough to break into the top 10 with a seventh and tenth respectively.
The post-race socializing was its usual informal self with kegs and cook-outs being the rule. Several of our members sailed in the 50th Anniversary bash at Skaneateles as well as numerous other out-of-town regattas. We're an active bunch. Come join us!

SQUAM LAKE LIGHTNING FLEET (332) New England District Sailing on Big Squam Lake at Holderness, New Hampshire

| Fleet Captain | Wally Ackley |
| :---: | :---: |
| Fleet Secretary | . Peter Adams |
| Fleet Champion | Dwight Gertz |
| Runner-Up | Dave Clossen |


| Boat No. <br> 5615 | Boat Name | Skipper <br> Peter Adams |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 7796 | Woodwind | Doug Walker |
| 10555 | Jumbo | Dwight Gertz |
| 10732 | Go Moshun | David D. Closson |
| 12266 | Wind Witch | Doug Walker |


| Tashidelek | Wallace E. Ackley |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Jack Russell |
| $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Tim Montgomery |
| Super Shuttle | Robert Ayotte |



The authentic 1939 banner is examined by Fleet 332 research team. Carbon 14 dating is a possibility if funds can be raised.

Isolated in the White Mountains of New Hampshire, Fleet 332 was hard pressed to come up with an appropriate celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Lightning. Where ingenuity failed, however, guilt triumphed! Early in the season, the fleet leadership was approached by Richardson Blair, former Philadephia lawyer, current delegate to the New Hampshire House of Representatives and frequent race committee chairman on Squam Lake. Dick had a ticklish diplomatic mission. He was acting as an intermediary for an anonymous former Lightning sailor.
This sailor it seems, had sailed Lightnings since 1939. Furthermore, he had competed in the first Lightning Nationals that summer in New Jersey. He did pretty well actually, finishing fourth. But the last night of the regatta, he committed an act of youthful indiscretion by misappropriating the great WELCOME LIGHTNINGS banner which hung from the Bay Head Yacht Club.
For 49 years, he led an otherwise respectable life but always remained haunted by this dark secret. Finally, he had approached the local representatives of the Lightning class to return his ill gotten banner and request a pardon. The officers of Fleet 332 were magnanimous in their outlook and granted an unconditional pardon in return for the purloined banner. As a result, Fleet 332 now possesses one of the oldest relics of the Lightning Class and the anonymous Howdy Wood sleeps better every night in his retirement on the West Coast.

Our season was highlighted by good turnouts and good racing. Dwight Gertz won the Fleet Championship and the new Bob Custance Trophy for the Around the Lake Race. Dave Closson won the Closson Bowl in the last races of the year, George Deyett from Massabesic dominated the annual regatta with straight firsts.

The season ended with our annual dinner party. We elected Wally Ackley and Peter Adams as new fleet officers. Wally immediately established his credentials by giving his acceptance speech in song with lyrics stolen from HMS PINAFORE. Everything looks good for 1989.

## BARNEGAT LIGHT YACHT CLUB (335) LIGHTNING FLEET Central Atlantic District Sailing at Harvey Cedars, New Jersey

Fleet Captain .................... Paul B. Wood Fleet Secretary . ......... . . C. Lawrence Murphy Fleet Champion . ......................... John Faus Runner-Up . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Paul B. Wood
Boat No.
10526
13007

| Boat Name | Skipper |
| :--- | :--- |
| Talisman | Paul B. Wood |
| Thunderball | David C. Faus |


| 13876 | Mis Mar Ker | C. Lawrence Murphy |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

It seemed like two summers this year or at least two seasons. In fact, given the amount of sailing we were able to accomplish it did seem like two seasons - one with no sailing and the other with poor sailing. The good times seemed to be the away events and regattas, primarily the Long Beach Island Championships at Little Egg and the Districts, with some of us venturing north to Skaneateles for the 50th. The bad times seemed to be standing at the dock completely enshrouded by fog that normally would burn off by noon but this year took until sunset. When we finally got on the course the tides seemed to be against us with such low water that occasionally (this happened to yours truly) rudders dragged to the point of losing steerability. Notwithstanding these tales of woe, it is always fun to be on the water enjoying good fellowship. Next year the winds will be right, the tide will be up and we can't wait for spring - already!

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

|  | Fleet Captain <br> Fleet Secretary <br> Fleet Champion <br> Runner-Up | Walt Nial ...... James Millard James Millard Walt Nial/Dale Brown |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| 7123 | Rocky | Harold B. Hansen |
| 7809 |  | James R. Buhrmaster |
| 11519 |  | Dale H. Brown |
| 12115 |  | James Dickson |
| 12130 |  | Cornell C. Cawley, Jr. |
| 12573 |  | Kenneth E. Buhrmaster |
| 13655 | Huggie | R. James Millard |

While our numbers were low, those who were able to race enjoyed nice moderate breezes that made the heat seem a little less uncomfortable, still, when the race was finished, a dip in the lake and restoration of fluids was mandatory.
Jim Millard, with wife Nell and brother Doug, spurred on by the waiting G \& Ts at dockside, were again able to take the first place trophy. They were followed by the Walt Nial/Dale Brown combo and Jim Dickson. Rumor has it that the second and third place boats carried refreshment on board and so were not as eager as Jim, Nell and Doug to cross the finish line and put the chute up for home. Hopefully, next year Maury Gardner, Ken Buhrmaster and Cornell Cawley will be able to join us on the pond.

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PENTWATER LIGHTNING FLEET (340) Michigan District Sailing on Lake Pentwater at Pentwater, Michigan <br> Fleet Treasurer Warren Shader <br> \begin{tabular}{lll}

Boat No. \& Boat Name \& | Skipper |
| :--- |
| 9259 | <br>

Took \& Mary Ann Bates
\end{tabular} <br> No Report.

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| LAKE GENEVA SAILING CLUB (345) Midwest District |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Captain ...... <br> Secretary ...... | ...... Gene Matthews Gene Matthews |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Boat No. } \\ & 12822 \\ & 13941 \end{aligned}$ | Boat Name Spike "Mr. Wonderful" | Skipper Audrey Matteson Gene Matthews |
| No Report |  |  |

LAKE LANIER LIGHTNING FLEET (348)

## Southeastern District

Sailing on Lake Lanier,
Lanier Sailing Club at Flowery Branch, Georgia
Fleet Captain $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. Ken Wallace
Fleet Secretary $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ Sue Headlee
Fleet Champion $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ Ken Wallace
Runner-Up $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ Marty Headlee

| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5896 | Blind Faith | Robert D. Shingler |
| 9420 |  | Marty Headiee |
| 9570 | Ariel | William L. Pulgram |
| 10009 | Ol'Blue | Richard Boyles |
| 10111 | "Lord Jim" | Robert Schindel |
| 12935 | Lemon Pic | Ken Wallace |
| 13729 |  | Thomas W. Wynn |
|  |  | John Brian Johnstone |

No Report.

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HARVEYS LAKE LIGHTNING FLEET (350) <br> Metropolitan District Sailing on Harveys Lake, PA <br> Fleet Secretary . . . . . . . . . . . . Damon A. Young <br> | Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 12363 | Red Baron | Paul A. Priebe, Jr. |
| 14257 | Persnickety | Scott B. Shuster |
| No Report. |  |  |

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## HOOVER YACHT CLUB (353)

Ohio District

## Sailing on Hoover Reservoir, Columbus, Ohio

Fleet Captain . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Ehmann Miller
Fleet Secretary/Treasurer . . . . . Donald McCusker

| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 12015 | The Goldie Marie | Ehmann J. Miller |
| 13426 | Juice | Donald F. McCusker |

No Report.

## LIGHTNING FLOTTE MURTENSEE (358) Switzerland District Sailing on Lake of Murten in Switzerland

Fleet Captain $\qquad$ Hans-Peter Schmid
Fleet Secretary $\qquad$ - Andreas Hofer

| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 4849 | Krampus | Paul Kurth |
| 10899 | Damafimo | Daniel Fischlin |
| 11108 | Baribor | Roland Baumgartner |
| 11857 | Lumpazi | Jean-Pierre Durr |
| 12951 | Santa Fiamma | Jacques Perret |
| 12952 | Noa | Stefan Scharer |
| 13161 | Black Hausi | Urs Schar |
| 13692 | Milan | Hans-Peter Schmid |
| 13790 | Meltemi | Urs Wyler |
| No Report. |  |  |

# CATAWBA (365) Southeastern District Sailing on Lake Wylie, Charlotte, North Carolina 



The 1988 sailing season was rather uneventful for the fleet in general. In addition to our Tuesday night racing series, a fun race was introduced in an attempt to attract some of the less serious sailors. This event has been appropriately labeled the "PUB RUN" and it involves a five mile race up the lake - using any means of propulsion except motors - to a lakeside pub. Here the weary and thirsty sailors are met with suitable refreshments and nibblies. This event proved to be very well received and will likely grow in coming years.
On the more serious side, two of our fleet members attended the North Americans in San Diego. Bob Bazett along with his crew of Don Wilson and Mike Gillett made the trip as did Neil MacGibbons who was crewing for Alan Hunt of Seattle. Although the conditions encountered on the race course proved to be frustrating, the onshore activities made up for it with a great time being had by all.

We look forward to the 1989 sailing season, with hopes for fair winds and an increase in fleet activity.

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

Fleet Co-Captains .. Bruce Arnold \& Mark Patty
Fleet Champion . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Mike Molina
Runner-Up . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Bruce Arnold

| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 6028 |  | Mark Williams |
| 9124 | Cadence | John Hobbs |
| 9169 | Genie II | Michael A. Molina |
| 9433 | My Perfect Moment | Chuck Ellery |
| 10222 | Tomato Sloop | Jerry E. K. Rochte |
| 10809 | ................. | Mark Barnes |
| 13243 |  | Mark Patty |
| 13247 | Blitzen | Edward F. Sporl |
| 13783 | Peppermint Patty Too | Bruce Arnold |
| 13869 |  | Paul Descalso |
| 13943 | Raggedy Ann 4 | Mark D. Patty |
| 14079 | Casper | John Hoffman |
| 14205 |  | Mike Molina |

The year for Fleet 372 was not one of the best, but at least survivable. General participation at local regattas was down, but our hard core four made most of the distance events at the 'California Circuit' and 'Districts' in San Diego, the 'Olympic Classes' in Long Beach, the 'Pacific Coasts' in Oregon and the two Cachuma regattas near Santa Barbara. Of course, the North Americans in San Diego were also a hot ticket.

We fielded our first Women's North American Championship crewLynn Huntley, Sue Arnold and Arlene Molina. They really made us proud by taking second in the championships. Bruce Arnold, Chuck Ellery and Mark Patty each put boats up for the big show, but missed the blue fleet cut.

Mark finished obscurely in the green fleet, Bruce did about the same in the yellow. However, Chuck Ellery won the Governor's Cup! So, our August in San Diego was pretty neat. We all had a terrific time, thanks to the super job by our Mission Bay friends.

Of the good things from North Americans, another is Mike and Arlene Molina's new boat. Arlene crewed for Tom Allen (whoa!) and talked him out of a replacement craft for Genic II. This resulted in a bad thing; Mike is now the Fleet Champion largely thanks to the late season heat from the new boat.

For 1989, we have our work cut out for us. We need some local fleet growth. It looks like we can spot a Lightning into the San Francisco International Boat Show again in early 89. We have also talked about leaning more heavily on the family aspects of the Lightning to attract new owners.

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

| Fleet Captain .................................. Young <br> Fleet Secretary/Treasurer ..... Dr. Howard Eddy <br> Fleet Champion ................... Jack Young <br> Runner-Up .................... Maurice Olsaver |
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Boat No.
10198
12754

Boat Name
Mer-Sea
Shrub

Skipper
John G. Young
David O. Peters

No Report.

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

| cet Captain | nis Dudley |
| :---: | :---: |
| Fleet Secretary | Fred Hull |
| Fleet Champion | Alan Becke |
| Runner-Up | Holtkamp |


| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 232 | Desperado | James Hamilton |
| 5885 | Red Baroness | Raymond C. Yerkie |
| 12561 |  | Ronald W. Wilson |
| 12888 | Do Rite | D. Dennis Dudley |
| 13031 |  | Larry Koster |
| 13595 | Lady Jane | Robert E. Klimek |
| 13736 |  | Terrell L. Kleiman |
| 13903 | Bananas | Alan M. Becke |
| 14147 | Hull Speed | Fred Hull |
|  |  | Robert M. Hill |

The 1988 sailing season marked the 25 th anniversary of the Lansing Sailing Club. The 25 th anniversary Annual Spring Tune-Up Lightning Regatta was won by Mike Dow, Jr., who is the son of a charter member of the Lansing Sailing Club and former Lightning sailor.

The Lightning Fleet remains the largest and most active fleet at the Lansing Sailing Club and during the 1988 sailing season Fleet 387 gained 3 new members - Chris Thomas, Terry Kleiman, and Tom Rasmussen.

The midwest drought made an already shallow lake seem like a shore to shore sandbar. More than one sailor lost a lead when the boat abruptly stopped in a good wind.

The three holiday pienics at the Lansing Sailing Club included "fun" races which found crew at the tiller and the captain taking orders. The fun races included extra maneuvers; a 720 in the middle of a leg. gates between marks, and passing a ball that had to be signed by every crew before the end of the race.

On one race day, following the races, several boats went back out on the water and an impromptu "sponge fight" ensued. Wet sponges were tossed from boat to boat and most crew members were thoroughly drenched in a very short time. It was a terrific exercise in tacking, jibing, and sponge throwing, and rather exhausting. The fleet and club plan more such "dog fights" in the next sailing season.


Sailing on Lake Michigan at Manitowoc, Wisconsin

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| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Boat No. } \\ & 12380 \end{aligned}$ | Boat Name Flatus | Skipper <br> Karl M. Miller |
| No Report. |  |  |
| ST. MARYS LIGHTNING FLEET (400 <br> Ohio District |  |  |
| Sailing on Grand Lake St. Marys, St. Mary |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| 7372 . .............. Addis Katterhe |  |  |
| 8441 Adam's Rib Addis Katterhe |  |  |
| 9884 Sandbagger Richard C. Ba |  |  |
| 13665 Knot-T Knot-T Phillip |  |  |

Club racing at St. Marys Boat Club was cut a little short during the 1988 season by a dredging program in our channel, and an unusually dry summer. We were able to get in a good series and host our annual Thundermug Regatta. John McCree of Bay City, Michigan came away with "all honors".
If you have never sailed on our large lake, we invite you to join us at our "Thundermug" to be held June 3-4 in 1989. Our strategic location in the northwest corner of the state makes it a potential classic for Lightning sailors from Indiana, Michigan and Ohio to compete for "bragging rights". Come and join us!

GUANABARA (401)
Brazil District Sailing at Guanabara Bay
Fleet Captain
.. Claudio Allevato Fleet Secretary

Elizabeth A. Chaves

| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper <br> 8233 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 9193 | Tiorga X | Silvio Pinheiro Da Silva, Jr. |
| 11706 | Cartola | Renato Valenca |
| 11713 | Almar VII | Alzir Faria, Jr. |
| 14320 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Sergio Gilaberte |
| No Report. |  | $\ldots \ldots \ldots$ |
| Jorge J. Rodrigues |  |  |

SALINAS YACHT CLUB (405)
Ecuador District
Sailing on the Pacific Ocean
Fleet Secretary ............... Juan Carlos Plaza

| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 11505 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Carlos Lecaro <br> 11263 |
| 11928 | Monona | Santiago Romero B. |
|  | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Juan Santos G. |


| 12422 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Juan Carlos Plaza P. <br> 13441 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 14099 | Splash | Aparicio Plaza P. |
| 14145 | Culilla | Juan Carlos Plaza P. |
| 14160 | Co Lo | Juan Carlos Plaza P. |
| 14163 | Co | Santiago Romero B. |
| No Report. |  |  |

No Report.

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

Fleet Captain $\qquad$ Aldred K. Warren, III Fleet Secretary $\qquad$ , Jimmic Nickell
Boat No
10386
10722
10723
12281
12336
12603
12704
13140
13856
14044
14248

| Boat Name | Skipper |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | Aldred K. Warren, III |
| Strike | Joseph H. Wishon |
|  | Beth Anne \& Mike Cochran |
|  | Samuel Booke |
|  | William W, Pleasants |
| Dad's Toy II | Delbert E. Foster |
|  | Bruce W. Smith |
|  | Henry M. Booke |
|  | William R. Deaton, III |
| Special K II | Gordon P. Kellogg |
|  | Frank Mills |

## Skipper

10386
10722
10723
12281
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12603
12704
13140
13856
14248
No Report

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

|  | Fleet Captain Fleet Secretary Fleet Champion Runner-Up ... | Leonard Krawcheck ... Crayton Walters ... Crayton Walters Leonard Krawcheck |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| 13145 | Indian Underwear | W. Crayton Walters, III |
| 13403 | Caroline | Franklin E. Robson |
| 14050 | Land Shark | Leonard Krawche |

Fleet 429 celebrated the 50th Anniversary by hosting the always dramatic and enduring Southeastern District Championships. The Charleston Yacht Club was exemplary in their work and kindness in helping host and run this regatta.

Both Kraweheck and Walters were in top form when Fleet 429 held their championship on a rather warm and beautiful Carolina Sunday afternoon. As one of the most hotly contested races of the century, it was clear that Krawcheck would not get away so easily in 1988 . The final leg was worthy of this historical 50th year as Walters narrowly edged Krawcheck at the finish for the ceremonial gun. Later, in the Yacht Club, as Krawcheck was consoled by family and friends. Walters admitted to paying off his crew for various forms of sabotage to his speed and performance. Townie Krawcheck will have a new Christmas wardrobe and will be spending the holidays in the Greek Isles.
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

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

Fleet Captain ............... Michael G. Irving Fleet Secretary .............. Richard E. Warren Fleet Champion .................. Kent Rydberg Runner-Up ................. Richard E. Warren<br>Boat Name<br>Northwind<br>Windy Too<br>Off<br>Quantum Leap<br>St. Elmo's Fire<br>\section*{Beaujolais}<br>.................<br>\section*{Fulmen}

Boat No.
7124
11071
11219
12123
12244
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14074
14138
14157

Fuly lighting fleet on
The most easterly Lightning fleet on Long Island (Feet 431) sails out of Southampton Yacht Club, located off of Little Neck Road, Southampton. The clean and deep waters of Shinnecock Bay, located immediately adjacent to the Atlantic Ocean, provide excellent Lightning races throughout much of the year. Steady southwesterlies off the Atlantic provide close and competitive racing, such as that seen during the 1988 season at the Southampton Yacht Club,
Fleet 431 started the sailing season with the annual flag raising ceremony on June 18th, with the first race of the Championship Series starting that afternoon. Throughout much of the season, 8-12 boats made it to the starting line for the Saturday races, making this year's racing exciting and competitive. The Wednesday Night racing series started on June 22nd, with the usual enthusiastic group of younger members of the Southampton Yacht Club. A pot-luck supper usually followed the Wednesday Night races, a nice way to break up the week for many of the members of the club.
Kent Rydberg sailing Quantum Leap (12123) demonstrated his sailing skills thoughout the season, taking first place for the season for both the Saturday Scries and the Wednesday Night Series. Rich Warren (14138) took the runner-up spot for the Championship Series, while John Halsey sailing Windy Too (11071) was runner-up for the Wednesday Night Series. The Early Season trophy was won by Hugh Halsey. II, M.D., and the Late Season Trophy being taken by Gary Glanz sailing Fulmen (14157). The Time Allowance Trophy was won by skipper Randy Cardo, who has shown a dramatic improvement in his sailng skills over the 1988 year. Look out for Cardo next year - he'll be in the running!

First-year skipper Michael Steele and his crew Jim Ledogar demonstrated their skills in sailing the Dreadnaught (7822), the oldest active boat in the Fleet. Sailing with wooden spars, Steele and Ledogar were able to compete during many of the races, and kept their woodie moving fast. Watch out for Steele if he gets new sails and a spinnaker! (Rumors have it that Jim Ledogar was bitten by the sailing bug, and will be skippering his own boat next year at Southampton, increasing our fleet!)


At the dock on Shinnecock Bay:

The Independence Day Cup races were held on July 2 and July 4th, with Hugh Halsey, II, M.D. with $51 / 2$ points edging out Kent Rydberg with 8 points for first place to take home the Cup. The Labor Day Series regatta at SYC also provided for some competitive sailing. Only two races were completed this year, as the third race was called off with winds in excess of 25 knots (and two boats being disabled - one with a snapped mast and the other a broken boom). Timothy Rumph showed his heavy air sailing skills, taking first place.

The Southampton Yacht Club hosted two other regattas during the 1988 season: the Long Island District Championships, and the Annual Southhampton Fall Classic. The strong southwesterly winds during the "Districts" provided for an exciting four races for the sixteen boats competing on July 9 and 10. Equipment breakdowns and a finish line collision occurred during the first day of this fast and furious racing. When all the races were completed, Paul, Joe and Dennis McCann of Great South Bay Yacht Club won the final tally with $61 / 2$ points, edging out Bruce Atkinson also of Great South Bay with 71/2 points for second place, with Tim Rumph of Southampton taking third.

The final racing for the year at Southampton Yacht Club ended with the Annual Fall Classic on October 1-2. The four races provided for exciting sailing and extremely competitive racing with strong southwesterly breezes ( $18-25$ knots). Boats from Long Island, Connecticut, Rhode Island and New Jersey came to Southampton to enjoy the excellent racing conditions on Shinnecock Bay. After the two days of racing. Jack Elfman of Surf City Yacht Club, NJ took first place, with John Oldham III of Niantic Yacht Club, CT taking a close second. Third place went to Tim Rumph of Southampton, who edged out Joe, Paul and Dennis McCann in a tiebreaker. We hope to see others at SYC next year at our Fall Annual Classic Regatta, to experience Shinnecock Bay's excellent sailing conditions!

The Southampton Yacht Club junior sailing program expanded tremendously during the 1988 season, with much credit going to Erich Glanz, Chairman of the Junior Sailing Program Committee. Also to be commended for their fine work are Jeanne-Marie Lynch (Instructor) and Chris Weicks (Club Steward) who taught the 12-16 youngsters learning to sail in our fleet of Optimists. Following some competitive sailing at other local yacht clubs, the Eastern Long Island Yachting Association (ELIYA) named Dillon Scott, of the Southampton Yacht Club Junior Sailing Program, the 1988 Midget Sailor of the Year. We look forward to seeing our younger sailors move up into Bluejays and Lightnings.

We hope to have another exciting and successful Lightning series during 1989. Come and join us!

## LIGHTNING FLEET (432) Colombia District Club Nautico Del Tomine

Fleet Captain . . . . . . . ............ Julio Tejero B.

## Boat No.

12679
12767
13045

Boat Name Topo Milkshake Charlie

## Boat Name

Juan Carlos Ramirez
Gonzalo Tejero Cristian Corsen

In the National Championship three of our fleet skippers had outstanding results. Cristian Corsen came in eighth place, Juan Carlos Ramirez came in tenth, and Gonzalo Tejero finished 13th.

Skipper Juan Carlos Ramirez and crew Pablo Ramirez and Hernan Holch were second in the District Junior Championship and went to the Youth World Championships at Tampere. Finland, in August 1988 where they finished ninth.

Our fleet has oriented its activities toward young crews and have had good results in a short period of time. Soon we hope to organize international youth events.

Fleet 432 was in charge or organizing last scason's regatta schedule and carried out an important official role by hosting the South American Championships. Unfortunately we did not have any significant place finishes in the championship races.

## RUSH CREEK YACHT CLUB (435)

## Texas District

 Sailing on Lake Ray Hubbard at Dallas, Texas


Fleet 435 preparing for a race! Photo credit: Janelle Garrett

| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7205 | Calico Cat | Arthur M. Wilson |
| 10405 | Brews Brothers | Henry L. Hoefelmeyer |
| 10937 | Honey B. | S.R. Newman, DDS \& Clarke Newman, O.D. |
| 11046 | Andros Dos | Vernon R. Goidberg |
| 11340 | Masada | Martin F. Feybush |
| 11425 | Cool Running | Roger R. Parks |
| 12289 |  | Rick Tears |
| 12835 |  | Rick Tears |
| 13200 |  | Bill Keating |
| 13311 | Pandora | Robert H. Thomas |
| 13691 |  | Greg Hatfield |
| 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 |

Our season runs through November, so we report the season champion and runner-up for 1987

Our Spring Series started the second week of March with good fleet participation and exciting conditions. The winds averaged 20 to 25 knots resulting in three boats being put out of commission. The series was very close with Warren Lewis taking first and Devry Garrett taking second.

The Texas Districts started with moderate winds in the morning allowing a close first race. The afternoon turned into a drifter which was finally called. The winds held the following morning allowing two quick races to be completed to call it a regatta. The results were Warren Lewis taking first, Clarke Newman in second and Devry Garrett holding third.

The Summer Series fell victim to the usual north Texas weather pattern, very hot days and light air. The series consisted of six races which went to Clarke Newman with Warren Lewis taking second.

The fleet held its own this year with Roger Parks joining in 11425, For the first time in years we have a junior boat on the lake and Greg Hatfield and Richarfd Guinan are back. Warren covered a few miles this year taking the Hernando DeSoto in Memphis and also he and Richard Guinan made it to San Diego.

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

Fleet Captain/Secretary ... Edward M. Colie, III Fleet Champion . . ..................... Bill George Runner-Up . ............................ Ed Colie
Boat No.
12705
12712
Boat Name
Skipper
Windance
Bill George Edward M. Colic, III

Feet 440 made some changes in the Fleet Championship series to encourage new Lightning owners, offering an opportunity to learn under less pressure. This also provided more opportunities for non-Lightning sailors to experience the boat under racing conditions. The Fleet Championship was decided in the sailing elub's Open Regatta in September. The fleet races throughout the year gave the new sailors the experience they needed. As a result the competition between Bob Moore and Ed Colie for second in the Fleet Championship was finally decided when Bob tired with the "light air blues" and Ed stepped in with his classic persistence. A boat tuning, sail trim, and spinnaker handling seminar with on-the-water practice got the season off to a good start. Ed Colie's enthusiasm and recruitment have resulted in additions to the fleet. These additions are a real boost to the fleet and they will soon be prepared to join us on the race course. Fleet participation was not strong enough to support a Lightning regatta this year for the first time since the fleet was chartered, but there's hope for the future as 440 begins rebuilding.

# FOND DU LAC LIGHTNING FLEET (442) Midwest District Sailing on Lake Winnebago at Fond du Lac, Wisconsin 

Fleet Captain $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ Mike Elmergreen
Fleet Secretary $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ Mike Elmergreen
Fleet Champion $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ Jeff Johnson
Runner-Up


Mike Elmergreen and crew on "Escape".
Photo credit: Bill Faude

| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 359 | First Attempt | Peter \& Robert A. Chisholm |
| 13280 | Fan-T-Sea | Tom Drews |
| 13580 | Splurge | Jeffrey P. Johnson |
| 13617 | Escape | Mike Elmergreen |

Fleet 442 had another great year with excellent weather and good competition. The year started with the Lighthouse Regatta in early June. With Bill Faude as the expert Race Committee chairman and the weather gods cooperating, we were able to get in five perfect races. Ric Larson captured top honors with Tryg Jacobson in second. After these two Sheboygan boats were Kevin Blair, Mike Huffman, and Geary Gaspord.

The Tuesday night summer series went very well for Lightnings. With eight classes racing under the Portsmouth handicap system, Lightnings took the top three places. Mike Elmergreen was first, followed by Jeff Johnson. Third was taken by the rapidly improving and enthusiastic Tom Drews.

A new series was tested this year on Sunday afternoons. Three of the six scheduled races were completed. Mike Elmergreen took first in his new Laser. The top Lightning finisher was Jeff Johnson in third place just behind Don Cayen's 470.
Fleet 442 did some traveling this year. Pete Chisholm took his boat (359) to the 50th Anniversary Regatta at Skaneateles for a tenth place finish. Mike Elmergreen and his wife, Sue Dorscheid, crewed for Rick Larsen in the North American's to an exciting sixth place finish in San Diego. Also, Jeff Johnson skippered his first out-of-town regatta in Sheboygan and then went on to a third place finish at Davenport.
With the good showing by Lightnings we are hoping to convert sailors from our other classes. We are still hoping to grow and are looking forward to another fun season.

## SAN PABLO FLEET (447)

 Ecuador District Sailing on Lago San Pablo at Quito, Ecuador

No Report.

## MARSALA LIGHTNING FLEET (449) Italian District



No Report.


Fleet 449 Secretary Valenti's Lightning displayed at a boat show held in Marsala.

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



Fleet 450 had fallen on hard times. The water is still in the lake and the winds still blow, but it is difficult to get any silors to utilize the facilities on a regular basis. It is so sad to see four or five Lightnings moored without crews on race days.

There is some good news. The State of Maine Championships were a moderate success in view of the fact the 50th Regatta was held the week before the State. Ray Harrington from Fleet 227 nosed out Pat MacQueen for first. Third place went to Norm Deyett. We were lucky to have Dave White as our Race Committee Chairman. He just got back from the 50th Anniversary shin-dig and gave us a fine report of what took place. I think that Dave was the only Mainiac that sailed in the " 50 th".
Even though our fleet has fallen in size we all still have to eat so we will be ready again in '89 for the State Championships on July 8-9.
One of the bright spots of the season was Sarah Booney and her crew of Chris Ireland and Chris McKee, who took home the second place trophy in the District Junior Championship held on Lake Bomoseen, Vermont.

Of course, I feel good to know that Curtis Turner has resurrected my old 7896 and is in the process of cleaning four years of neglect off since I sold the boat five or six years ago.
Hopefully 1989 will be the best year for everyone.

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

Fleet Captain . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Paolo Rosi Fleet Secretary . . . . . . . . . . . . . Sergio Rustichelli

| Boat No. Boat Name | Skipper <br> 8621 | Lilian |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 10781 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Danielo Pelosi |
| 13062 | Winny 2 | Pabio Cherubini |
| 13271 | King Furious III | Carlo Musi \& Mario Forgione |
| 13455 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Sauro Scarpocchi |
| 13462 | Areknames II | Fabio Nicchiarelli |
| 13715 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. | Eugenio Branca |
| 13841 | Atom | Franco DeRegis |
| 14228 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Sergio Rustichelli |
| 14316 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Sergio Rustichelli |
| No Report. |  |  |

No Report.

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

Fleet Captain ................... Antero Punttila Fleet Secretry . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Timo Evila Fleet Champion . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Pentti Laitinen Runner-Up . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Leo Korhonen

| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5552 |  | Jorma Lehtonen |
| 9438 | Kulkuri | Petri Siiskonen |
| 12429 | Maruzella | Antero Punttila |
| 12434 | Sunday Sailor | Leo Manninen |
| 12757 |  | Veijo Meisalo |
| 12907 | Lizi | Leo Korhonen |
| 13098 | Vipunen | Lauri Hamalainen |
| 13130 |  | Matti Torkkeli |
| 13413 | Amarillo | Pertti Pyy |
| 13562 | Amanda | Hannu Hanskala |
| 14018 |  | Pentti Laitinen |
| 14179 |  | Tuomo Kauhanen |
|  |  | Miimu Matilainen |



Fleet 456 at the '88 World Youth Championship - the Bumble-Bee team ready to take off.

On the Rocks Regatta opened our sailing season 88 as traditionally in early May, just a couple of weeks after ice was melted away on our Lake. Eleven Lightnings sailed in light winds and eagerly waited for District, European and Youth Worlds Championships among many other exciting races this year in Finland.

Three boats from our Fleet participated in the Finland District Championship. Miimu Matilainen was best with her Bumble-Bee team: Outi Haila and Majja Pyy. These juniors sailed extremely well placing eighth. Harti Nisonen was ninth and Pentti Laitinen 13th.

The big happening of the year was the Europeans in Tampere. We got seven boats on the road. Nobody was in the top ten, but everyone had fun. Heavy winds and big waves on this great lake compared to our small one caused a lot of problems and breakdowns to our crews. We could see and only admire Italian and Grecian speed on windward legs and also Swiss flying spinnakers downwind. Our best was Leo Korhonen with his duaghter Anne-Marie and son Rainer, finishing 14th. Hartti Nisonen was 16 th and Pentti Laitinen 25th. The Bumble-Bee team, helmed by Miimu Matilainen, capsized and finished at 28th, but won the best starter award. Antero Punttila was 30th and Pertti Pyy 34th. A beginner team of Matti Torkkeli struggled in heavy conditions and took 37th place.

The World Youth Championship 88 was sailed the next week on the same lake and two crews from our Fleet participated. The regatta was really demanding, internationally flavored and enjoyable. Our juniors Ville Lahteinen, Juha Ruskeepaa and Antti Lahteinen did a superb job and gained the bronze. The Bumble-Bee team was seventh.

The Fleet was also present at the ILCA 50th Anniversary regatta in Skaneateles, N. Y., where Pentti Laitinen was 94th in the Gold Fleet. He also won the Fleet 456 Champs this year. The Laitinen's family business has time everywhere and sails good, too.

The year was busy and good to the Fleet, although we lost some active members overseas: Maija Pyy moved to Canada as an exchange student, Ari Koskinen transferred with this Lightning to Australia and Chris Winter went to train the American 470 Olympic team. We all wish them good times and believe that some day they will come back again. We also got new senior sailors, when Veijo Meisalo and Timo Hongisto joined us. Welcome! As we are now ready for the skiing season, we are already looking forward to a new successful sailing year and starting to prepare for Athens.

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



The sixth annual Invitational as hosted by Fleet 461 , attracting boats from all fleets in the Florida District as did the Washington Day Regatta on Lake Eustis.

We look forward to the Red Lobster Regatta (formally Citrus Bowl) in December as it will be the second leg of our Florida Triple Crown.

Fisk and Steve Hayden represented our fleet at the North Americans in San Diego. We welcome everyone to Florida for the Circuit in March. Ya 'all come.

GUARAPIRANGA LAKE LIGHTNING FLEET (462) Brazilian District Sailing on Lake Guarapiranga, Sao Paulo, Brazil
Fleet Captain .................. Per Olov Hornell Fleet Secretary . . . . . . . . . . . .... Ingrid Hornell Fleet Champions . . . . . . . . . Michael A. Norris \& Mario Buckup
Runner-Up ..................... Per Olov Hornell

Boat No.
6558
8088
11693
11713
12440
12513
12526
12657
12812
14071
14167
14168
14169
14170
14290

Boat Name
GTX
Patinho Feio
Easy Rider
Xamego
Patua
Abuelo
Gringo VII
Perereca
Flash Rider
Xamego II
Flying Cloud
Alerastum

Skipper
Jens C. Ruschmann
Cesar Murilo Barbi
Brian Murray
Nelson Schmitt Arthur Z. De Farias Per Olov Hornell Alberto M. Torres Per Olov Hornell Michael Anthony Norris \& Mario Buckup
Nelson Small Schmitt Michacl Anthony Norris Jens C. Ruschmann Bernardus T. Marttin Rodrigo Braga do Amaral Gurgel Cesar Murilo Barbi
James Sumner
Thomas G. S. Sumner

1988 was a very active year for our fleet clearly demonstrating our celebration of the 50 years.

In a combined effort with Fleet 147 we sent five crews to the South American Championship, four of which were their boats. Claudio Biekarck (Fleet 147) won the Championship in a great duel with Paco Sola and the Gonzalez brothers.

The next South American Championship will be held in Brazil and will be organized by Fleet 147 and 462 .

Our 'National's' were raced in Rio de Janeiro, with Claudio Biekarck winning and Mario Buckup in second.

In October, we had an excellent turn-out for our State Championship with our Fleet coming in second and third with Mario Buckup and Per Olov Hornell - respectively.

In November we organized our 50th celebration, racing our traditional "Torneio Centro Sul-Taca Sonnervig", with good attendance and a lot of fun in our social activities.

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

| Fleet Captain | Robert G. Ames |
| :---: | :---: |
| Fleet Secretary | Vivian Hollinshed |

Boat No.
5564
11898
13598
13653
No Report.

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

|  | Fleet Captain . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Lino MoroniFleet Secretary . . . . . . . . . . . . . Renzo Bozzi |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| 13065 |  | Guido Armeni |
| 13346 | Bibir | Bruno Roccheggiani |
| 13414 |  | Roberto Brugia |
| No Report |  |  |

Boat No.
Boat Name
13065
13346
13414
No Report.

## Skipper

Robert G. Ames
Vivian E. Hollinshed
Robert G. Ames Allen Smith

# VALKEAKOSKI LIGHTNING FLEET (468) <br> Finland District <br> Sailing on Lakes Mallavesi and Vanajavesi, Valkeakoski, Finland 

Fleet Captain
Aimo Jokiniemi
Fleet Secretary
..
Boat No.
12992
13760
Last summer our fleet sailed in rather good weather conditions. We were proud when Aimo Jokiniemi won the Paijaane Race in his boat Janita.

In our fleet regatta we did not finish well and our visitors got all the prizes. This has inspired us and increased our passion for sailing.

## Skipper

Aimo Jokiniemi
Pertti Jalonen

Boat Name
Boat Name
Janita
Sea Horse III
ea Horse ill Pertti Jalonen


A great racing atmosphere is shared by Valkeakoski Fleet 468 and visitors.

| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 8251 | Natralite | Paolo Tartaglia |
| 10740 | Kalimero | Francesco Cruciani |
| 12297 | Gargantua | Gino Di Camillo |
| 13401 |  |  |
|  |  | Paolo Tartablia |
|  |  | Gaetano Piserchia |
| No Report. |  |  |

## Sailing on Bracciano Lake at Rome, Italy

Fleet Captain $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ Gino Di Camillo
Fleet Secretary $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ Gianni Battisti
Fleet Champion $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ Francesco Cruciani
Runner-Up $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ Paolo Tartaglia Italian District

Fleet Captain ................ Gino Di Camillo Flect Champion ............ Francesco Cruciani Runner-Up . .................... Paolo Tartaglia

No Report

FLOTTE ROMA (479)

## WAKE LIGHTNING FLEET (481)

## Southeastern District

 Sailing on Lake Kerr at Raleigh, North Carolina| Fleet Captain | Tom Hudgens |
| :---: | :---: |
| Fleet Secretary | . . . Ned Nutt |
| Fleet Champion | Kent Mullikin |
| Runner-Up | John Pelosi |

Boat No

2503
10190
10728
11198
11204
11738
12603
12730
12773
13178
13490
13620
13656
13709
13738
13856
13877
13988
14106
14129

## Skipper

Claire Alderks Miller
Stacy Holt W. Gregory Montgomery

William C. LeLiever G. Dean Marbury William Boyd Dixon Delbert E. Foster Robert V, Lovelace Worth Lutz, III James E. Nutt, M.D. n R. Grant Wolslagel Ed Michels Kent R. Mullikin Robert S. Lamb Robert M. Wilkins John W. Pelosi Michael S. Rees, M.D. Edward J. Vitek, Jr. Aubrey G. Blanchard Tom K. Hudgens

During 1988 Wake Fleet 481 has continued to show its dynamic character by maintaining steady growth, supporting the ILCA, and providing leadership in the Carolina Sailing Club. The year has been marked by new highs in achievement and enthusiasm in those areas.

Membership has reached an all time high of 23 fully-paid owners with perhaps 16 being quite active in racing. The fleet averaged about $10-12$ boats participating in the monthly CSC races. While most members reside in the Raleigh-Durham-Chapel Hill area, the fleet has attracted top skippers in the state from High Point, Greensboro, Cary, Wake Forest, Burlington, and Sanford. Indeed, the fleet may have been considered regional with members in Fishkill, N.Y. (until the Viteks moved back to Raleigh in the late summer).

In addition, twelve people have joined as crew-members, demonstrating their desire to sail with the fleet by actually contributing dues. Skippers supported this group by calling on them first when erew was needed.

The year began with the fleet paying tribute to the ILCA during the annual Spring Banquet. The theme was the 50th BIRTHDAY PARTY for the LIGHTNING. Honored guests were President Anne Allen along with husband Tom and son, Tom Jr. A beautiful cake decorated with a surprisingly accurate drawing of the Lightning was devoured during a lively discussion of the history of the Class.

A good-sized contingent of five boats represented the fleet at the 50rh Anniversary Regatta at Skaneateles Lake. They returned with glowing reports of a very well-run event; a fitting credit to a strong and well-
organized ILCA. Bob Lamb sailed a fine series finishing 7th out of 101 in the Red (Club Racer) Fleet.

Southeastern District participation was good with at least some Fleet 481 boats in almost every event. Tom Hudgens had the best fleet showing with a sixth place in the distriet races for the year. Fleet 481 hopes to host the District Championship for 1989 at Oriental, N.C., on Pamlico Sound.

Locally, Fleet 481 plays an active role as a prominent member of the Carolina Sailing Club racing off Henderson Point on Kerr Reservoir, N.C. Rear Commodore John Pelosi, Commodore Bob Lamb, Secretary Aubrey Blanchard, and Official Scorer Ed Michels come from Fleet 481. This year a Lightning skipper was the Senior Race Officer managing four out of six club race weekends.

The Borderline Regatta is the final and biggest event of the year. Since its inception in 1982 the Borderline has steadily gained in popularity throughout the East. In 1988 a total of 40 boats participated. It was very windy on Saturday and merely breezy on Sunday. Five good races were sailed. On Saturday night there was the usual great party with a shrimp gumbo dinner and an excellent Blue Grass band for entertainment.

The entire Fleet 481 has enjoyed this year. If you are a sailor and you move into the area, please come join us. Everybody is invited to come sail with us in the Borderline Regatta the 4 th weekend in October.

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

| Fleet Captain | Rick Eckstrom |
| :---: | :---: |
| Fleet Secretary | David Lansky |
| Fleet Champion | Rick Eckstrom |
| Runner-Up | Jesse Miller |


| Boat No. |  | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 8033 | Thesis Interruptus | David Lansky |
| 10113 |  | Whisper | Jesse W. Miller |
| 11347 |  | Anna 'T | Terrill M. Moore |
| 11960 |  |  | Peter V. Lent |
| 13124 |  | Scudder | Rick Eckstrom |
| 13934 |  |  | Jesse W. Miller |

1988 was a great season. We had a good turnout of fleet members at several big events in the area (the 50th Anniversary and the District Regatta at Keuka). We had a similar good turnout of fleet members for races at home on Cayuga. The only conspicuous absence was the wind (for both the fleet series and the Districts). As always, we had a good time, but it would be even more fun if we could do some sailing. Does anybody know an effective wind dance?

Undaunted, we carry on with ever more ambitious plans for next season. We are working hard to build more local interest in one-design (read Lightning) racing. If all goes well we will make fleet history next year by hosting the Districts. We hope to see you there.

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

| Fleet Captain | n Watts |
| :---: | :---: |
| Fleet Secretary | Fran Watts |
| Fleet Champio | Art Tirrell |


| Boat No. $808$ | Boat Name | Skipper Jed Dodge |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 10118 | Griffin | Jeff Germain |
| 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 |
| 14266 |  | James P. Finn |
| 14303 | +................ | J. Thomas Doran |
|  | .,.............. | Robert J. Finn |

For the travellers in Fleet 485, heaven was living within the Central New York District during the summer of 1988.

There were regattas galore. Most within one hour's driving time of Oswego, and many others in the two or three hour eategory. In addition to the five regatta district schedule, many of our nomads sailed one day "invitationals" at Selkirk, Henderson Harbor, and Sackett's Harbor.

There were also three local regattas in which Lightnings were sailed; the Mayor's Cup, Michelob Open, and Apple Regatta. And of course, there was the big S0th Anniversary shindig at Skaneateles, a scant 45 minute run for our members. The weather was hot and dry with many blue-skied days and light breezes; the kind of days that make you want to hitch up the boat and go. And go they did.

Our season got off to a good start on Memorial weekend with the Mayor's Cup regatta. Several guests from Selkirk, along with the team of Bram Palm, Jean Hallagan and Peter Hallagan, co-skippering Peter's boat, combined with our guys to make up a 13 boat fleet. The Mayor's Cup is reserved for a Fleet 485 member and this year it was won by Art Tirrell. Art finished 2nd on the water behind the yellow boat of Peter Hallagan. With this regatta the fleet welcomed Bill Pirillo to the tanks. Rudely. Bill is always ready with a friendly smile and is a great addition. Pull it all together Bill!

The Michelob Open on June 25th was won by Tom Doran. After only one race the fleet was chased off the lake by a weird electrical storm that approached from the northeast instead of the normal northwesterly quadrant. Our fleet can put 10 boats on the line but only four entered this one Doran, Tirrell, Taverni, and Jeff Germain/Joe McCloskey. Jeff is an eager new sailor and was sailing his Lightning for the first time in this regatta. He made the sports page of the Pall Times, photo and all, after a little accident at the windy jibe mark. Way to go Jeffie!

After the 50th weekend, we had two straight weeks of fleet racing. The experimental starting time of 2 PM Saturday apparently didn't meet the approval of some members and our fleets were small. In fact the turnout for our fleet racing was below average all summer.

This was in direct contrast to what we had expected. We had new members; Jim Finn had rejoined the fleet and had a fast new Lightning, Bob Finn had a good boat and was back after a season off the water, and Jeff Germain and Bill Pirillo had become members. Yet somehow we couldn't put it all together this year.

Next up was the Apple Regatta. Sponsored by Apple Computer, Inc., this first ever event went over quite well, drawing more than 40 boats overall in several divisions. In the Lightning division. Art Tirrell won a tiebreaker over Tom Doran and Joe McCloskey.

The following weekend, Oswego's Michelob Lightning Classic broke all records for us when $\$ 2$ boats came to town to sail our regatta. We were fairly well organized, and things went smoothly - if you consider things like having only 40 sets of sailing instructions smooth.

Our whole fleet got behind Captain Fran Watts and pitched in to help. Most notably, Bob Finn was his usual productive self. In addition to designing the camera ready front and back T-shirt logos, Bob built the professional looking trophies by hand, and did most of the publicity writing for the event. Bob also managed to take time from his Lightning activities to hold a job and to finish the construction of his new home. Need something to do after midnight, Bob?

Recognition is also due to Jim Finn, who organized all the food functions and assembled a team that fed everyone well and on time, to Oswego Yacht Club Commodore Eileen Goldych and husband Mike, to Terry and Martha Hammill, Chris and Jean Rotunno, and to Joe McCloskey and Bram Palm who took care of the on water work. Bram once again did a great job as RC.

We've been watching Flashes carefully, and now that the season is over we formally lay elaim to the title "Best Attended Regularly Scheduled Regatta of $1988^{\prime \prime}$. What will " 89 bring?
After our summer series stumbled to a close and Art Tirrell ended Tom Doran's five year reign as Fleet Champion (mostly by default - a.t.) our Fall series got under way. We changed to Tuesday evenings to encourage more participation for this series. This formula shows promise for the future. Jim Finn showed us what his new boat can do, making an early run by winning three of the first five races. That got Doran's attention! Then the weather got extreme and after some blowouts Tom got in the groove, taking the series going away.

Our "fun" races this year were the Old Salts regatta and the "Great Pumpkin Race". Both were lots of fun.

This summer, Tom Doran became District Commodore and also was named a class Vice President. We in Fleet 485 offer our sincere congratulations to Tom. For years he's been a leader within our fleet. He'll contribute in both capacities.

We are bullish on the future.

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VALLEY LIGHTNING FLEET (486) Mississippi Valley District Sailing on Alton Lake at Machens, Missouri <br> Fleet Captains . Jim Scrivner \& Bryan Uhlmansiek Fleet Secretary . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Francis Renschen Flect Champion................... . . Rick Conaway <br> \begin{tabular}{rll}

| Boat No. |
| ---: | :--- |
| 7268 | \& Boat Name \& Skipper <br>

8664 \& Lord Jeff II \& Ralph Rudy <br>
11637 \& Chaos \& C. Graeme Wilson <br>
12136 \& Thunder.......... \& Francis C. Renschen <br>
12891 \& Sparrow \& Bryan Uhlmansiek <br>
13077 \& Kant Believe It! \& Leo J. Donovan <br>
13088 \& Lou Martin <br>
13379 \& Topald L. Wnorowski <br>
13627 \& Topecret \& Stephen Wyers <br>
14088 \& Fascination \& McDonnell-Douglas Sailing Club <br>
Richard Conway
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1988 was not only a great year for Lightnings, but also a great year for sailing at Alton Lake on the Mississippi River. With the otherwise unfortunate drought conditions the Corps of Engineers didn't have to fluctuate the water levels on the river. With steady water levels, there was no current, thus making great sailing conditions for the entire season.

We welcomed Ken and Carol Token to the fleet with some pretty exciting finishes in this year's Muddy Rudder Regatta. We look forward to some hot competition again in 1989.

Speaking of hot, Rick Conaway captured the fleet championship for the third consecutive year. Rick harnessed his nephews Dave and Dan to handle his crew work while he handled the competition. With Jerry and Norma Wnorowski hot on his heels throughout the season, Rick had his hands full, but clearly came out on top. Congratulations from all of us.

This year's highlight certainly was the 5 th Annual Muddy Rudder Regatta. Rick Conaway's T-shirt design for this year's regatta proved to be not only popular, but an immediate sell-out. After all the skippers received their free T-shirt, brisk sales exhausted the 50 shirt supply.

Congratulations to Jack Golterman (11473) on winning the Muddy Rudder Regatta and skippering his first regatta victory with finishes of 3,6, 1, 2, 2. Many thanks to our Memphis friends, Fleet 274, for making the regatta another success. Bill and Barbara Baxter (11387) along with Lynn Jones gave Jack a run for the money. After being tied for Ist after 4 races, the fifth race determined their 2nd place finish. Larry Jenkins brought the master Joe Kelly with him to crew on 13805 and help secure a third place. Thanks to Janette Conaway, we were able to view some excellent footage of the regatta not only at the banquet, but also after the awards ceremony.

From the Indiana Open to the Bluenose, this 1988 season brought many new experiences and friends. Let's continue a great class act in the 51st year.


5th Anmual Muddy Rudder Regatta.

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

| Fleet Secretary Ann Crammond |
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| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7860 | "Giood News" | Ed Saboc |
| 9809 | Arrogantly Shabby | Larry Arbuthnot |
| 13478 |  | Bob Stoller |
| 13857 | . $\cdot$. . . . . . . . . . . . | Martin Mulhern |

No Report.

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

Fleet Captain $\qquad$

| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 11011 | Ojo De Lince | Alberto Gonzalez Mas |
| 11040 | Gyz | Rodrigo Zuazola B. |
| 11099 | Pixie | Pablo Amunategui |
| 13395 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Manuel Gonzalez B. |
| 13396 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Manuel Gonzalez Mas |
| 14295 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Manuel Gonzalez B. |
| 14307 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Manuel Gonzalez M. |

The Aculeo fleet had a busy season within the District, as Manuel Gonzales (skipper, Rodrigo Zuazola and German Novion obtained first place in the National Championship. The crew of Pablo Amunategui (skipper) Marcos Fuentes and Guillermo Arriagada came in fourth, while Alberto Gonzalez (skipper), German Schacht and Christian Herman came in seventh.

In the 1988 South American Championship in Higuerillas, the crew of Alberto Gonzalez came in second, Manuel Gonzalez third, and Pablo Amunategui 13th.

We hope that next year other crews will finish as well in the new boats that are being added to our fleet.

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

| Fleet Captain | Robert Blalock |
| :---: | :---: |
| Fleet Secretary | Joseph J. Rogan |
| Fleet Champio | Joseph J. Rogan |
| Runner-Up | Robert Blalo |


| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 8663 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Thomas Gerhard |
| 8690 | Arete | Mark Keene |
| 9928 | Esprit | Charles S. Shocmaker |
| 11157 | Lolina | James K. Black |
| 12728 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Tom Davis |
| 13453 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Robert Blalock |
| 13720 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Joseph J. Rogan |
| No Report. |  |  |

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

Fleet Captain William Latham Fleet Secretary $\qquad$ Ned \& Jean Hinds

| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper <br> 6357 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 8301 | Harrier | Gerald Thorne |
| 9662 | Jessie S. | Dr. Edward A. Sweeney |
| 11440 | Ragedible Too | William C. Latham |
| 11579 | Andalo | Edward E. Hinds, III |
| 13556 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | John Thomson |
| No Report. |  | Richard G. Warner |

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large adjacent city park
- NEWS .
- Drak specials will be offered by ares taverns for regatte participants
z The dunking tank will be back in 89 - help raise soney for the ILCA!


## SWIFT CREEK FLEET (496) <br> Dixie District <br> Sailing on Swift Creek Reservoir in Chesterfield County

Fleet Secretary
James E. Richards

| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9406 | Wildfire | Gary R. Rhinesmith |
| 9713 |  | Kenneth R. Hopson |
| 11841 | Peeler | Raymond E. Davis |
| 12989 | .......... | Donald E. Foos |
| 13145 |  | Kenneth R. Hopson |
| 13766 | III Snickers | James E. Richards |
| 14292 |  | James E. Richards |

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# SELKIRK LIGHTNING FLEET (498) Central New York District Sailing on Lake Ontario at Pulaski, New York 



The 1988 season at Selkirk was our first year with our new breakwater providing safe passage to Lake Ontario. We don't need motors anymore to go out or to come in from the lake.
There was a change in the ownership of one of the boats. Bob Perrine traded a Catalina 22 to Gary Phillips for 11355.
We seemed to be more on the road to other races this year, with the 50th at Skaneateles being the high point of road trips. We also invited Oswego's Lightning fleet over in July for a one day race and party. There were nine boats in all, the most Selkirk has seen at home, with the help of a ringer from Oswego, a Selkirk boat won.

The racing heated up on the eastern end of Lake Ontario this summer, We went to races at Oswego, Henderson Harbor, Chaumont, and Sackett's Harbor; and we are looking forward to more of the same next year.
Some of us are still chuckling about our experiences at the Michelob Classic at Oswego, where we sent four of our Lightnings. One boat threw in the towel during the middle of the first race of the second day. One boat had its centerboard hanging by a thread, but managed to finish all the races anyway. Another boat lost its jib halyard just before a race, but because of several recalls they were able to use the spinnaker halyard in its place. Things went well until time to raise the spinnaker; in the commotion of trying to switch the halyard from the jib to the spinnaker, the spinnaker pole fell overboard and "committed suicide." The crew kept their senses of humor and finished the race, laughing all the way!
Our Fleet Champion, Herb Clark, remains the man to beat from Selkirk. He continues to dominate our fleet, and his foredeck crew has her job down "Pat,"

During the 50th Anniversary year, we enjoyed our Lightnings more than ever. And the more Lightning people we meet, the more we know why!

Boat No.
13150
13519
13577
13603
14200

Boat Name
Bumble Bee
Ooroo
Krista Too
Isle of Skye

## Skipper

David Browne
Timothy G. Harris
Adrian D. Niderost
Gordon Worley
R. A. (Tony) McBride

No new growth but promises continue to mount from our aging Fireballers that they'll step up to a real boat sometime soon.

Canadian National Championships were hosted by neighboring club, Royal St. Lawrence, and Larry MacDonald came up from Hamilton and blitzed us. Great to have Jody Lutz and Brad Read and the Allen family come up north and show us around our lake. Russ Scrim was elected as Canadian Overlord and there wasn't a dry eye in the house.

Tony McBride won no little acclaim in Burlington, VT with a second and another in San Diego in the "Yellow Fleet". It was a case of never McBride only the McBridesmaid but wait til next year.

## TENNESSEE VALLEY LIGHTNING FLEET (500) Southeastern District <br> Sailing on Fort Loudon Lake at Knoxville, Tennessee

Fleet Captain ....................... Terry Igoe
Fleet Secretary .............. Douglas Moisson
Boat No.
2854
5556
10168
10931
11638
12000
13105
10442
10885
12103

| Boat Name | Skipper |
| :---: | :---: |
| Once A Tree | Douglas L. Moisson |
|  | John W. Eleam |
|  | Jonathan 1. Lange |
|  | Terry Igoe |
|  | John W. Eleam |
| Chaos | David A. Rasmussen |
| Hoinonia | J. R. Walker |
| Libra II | A. Jackson Woodall |
|  | Robert M. DeRycke |
| China Bay | David L. Dungan |

No Report.



Notice the wind in the Nationals.

| Boat No. | Boat Name | Skipper |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7451 | La Camella | Rafael Gutierrez |
| 7452 | Cingara | Alvaro Sanjines |
| 7454 |  | Mauricio Venegas |
| 12570 | Acuarius | Santiago Douat |
| 13216 | Acuarius | Leopoldo Gonzalez |
| 13427 | Ginga II | Andres Iriarte |
| 13428 |  | Jorge Recaman |
| 13429 | Sirius | Leopoldo Gonzalez |
| 14057 |  | Hernan Salcedo |
|  | .......... | Alvaro Acosta |
|  | ....... | Richard Deeb |

The year 1988 was a difficult year for Fleet 501 as well as the sister Fleet 73. Lake Tomine experienced a severe drought that limited our sailing from February throughout July. The fleet, however, managed to have the Colombian District Championship during the 450 th birthday celebration of Bogota, the capital city of Colombia and the hometown of the sailors from Lake Tomine. Most importantly, we are delighted that 20 boats participated in the Colombia Championship last October 15 in celebration of the 50 years of the Lightning Class

Fleet 501 is doing very well. Two skippers, Richard Deeb and Hernando Salcedo, have been taking the top places in the regattas. The ability level of our sailors has improved greatly overall. I'd like to point out especially the progress of our only female skipper, Marcela Recaman, 17 years old, who, along with her father, Jorge, and her brother, Juan Carlos, has been giving an excellent example of what sailing is to our younger as well as the most veteran skippers and crews.

The water was low, the wind was low, but the morale and the interest of Fleet 501 is high. The lake is slowly but surely recovering its level and we are planning to celebrate the Colombian Championship in January 1989, for sure with strong winds.

Fleet 501, now celebrating two years, wants to join in the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Lightning Class.

## THE SUNCOAST FLEET (502) Florida District Sailing on Tampa Bay at Tampa, Florida

| Fleet Captain | . . Bill Meyer, III |
| :---: | :---: |
| Fleet Secretary | ..... Clark Higgs |
| Fleet Champion | . Bill Meyer, III |
| Runner-Up | ... Gary Marshall |
| Boat Name | Skipper |
|  | David E. White, III |
| Afternoon Delight | William H. III \& Gail Meyer |
| Strikes Twice | Albert L.ondon |
|  | Clark T. Higgs |
| Fired-Up | William H, III \& Gail Meyer |
|  | Steven Alexander |

1988 proved to be a fun first year for the newest fleet of the Lightning Class. Fleet racing was conducted in conjunction with the Thursday night summer series. On any Thursday you can expect up to 150 boats from Cats and Boards to IOR yachts on a triangular course in North Tampa Bay. The highlight of the season was a tight reach in winds clocking across the deck at 47 knots. At least one of us perfected the capsize and recovery routine.

We gained three new boats this year as Gary Marshall moved to the Sunshine State from Colorado; Steve Alexander learned the error of his ways and got out of J-24's; and finally Dave White made the transition from IOR Foredeck to Lightning skipper. He's having to learn all about triangles, rules and starting sequences.

This is going to be a traveling group, with at least three to five boats traveling to regattas in Miami, Fort Myers, Eustis and Sarasota. We also host the Lightning Class at the annual Thanksgiving weekend regatta, a multi-class event. This regatta is also the second leg of the Florida Triple Crown Series. We are starting the winter season now (October) and plan to have fleet races on Saturdays or Sundays. The winter season will end as we host the 1989 Florida District Championships in late April.
We are looking forward to a nother good year in 89, concentrating our efforts on increasing the number of active Lightning sailors in the Tampa Bay area. Good sailng to all you Lightning diehards throughout the world

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    13380
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