

CEDAR POINT YACHT CLUB 126
Connecticut/Rhode Island District
Sailing on Long Island Sound
Westport, Connecticut

Fleet Captain Bob Martin
 Fleet Secretary Christopher Miller
 Fleet Treasurer Richard Thackaberry
 Fleet Champion Gianni Cuccio
 Fleet Runner-Up Richard Thackaberry

* Jody Lutz		0
* Maria White		7552
* Richard Thackaberry	Ol' Blue	11385
* Greg Titsworth	TNT	
* & Bud Titsworth		11486
* Rod Ratcliffe	Loligo	11570
* Paul Kuranko	Una Jumpe	11674
* Steve Purcell	Upstart	11752
* David Marseli	Personal Issues	12853
* Robert H. Martin, Jr.	Flexible Flyer	13056
* Terence Frimmet	Fast Forward	13821
* Doug Latour		13832
* Gianni Cuccio	G.T.O.	13871
* Mike Sowa		13889
* Christopher Miller	Helter Skelter	14030
* David Howe	Waka Tava	14114
* Steven Wexler	Lloyd On Acid	14238
* Thomas Glynn		14630
* Ched Proctor		14821
* Ned Roseberry		14821
* Jim Crane		14900
* & Bill Crane		14900

September. With the defending champion representing Fleet 126, we snuck in one more major regatta this year, hosting the Atlantic Coast Championship in July.

This year we welcomed four new boats, and three new members. Doug Latour, a Vanguard sailor, defected from his fleet and sailed our square boats this year. Dave Howe, who had a taste of racing the fleet boat last year, bought his own, as did Mike Sowa and Mike Roche. The new blood was competitive amongst themselves and helped round out the fleet in general.

The season started in March with the Southern Circuit. Gianni Cuccio made the trek down to Miami. Conditions were trying, but can you think of a better way to spend Spring Break? In April Chris Miller shanghaied Dave Marseli as crew and went to the Long John in New Jersey to get a jump on the season. The wind was "shifty" to say the least. This seemed to set the tone for the summer. We kicked off the season with the Early Bird in May on a cold, miserable Saturday. Did the wind ever blow from the South this year? Gianni Cuccio topped 22 boats and won a thriller of a regatta on his home turf. Just three points separated first place from third.

In July we saw the parking lot overflowing with Lightnings as the Atlantic Coast Championship came to town. With the North Americans being held in Annapolis this year, skippers came from all over to warm up. What a sight to see 52 boats on the starting line! Again, the weather tried not to cooperate, but we got in another nail biter of a finish. We were also introduced to the House Band, who rocked the dance floor on Saturday night, featuring Cedar Point's own Greg Titsworth and Doug Latour. Once again, the winner represented Fleet 126 with Ned Roseberry successfully defending his AC title. Not long after that, Ched Proctor, also out of Cedar Point, with Ned as crew, won the North Americans. We are very proud to have such champions in our fleet.

Our club season ended with the Fall Classic that is held in conjunction with the Thistle Fleet's Invitational on the last weekend of September. Ironically it was the warmest weather of the year and Sunday



The Lightnings in Cedar Point's dry-dock space took up more room than ever this year. It was another great season for fleet building. The more boats, the more exciting the starts. This year we sailed 24 of 35 regularly scheduled club races.

Fleet 126 raced every Saturday from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day, with three-day regattas on the holiday weekends. We had 11 qualifiers (60% of the races, or more) and frequently had double-digit starting lines. We also hosted two annual regattas, the Early Bird, which is the weekend before Memorial Day and the Fall Classic in late

September. Gianni came in third in yet another close finish. Four points separated the top three boats this time. Thanks to the racing clinic the weekend before, with Dick on the bullhorn, Dave Marseli got his first top ten finish in a regatta.

The "old timers" of Fleet 126 are always willing to share their experience and go-fast secrets with the newer skippers. Our fleet likes to travel, and after this race, Bob Martin grabbed Steve Purcell for crew and he and Gianni (our most traveled skipper) headed up to the Leaf Peeper in

Vermont to get in one last start. They enjoyed the foliage and some lake sailing.

Our Fleet captain has been working hard on the fleet boat and membership in the off season. There is already talk of at least two new boats on the line next year. We are always happy to see boats from other states in our parking lot and invite Lightning sailors everywhere to visit us. If you don't have a boat, we have a fleet boat available for use. With so many new skippers in our fleet, one can come down on any Saturday and know that there are all different levels of competition to suit one's abilities. For more information, visit our web site at:

<http://www.cedarpointyachtclub.org/lightning.htm>

Dave Marseli

SAVANNAH LIGHTNING FLEET 127
Southeastern District
Sailing on the Wilmington River
Bradley Point, Savannah, Georgia

* John M. McIntosh, Sr.

* J. Wallace Aggett

John Porter

Full Monty

Life

Life

14634

No report.

MADISON BEACH CLUB FLEET 129
Connecticut/Rhode Island District
Sailing on Long Island Sound
Madison, Connecticut

Fleet Captain Jim Deepphouse

Fleet Secretary Tim Millhiser

* Terry Zanes

* Erin Riley

Charlie Walz

Ted Howard / Rod Shaw

* Steven M. Adkins

* J. Michael Sulzbach

* & John W. Sulbach

Steve Yankura

* Timothy Millhiser

* Katherine Lee

* Jim Deepphouse

* Joseph M. Kobylak

Zepher

Moo

Rosie

White Lightning

S.S. Oshpoodle

Challenge

Early Times

Waypoint

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10689

10704

11773

11933

13230

14342

14441

14509

14765

Y2K afforded Fleet 129 with yet another great season! As usual, Long Island Sound provided a variety of sailing conditions ranging from classic drifters to gear busters. In general, conditions were breezier than normal - providing ample tests of boat handling skills as well as gear. We had a total of 21 races (mostly windward leewards) and averaged 7 boats per race. Highlights of the season include:

Season Championship

1st Place - Joe Kobylak

2nd Place - Tim Millhiser

3rd Place - Steve Adkins

Baylis Cup - Tim Millhiser

Pape Trophy - Steve Adkins

Fisher Cup - Erin Riley

Erin Riley's win of the Fisher Cup is especially noteworthy in that, at the time, she only 15 years old. The win was also a resounding one as she moved into the lead on the second leg, extended her lead at every mark thereafter and finished by a significant margin (> 10 Minutes) over the 2nd place boat. Also of note on the youth front was Erin's 2nd Place finish in the Eastern Connecticut Sailing Association Sears Cup eliminations which were held using Lightning's. Joining Erin as crew for the Sear Cup were Liz Davidson and Ashley Sakmar - making for an all women's team!

J.M. Kobylak

LAKE WASHINGTON FLEET 132
Pacific Northwest District
Sailing on Shilshole Bay
Seattle, Washington

* Eric Lindahl

Tom Anderson

Lunatic Fringe

13242

14246

No report.

MOBILE BAY FLEET 135
Southern District
Sailing on Mobile Bay
Mobile, Alabama

Fleet Secretary L.M. Bohnenkamp

Denis Hermecz

John Kern

Thomas Perrine

Robert Jeffcott

Sunday's Child

8365

8704

10980



Racing out of the Madison Beach Club

Tony Chavers		11085
* Dr. E. Russell March, Jr.	Bigeminy III	
* & Barney March		13060
Joe Wacker		13158
Nick Blakeney	Dulcinea	
& William Culberson		13200
* L.M. (Mitch) Bohnenkamp	Bohdacious	
* & John Bohnenkamp		14136
* Blaise Gallahue	Patriot	14202
* Robert E. Bernhardt, Jr.	Enigma	14736

No Report.

GULL LAKE YACHT CLUB FLEET 137
Michigan District
Sailing on Gull Lake
Richland, Michigan

* Charles Spilman	Between The Sheets	12395
* David J. Decker	Bingo	14474
* Thomas Hudson	Becalm	14712

Lightning activities on Gull Lake have been limited. A few of the vessels/skippers can be spotted daysailing on Gull Lake and various other locations or regattas.

SPOFFORD YACHT CLUB FLEET 145
New England District
Sailing on Lake Spofford
Spofford, New Hampshire

The Spofford Lightning Fleet held races on Wednesday evenings and Sunday afternoons throughout the summer. Paul Henkle won the summer series. Our fleet is comprised of six boats, four of which were pretty active this summer. We are looking forward to recruiting three new members for next year. The prospective new members are Ben Wallace, Todd Casey and Will Donaldson. These new members will give our fleet a much needed infusion of new enthusiasm as some of our fleet charter members retire from active racing. In 1999 David Fitch passed away and Fred(Bud) Hamblet passed away this fall.

Our annual invitational regatta was held the weekend of September 30th. A total of eight boats participated. The results were P. Zachary, Ben Wallace, Robert Cutting, Alex Gemmell, Bob Shapiro, Ed Younie, Ray Fitzpatrick and Paul Henkle.

Alex Gemmell, Fleet Captain

TORONTO BAY FLEET 146
Lake Erie District
Sailing on Lake Ontario
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

* J.R.G. Bleasby		Life
* David Sprague	In Lieu	14174

No Report.

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

Brazilian Champion: Jorge Rider
 Runner Up: Claudio Bierkarck

The Brazilian Championship was run in Niterói, Rio de Janeiro, at RioYacht Club, 12 boats sailed in the Saco São Francisco Bay. That was a good and technical Championships and good strong wind. We ran 6 regatas, Jorge Rider, Fleet 462, won 5 regatas and the last he did not have to sail. Claudio Bierkirk was 2nd with Mario Buckup, Fleet 147 in 3rd. The next Brazilian Championship, in 2001 is in São Paulo Yacht Club Santo Amaro, 12,13,14 and 15 April 2001.

MANSFIELD SAILING CLUB FLEET 150
Ohio District
Sailing on Clearfork Reservoir
at Lexington/Mansfield, Ohio

Fleet Captain: Thomas Varley
 Fleet Secretary: William Woodrow
 Fleet Champion: Thomas Varley
 Runner Up: David Ireland

Mike Staton	Stardust	1232
* Chandler Stevens		6944
* Mark Shaw		8235
* Charles Shaw, MD	Merrimax	10047
Kathy Begert	Wiki-Wiki III	10444
Lark Bales	Patience Too	11161
David Ireland	Wiki-Wiki IV	11912
Christopher Clarke	Close To The Edge	13485
* Mark Shaw		13907
Bruce Cummins		13928
Quazi Ahmed		13929
* Thomas Varley	Afterburner	13979
Sean Dillon	T-Bird	14421
* James Stone	Shifty Characters	14424
* Rick Fox		14643
* William Schamadan, MD	Write Aweigh	14808
* Thomas Varley	X Stream	14952

The 2000 season saw Fleet 150's club race numbers slightly diminished due to circumstances, such as weather, and a few skippers who were hampered by personal commitments during the summer months. Even so, our fleet sailed 49 club races equating to 145 boat starts.

Fleet 150 was represented at most Ohio District Regattas, as well as the District Championship Regatta at Hoover Dam. Our fleet was honored this year by having Kay Varley elected Commodore of the ILCA Ohio District at their mid-winter meeting held in February, 2000.

We started this season with a "Tuning Clinic" held on Saturday, May 6, followed by a well attended "Launch Party" (complete with champagne, et al.) held at the home of one of the members. On July 15, the Mohican Sailing Club (our competition from across town) hosted 7 of our Lightnings for the traditional "Little Brown Jug" Regatta held annually

between our sailing clubs. Our Lightnings sailed against a combination of Thistles, Interlakes, and Jet 14's on a Jekyll & Hyde day that began with sunshine and fair winds, but which by mid-morning changed to significant rain and heavy winds, resulting in 4 capsizes in all and requiring the rest of the racers to survive as best they could. All of our Lightnings performed admirably, for the most part finishing well ahead of the hapless Mohican boats in each of the 4 races. The two "Little Brown Jugs" which had been in the possession of the Mohican Club for some time, are now safely ensconced back in our trophy case.

The Flying Scot (Fleet #4) component of our sailing club hosted their first annual Flying Scot Founders Memorial Regatta on August 5-6. Our Lightning Fleet provided all the support, food, and administration to help make the event a big success for the Scots.

This year's "Sunset Sail" on August 26th turned into a "Sunset Sit" due to lack of cooperation by the wind Gods. We had a lovely evening of hors d'oeuvres and appropriate libation as we watched the sun set from the shore.

Our fifth annual "Bare Bones" Regatta was held on September 23-24. Twelve boats competed for the coveted "Bare Bones" Trophy, pitting skippers from four different Ohio District Lightning Fleets against each other (Leatherlips Fleet #27, Atwood Lake Fleet #212, Cowan Lake Fleet #303, and our Fleet #150). Tom and Kay Varley hosted their now traditional Friday night "blaster" in Varley Valley to kick off the weekend festivities. Several "tired" looking sailors showed up for the racing Saturday morning. Unfortunately, the weather was unusually marginal for this time of year in Ohio, and included cool rain and winds that did not threaten any capsizes. After a late start on Saturday morning due to lack of wind, three races were held, and the competitors were glad to get warm and dry for the evening's steak and chicken cook-out.

Following the two races held Sunday morning, Jim Taylor (Cowan Lake) ended up in first place, two points ahead of our fleet's Tom Varley. Kurt Andrews (Leatherlips) was third, and Steve Weeber (Cowan Lake) finished in fourth place.

A successful non-racing project which our members instituted this year was the sale of "Memorial Moorings" to replace our aging buoys. Members could purchase a new buoy for \$60 and have it dedicated to someone as a memorial. Names are inscribed on both the buoy and on a memorial plaque. So far we have replaced 14 mooring buoys by this program, at no new expense to the club.

The Overall Championship of the Mansfield Sailing Club was won by Dave Ireland, with Tom Varley as Runner-Up and Bill Schamadan in third place. These three Lightning skippers dominated the Championship Series by handily defeating the participating Flying Scots in a five-race series on October 14.

Here is a list of our Lightning Fleet Club Race Champions:

Memorial Day Weekend Series- Karla Varley
Fourth of July Weekend Series- Tom Varley
Labor Day Weekend Series - Dave Ireland
Sunday Morning Series- Dave Ireland
Wednesday Evening Series- Dave Ireland
Lightning Fleet Championship Series- Tom Varley
M. S. C. Overall Champion- Dave Ireland

Other awards for the year 2000 season presented to Lightning Fleet

sailors at our Annual Mansfield Sailing Club Trophy Dinner were:

Best Lightning Crew- Karla Varley
Butts-on-the-Line Trophy (skipper sailing the most (38) club races)- Dave Ireland
Tom McDermott (Most Improved Skipper)
Award- Bill Schamadan
Bob Preston (Distinguished Service to Club)

Next year we plan to continue our pursuit of a Junior Sailing Program and Adult Instructional Program. We also have some prospects for new Lightning skippers to join our Fleet. In the meantime, and as we stare another winter in the face, we look ahead to a bigger and better 2001 for Fleet #150.

William W. Woodrow

ANNISQUAM YACHT CLUB FLEET 151 **New England District** **Sailing on Ipswich Bay** **Annisquam, Massachusetts**

* Georges Peter, M.D.	Mouette	14688
No report.		

WAWASEE YACHT CLUB 154 **Indiana District** **Sailing on Lake Wawasee** **at Syracuse, Indiana**

Fleet Captain Jeff Schmahl
Fleet Secretary Bill Allen
Fleet Champion John Nixon/Craig Cobbum
Runner-Up Jeff Schmahl

* Stephen C. Miller		10134
* Dale E. Fulkerson		11181
* William Stucky		12316
* John R. Nixon		13001
* William Stucky	Joe BfSplk	13721
* Kevin Scheid	Scheid By Scheid	13851
* Douglas A. Schmahl	Brandywine II	13895
* Bill J. Allen	Golden Harvest	13910
* Virgil L. Snyder	Divine Wind	13975
* Stephen C. Miller	Millers Merry Manor	14125
* Jim Sabens	Thor Play	14173
* Jeffrey A. Schmahl	Hoosier Daddy	14190
* John R. Nixon	One Last Gasp	14475
* Michael Knox		14507
* Edward Bradley Wagon	Wolf Cookies	14600
* Martin Kaplan	3 Bald Men	14647
* Alan Fox	El Zorro	14835
* John R. Nixon	Last Leg	
* & Craig Cobbum		14940

Wawasee Yacht Club is home to Lightning Fleet 154. Situated in Northern Indiana, Lake Wawasee is Indiana's largest natural lake and has a heritage of organized sailboat racing dating back to the late 1800's. The

Wawasee Yacht Club is a one-design sailing club with a racing season that runs from Memorial Day through Labor Day. In addition to Lightnings, Wawasee Yacht Club's other fleets include Sunfish, Lasers, E-Scows, and DN iceboats. We race primarily on weekends, and each class plays host to at least one annual regatta.

Like last year, the 2000 Lightning season was extremely competitive. Overall fleet speed and competitiveness continues to improve. This can largely be attributed to increased off-lake regatta participation, and a fleet-wide commitment to helping one another. Brad Wagon deserves special recognition for his outstanding efforts toward fleet improvement. From tuning and sailing tips, to helping prospective racers find boats, Brad continues to set a terrific example of what must happen to sustain a healthy and active Lightning fleet.

Our racing season was blessed this year by favorable winds and weather. Of the thirty-five races that were scheduled, thirty-two were actually completed. Our Memorial Day Series was won by Craig Cobbum. Jeff Schmahl won the Fourth of July Series and Bill Allen won the Labor Day Series. Alan Fox, who returned to form as the season wore on, won the 2000 Commodore Cup. The overall season championship was earned again by the rock-solid team of Craig Cobbum, John Nixon, and Jim Wellington, Jr. The battle for second place raged all summer and was decided in the last race of the year. Jeff Schmahl edged by Brad Wagon to take second place for the season. Brad finished third, Bill Allen (who sailed in every race this year) finished a very close fourth, and Alan Fox fifth. The Cobbum/Nixon/Wellington team won the coveted Cynthia's Cup, which goes to the team, regardless of class, who accumulates the most points throughout the season.

The 54th Annual Hoosier Regatta was held in early October. A horrific forecast kept many regulars from attending. Nevertheless, eleven teams braved the cold temps and high winds. Our own Brad Wagon won his first Hoosier Regatta. Jeff Schmahl, Craig Cobbum, Jon Bennett of Pontiac, and Bill Allen finished second through fifth. Craig Cobbum won the 2000 Districts, which was hosted by Fleet 271 in Indianapolis.

We anticipate 2001 to be another great season. With at least two additional teams, and a planned clubhouse renovation, Lightning Fleet 154 continues to thrive on beautiful Lake Wawasee.

Jeff Schmahl

WILLOW BANK YACHT CLUB FLEET 164 **Central New York District** **Sailing on Cazenovia Lake** **Cazenovia, New York**

* Joe Homola		11010
* Charles I. Woods	Gentry	12004
* Federico Meira	Manolete	13675
* Richard H. Ryczek	Trivial Pursuit	13933
* Federico Meira	Hastalavista	14369
* Clay Murphy	Reddy Too	
* & Pam Murphy		14418
* Richard P. Tuttle	Motion	14465
* Peter King		
* & Kathleen King		14527

No report.

HELSINKI FLEET 166 **Finland District** **Sailing on the Gulf of Finland** **Helsinki, Finland**

Fleet Captain Kimmo Aromaa
Fleet Secretary Jari Aromaa

* Raimo Aromaa		Life
* Panu Jalas		0
* Tuomas Ollila		0
* Kimmo Aromaa	Masi V	
* & Terho Aromaa		14534
* Kari Koskinen		14559
Matti Huuska		15002

No Report.

LAKE DAVENPORT FLEET 167 **Midwest District** **Sailing on the Mississippi River** **Davenport, Iowa**

Fleet Captain Francie Lovewell
Fleet Secretary Jean Steffenson

* Henry L. Strieder	Moxie	0
* Rick Kuebler		0
* Wesley L. Johnson	Kasara	6033
* Brandon Holton	Off Like A Prom Dress	11456
* Bill Paulsen	Webejammin	13202
* William Ganoe		13611
* Donald L. Johnson	Stinger	14720
* Chuck White	Irrational Exuberance	14831
* Michael Steffenson	Mermaid	14857
William Lovewell		14859

Any races sailed this past season by Fleet 167 were sailed with Lake Davenport Sailing Club's Variety Fleet and scored accordingly. Various summer and fall activities and interests kept our fleet members from competing in a regular racing series.

LAC DE NEUCHATEL FLEET 169 **Switzerland District** **Sailing on Lac de Neuchatel** **Neuchatel, Switzerland**

Fleet Captain Jean-Pierre Monnier
Fleet Secretary Claude Lambelet

* Claude Lambelet	Garoupa	12860
* Gilbert Despland	Chiloe	13840
* Karl Ramsauer	La Banderita	14910

Regate Fondue 14-15 Octobre 2000 Neuchatel
Six equipages se retrouvent le samedi matin au port du Nid-du-Cro pour prendre le depart de notre championnat de district. Le temps est couvert, presque brumeux, et la premiere neige recouvre les sommets du Jura.

Notre Vice President Gilbert est de retour parmi nous, sa sante s'est considerablement amelioree, mais il ne peut pas encore reprendre la barre de Chiloe qu'il a confiee a Alain Perret et son equipage. En l'absence de Jean-Pierre Monnier, qui soigne une grave maladie et a qui nous souhaitons tous nos voeux de retablissement, Claude a confie Garoupa a l'equipage Lambelet "juniors" skippe par son fils Laurent. C'est donc avec une participation stable, mais des equipages fortement remanies que le championnat peut commencer en debut d'apres-midi.

La brise d'est qui s'etait bien etablie dans la matinee a faibli, mais elle permet tout de meme a J. Cl. DuPasquier et son comite de course de nous faire courir une manche dans des conditions certes changeantes, mais regulieres. Pas de surprise dans cette premiere manche emportee par l'equipage de Meltemi devant Gaston. L'equipage de Chiloe montre qu'il possede un potentiel de vitesse interessant et titille les bateaux de tete a plusieurs reprises. La regate se termine trop tard pour envisager de pouvoir donner un nouveau depart avant la tombee de la nuit et tous les equipages regagnent la terre ferme pour deguster la traditionnelle fondue apres avoir participer a notre non-moins traditionnelle assemblee generale.

Le dimanche matin tous les equipages sont a disposition du comite de course a 9 heures. Le temps est tres brumeux et la brise d'est tarde a se manifester. Sans attendre, Jean-Claude nous invite a le suivre sur la ligne de depart. Il a vu juste, car une fois la ligne installee et les derniers concurrents arrives, le vent se leve et une premiere manche peut etre envoyee. Gaston se frotte de plus pres a Meltemi, mais ne parvient pas a prendre l'avantage. Milan qui est fringant avec ses voiles neuves pointe a present son nez et termine en troisieme position. Signalons que Hans-Peter a termine second au championnat du monde des 5.5m cette annee et qu'il avait le privilege d'avoir a bord de son Lightning le champion du monde en titre Jurg Menzi. Bravo a ces deux equipages. La deuxieme manche de la journee se deroule dans des conditions similaires le comite la raccourcit et le classement est identique a la premiere. Une quatrieme manche est envoyee juste apres midi. Peu apres le depart le vent faibli, apres un vent arriere interminable et un regroupement des bateaux de tete a la marque le suspens reprend sur le dernier bord, les trois bateaux de tete sont pratiquement sur une ligne et c'est la saute de vent qui se produit a vingt metres de la ligne qui permet a Chiloe de coiffer Meltemi et de remporter la derniere manche et se s'adjuger ainsi la troisieme place au general.

A signaler la participation de la famille With sur Cezanne que nous encourageons a perseverer et a participer l'an prochain au championnat d'Europe a Marsala. Un clin d'oeil particulier a l'equipage Lambelet qui s'est signale par sa bonne humeur (pour preuve consulter les photos prises par PAM).

Un grand merci a Jean-Claude DuPasquier et a tous les autres benevoles et a l'annee prochaine.

Jacques

Regate Fondue, October 14-15 2000

1. 13790	Urs Wyler/Gilbert Durr/Michel Durr	1	1	1	2	3
2. 14530	Jacques Perret/Peter Gfeller/Yvonne Gfeller	2	2	2	3	6
3. 13840	Alain Perret/Francois Buchegger/Jean-Pierre Geiser	3	4	4	1	8
4. 13692	Hans Peter Schmid/Jurg Menzi/Roland Baumgartner	4	3	3	5	10
5. 12860	Laurent Lambelet/Annika Vuithier/Veronique Lambelet	5	5	5	4	14

6. 13705	Francois With/Elisabeth With/?	6	6	6	6	18
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BRANT BEACH YACHT CLUB FLEET 173 Central Atlantic District Sailing on Little Egg Harbor Brant Beach, New Jersey

* Paul L. Alberti	Discovery	9628
* James W. Titus		11575
* Jeffrey L. Carson	Old Age And Treachery	13809
* David W. Long	Skal	14059
* Carl Reitinger	Verbal Abuse	
* & Glenn Reitinger		14325
* J. Edward Serrill	911	
* & Bob Seybold		14660

No report.

SHREVEPORT FLEET 175 Southern District Sailing on Cross Lake Shreveport, Louisiana

* Will Bittick		0
* Gay Griffith Means		6116
Jim Wasner	White Lightnin'	9281
* Gay Griffith Means		10987
* Will Bittick		12699
* David Wasner	Just'n time	13220

No report.

GREAT SOUTH BAY FLEET 178 Long Island District Sailing on Great South Bay Amityville, New York

Fleet Captain Al Pearlman
Fleet Secretary Bill Weiss
Fleet Treasurer Betsy Brewer

* William P. Weiss	BullsHit	
* & Elizabeth Brewer		10260
* Joseph J. Turecamo	Mardi Gras	10690
* Teresa Bouchard	Partners Choice	11219
* Alan Pearlman	Alevai	11774
* Malcolm B. Hendry, III		14917

CONNEAUT LAKE YACHT CLUB FLEET 180 Lake Erie District Sailing on Conneaut Lake Conneaut Lake, Pennsylvania

Fleet Captain: Skipper Ragghianti
 Fleet Secretary: Rosemary Mercatoris
 Fleet Champion: Chad Waldschmidt
 Fleet Runner Up: Skipper Ragghianti

* Paul Reak 14005
 * Christopher Graf I Saw Elvis
 * & Hans C. Graf I Saw Elvis 14007
 * Jason Bemis 14142
 * Erik C. Simonson 14234
 * Tryg Jacobson Christiana 14380

John Dearment 11063
 * Geoffrey M. Taylor 11563
 * Lawrence Levine 13506
 * Michael Mercatoris In Between 14041
 * Ronald "Skipper" Ragghianti Cool Breeze 14146
 * Geoff Taylor 14422
 * Kenneth Pote Bud Lightning 14444
 * John Andrews 14711
 * Edward J. Benevent 14750
 * Chad Waldschmidt 14763
 * & Jody Bunting 14763

No report.

MARBLEHEAD FLEET 189
New England District
Sailing on the Atlantic Ocean
Marblehead, Massachusetts

* Rick Humphrey, Jr. Fog Horn Leg Horn 12706

No report.

MISSION BAY YACHT CLUB FLEET 194
California District
Sailing on Mission Bay and the Pacific Ocean
San Diego, California

Fleet Captain Al Poindexter
 Fleet Secretary Edna Johnson
 Fleet Champion Scott Finkboner

* Mark Zimmer 0
 * Steve Ross 0
 * Christopher Barclay La Salle 6613
 * Richard F. Brewer Excalibur
 * & Michael Brewer 8966
 * Al Poindexter 11514
 * Joel F. Vann Direct Access 11603
 * Eric Spoor Relampago
 * & Daniela Spoor
 * & H. Roger Frauenfelder 11735
 * Edna Johnson Cool Moves
 * & Michael Khaled 13742
 * Eric Swayze Flipper 13819
 * Al Poindexter 13842
 * Kirk Johnson Puddleglum
 * & Edna Johnson 14095
 * Carl M. Eichenlaub Algonquin J Calhoun 14473
 * Michael Brewer White Lightning
 * & Richard Brewer 14846
 * Scott Finkboner 14904



STARBOARD!

The year 2000 series began with the annual spring banquet held at the Conneaut Lake Hotel. Although there were no social club events other than the opening and closing of the season, the series went well.

There was a total of eleven holiday and eighteen championship races that were everything except boring! We are all looking forward to more social activities and an increase in members during the upcoming year.

Skip Ragghianti

SHEBOYGAN FLEET 187
Midwest District
Sailing on Lake Michigan
Sheboygan, Wisconsin

* Michou Reichelsdorfer 0
 * Richard Reichelsdorfer 0
 * Robert T. Melzer Puff 7879
 * Neil Jensen 10363
 * KC Schmidt About Time 11188
 * Eric R. Larson Virtual Reality 13862
 * Bruce Van Dommelen Think Twice
 * & Jay Hogfeldt 13872
 * Eric Larson 13930
 * Daniel Reichelsdorfer Silent Movie 13994

Fleet 194 started the year on January 9 with the Winter Series, and ended it on December 17 with the Hot Rum Series. In between we sailed in 14 club Bay Series, 3 club Ocean Series, and 19 Thursday Night Things. We also traveled to Los Angeles for the District Regatta (won by Scott Finkboner) and for the first 2 days of the California Circuit. The Circuit then came back to San Diego for the 17 mile Marathon, the Ocean Series and a Bay Series that won team Dan Moriarty/Jim Sears the overall Circuit Trophy as well as the Bowling Trophy for a spectacular capsized.

We give four trophies at the end of each year: this year the Club Race

Series Trophy went to Al Poindexter; the Regattas Trophy went to Scott Finkboner; the TNT Trophy was awarded to both Kirk Johnson and Al Poindexter and the overall Fleet Champion Trophy was won by Scott Finkboner.

Al has somehow managed to accumulate four Lightnings, but has sales pending for 3 of them. We look forward to seeing these boats on the starting line again.

Sailing on Lake Olivos Buenos Aires, Argentina

* Osvaldo Bordino		11043
* Francisco Chaine	Gualicho	13360

No report.

SURF CITY FLEET 196 Central Atlantic District Sailing on Manahawkin Bay Surf City, New Jersey

* Michael Holly		2684
* Charles N. Howe	Streak In	12454
* Darryl Waskow		13139
* George Schmidt	Punch Too	14068
* Timothy G. Robinson	Triple Threat	
* & Andrew Temme		
* & Frank Temme		14131
* Richard M. Warren		14300
* Jack Elfman	Rip City Express III	14739
* Michael Holly		14983

No report.

CHAUTAUQUA FLEET 198 Lake Erie District Sailing on Lake Chautauqua Chautauqua, New York

* Candy Neville	Joss	
* & Bob Scanlon		13222
James Neville		13922
* Candy Neville		14948
* & Bob Scanlon		14948

No report.

MACATAWA BAY FLEET 204 Michigan District Sailing on Lake Michigan and Lake Macatawa Holland, Michigan

* Bob Garlinghouse		11078
* Scott Visser	Right Design	12604
* Jay Wallace		12939
* Brian Huckabee	Walt	13958
* Marvin Hoekstra	It's Not Easy Bein' Green	14531

No report.

CLUB NAUTICO OLIVOS FLEET 206 Argentina District

NEW ORLEANS YACHT CLUB FLEET 209 Southern District Sailing on Lake Pontchartrain New Orleans, Louisiana

John A. (Buck) Ballatin	SB	9696
Glen C. Higgins	Gotcha	11689

No Report.

ATWOOD YACHT CLUB FLEET 212 Ohio District Sailing on Atwood Lake Dellroy, Ohio

* Carl W. Hummer, Jr.		6886
* Stephen Jolly	Yellow Jacket	11508
* Carl W. Hummer, Jr.	The Gray Fox	12845
* David M. Gall		14445

No report.

ROYAL ST. LAWRENCE YACHT CLUB FLEET 215 St. Lawrence Valley District Sailing on Lake St. Louis Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Fleet Captain: Tony Staples
Fleet Secretary: Valerie Tardif

* Jean-Francois Simard		0
* Russel C. Scrim		Life
* Anthony Staples		14176
* Jacques Trottier		14354
* Alain Boucher		14591
* Peter Hall	Krista Too	14768
* Anthony Staples		15055

No Report.

SAGINAW BAY FLEET 216 Michiga District Sailing on Saginaw Bay Bay City, Michigan

Fleet Captain: Terry Hart
 Fleet Secretary: Chris Jacobson
 Fleet Champion: Matt Princing
 Fleet Runner-up: Chris Jacobson

1st Place Matt Princing
 2nd Place Chris Jacobson
 3rd Place Joe Dissette
 4th Place John McCree
 5th Place Jim Schofield
 Most Improved George "Hot Dog Man" Peet

* Matthew D. Princing	TNG	9705
* Matthew D. Princing	Dinosore	12588
* James Peters	Halcyon	13385
Rick Allen	Flicky Wick	13758
* John Johnson	Teko	14022
Blair Moulthrop		14048
Larry Peters, Jr.		14077
* John Waechter	Score One	14087
* Clark Howell	Zipper	14103
* John McCree	Sleeper	14323
* George Peet	Hot Dog Man	14503
* Chris Jacobson	Fastidiots	14577
* Terry Hart	Hart Beat II	14603
* C.A. Pinkerton		14616
* Justin Dey	Motion Sensitive	14703
* James Schofield	Shuss Boomer	14775
* Joe Dissette	Carousel 34	14933
* Matthew D. Princing	Scars & Scrapes	14937

The first summer's racing of the new Millenium on Saginaw Bay could be described as very close and exciting. The fleet championship came down to the last night of racing after the eventual fleet champ melted down the week prior; blowing a 12-point lead. The conditions overall this year were on the light side with a few moderate weeks and no heavy air to speak of. This made this years fleet champion's victory even more impressive as his crew tends to be on the heavy side (fat boys). With 30+ races throughout the summer months the champion was Matt Princing's Scars & Scrapes with revolving crew of Chris Princing, Jennifer Princing, and Chris Norton. The results follow:

Fleet 216 again hosted the 2000 Michigan District Championships in June. The conditions varied, and fun was had by all. Thirty boats lined up to race on Saginaw Bay and duelled for 3 days with Comedy Central (Colin & Karen Park, Greg Bull/Ed Decker) pulling out the Michigan District Championship by 1 point over Jim Allen and crew. Third went to Sean Fidler, fourth to George Sipel, and fifth to the Happy Boat?! and Mike Thomas. The post racing activities in Bay City this year were hosted by fleet secretary Chris Jacobson on Friday night with a BBQ and party at his new swinging bachelor pad.



Aggressive start at Tawas Bay Regatta. Note the "40" on Colin Park's main honoring Karen P(last name withheld to protect the innocent)'s 40th Birthday. Looks like Diana could be OCS!

The Tawas Bay Yacht Club hosted the 2nd annual Lighting regatta with the help of the Bay City Yacht Club (Fleet 216). Special thanks to Chris Princing for organizing and all those who helped make this possible the second year in a row. Last year we had 14 boats, this year it grew to 20. Launching and retrieving your boat in paradise is a snap with the new hoist at TBYC which was installed for their one-design fleet of J/22's. The winds were light and goofy. When it was all said and done the victors were the Parks (Colin, Karen & Glen Hallett) followed by John Bennett and crew in second, third went to John McCree and crew.

On awards night we had the yearly fun awards along with some serious fun. We welcomed new Lightning owner and fleet member Tim Botimer to our group. As the year of sailing dwindled away their was talks of Mid-Winters in Leroy's basement huddled around the bar, Mid-Michigan travelling regatta consisting of Bay City-Higgins Lake-Tawas, and Ludwig's new crew member who was small, female, had life like features and could hold a beer in her head (the perfect date?!). With all the stories and lies been told we said "so long" and headed home to prepare for



Fleet Champion Matt Princing in the pretty boat-Scars & Scrapes



Trophy Nite at BCYC- Chris "Ludwig" Jacobson holds up his new crew member "Ms. Perfect Date" while Willy, the 12 year old, lunch lady and Dr. Who's Kid look on in envy.

the hard water season that comes. Smooth skating and keep your stick on the Ice.

Matt Princing

HENDERSON HARBOR FLEET 225 **Central Nw York District** **Sailing on Lake Ontario, Henderson Bay** **Henderson Harbor, New York**

Fleet Captain Jack Jones
 Fleet Secretary Sara Treadwell

* Richard Matarese		0
Herman Lubbe		9902
Harry McMillan		10709
* Leonard Montague	May Day May Day	10712
Canaan Leonard	Velocity Girl	12696
* Leonard Phillips		13011
Graham Leonard		13078
Steve Ahlgrim	Fata Bella	13232
* John Boxberger	The Pit	13834
* Bradford A. White	White Lightnin	13894
* John Treadwell, II	Runaway	14192
* Richard Grissinger	Footloose II	14254
* Jack Jones	You Bet I'm Chicken	14321
* Jean Palm	Wombat	14355
* Leonard Phillips		14411

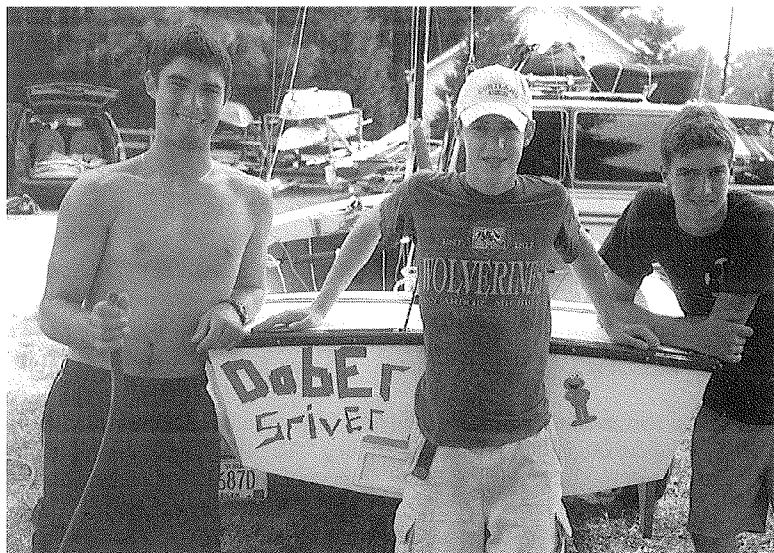
Fleet 225 enjoyed another full summer of racing on beautiful Henderson Harbor with active participation from a large number of Junior sailors. Winning skipers this season were: John Boxberger-Apple Blossom; Dick Grissinger- Spring Series; Jack Jones- Barnes Memorial, Captains Cup, Fall Series, Summer Series and May's Trophy; Hunt Treadwell- Skippers Race, Stoney Race and Junior Trophy; Canaan Leonard- Frostbite Race and Thursday Series.

Highlighting our 2000 season was the success of our Junior sailor John

Boxberger. John finished 6th in the Junior Worlds in Greece and then followed it up with his successful defense of the Junior North American Championship at Fishing Bay Yacht Club with his crew of Hunt Treadwell and Brad White.

Fleet 225 again held its one day Juniors, Women and Master Regatta in July with about 15 boats participating. We also continued with our Tuesday evening family dinners at cottages along the harbor shore. We welcomed two new boat owners Herman Lubbe and Steven Ahlgrim and their families to our fleet and we look forward to another summer of good sailing and socializing in 2001.

Sara Treadwell



John Boxberger, Hunt Treadwell, Brad White

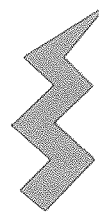
"Now Box! While he's taking the picture, hose him!"

BISCAYNE BAY FLEET 226 **Florida District** **Sailing on Biscayne Bay** **Coconut Grove, Miami, Florida**

Fleet Captain John Rouse
 Fleet Secretary Dominic Marsden
 Fleet Treasurer Alix Shaw
 Fleet Champion John Rouse
 Runner-Up Jim Bigham

* Dominic Marsden	Bloody Hell	0
* Michele Duplaga		0
* Danielle Septembre	Sam I Am	10700
* Dean Gosselin	Folie A Trois	11171
* Andy Waks		11542
* Larry Ames	Glockenspiel	
* & Stuart Anderson		11702
* Lionel Baugh	School Bus	12050
Stephen Getzoff	L- 190 Octane	12064
* Andy Waks	More Heat	13010
* David Holland	Lizzie	
& Donald Z. Bailey		13592
* David S. Brayer	Eclair Bleu	13779
* Dave Helmick	D'Mon	13858
* Randy Clee	Hi Voltage	13861
* Onofre Torres	Rum Runner	13983

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* Steve Witherspoon		14001
* Frank Atkinson	Ant Farm	14062
* Dmitriy Yakoverko		14066
* John Rouse	Turbo Dog	14084
* Jeff Shaw	Steam Driven	
& Alix Shaw		14212
* Dave Kurtz	Bullet	14309
* Jon Ewing	Free Beer Yesterday	
* & Carol Stout Ewing		14374
* Joe Buczkowski, Jr.	Hakuna Matata	14550
* Walter Beckwith, Jr.		14588
* Jim Bigham	Limbo	14698
* Fay Regan	Booby Trap	14708
* Eamonn DeLisser	Main Squeeze	
* Stuart DeLisser		14809
* Bill Mauk	Mach II	14866
John Gochberg		15017

As we enter the 2001 season we are pleased to celebrate our 50th year of lightning sailing on beautiful Biscayne Bay. It has been a very exciting year for Fleet 226. We have just completed hosting the Orange Bowl Regatta with 22 boats from the United States and three other countries in attendance and had another great Miami leg of the Southern Circuit with our traditional steak dinner. Mix this in with some of the most intense fleet competition and parties, including the submission of our bid for the 2003 Lightning Worlds to be sailed on one of the best sailing venues in the country...our own backyard, and you get a feeling for the Lightning fever that has taken over Miami.

The 2001 Orange Bowl Regatta was held December 28th – 30th, 2000 and featured 3 days of competition with local entries along with some regular blue fleeters at the North Americans including past world champion Tito Gonzalez and Worlds runner-up Jeff Linton. The Orange Bowl has traditionally been a college only regatta, although this year we are very happy that the Lightnings were invited as an all-ages class. This was some of the tightest racing we have seen on the bay this season. Winds were a consistent 15-25mph putting an emphasis on getting through the chop and great boat handling. Temperatures were in the 60's and 70's throughout the regatta, which is cold for us, but a welcome break from the snow and ice for the northerners who joined us. After some fierce battles on the water, we had a tie for first place between Jeff Linton and Steve Hayden. Steve won the tie breaker and has our congratulations in being crowned the very first Lightning Class Orange Bowl Champion. This regatta was a fabulous success and we look forward to seeing many more competitors at this event next year.

The racing on the bay continues to be very competitive as the fleet continues to grow. 2000 saw our newer members challenging the "old-timers" on the racing scene. John Rouse along with crew J.B. Slater and Jake Branam are the 2000 fleet champions. The runner-up is fleet new comer Jim Bigham with crew Steve Perry and John Murch. Third place went to John and Carol Ewing (VP), and fourth place went to Dave Kurtz, another fleet new comer. Congratulations to the winners and the challengers...keep up the great work! Some of our skippers and crew are having great success outside of Biscayne Bay as well. Fleet 226 was well represented at the 2000 NA's in all fleets. Carol Ewing (VP) competed in the Women's, John Ewing and Bill Mauk competed in the Masters, and Davey Helmick posted a fine finish in the juniors. John Gochberg, Eamonn deLisser, and Bill Mauk also competed in the Soling trials and North American's.

On a lighter note, the Golden Bucket prize, which is awarded to the skipper and crew who flipped the most during the year went to Dave Kurtz in Bullet. The Drowned Rat prize is awarded to the skipper or crew that fell

out of the boat the most during the year and went to past fleet champion...the "masta rasta"...Eamonn deLisser. Rumor has it that he waited for the big regattas to test the waters as dunk #1 was at the NA's, and dunk #2 was at the Midwinters!

The parties were fabulous this year starting with another great steak dinner at the Midwinters. A great big thank you goes out to our members who help stage the dinner every year, we could not do this without you or the staff at the Coconut Grove Sailing Club. Our annual sandbar party was so nice this year we did it twice! For those yet unaware of this 226 rite of passage, we have a double-secret sandbar that emerges at certain times of the year at low tide. As the sandbar emerges, fleet members and guests set up the BBQ's, break out the coolers, and start up the "sandbar olympics". (That's really just a fancy name for whatever games we choose to play at the moment). Our annual fleet party had an international flair this year as all of the Orange Bowl lightning participants were invited. As you can see from the pictures, everyone had a great time. We also held our Annual Chinese Auction and gave away all kinds of fabulous prizes including practice sails, booze, life jackets, gloves, and much more.

In other fleet news, Bill Mauk has been named to the post of ILCA VP of Rules, and will also be heading to the Worlds in July. Long-time fleet member Carol Ewing (VP) has been named the Commodore of the Coral Reef Yacht Club, and Fleet 226 is looking to train youth teams to send to the 2001 Sears cup which will be held in Lightnings. We also welcome new fleet member Dmitriy & Lisa Yakovenko "the Russian Rocket", and the return of Walter "Beck" Beckwith. We are glad you're here! Meanwhile, the Shaw and deLisser kids are giving the Optimist fleets a good challenge, Dominic & Karol Marsden welcomed Emma into the world, Larry and Barbara Ames were married, and John and Renay Rouse are expecting their first child in March. Congratulations to all.

From all of us here at Fleet 226, we wish you a happy and prosperous new year. We hope to see some old faces and a lot of new ones at the Midwinters and at the Orange Bowl. Mark your calendars now, and we will see you on the race course!

*Smooth Sailing,
John Rouse*

BOMOSEEN YACHT CLUB FLEET 227

New England District Sailing on Lake Bomoseen Bomoseen, Vermont

Fleet CommodoreRaymon P. Harrington
Fleet SecretaryToni Harrington

Brian Harrington		10482
* Cassius L. Tillman IV	Not On Call	11212
Arden Hayden	Sojourner	11393
* Fred Bagley		13497
Anthony F. Abatiell		
& Ethan Abatiell		13732
Whit Batchelor		14646
* Raymond Harrington		
* & Raymond P. Harrington Jr.		14972
* Raymond P. Harrington Jr.		15055
* Raymond P. Harrington Jr.		15056

Unfortunately, we held no fleet races in 2000.