

The 2000 season was nothing if not WET. Weekend after weekend, it poured rain. Trying to find a place to dry your sails became a major challenge (it's hard to serve dinner when the table is covered with a wet spinaker)!

Past champion, Jim Millard, with crew Andy and Becky Gaudreau regained first place with Bill Kohler taking a solid second despite a wild spinnaker adventure in one August race. Dale Brown was third followed by Jim Dickson and John Orton.

Last year's champ, John Korkosz, returned to his Snipe for the season and Fred Lyngard returned to the fleet from a multiyear hiatus. We all look forward to a DRY 2001.

LAKE LANIER FLEET 348 Southeastern District Sailing on Lake Lanier Flowery Branch, Georgia

* David S. Smith		0
* Martin R. Zonnenberg		0
* Thomas W. Wynn		11149
* Pam Barron		11723
* Edward Heller	Live Luff Laugh	12849
* Thomas W. Wynn	Razorback	13729
* Robert S. Skorupski	Serenity Now	14902

No report.

FLOTTE MURTENSEE 358 Switzerland District Sailing on Lake of Murten Switzerland

Fleet Captain: Urs Wyler
Fleet Secretary: Walter Durr
Fleet Champion: Urs Wyler
Fleet Runner Up: Jacques Perret

* Roni Wuthrich		0
* Daniel Fischlin	Damafimo	10899
* Kurt Gloor		12951
Hans Spinnler		13257
* Hans-Peter Schmid	Milan	13692
* Urs Wyler	Meltemi	13790
* Jacques Perret	Santa Fiamma	14530
* Peter Graf	Karhu	14664

Jahresbericht

Leider hatte die Flotte 358 dieses Jahr keine Aktivitäten, da an unserem Anlass bloss ein Boot starten wollte. Wir hoffen, dass in Zukunft, das Interesse an der Regatta am Murtensee wieder zu nimmt.

CATAWBA YACHT CLUB FLEET 365 Southeastern District Sailing on Lake Wylie Charlotte, North Carolina

Fleet Captain Ron Wright
Fleet Secretary Richard Lake Johnson

* Richard Lake Johnson	Sarah	9085
Tom Smiley		10086
* Ronald K. Wright	Sleuth	11241
* Richard Lake Johnson	Kushie Butterfield	11553
* William C. Campbell, III	Sassy	11897
* Wayne Ingersoll	Connecticut Yankee	13941
R. Carr Boyd, Jr.	Buckwheat	14620

Lightning Fleet 365 of Catawba Yacht Club on Lake Wylie, Charlotte, NC, continued an active racing season during the 2000 season. Ron Wright and Wayne Ingersoll split victories in the annual spring and fall series. Wayne posted 2 bullets in the final races of the Spring series to win club honors. Ron reversed fortunes in the fall series winning on the last day of that event!

Carter Utzig won the Catawba Regatta, Fleet 365's annual Southeastern District event.

Ron Wright and Wayne Ingersoll continue to venture out to district level racing. Ron, with crew members Tom Martin and Mike Prater, competed in SELD regattas at Oriental, NC and Augusta, GA. Wayne raced the SELD regatta on Carr Lake, Raleigh, NC.

The fleet is excited about 2001. Three more Lightnings have moved on to the lot. Leonard Little, John Holmes, and Robert Johnson are skippers. We hope to have them enrolled in ILCA soon. The Catawba Yacht Club facilities have seen major upgrades this year, specifically in the form of a new launch dock. Clubhouse improvements that include a commercial kitchen and expanded restrooms are also underway. In addition, the club has added a J-22 fleet, is supporting Vanguard racing on Lake Wylie, and is applying for SAYRA membership.

Finally, the fleet maintains an active website that includes an events calendar and racing results. The URL is:

<www.homestead.com/catawbayachtclub>.

Ron Wright

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA FLEET 372 California District Sailing on San Francisco Bay Point Richmond, California

Fleet Captain Fred Chandler
Fleet Secretary/Treasurer Michael Molina

* Howard Macken		7606
* Michael A. Molina		9169
* Fred Chandler	Seafever	11373
* Elissa Hall	Elusive	12337
* Fred Chandler	Feral Bogan	13467
* Dave Larz Anderson	Crusader Rabbit	13626
* Bruce B. Arnold	Peppermint Patty Too	13783
* Peter Beecher	Maniacal	13869
* Michael A. Molina	Double Happiness	14305
* David A. Gallup		14681

No Report.

DOUGLAS LAKE FLEET 374
Michigan District
Sailing on Douglas Lake
Cheboygan County, Michigan

* David O. Peters Shrub 12754

No Report.

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

Fleet CaptainGeorge Siegle
Fleet Secretary/Treasurer Larry Koster
Fleet Champion George Siegle
Fleet Runner UpPat Dolan

* Fred Hull		0
* Jim Spurr		6228
Dave Vietti	Baka	10366
George Dorsch	Shakedown	12690
Wayne Barry		11184
John LeFevre		11520
Dennis Dudley	Do-Rite	12888
Jim Ault		13254
* Neil Harrison	Sukevay	13279
Don Baron		13344
Robert E. Klimek	Lady Jane	13595
John Fishbeck	Evergreen	13730
Bob Chronister	Bananas	13903
Roger Anderson	Minwahsin	14024
* Matt Dahline	Fastidiots	14133
* Mike Moody	Moody's Booty	14147
* Larry Koster	Fubar	14267
* William S. Davidson	Shibumi	14294
Ron Marshall	Ohm	14447
Blaine Severin	UFP	14468
* George F. Siegle	Fins	14760
* Patrick Dolan	Windancer	14963
* Terrill L. Kleiman	Dragon Tail	14964

Lansing Sailing Club sponsored a "Discover Sailboat Racing" class at the Haslett High School beginning January 2000. There were 5 class room sessions followed by remote controlled 'Victoria' model sail boats tacking and jibing in the swimming pool. Wind was created by 4 foot tall fans at pool side. This led to training rides aboard Lightnings once our weather warmed.

Lansing's sailing season began Sunday, April 16, 2000. Fleet Captain George Siegle led the way by taking two first place finishes. LSC's Commodore, Pat Dolan, placed 2nd in the first race with his brand new boat. This set the tone for the entire season.

The Spring-Fall series was two sessions - Spring: April 16th through May 28; Fall: the Sunday after Labor Day and ended October 15th, with 20 races total, counting the best 10 races. George and Ann Siegle, with Gil Chesbro aboard FINS 14760, claimed 13 first place finishes in the 15 races sailed. Tremendous team work while flying their spinnaker. Pat Dolan, with his new Windancer 14963, sailed all 20 races in this series, had two 1st place results, for runner-up honors. Terry Kleiman, with his new 14964 named Dragon Tail (a vague reference to crew weight distribution.), sailed 12 races with two 1sts for 3rd place in the Spring-Fall races. Heilo Vogel was Terry's steadiest crew, wife Mary sometimes participated.

The Summer series began June 11th and ended September 3rd, with a total of 26 races sailed. With time out for the Saginaw Bay District Championship, the Tawas Bay and Higgins Lake regattas, George and Ann Siegle managed to place 9 firsts in 14 races sailed to win the Summer series. Pat Dolan again was runner-up for the series by sailing 24 of the 26 races. He had five 1st place finishes and many other high results. (Pat says he had 15 crew for the year. Most active were Gary Marx, Bob Miller and Stacy Kotecki.) Mike Moody, skippering Moody's Booty 14147, sailed 17 races and placed 1st in 5 races to finish 3rd for the Summer series.

Fleet 387's Annual regatta was scheduled for June 3rd & 4th. Due to the lack of wind on Sunday, it turned out to be a one day regatta. Colin & Karen Park, with Chris Jacobson, from the Saginaw Bay fleet won the 3 race regatta by taking a 1st in the second race, after having 12 low total points. Also at 12 points (his best race was a 3rd) was LSC's Commodore Pat Dolan sailing with the father and son combination of Tom and Bruce Rasmussen. Ron and Jane Marshall with son Brad, from LSC, took 3rd with 13 points. LSC's Fleet Captain George Siegle with wife Ann and Gil Chesbro placed 4th with 15 points. Brothers Mike and Bill Thomas from North Cape YC, with Traci Nickels and her dad's boat, won 5th place awards at 16 points. Pat Dolan now has his name etched on the "Ye Olde Silver Platter" award, presented to the highest placing LSC skipper in our regatta.

As there was no forecast for a breeze, Colin Park conducted an impromptu "Lightning Tune Up" clinic Sunday morning. Many questions were answered.

Three Lansing skippers attended four out-of-town regattas in 2000. FUBAR's skipper, Larry Koster, with Neil Harrison and his son Andrew sailed at the Lake Fenton Team Races. George and Ann Siegle 'drafted' the fuzzy faced guy to be their middle crew at the Saginaw Bay District Championships. The FUBAR crew of Rachel Mills and Scott Schopieray and the FINS crew of George and Ann Siegle, along with Gil Chesbro, headed north to Tawas Bay Yacht Club's regatta. Two Lansing boats, Koster and Siegle, were at Higgins Lake Boat Club's invitational regatta with their respective crews, John LeFevre and Scott Schopieray, and Ann Siegle and Jim Eckert. Blaine Severin aboard UFP (Unidentified Flying Pig) with Laura Harvey and Julie Pierce sailed at Devils Lake. FINS and its regular crew were there also, along with FUBAR, Rachel Mills and Barbara Gillespie crewing.

It has been a 10-12 year tradition to have a Crew Appreciation Night following the sailing season. This year, for the first time, awards were presented. Gil Chesbro, sailing with George and Siegle, was voted 'Most Valuable Crew'. Stacy Kotecki, a participant in LSC's January "Discover Sailboat Racing" class, later sailed with Pat Dolan for most of the season, was voted 'Rookie Crew of the Year'. The 'Wet Bottom Award', for sailing with enthusiasm in all conditions, was presented to Jane Marshall. Jane crewed with her husband, Ron, and Bob Hill.

Larry Koster

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1965 ★ Fleet 387 ★ 2000

**35th year of
great racing
in the center of the
Michigan mitten!**



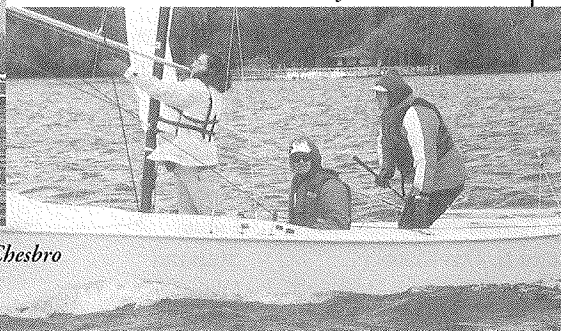
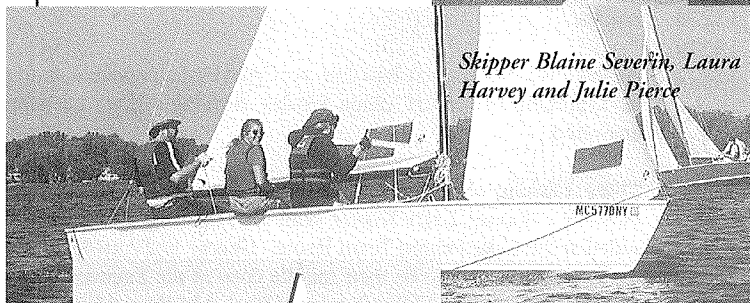
(L) Fleet Racing
(B) Larry Koster
presents Ye Olde
Silver Platter to
Pat Dolan for
top LSC boat at
2000 Tune Up
Regatta

(B) Skipper
Mike Moody,
Helio Vogel and
Gil Chesbro



(L) Colin Park gives a Tune Up
workshop at LSC Tune Up
Regatta in June
(B) Skipper Pat Dolan, Gary
Marx and Stacy Kotecki

Skipper Blaine Severin, Laura
Harvey and Julie Pierce



(L) Skipper George Siegle, Gil Chesbro
and Ann Siegle
(B) Lunch time at the club



(B) Skipper Terry
Kleiman, Bob Miller,
Ann Siegle



1982 Bill Celio • 1983 Mike Caterino • 1984 Mike Caterino • 1985 Ron Wilson • 1986 Mike Caterino • 1987 Mike Caterino • 1988 Alan Becke • 1989 Alan Becke

ST. MARY'S FLEET 400
Ohio District
Sailing on Grand Lake St. Mary's
St. Mary's, Ohio

* Addis L. Katterheinrich	Adam's Rib	8441
No report.		

GUANABARA FLEET 401
Brazil District
Sailing on Guanabara Bay
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Claudio Allevato	Mastership	5327
Silvio Pinheiro/Silva, Jr.	Tiorga X.	8233
Alzir De Castro Faria Jr.	Almar VII	11706
Renato Valenca	Cartola	14320
Jose Dos Santos Perozini	Buriba	14463
Luiz Clarkson Lebreiro	Volta Seca 3	
& Eduardo Clarkson Lebreiro		14498
Eduardo O. Simao	Vamp	14561
Mauro Jose Villela Nogueira	Biela Rio	14564

No Report.

SALINAS YACHT CLUB FLEET 405
Ecuador District
Sailing on the Pacific Ocean
Guayaquil, Ecuador

* Xavier Monge		0
* Camilo Saman Salem	Sea Breeze	9411
* Francis Parker Plaza		11153
* Miguel E. Plaza, Jr.	La Ratonera	11928
* Miguel Plaza Merino	Desencuentro	14099
* Juan Carlos Plaza P.	Culilla	14145
* Francisco Sola Medina	Samuel	14150
* Carlos Andres Plaza	Gato	14160
* Juan Santos Garces		14370
* Sebastian Meira T.	Saudades	14379
* Santiago Romero	Barst	14389
* Eduardo Vedani		14405
* Alberto Maspons	Auegreto	14461
* Paco Sola Tanca	Zorro Loco	14541
* Juan Santos Garces	Magia	
* & Juan Santos Dillon		14671
* Santiago Romero Barst	Pepto Bismol	14673
* Jaime Santa Cruz Vial	Marraqueta	14674
* Carlos Lecaro	Garufa	14676

No Report.

HIGH ROCK FLEET 415
Southeastern District
Sailing on High Rock Lake

Lexington, North Carolina

* George Howard	Rain Maker	10354
* Aldred K. Warren, III		10386
* Nathan Varner		10728
* William W. Pleasants		12336
* Pell Kennedy		13931
* Gordon P. Kellogg	Special K II	14044
* Frank Mills	Patricia Ann	14248
* Richard Simpson	Blitzen	14432
* Sam L. Boone III		14702
* Carter Utzig	Maybe	14947

No Report.

LA PINTA FLEET 424
Peru District
Sailing on Bay of Callao
Lima, Peru

* Francisco Ayulo	No Speaking	12825
No Report.		

KILLYLEAGH YACHT CLUB FLEET 427
Ireland District
Sailing on Strangford Lough
Belfast, County Down, Northern Ireland

Raymond Killops		
& Andrew Killops		19
Denis Bennett		77
Gordon Moore		1564
Clive Bridges		11439
David Brown		
& John Scott	Stars & Stripes	
& Trevor Wilson		14086
William Lindsay	Rainbow III	14469

No Report.

GREATER CHARLESTON FLEET 429
Southeastern District
Sailing on Charleston Harbor
Charleston, South Carolina

* William R. Sloger, Sr.	Wasabi	11771
* Leonard Krawcheck		14935

No Report.

OCEAN CITY YACHT CLUB FLEET 430
Central Atlantic District
Sailing on Great Egg Harbor Bay

Ocean City, New Jersey

* John J. Parker	Flower Child	13380
* Howard M. Solomon		13649
* Russell Hanscom		13873
* Erik T. Hostvedt	Blue Streak	
* & Samuel Hostvedt		14014
* Richard McCarraher		14341
* Andrew Skibo	Pink Panther	14415
* Erik T. Hostvedt		14987

No Report.

SOUTHAMPTON YACHT CLUB FLEET 431

Long Island District
Sailing on Shinnecock Bay
Southampton, Long Island, New York

* John V.H. Halsey	Windy Too	11071
Teresa Bouchard	Grandpa Moses	11219
* James Ledogar	Slug	12123
* Arthur M. Reid, Jr.		13874
Dr. Hull		14032
* Robert G. Shewan		14074
* Tim Rumph		14138
* Tim Rumph	Fulmen	14157
* John Lewandowski	Outrageous	14551
* Richard E. Warren		14560
* Bruce Hendry		14679
* Malcolm Hendry III	Moto iti	14917

2000 was a spectacular year of sailing at Southampton YC. Our club had the following: The 2nd annual Father's Day cup. Won by Malcolm Hendry 2 years in a row. A spring series, summer series, and to top it off the fall series.

This is followed by the Fall Classic regatta and the new interclub regatta, to promote friendship between our two other fleets, close by. Great South Bay and Orient fleet. This year will be better as we are hosting the Atlantic Coast Championship's in Shinnecock Bay. At SHYC you almost always get a 12 - 20 knot sea breeze. So come visit and sail with us.

When it was windy and rainy, and we could not sail, there were still PRICELESS MOMENTS to be had. Sitting around a warm fireplace on a cool rainy day, drinking tropical delights and telling the biggest whoppers you ever heard!

Kent Rydberg did a great job as Commodore. Helping to motivate people and to make sailing just plain fun. Thank you Kent. The fleet would also like to thank Jack and Doug for giving us a great Race Committee. And last but not least, we love Tom Conner for towing us home when the wind dyed and for having a cold beer for the first boat on the tow rope. We take our hats off to this gentleman. Thank you Tom.

We are all looking forward to another great season of sailing. Come join us.

Malcolm Hendry

RUSH CREEK YACHT CLUB FLEET 435

Texas District
Lake Ray Hubbard
Heath, Texas

* Richard C. Guinan, Jr.		Life
* George R. Hatfield		Life
* John S. Schneider		Life
* Clarke Newman		10937
John Lewis		11015
Arthur Wilson	Blitzen	12500
Vernon Goldberg	Andros 3	13228
Robert Thomas	Pandora	13311
Glenn Darden	Dark Horse	13622
Patrick Mosely		
& Jeff Heron		13806
David Tschirhart		13831
Kurt Schuler		13953
* Paul Foerster		14817

No Report.

PALMETTO FLEET 440

Southeastern District
Sailing on Lake Murray
Columbia, South Carolina

* Kenneth E. Peters	Mod Mid	13123
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No Report.

FOND DU LAC FLEET 442

Midwest District
Sailing on Lake Winnebago
Fond du Lac, Wisconsin

Fleet Captain: Mike Elmergreen
Fleet Secretary: Sue Dorscheid

Pete Chisholm		13280
* Sue Dorscheid	Escape	
* & Mike Elmergreen		13617
* Big Sue & Elmo		15042

This was an exciting year in many ways for Fleet 442. We always start the year with the Lighthouse Regatta the first weekend in June. This is our 2nd year of racing a dual fleet with Lighnings and Inland 20 scows. This year we had 25 boats total and enough wind to get in 4 races. Ed Coleman easily took top honors by winning 3 of the races. His crew was Edward and Paul Coleman. Rounding out the top five places were Paul Wurtzebach in second, Ric Larson in third, Bill Faude in fourth and Tim Monday in fifth.

The summer racing was very competitive with our mixed fleet Portsmouth racing. We now have five Inland 20's to contend with along with the various other M16's, MC's, X boat's, Laser's, Force 5's, and whatever else shows up. Sue Dorscheid ended up winning the Early Season as well as the late season in Escape (13617), which is the first boat

that Nickels Boat Works built back in 1981. An older Lightning yet (13280), owned by Pete Chisholm et al, took fourth place in both series without great finishes, but consistent finishes. They were sitting in sixth place going in to the last race of the year and enlisted the help of Mike Elmergreen for some speed tips. They ended up winning the race, their best finish by far, and edged out Escape at the finish by 2 seconds. This moved them up two places in the rankings and into the silver.

On August 1st Escape, sitting on its trailer, was hit by a 74 year old lady while Mike and Sue were eating at Salty's. The boat was totalled, the Explorer had \$3000 in damage, and their crew Mark Wessel had \$850 damage when the entire train rammed into his Explorer. Mike and Sue are now taking possession of 15042 and Bill Jermyn in Pennsylvania is going to restore Escape and sail it on Lake Waulenpaupauk. The good news is that the class has another boat and a new class member. Thanks goes out to Jason Bemis in Sheboygan for lending his boat to Sue to finish and win the season championship.

**CLUB UNIVERSITARIO DE BUENOS AIRES
FLEET 446
Argentina District
Sailing on the Waters of Rio De La Plata
Buenos Aires, Argentina**

* Alejandro Cloos		0
* Juan Carlos Mario Garcia	Man Carron	11043
* Hector Longarela	Gaucho Negro	11649

Refer to District Report section.

**CLUB NAUTICO SAN PABLO FLEET 447
Ecuador District
Sailing on Lago San Pablo
Quito, Ecuador**

Fleet Secretary Lars Dyck

* Lars Dyck	Samuel	
* & Olaf Dyck		11365
* Jose M. Perez		12221
* Jose M. Perez		12223
* Jose M. Perez	Speedy	12338
Joaquin Morillo	C.C.C.P.	12557
Ricardo Zeller		12566
Marco Ordenez		12768
* Carlos Ramsauer	Guambrita	13442
* Marcelo Leon		13443
Ing. Mauricio Martinez	Pinta Brava	13444
Ricardo Crespo		13445
* Gustavo Cordovez		14370
* Jaime Martinez	Nirvana	14389
* Ernesto Martinez F.	Buscapleitos	14558
* Deiter Dyck	Quicky	
& Andres Cardenas		14675
* Lars Dyck	Samuel	
* & Olaf Dyck		14765

* Carlos Ramsauer	La Banderita	14910
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No Report.

**MARSALA FLEET 449
Italy District
Sailing on the Mediterranean Sea
Marsala, Sicily, Italy**

* Sergio Bianco		0
* Guiseppe Rallo		0
Marco Caronna		11244
Angelo Giacalone		11325
* Giovanni Pellegrino	Wanted I	12027
* Marsala Societa' Canottieri		12537
* Giuseppe Valenti	Trepepe	
* & Giuseppe Fornich		13345
* Vito Pernice	Ho Hell	13349
* Antonio Marino	Rainbow	13402
Giuseppe Giacalone		13478
* Giuseppe Alagna	Wanted III	
* & Marcello Attina		
& Antonino Rallo		13481
Gianmarco Tramati		13557
* Circolo Velico Marsala		
* & Ignazio Bonanno		
& Pasquale Vitaggio		
& Pietro Zerilli		13706
* Vito Tripoli	Lily Bay Tan	13878
* Roberto Crucitti		14102
* Giovanni Pellegrino		14179
* Stefano Reina	Maranna	14197
* Mario Noto		
* & Marsala Societa' Canottieri		
* & Mario Alagna		14731
* Antonio Marino		15013

No report.

**FLOTTA DEL TRASIMENO FLEET 453
Italy District
Sailing on Trasimeno Lake
Perugia, Italy**

* Sauro Scarpocchi	Wind III	13348
* Sauro Scarpocchi		13455
* Sergio Rustichelli		14228
* Sauro Scarpocchi		
& Vittorugo Mearini		14239
* Eugenio Branca		14245
* Franco De Regis		
& Camillo Angeli		
& Francisco De Regis		14316

No Report.

TUUSULVANJARVI FLEET 456
Finland District
Sailing on Lake Tuusulanjarvi
Tuusula, Finland

* Lauri Hamalainen		0
* Pentti Laitinen		0
* Juha Siilin		12482
* Juha Savela		13130
* Pertti Pyy		13413
* Hannu Hanskala		13562
* Niko Lappalainen	Poiju	14018
* Rainer Korhonen	Porkkana	14179
* Leo Korhonen		14274
* Olli Lahtinen	Shark	14331
* Juha Siilin	Sini	14352
* Pertti Pyy	Amarillo	
* & Walteri Karhusaari		14406
* Juha Hamalainen		14496
* Antero Punttila	Snow White	14535
* Matti Leppanen		14638
* Sakari Pesola		14936

No Report.

NORTH FLORIDA FLEET 461
Florida District
Sailing on Lake Eustis
North of Orlando, Florida

* Ken Kniepmann		0
* Morgan Reeser		0
* Fisk Hayden		2
* Christopher (Kip) Hamblet	FOB	11346
* Steve Hayden	Calvin	
* & Fisk Hayden		
* & Barr Batzer		14752

No report.

GUARAPIRANGA LAKE FLEET 462
Brazil District
Sailing on Lake Guarapiranga
Sao Paulo, Brazil

* Claus Bromberg		0
* Brian Murray Sumner	Easy Rider	
* & George Lewis Rider		11693
* Thomas Buckup	Viking II	13008
* Nelson Small Schmitt		14071
* Manfred Kaufmann Jr	Just'n Time	14101
* Jens Cristiano Ruschmann	Flying Cloud	14168
* James Sumner	Viso	14330
* Nelson Small Schmitt		14353
* Nelson Small Schmitt		14504
* Thomas G.S. Sumner	Pisco	14562

* Michael Anthony Norris		14602
* Nelson Small Schmitt	Xamego V	14633
* Per Olov Hornell	Clone Rider	14845
* Jose Eduardo Maia	Dito & Feito	14891
* Hans Juergen Ludwig		14892
* George Lewis Rider		
* & John Julio Jansen		14893
* Caio Seabra	Vamoqvamo	14894

No Report.

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

Fleet Captain J. M. "Dick" Coburn
Fleet Secretary Paul R. Jueschke

Waccamaw Sailing Club		6460
Steve Dawson	Wishfull Thinking	11333
Neal Turner		11898
* J.M. (Dick) Coburn	Strings Attached	14252
* Paul R. Jueschke	Celebrate!	14980

No Report.

FLOTTA DEL CONERO 466
Italy District
Sailing on the Adriatic Sea
Ancona, Falconara and Senigallia, Italy

* Norberto Felici		13264
* Bruno Roccheggiani	Bibir	13346
* Giovanni Sorci		13445
* Luigi Maria Silvestrini		14239
* Carlo Jommi		14245

No Report.

VALKEAKOSKI FLEET 468
Finland District
Sailing on Lake Mallevesi and Vanajavesi
Valkeakoski, Finland

* Aimo Jokiniemi		12992
* Pentti Jarvinen		14352
* Aimo Jokiniemi		14403
* Pentti Jarvinen		14761

No report.

CEDAR FLEET 478
Florida District
Sailing on the Caloosahatchee River

* Ralph Suhm	Mysti Blue	8822
No Report.		

FLOTTA ROMA 479
Italy District
Sailing on Bracciano Lake
Rome, Italy

* Giacomo Fagnano	0
* Sergio Masserotti	14554
* Alessandro Brighenti	14623
No Report.	

WAKE FLEET 481
Southeastern District
Sailing on Kerr Lake
Raleigh, North Carolina

Fleet Co-Captains: Ed Michels
 Michael Rees
 John Pelosi
Fleet Secretary/Treasurer Ed Michels
Borderline Chairman Ed Michels

* Pierce P. Barden		0
* W. Timothy Borland	Agent Orange	12973
* Ed Michels	Banana Boat	13620
* Avis Bridgers	Menage 3	13848
* Michael S. Rees, M.D.	Adrenalin	13877
* John Chaplinsky		14080
* David L. Francis	Too Fast	14332
* James E. Nutt, M.D.	Hallucination	14376
* John W. Pelosi	Anubis Leisure Society	14396
* Charles L. Moore, Jr.	Great Escape	14637
* Ed Michels		14950

Background: Fleet 481 is one of the 6 one-design fleets that constitute the Carolina Sailing Club (CarolinaSailingClub.org). The club is a racing-only club, owns race committee boats and equipment, and no real-estate. It was the first US Sailing (USYRU) One-Design Club of the Year. The club and fleet race on Kerr Lake and Lake Jordan, which are near Raleigh, Durham and Chapel Hill in central North Carolina, and club fleets frequently hold regattas on the Pamlico and Albemarle Sounds in eastern NC.

Fleet 481, also known as the Wake (County) Fleet, participates in all the club's racing events: the monthly Kerr Lake race weekends April through October, an informal race series one day a month for the same months on Lake Jordan, and a frost-bite series, bi-monthly Sundays, for the rest of the year.

The fleet is the most active Lightning fleet in the South Eastern Lightning District (SED). Fleet participation in the SED circuit (10 regattas in 2000) rises and falls over the years; this year was a little less than average – but we still provided 49 boat days of the approximately 200 total boat days

in the circuit. The biggest event on the circuit is the Fleet-run late-October Borderline Regatta. Turn-out was a record high of 40 this year, with boats coming from upper New York State and Florida, and points in-between. Top sailors of the class regularly attend; this year's top three were Dick Halligan, Tom Allen Jr., and Steve Hayden. The Borderline also has a separately scored series that favors older boats (Hull Number Handicapping): five of the top 8 had hull numbers below 12000. The Borderline is part of a double-header with the Frigid Digit in Annapolis, and is one of the regattas on the Lighting Intersectional Series.

The fleet has grown over the last 16 months to 14 boat-owning members. New Lightning owner-members since Fall '99 are Tim Borland, Charles Moore, Richard Phillips and George Smart. We now have 10 boats that were sailed in the last year, a high for the 90's if not further back. In 2001 there will be a focus on getting all these 14 boats out racing more regularly. The fleet is not formal about non-skipper members. There are many very active crew who participate heavily in club and fleet activities; two crew are on the board of directors of the club (Joan Woods and Steve Cardoze), and one is the professional skill behind the club's web site (Nicole Knowles).

Club activism (for both 2000 and 2001: Commodore Ed Michels, Vice Commodore Michael Rees, and Rear Commodore George Smart, three directors: John Pelosi, Joan Woods, Steve Cardoze) by the fleet's most active members has handicapped fleet operations; this will start getting better in 2002.

Since the club has only racing members, club members do all the race committee work. As a result, 6 of the fleet members are experienced PRO's, and almost all fleet members and most crew have RC experience.

The year started with good intentions: the club had just restarted a frost-bite program after a lapse of many years, and it was open to all boats. John Pelosi managed to sail his Lightning several times, and Ed Michels used the excuse of a freshly broken arm to stay inside and warm. The normal club racing series, April through October at Kerr Lake, had John Pelosi as the best Lightning overall, with participation by most of the other fleet members. Also new this year was an "Informal Race Series" on Lake Jordan, one day a month for the same April – October period. Scores were not kept, and John Chaplinski and Chuck Moore had the highest participation. On the SE District Circuit (two of which races were "local"), eight fleet boats participated in some manner. John Pelosi did the best of the local boats, and managed to win the end-of-year drawing for a new sail. (For the last two years, the district, instead of buying trophies, has had a participation-based drawing for a new sail and John has won it both times!)

We feel that the key to fleet health (or class health, for that matter,) is the amount of time the boats are sailed or raced. Since it's easier to improve something if you can and do measure it, we have started tracking and offer the following as our status.

Fleet Boats (481 is the boat's local fleet; and either the owner is an ILCA member, or the boat is fit or being repaired and the skipper has sailed it once in the last 3 years)

Fleet Boats members of ILCA 10

Active Fleet boats: sailed at least once in year 10

Active racing fleet boats:

Minimal: raced at least once in year	8
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Strong: raced on 3 different weekends	7
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Days of local Lightning racing (two or more Lightnings actually racing in a formal race)	20
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Lightning Boat Days raced:

By fleet boats, Local races	74
By fleet boats, away races	41
By fleet boats, Total local and away	115
By fleet boats, SED circuit races (local & away)	49
By visiting Lightnings, locally hosted races	78
Other racing days by member skipper	53
Sailing, not-racing days by member skipper	66

More information about the fleet may be found on the CSC web site at CarolinaSailingClub.org/fleets/lightning/ or by contacting Ed Michels (michels@attglobal.net 919-876-5264), John Pelosi (johnpelosi@cs.com 919-556-3409) or Michael Rees (mreesmd@AOL.com 919-782-1799)

ITHACA FLEET 484 Central New York District Sailing on Cayuga Lake Ithaca, New York

* William C. Anderson		0
* Byrne O'Brien	Whisper	10113
* John B. Rudd	Allegro	10705
* Stephen Little		13372
* John B. Rudd	Green Achers	14240
* Edward Seyerlein		14713
* Jesse W. Miller		14799
* Byrne O'Brien		14968

Lightning sailing at the Ithaca Yacht Club was plentiful this season and not without mishaps. Fleet racing began and ended on a cold note - not unusual for Cayuga Lake.

We changed our Thursday- night racing schedule this year and divided our season into three distinct series with a spring, summer, and fall component. At our first race, one of the boats conducted an "unplanned" man-overboard drill into the icy waters of Cayuga. Racing was competitive with each fleet member achieving a first place finish at least once during the season. Ed Seyerlein won the spring series with Jesse and Ginny Miller finishing second, and Byrne and Karen O'Brien in third place. The summer series saw a shift in placement with Jesse Miller taking first place, and Ed Seyerlein and John Rudd following in second and third place, respectively.

During the summer, Ed Seyerlein, Jesse and Ginny Miller, and Byrne and Karen O'Brien trailered their Lightnings to a number of other district regattas and continued to show that Ithaca Yacht Club sailors are a force to contend with.

The fall Sunday series opened with our annual Frostbite One-Day Regatta. Fourteen Lightnings traveled to Ithaca for the Yacht Club's last event. Our fleet finished strong with Jesse Miller placing second, Byrne O'Brien placing third, and John Rudd coming in fifth place.

While racing ended on October 8th at the Ithaca Yacht Club, it continued for the Millers and O'Briens who sailed in the Southern Circuit. At the Borderline regatta in Tennessee, the O'Brien's brought their wooden boat, Whisper (10113), out of retirement to finish strong.

We eagerly await the start of our 2001 season and look forward to using our newly renovated small boat dock. Built by the Lightning Fleet members during the winter's low water season, we forged the worst snow-

storm of the season and put in countless weekend hours to complete the dock. The dock will be put to good use this summer when we once again, host the Central New York District Championships. We'll see you there!

VALLEY LIGHTNING FLEET 486 Mississippi Valley District Sailing on Alton Lake Machens Missouri

Fleet Captain: Rick Conaway
Fleet Secretary: John Tarnow
Fleet Champion: Rick Conaway
Fleet Runner-Up: Steve Wyers
Fleet Contact: stephen.a.wyers@boeing.com
<http://www.geocities.com/SouthBeach/Marina/9604/>

* Mark Nash		0
* Nelson Laffey		7041
* C. Graeme Wilson	Chaos	8664
Sea Scouts		9559
Sea Scouts		10291
* Bill Brock		11125
* Dwayne Hilton	A-1-A Margaritaville	11205
John Voelker	Ziggy II	11598
* Jerry Chapman & Brian Roberts		11637
Ken Token	Old One Eye	11701
Sea Scouts		12033
Bryan Uhlmansiek	Thunder	12136
Rich Neiman	Sparrow	12891
John Tarnow	Mud Runner	12892
Don McNabb		13232
* Stephen Wyers	Top Secret	13379
Boeing Employees' Sailing Club	Summer Lightning	13627
* C. Graeme Wilson	Chaos	13836
* Rick Conaway	Fascination	14088
* Gerald L. Wnorowski	Can't Believe It!	14233
Francis C. Renschen	No Crews Control	14501



The millennium was good to us weather-wise, and we had a great extended season with no flooding. We had our harbor Entrance/Exit dredged so

there's plenty of water under the boats as we head out to the sailing/racing area, and we added lights and a gas barbecue to our club's deck. We even have a peacock which volunteered as club mascot!

Unfortunately, because of obligations, health, work, vacations, etc. our Sunday series was less than we could hope for. The high point was our Wednesday evening PHRF event which had as many as 14 boats competing, followed by a barbecue. We also managed to add three new boats and skippers

We compressed the Sept. 10 Muddy Rudder class event to a one-day no fee event, which was laid-back fun. The air was moderate, but never threatening. We'll revert to the usual format next year. Look for it the 2nd weekend in September.

SKIPPER	SAIL	1	2	3	4	FINAL
RICK CONAWAY	14088	0.75	0.75	0.75	3	5
JERRY CHAPMAN	11637	2	2	3	0.75	8
JERRY WNOROWSKI	14233	3	4	2	2	11
STEVE WYERS	13379	7	3	4	4	18
DWAYNE HILTON	11205	5	5	5	5	20
RICH NIEMANN	12891	4	7	7	7	25

The Governor's Cup, an all class regatta on Sept. 30-Oct. 1, was a real blast with great air both days. I've developed a real liking for heavy air recently and this one, with steady winds in the mid to upper teens on both days satisfied every desire! Rick Conaway ran off with the hardware again, but there's always next year. Barbecue and beer filled out the festivities after both days of racing. This event is held the end of September or in early October, which generally offers warmer weather, great fall colors on the Mississippi bluffs, and even the chance of seeing a few eagles. Come on out and practice your planing!

SKIPPER	BOAT	1	2	3	4	5	total
RICK CONAWAY	14088	0.75	0.75	0.75	2	2	6.25
GRAEME WILSON	8664	2	2	3	4	0.75	11.75
G. WNOROWSKI	14233	4	3	2	0.75	3	12.75
STEVE WYERS	13379	3	4	4	3	4	18
JIM GIGLIOTH	9559	5	5	6	6	6	28

ROCKY MOUNTAIN FLEET 488 US @ Large District Sailing the Waters of Colorado, Nebraska, and Wyoming

Fleet Captain: Marty Mulhern
Fleet Secretary: Bob Stoller
Fleet Champion: Tom McNish

Earl Harris		584
Dean Lausten		5945
Larry Arbuthnot	Pixie	9808
Kyle Jermyn		10767
Tim McKenzie		11305
* Bob Stoller	Frolic	11446
* Steven Davis	Pura Vida	11457
* Nancy Nowak	Prosit	11815
* Tom McNish	Dandy Lion	12871
* Fred Denny	Heron	13478
* Martin Mulhern		13857
* Bob Stoller	North Star	14769
* William F. Cabrall	Aldonza	15004



*Tom McNish, Fleet 488 Champion for 2000, sailing at Cherry Creek Reservoir
(Photo by Marty Mulhern)*

Rocky Mountain Lightning Fleet 488 had one of it's best sailing seasons ever in 2000. The Fleet sails in Denver at Cherry Creek Reservoir with the Denver Sailing Association (DSA) and at various lakes in Colorado, Wyoming, and Nebraska in events sanctioned by the Sailing Association of Intermountain Lakes (S.A.I.L.). In 2000 we emphasized sailing in the regattas at Cherry Creek

We race on Thursday nights from May through August and on a number of weekends from April through October. Participation has steadily increased for several years. In 2000 a milestone was achieved by having enough Lightnings competing to sail as a fleet rather than competing with other classes under a Portsmouth handicap.

Our Fleet Champion is Tom McNish who sailed throughout the season with his son Mike McNish and Norm Hydman. Tom was awarded a new perpetual Lightning Fleet 488 Season Championship trophy. He was also named Denver Sailing Association's Most Improved Sailor

Members of Fleet 488 sailed in the Lightning California Circuit, the MidContinent Regatta in Illinois, and the Lightning North American Championship. In the California Circuit Steve Davis sailed with Bob Stoller and Jeff Coppens (from San Diego); and Marty Mulhern crewed for Mike and Dick Brewer from California. The sailing conditions for this regatta are always excellent, and the Davis' family in California extended a wonderful welcome to the Colorado sailors.

Bob Stoller with Jim Chace and Alexis Ellis; and Marty Mulhern with Andy Cervantes and Blair Evans (from Seattle) competed in the Mid Continent Regatta. It was a fun event even though record-setting thunderstorms passed through the area on Saturday night.

Two Colorado boats competed in the North American Championship in Annapolis: Bob Stoller with Jim Chace and Phil Rowan (from Michigan); and Bill Cabrall with Glenna Kunkel and Jodie Schoemer. Steve Davis and Marty Mulhern crewed on boats from California and Texas.

Bill Cabrall was the overall winner of the DSA Commodores Cup Regatta. Bill also received the DSA "Wetback Award," which recognizes the most notable capsizes of the year. Glenna Kunkel was awarded the Q.C.Quatelbaum Cup by DSA for the skipper with the most enthusiasm and notable competitive sailing achievements.

The best Fleet party in many years was a late summer cookout at Cherry



*Spinnaker set as the wind fills, Commodore's Cup at Cherry Creek
Bob Stoller (L), Bill Cabrall (C), and Marty Mulhern (R)*

(Photo by Steve Davis)

Creek Marina. At the party we raced 8 foot prams from Community Sailing of Colorado, a youth sailing program in Denver. Everyone competed, with Jan Davis winning handily.

For several years Bob Stoller has organized an exhibit in the Denver Boat Show for the Lightning Fleet, DSA, and S.A.I.L. The featured boat in 2000 was Lightning 14769 and in 2001 it will be Bill Cabrall's new Lightning 15004.

Several older boats have been refurbished by the Fleet, including completely replacing the deck of one boat.

Improvements to be started in spring 2001 by Cherry Creek Marina and the Colorado State Parks Department will add a new bulkhead, two cranes, fenced dry-storage parking for 40 boats, and additional slips at the Marina.

For further information see the Fleet 488 web page at:

www.denversailing.org

Marty Mulhern and Bob Stoller



Bill Cabrall at the Annapolis NAs. (Photo courtesy of Bob Stoller)

ACULEO LAKE FLEET 490 Chile District Sailing on Aculeo Lake Champa, Paine, Chile

* Alberto Gonzalez Mas	Ojo De Lince	11011
* Rodrigo Zuazola		14255
* Francisco Perez Spencer		14294
* Rodrigo Zuazola	Cabello Del Alguai	14307
* Alberto Gonzalez Mas		14454
* Felipe Guerrero M.		14632
* Francisco Perez Spencer		14794
* Alberto Gonzalez Mas		14838
* Alberto Gonzalez Mas		14843

No Report.

TOHICKON CREEK FLEET 491 Central Atlantic District Sailing on Lake Nockamixon Quakertown, Pennsylvania

* James Perkins	The Bolt	6378
* Charles S. Shoemaker	Esprit	9928
* Brent W. Benson		11444
* Alan Schragger	Gybe Ho	
* & Louis Schragger		12277
* James C. Lenahan, III	White Flash	12727
* James Perkins	So What?	13211
* Clifford H. Matson, Jr.		13399

Lake Nockamixon had better-than-average wind this year with few drifters and many hard hiking days. The Perkins 13211 traveled to many regattas. 11444 (Benson) won the Nockamixon Champion-of-Champions regatta between the fleets.

We expect the fall Cap-it-Off regatta to return in October 2000 after missing 2000 because of various personal commitments of our small fleet membership.

We welcome visitors at any of our regular racing days (most Saturdays April through October) and especially at our four single-day invitational regattas. Contact Brent Benson or Jamie Perkins for dates.

BOW LAKE FLEET 493 New England District Sailing on Bow Lake Strafford, New Hampshire

Fleet Captain: Ned Hinds
Fleet Secretary/Treasurer: Bob Shapiro
Fleet Champion: Bob Shapiro

Fleet Runner-Up: Ned Hinds

* Edward E. Hinds, III		11440
* Michael S. Aversa		11579
* Robert D. Shapiro	Hours Too	14111
* Edward E. Hinds, III	Naut!	14296

Bow Lake Fleet 493 had a great year this past year, with many of our boats traveling to away regattas, the best attendance in 5 years at our fleet racing series, a wedding in the fleet, and a successful Invitational Regatta.

The year began in March as Bob Shapiro traveled to the Southern Circuit with Brad Winslow and Jeff Baker. No trophies were won (except for consuming the largest percentage of the all-you-can-eat taco bar at Miami) but there was 3600 miles of driving, 80 miles of sailing, an 18th out of 66 in one race at St. Pete, and a lot of fun.

April brought Red Bank with Bob, Stacey Dewynegaert and Paul Shapiro having fun and rounding three marks first - but not the important one!

In May Ned Hinds, with Karen Hinds and Jeff Baker, joined Bob and Stacey and Mike Sowa, at the Early Bird in Cedar Point, CT. First race Saturday brought equipment failure to Bob's team, and stomach failure to Ned's team. It was soooo cold, and rainy, and hours after coming in Stacey was still cold. Yes folks, that was a baked potato she was rubbing on her neck to warm up! Sunday felt like death warmed over (and we hadn't even been drinking) but we sailed anyway. Turned out to be fun. As usual, no trophies except for a few more war stories.

June had Ned and Karen going to Burlington, VT with fleet member Tom Chase aboard, while Mike Aversa went with his hot team of daughter Jillian and Dave Stiles. We started a junior program on the lake this year, and Dave is our instructor. We hope he is growing a whole bunch of future Lightning crews and skippers!

Late in June we started our fleet series of 16 races on 8 Saturdays. With our long-time Race Committee chairman Ed Hinds (Ned's Dad) and his assistants having all retired from active duty at the end of last year, we were thrilled to have Pam and Werner Daigneault volunteer to handle this year's duties. The one week they couldn't make it we did rabbit starts and bob did that make us appreciate them even more!

The last few years we have had 3 and sometimes 4 boats on the line. This year we had 4, 5 and 6 boats, and we are expecting to add another boat to the lake next year. The series was hard fought, with 4 different boats winning races, and the final standings coming down to the last race of the last day. In the end, the all-family team of Bob, Sandy and Jamie Boynton edged out Norbert, Dave, Dick and Mickey (the dog) for fifth place. Mike Aversa squeaked past Tom Chase to claim third place, and Bob Shapiro edged out Ned Hinds for first. That's two wins in a row for Bob - only 20 more years to tie Ned's streak of 22 consecutive wins!

Tom Chase won the "most crew" award for using 8 different crew members during the series - including borrowing Alex Gemmell from Lake Spofford a few times. Ned Hinds got the "most family in the crew award" for having kids Derrick and Christina, as well their Mom Karen on board at various times, not to mention Bob's kid Greg. Mike Aversa won the "best ringer" award for having guest skipper Ken Deyett win the last race of the season. Other guest skippers included Jim Lerner and Dave Stiles. Bob did his best to bribe the race committee by having Pam's daughter Brandy sail with him one time.

In late-August, Tom, Mike and Bob headed up the road to Squam Lake (of On Golden Pond fame - but the loon sounds were actually recorded with Bow Lake loons!). On Bob's boat it was a case of "Who's On First",

as Bob, Greg Shapiro and Jim Lerner each skippered at least one race. 13-year old Greg held onto his record (for a few weeks anyway - see below) of never having lost a race to a Bow Lake Fleet adult.

September brought the Massabesic regatta, attended by Mike, Ned and Bob, and most notable for Jeff's bachelor party being after the Saturday racing. We raced Sunday anyway. The following week Jeff (Ned's crew) and Stacey (Bob's crew) "tied the knot" at the most incredible wedding you have ever been to. Picture a state park, dancing down the "aisle" to a Jimmy Buffet tune, fowl balls, pulled pork and ribs for dinner, and 100 guests throwing Stacey and Jeff Baker-labeled frisbees on the lawn (and at each other)! We all felt badly that most of us missed the Brian Hughes regatta for the wedding - but we know that Brian would have voted for going to the party.

Our Annual One-Day Regatta was Saturday, September 23. With Jeff and Stacey hiking and mountain biking on their honeymoon in Moab, Utah, we scrambled to fill their spots in our boats. As usual, we had great weather, and sailed 4 fun races. Robert Cutting, Will Donaldson and Art Cunningham came in and stole all our silver, with hometown hero Mike Aversa losing the tiebreaker for third place. Mike, Bob, Ned and Tom were all within 4 points of each other - continuing the close racing we had all summer. Greg Shapiro guest-skippered Bob Boynton's boat, and finally learned what it is like to finish behind someone from Bow Lake - and learned - and learned - and learned. Greg got better each race and is begging more and more for a boat of his own. (Save your money, or meet a rich girl, Greg) A chili dinner was served at the Grange after the racing, and was enjoyed by all. Thanks to our friends from out-of-town who joined us for the regatta. Please come in 2001 on Saturday, September 22.

Bob ended the racing season by going to Lake Spofford and to the Leaf Peeper in Burlington, VT. Spofford is a lot of fun - until you've been Boot-Scootin' Bowling with Jen and Rick, the Wallaces, Patrick and Kika, Jason, and others - you haven't lived. And let's not forget the "construct-a-boat-out-of-styrofoam-paper-plates-and-brownies-and-race-it-while-you-wait-for-wind" event! And, Burlington is great when you aren't swimming there in mid-October...

We ended the season in November, as it began - getting together to "do our docks and shore stations" and holding a fleet meeting in Tom Chase's jacuzzi.

POINTE CLAIRE YACHT CLUB FLEET 499 St. Lawrence Valley District Sailing on Lac St. Louis Montreal, Quebec, Canada

* R.A. (Tony) McBride		Life
* Christian Dubois	Plaisir Sauvage	11081
* Rod Hayes	Flip	
* & John Sauter		14443
* Oliver Bone		14768

No Report.

TENNESSEE VALLEY FLEET 500 Southeastern District Sailing on Loudon Lake Knoxville, Tennessee

* A. Jackson Woodall	Libra II	10442
Rusty Fields	Honor	11638
Dave Rasmussen		12000
Stan Milora		12466
Tom Baer		13105

Most of our club members also have other boats. Our Club, the Concord Yacht Club in Knoxville, is made up of people with usually two or more boats including larger lake cruising boats such a Catalina 22 or a San Juan 24. There are 6 dingy racing fleets, Thistle Fleet #45 with 17 boats, Windmill Fleet #29 with 19 boats, Laser Fleet #40 with 12 boats, Flying Junior Fleet #9 with 4 boats, Force 5 Fleet #64 with 5 boats and of course Lightning Fleet #500 with 5 boats. There is also a Catalina 22 Fleet #102 with 11 boats, an Optimist training Fleet of 10 boats and a JY15 training fleet of 8 boats in association with the University of Tennessee Sailing Club. The club runs a four week long summertime program for kids and adults in sail training. The course is a one week program using primarily the Optimist and JY15 fleets. We have about 30 to 40 students each week. This has helped rejuvenate the club and I am looking forward to trying to get the Lightning fleet re-activated.

The key is getting the members to race occasionally. The club holds dingy races every other Sunday and every other Wednesday during the spring and fall. There isn't much wind in the summer here on Ft. Loudon Lake near the Great Smoky Mountains.

Tom Baer

CLUB NAUTICO EL PORTILLO FLEET 501

**Colombia District
Sailing on Tomine Lake
Bogota, Columbia**

* Felipe Recaman		
* Paula Douat		
* Alvaro Sanjines	Cingara	7452
* Fernando Venegas		8911
* Roberto Laignelet		8957
* Jaime Lobo-Guerrero		13427
* Rafael Gutierrez	Camella	13429
* Juan Camilo Bustos		
* & Sebastian Higuera		14057
* Solmar Bermudez Cortez		14132
* Miguel Ribon		14135
* Jorge Umana		14155
* Mauricio Mutis	Norfalia	14181
* Hernando Ramirez		14552
* Rafael Tamayo		14802
* Richard Deeb		14803
* Alvaro Bustos		14863
* Roberto Londono		14864

No Report.

THE SUNCOAST FLEET 502

**Florida District
Sailing out of Davis Island Yacht Club
Tampa, Sarasota Sailing Squadron,
St. Pete Sailing Center, St. Petersburg, and Lake**

Tarpon

Fleet Captain: Jeff Linton
Fleet Secretary: Amy Smith Linton

* Laura Jeffers		0
* Donald W. Sherburne		0
* Fisk Hayden		2
* Kenneth See	Dream On	2924
* Mark Taylor		
* & Amy Smith Linton		10565
Cameron Carlin		10944
* Nate Vilardebo		11981
* Tim Ruman	Short Circuit	12396
* Vaughn McIntire	First Strike	12612
* Patrick O'Neal		12991
* David T. Bell, Sr.	Lucky Strike	13665
* Rod Koch	Mullet Skiff	13970
* William H. Meyer, III	Fired-Up	14006
* Dan Borrer	Bazooka	14098
* Michael S. Maher	Emeline	14414
* Sandy Scheda Klaus	Yellow Kitten	14428
* Jeff Linton		14730
* Steve Hayden		14752
* James Alman		14930

The year 2000 was a year of hard knocks as several of our boats got holed this year. Rod Koch took a bad hit to the bow at St. Pete, then lost a mast during a massive squall in the summer that also sheered off the rudder of Amy Smith Linton's "Buttercup". Jim Alman's boat got smacked at the NA's, and Dave Bell's "Lucky Strike" is looking a little rough. The worst damage of all came to Jeff Linton's pristine racer which was totaled in a nasty collision this fall in Miami.

The Fleet lost Dave Marsicano when he took his new baby and wife to Hudson, Florida, and sold his Lightning to a pair of cruising fellas in Sarasota. Johnny Ward took his new baby and family and moved East, selling his boat to some newcomers. Cameron Carlin located an old boat which will be ready, he promises, soon (see story earlier in book). Our 3rd year sailor, Dave Bell, jumped in with both feet (sometimes into the water!) and has proven to be a live wire in keeping the fleet racing and socializing.

We are still trying to lure J-24 sailors into the fleet, with some success (Tim Rumen and Vaughn McIntire, not to name names). Our Fleet members have done race committee on a number of other-class regattas, and salute Dave Bell, Mark Taylor, and the Meyer family for volunteering their time and resources.

Jeff Linton was awarded Davis Island Yacht Club's "Sailor of the Year" trophy for his accomplishments in Sunfish and Lightnings, as well as for helping other sailors get their boats out on the course and sailing well.

The Fleet is proud of our website:

(www.mastheadsailinggear.com/fleet502/),

which has photos, stories, contacts, connections, all put together by our own webmaster, Mark Taylor. Check us out!

This year's Florida Triple Crown included two venues, Miami and Tampa. The Thanksgiving Day Regatta brought 14 Lightnings to town, with conditions varying from 45 knots to 0 knots (current, fog, rain). The

circuit was won by Bill Mauk who nipped the victory with a single point lead over John Rouse. Team Helmick came in third, with the Bigham team in fourth. The Mark Taylor/Jeff Linton entry from the home fleet finished fifth having to forfeit the perpetual trophy — a painting that had graced Mark's mantle for some time.

The Districts were well attended this year in Tampa, with 17 boats vying for 5 spots at the 2000 NA's that was somehow increased to eight spots at the 11th hour. Too late to fill them. Dang!

Fleet 502 sailors qualified for the blue fleet with Steve Hayden finishing 3rd overall, Jeff Linton (17th), and Jim Alman (31st and Pickle trophy). Have a great sailing year.

LAKE CONROE FLEET 505
Texas District
Sailing on Lake Conroe
Conroe, Texas

* Steven Harris	0
* Billy S. Bennett	13384

No Report.

ORIENT YACHT CLUB FLEET 506
Long Island District
Sailing on Orient Harbor
Orient, New York

Fleet Captain: George Koch
 Fleet Secretary: John Holzapfel
 Saturday Fleet Champion: Rachael Sorenson
 Thursday Night Fleet Champion: George Koch

Derrick Cephas		10545
Mike La Maina		11510
Rob Buchanan		11775
Fausto Monacelli		13050
John Holzapfel	Tursiops	14050
George Koch	Missy	14122
Rachel Sorenson	Spirit	14455

Along with the traditional Saturday races, the Lightning's participated in the club's Thursday evening races with Lasers and Optimists.

George Koch, ably assisted by his daughter Georgeann dominated the Thursday night racing while Rachael Sorenson won the Saturday series of racing. George, his daughter Georgeann and Rachel Sorenson the Commodore of the yacht club also took a trip to Florida to represent the club during the Southern Circuit.

Additionally, Fleet 506 of Orient Yacht Club hosted the 2000 Long Island Districts on the waters of beautiful Orient Harbor on July 8th with a starting wind of 18 to 20 knots and ending the last race with around 12 knots of wind. The winner was John Lewandowski with crew David and Carol Abraham and the runner-up was Malcom Hendrey with a crew of Terry Bouchard and Rachael Pine.

We doubled the number of lightnings on the dock over the past year but

not everyone was racing on a regular basis and our emphasis for this winter is to find a few more lightning sailors to add to our fleet. Anyone interested please let us know.

THE PRAIRIE FLEET 507
Pacific Northwest District
Sailing on Chestermere Lake and Lake Newell
in Alberta Canada and on Canyon Lake and
Flathead Lake in Montana

Fleet Captain Karsten Dahlberg

* Karsten Dalberg		10891
* Ian R. Taylor	Rhythm & Blues	13509
* Karsten Dalberg		13713

SOLOMONS FLEET 508
Dixie District
Sailing on the Patuxent River
and Chesapeake Bay
Solomons, Maryland

* Lindsay Bach	Spartina	9991
* Don Behrens	Team Sparkle	10096
* Jeff Becker	Lolly	
* & Jeff Kumke		11983
* David H. Meiser	Girlfriend	
* & Shawn Stanley		14800

No Report.

FISHING BAY FLEET 509
Dixie District
Sailing on Fishing Bay
Deltaville, Virginia

* Robert C. Wardwell		Life
* Debra L. Cycotte	Thunderstruck	10009
* Ronald R. Buchanan		14485

No Report.

LAGOS FLEET 510
Africa District
Sailing Lagos Offshore and Inshore
Lagos, Nigeria

* Helmut Braun	Kiwi Magic	13523
* John Tuffrey		13753
* Kevin O'Farrell	White Scar	13759
* Larry Perras	Nuance	14392
* Kevin O'Farrell	Spellbinder	14549

No Report.