



## REPORTS

### FLEET 36, PYMATUNING YACHT CLUB PYMATUNING LAKE, JAMESTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA

*Fleet Captain.....David Werley  
Race Chairperson.....Terry Patrick  
Secretary/Treasurer.....Sarah Woodall*



It's sadly quiet here right now. The lake is rough, though, with the October winds. Trees are turning vibrant colors and soon they will be bare as their leaves find their final resting place on the ground. The sand pile is spattered with pine needles and there is one lone pail half buried and forgotten. The club has been put to bed for the winter and everyone has gone home. It's a little depressing.

Thinking back on the year, however, a smile forms on my face. What great times we had this season. Remember Spring Classic? Seems like a long time ago. I think it was the first windless Classic that I can recall. Oh well, the party still rocked! We had 47 boats on the starting line and Sean Fidler sailed faster than all of them to win the only race. Doesn't it seem like he wins here a lot? I can still hear Trailer Trash Band's rendition of Margaritaville with all the partygoers singing along. I chuckle as I think about Tina Viereggs doing her "na, na, na, na, na, I got the last Labatt's!" dance. What a clown.

Remember the Ohio District's? I remember the wind was ultra shifty and the sailing very frustrating. Matt Fisher won with his brother, Greg, on board. That was unusual – not the winning but rather the sibling crew! Dave Viereggs with his crew Mike Tomaro and Joey Poyma came in second just barely beating John & Bertie Werley and Tim Borland with alternate crew Tim Werley. Five races in June! The wind gods must have been smiling. It wasn't long ago that this place was filled with the sounds of laughter and fireworks for the Independence



### PYMATUNING YACHT CLUB LIGHTNING FLEET # 36 - 2002

6133	CALEDONIA	G. SCOTLAND WERLEY
8635		JUSTIN PROCTOR
9080	HOLZ-BLITZ	GEORGE CUMMINGS
9375	KYUSHU GYPSY	EDWARD WERLEY
11090	HIGHSTIX	DOUGLAS BLACKBURN
11240		GORDON MILLER
11618	WINGTIPS	RALPH MEACHAM
12972	BRUISE CRUISE	BRUCE SUNDMAN
13240	RECESS	JANIS GAMER
13255	COVERT MANEUVER	JAMES V. MARTUCCIO, SR.
13255	COVERT MANEUVER	JAMES V. MARTUCCIO, JR.
13465	HOT CANARY IX	JUNE MALTBIE
13608	RELAX	BRIDGET FRYMIER
13905	SYSYGY	JONATHAN DEAN
14143		ED RUMBLE
14208		BEVERLY BOYLE
14285	ENTICER	FRANK THOMPSON
14340		DENNIS MCLAUGHLIN
14343	SOB	WILLIAM H. WEIHE, JR.
14412	SECOND CHILDHOOD	W. TERRY PATRICK
14420	GREASED LIGHTNING	DEAN N. CALEY
14483	SPICE	MARTIN POWELL
14513	HANG TUFF	LUD LEXSON
14523	MOO	LEN CICCONE
14546	HAKUNA MATATA	MARILYN MARAS
14546	HAKUNA MATATA	VICTOR MARAS
14573		JOHN WOODALL
14579	ARETE	G. SCOTLAND WERLEY
14579	ARETE	NEDRA LEWIS
14657		JUSTIN PROCTOR
14751		RALPH MEACHAM
14885		DAVID VIEREGG
14907	IS IT...CHAOS?	KATHRYN MILES
14914	COOL	DONALD & FRANCES COURTSAL
14956	ENCORE PIZZAZ	HERBERT JESTEL
14957		ROBERT & RYAN RUHLMAN
15000	BREAKING WIND	JOHN P. BORLAND
15015	SLITETY CANTANKEROUS	JOHN WERLEY
15022		GARRY CONDON
15075		ROBERT RUHLMAN
15112		DAVID & JONETTE WERLEY



Day Regatta. Do you think Matt Frymier was disappointed when he lost the tiebreaker to John Werley and had to leave the "Big Ugly" behind? Tim Werley had his hands full trying to get that big trophy back to his seat – I think it was easier for him to fly the spinnaker!

Quite a few of our fleet members traveled to Florida for the Southern Circuit. I recall Rob & Abby Ruhlman and Dave Werley having a lot of good races and great results for their Southern Circuit. Dave Vieregg, Justin Proctor and Jonette Werley apparently had some fun down there as well. The traveling didn't stop there though. The Ruhlman's, Rob, Ryan and Abby, went to the Great Lakes Championship in May and placed 6th out of 25. We had five boats participate in the North Americans and all did very well. Rob & Abby Ruhlman with Jim Sminchak placed 17/38. Ryan Ruhlman, Maegan Ruhlman & Aaron Baily placed 29/38 and won the Best Finish by a Junior Award. They also finished 2nd out of 10 boats in the Junior North Americans. Dave & Jonette Werley with Greg Maras turned in a 4th out of 37 in the President's Cup. Dave Vieregg, Joey Poyma and Mike Tomaro placed 3rd and John & Bertie Werley with Garry Condon placed 4th out of 35 in the Governor's Cup. Very respectable.

I'm wondering how this season will end up with the Championship. I'm guessing Dave & Jo Werley with Greg Maras will win again – a team that's super hard to beat. Rob, Maegan and Abby Ruhlman will probably take 2nd surely because of the spinnaker flier. John, Bertie and Tim Werley will then take 3rd seemingly happy they have a regular third crew. Dave Vieregg and Justin Proctor teamed up and that's a sure thing for 4th place. And Don Courtsal, Debbie Powell and Jon Jackson are always in there so I'm guessing they'll take fifth. Next year John and I will be in there, I'm sure!

We did have some fun times, didn't we? The Turkey Party comes to mind. Deep-fried turkeys, Garry's Margaritas and the whole fleet together – what could be better? Yeah, it might be a little quiet here right now but before we know it we'll be back here at PYC racing our Lightnings and telling tall tales under our tree. Can't wait!





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### FLEET 42, WESTERN LAKE ERIE LAKE ERIE, MONROE, MICHIGAN

10638		ERNEST DIEBALL
10638	WIMPY-12	DENNIS DIEBALL
12810		DAN ROSHON
13541	BRACE YOURSELF	DAVID BRACE
14148	THE HAPPY BOAT	MIKE THOMAS
14249		GEORGE SIPEL
14519	INSTANT KARMA	JOSH KERST
14543		JOHN HEAGY
14543		SHELLY ROTHENBUHLER
14649		DEREK GAUGER
14710	ADRENALIN	JEFFREY C. MALUDY, M.D.
14779	FLASH OVER II	JIM DAVIS
14824	BUD LIGHTNING II	JEFF HAGMAN
14824		CHIP SCHAFFNER
15126	RUDIE	SKIP DIEBALL

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### FLEET 43, BUCKEYE LAKE YACHT CLUB BUCKEYE LAKE, COLUMBUS, OHIO

14345		GEORGE FISHER
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### FLEET 47, SILVER LAKE YACHT CLUB SILVER LAKE, PERRY, NEW YORK

0		JOHN HUMPHREY
7949	JUST SAY NO	C. SCOTT DeGOLYER, III
9739		MICHAEL T. HUMPHREY
9845	CHASE	DAVID NASCA
13714	POITIN	PAUL MALONE
13948		MARK H. DADD
14311	CHASE	DAVID NASCA
14580		LARISSA COX
14672	SPEEDY DEVIL	MARK W. GRINDER
14828		IRA JOHNSON

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### FLEET 50, WASHINGTON DC POTOMAC RIVER, WASHINGTON, DC

Fleet Captain.....	Nabeel Alsalam
Fleet Secretary.....	Joe Warren
Fleet Champion.....	Frank Gallagher
Crew.....	Skip Hirsh, Lolita Hart
Runner-up.....	Patrick McGee
Crew.....	Jill Williamson, Ian MacLeod, Paul Maher

### FLEET 50 REPORT

We had a terrific 2002 sailing season and we set several new records. Thirty-six boats competed in the Doc Gilbert Potomac Cup (second highest ever). Twenty-six boats competed in the Leukemia/President's Cup (the largest fleet). We had a record turnout in our Fall series (an average of 11 boats). Growth resumed this year with a net increase of 4 new skippers. At the end of the sailing season 23 skippers/boat owners (including one who lives in Hampton, VA had sailed at least one day on the river. We also had the first marriage of a skipper and crew.

Six new skippers joined the fleet and two left. New boat owner/skipper Laurie Duncan campaigned Wasabi (13306) almost every Sunday this fall with dedicated crew Cathy Bleakly. Improvement was steady and on the last day she finished 6th out of 10 boats. She will be honored with the best rookie skipper award for 2002. We were also delighted to see Eric Swanson back on the course after an absence of several years. Bobby Astrove who sold 14019 several years ago was back with a restored woody, 7603 Pandora II. His 6th place finish in the 26 boat President's Cup regatta shows that with a good sailor at the helm of an old woody can be competitive. Newcomer Rob Tompkins brought 10527 into the fleet and competed her for the first time on the last day of the season. Jim Greenwell crewed for Nabeel and is anxious to join the racing next spring. Peter McDonnell brought 14375 into our area, but with Ainsley being born into the family, he and Allison took the year off from racing. Unfortunately, we lost good friend and former fleet captain Stuart White who sold 14479 because he and his family decided to try cruising on a C&C 35 for a while. We also lost a great advocate for sailing Ben Forman who sold 12018, Swill Dog, to a Susquehanna skipper because he moved back to Boston to go to graduate school. However, we were delighted to see his regular crew, Thacher Tiffany, campaign Lord Jim, Doc Gilbert's boat that is still with the Gilbert family.

#### DOC GILBERT POTOMAC CUP

Our major event of the year is the Potomac Cup, sailed from expansive Leesylvania State park about 20 miles south of our marina. With pleasant weather 36 boats competed, the second highest number ever. Beyond our own skippers, we drew 21 boats from fleets in 7 states. Three boats came from the Solomon's fleet (out of a total fleet size of 5), 3 came from Nyack and 3 from Riverton near Philadelphia. Dick Hallagan, who regularly does the 8 plus hour drive from Rochester, NY to participate, again won the regatta - his name on the perpetual trophy dominates all others. Pierce Barden, who finished 2nd, wrote a nice article for the August Flashes. Of particular interest this year was the participation and finish of the "girl boat." Skipper Wendy Bisset, and crew Cathy Bleakly and



Left to right. Kneeling: Phil Rowan, Lura and Nabeel Alsalam, Maryann Gallagher, Pat McGee, Cathy Bleakly (in front), C.J. Fisher, Ann Wilbur. Standing: Paul Maher, Carl Muska, Jeff Storck, Rick Welch, Drew Hudson, Kris Swanson, Sausan Arafah, Susan Buckley, Bob Wilbur, Laurie Duncan, Joe Grubbs, Craig Huzway, Rob Tompkins, Emilie Pavillon, and Frank Gallagher.



Sousan Arafah did well and finished 16th. Wendy had only crewed in a Lightning before taking on the role of skipper. Special thanks also to Cathy Bleakly who organized the great meal – did I mention that we had filet mignon? Congratulations to Rick Welch for such a great success in his inaugural year chairing the regatta.

## FLEET CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

The championship series was comprised of 58 races on the river with the best 46 being scored. This scoring system rewarded skippers who sailed often, which, of course, is what we want. The Potomac River Sailing Association (PRSA) Spring and Fall Sunday series consisted of 22 races each. The remaining 14 races were from the Doc Gilbert Potomac Cup, the PRSA Spring Regatta, and the Leukemia & President's Cup regatta. In 2002, 23 Fleet 50 boats sailed at least one day on the river. Racing was close well down into the standings.

The Fall series was particularly noteworthy. Eighteen boats participated. We averaged 11 boats on the starting line up from 9 in 2001. The moderate breezes made for very close racing. On several days, 3-4 boats were trying to round the windward mark at the same time leading to colorful conversation. Drew Hudson, who displays an uncanny ability to always being sailing in the right direction, won the Fall with crew Sousan Arafah and Eric Ostentfeld. Pat McGee sailing with Jill Williamson and Ian MacLeod, took second for both the Fall and the overall Championship Series. Pat owes more than a debt of gratitude to Paul Maher who loaned Pat his mast after Pat's mast was broken during a capsize at the Friglit Digit. Jeff

Storck sailing with Craig Huzway and Cathy Feig were third, and Rick Welch sailing with regular crew/skipper Denise Maleug and "vagabond" crew Phil Rowan, were fourth. For Rick and Jeff it came down to the last week. Jeff was able to do well and throw out an earlier bad race, while Rick, on race committee, could only watch and helplessly take a larger average score.

Our annual Leukemia /President's Cup, (the 9th Leukemia and 68th President's Cup) has raised more money than any other Leukemia/Lymphoma society sponsored racing event around the country! Overall, 95 one-design boats sailed in this event—the most in many years. Thacher Tiffany was the PRO for the weekend. He had to contend with an easterly (cross river) wind, 6 starts for each race (not counting general recalls), and inconsistent winds that wreaked havoc with the starting line. PRSA awarded him and the Lightning Fleet with the coveted Fleet Captain's award for outstanding race committee performance. The largest fleet was the Lightning class with 26 boats, of which 10 boats were visitors. River sailing might be less than ideal, but the other attractions and our hospitality are drawing lots of boats. Our own Frank Gallagher won the Lightning class with the help of former fleet captain, Christy Dillard, who is back from Hawaii where husband had been stationed. Nabeel Alsalam's third place finish was his best in a relatively large regatta.

Thacher Tiffany made the Lightning fleet proud by winning the PRSA Helms regatta, an event that pits the best skippers from each of the one-design fleets against each other in three types of boats – Lasers, Albacores, and Lightnings this year.

502		John Wenberg
3343	Little Bit	Alan R. Rogers
7603	Pandora-II	*Robert Astrove
10215	Black Adder	Joe & Heidi Grubbs
10266		James Greenwell
10527	Confusion	Rob Tompkins
10745	Eclair a Grande Vitesse	*Walter David Thompson
10814	Fast N Loose	*Drew Hudson & Sousan Arafah
11288		David Menotti
11369		*Justin Morris
11767	Thunder	*Harry Keith
11792	Rogue	*Paul Maher
11908	Envy	Eric Swanson
12712	Redline	Jim & Robin Krest
12730		Bill Carr
12743	Chiquita	Jay Gray
13306	Wasabi	*Laurie Duncan
13460	Soneu Meu	*Rick Welch
13717	Kwityrsnivlen	*Bob Wilbur
13977	Lord Jim	Gloria Gilbert & Mike Black
14019	Resistance is Futile	*Frank Gallagher
14037	Bony Bunz	*Joe Warren & Ted Hunting
14096	Gray Ghost	*Nabeel Alsalam
		*Amea Devine Wiggins & Red Fehrle
14100	Moon Shadow	*Patrick McGee
14187	Wolf	*Blaise Gallahue
14202	Patriot	*Peter M. McDonnell
14375	Still Working On It	*Jeff Storck
14395	String Theory	*Joe Anderson
14521	Puff the Dragon	*John Butler & Roger Wright
14592	Beedobeat	*James Dillard
14627	No More Excuses	*Dan Dressel
14880	The Missing Piece	



Most improved skipper, Rick Welch (right), Denise Maleug, and Phil Rowan



Eclair A Grande Vitesse (translation greased lightning) with skipper David Thompson and crew Joe Kimak and Barbara Thompson.





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### FLEET 51, CRESCENT SAIL YACHT CLUB LAKE ST. CLAIR, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MICHIGAN

0	XL	H.J. CAWTHRA
0		MICHAEL C. DELANO
835	ESTRELLITA	MARK E. NAGEL
13388		ROBERT G. BROWER
13998		MICHAEL BAMFORD
14652	ZOO STATION	PAUL J. NAGEL
14774	TICKET	TOM VICKERS
14778		PETER J. WENZLER
14856	ASSISTED SUICIDE	MICHAEL D. WILLIAMS
14982		ROBERT G. BROWER

### FLEET 53, LAKE FENTON SAILING CLUB LAKE FENTON, FENTON, MICHIGAN

0	TI HARA	JOHN KOPKO JR.
8590		PAUL KACHUDAS
11520		JOHN R. LeFEVRE
14741		MIKE BOGUES
14756		BRIAN NICKELS
14899		KEVIN NICKELS
14955		TIMOTHY COLES
15032		GEORGE H. NICKELS
15041		DAVID NICKELS
15158		JENNIFER ARMBRUSTER

### FLEET 54, PONTIAC YACHT CLUB CASS LAKE, KEEGO HARBOR, MICHIGAN

Commodore .....	Eric Heller
Vice Commodore .....	Ruth Lyons
Rear Commodore .....	Hank Borchardt
Secretary .....	Joyce von Drehle
Treasurer .....	Salo Korn
Board Members .....	Wendy Thomson
Tom Klaban	
Mike Hecker	

It was another busy and fun year for the World's largest Lightning fleet. 84 out of 97 scheduled races were completed (including the Whitecap Regatta and other specialty races). The combined total number of entries in regular fleet races exceeded 800! Speaking of fleet racing, Tom Klaban was all but unbeatable this year, winning 16 races in the regular Wednesday and Sunday Series (a whopping 30% of the fleet races scheduled), and taking both Wednesday and Sunday overall honors. Sean Fidler was runner-up for Wednesday night overall and Norm Burns runner-up for Sunday overall. The individual Spring/Summer/Fall series results were as



"New double decking system, or should we say swing at PYC?"

follows:

- Spring Wednesday: Sean Fidler - 1st, Charlie Hess - 2nd, Tom Klaban - 3rd, John Garrison - 4th, and Bill Ziegler - 5th
- Spring Sunday: John Garrison - 1st, Bob Meyer - 2nd, Paul Sobotka - 3rd, Bob Mathers - 4th, and Andy Monique - 5th
- Summer Wednesday: Tom Klaban - 1st, Sean Fidler - 2nd, John Bennett - 3rd, Mark Allen - 4th, Diana Fernando - 5th
- Summer Sunday: Tom Klaban - 1st, Norm Burns - 2nd, Ed Dziuba - 3rd, Tom Crosby - 4th, Bob Mathers - 5th
- Fall Wednesday: Tom Klaban - 1st, Joel Humphrey - 2nd, Mike Roualet - 3rd, Charlie Hess - 4th, and Diana Fernando - 5th
- Fall Sunday: Mark Whatley - 1st, Richard Beaubien - 2nd, Tom Crosby - 3rd, Paul Sobotka - 4th, and Tom Klaban - 5th

Five special event mini-regattas and championships were sailed during the year. Ryan Flack won the Memorial Day mini-regatta. Tom Klaban and Mark Whatley were repeat winners for the Fourth of July and Labor Day mini-regattas, respectively. The Commodores Challenge, an annual event in which the crew skippers (and the skippers increase their insurance policies), was held on a Wednesday night this year resulting in a significantly greater number of boats. This year's winner was Dave Bailey sailing John Garrison's Lightning. Last, but not least, Charlie Hess successfully defended his title as Club Champion with John Garrison as runner up in the two-day event.

On the regatta scene, the year started early for some



PYC members. Mark Allen and Joel Humphrey traded skippering duty with Jennifer Ambruster as their forward crew at Miami and St. Pete, finishing 23rd and 15th, respectively, while Jim Mick with John Garrison and Kirsten Guenther finished 44th and 51st in the two events. Charlie Hess with Beth Groesbeck and Norm Walter raced at St. Pete and ended up 34th. Jon Bennett and Bill Ziegler crewed for Colin Park at Miami and finished 19th. Joel Humphrey must have the word out on the California Circuit (given that he is typically the only person east of the Rockies competing in such). This year there were three different skippers from PYC. At King Harbor, Mark Allen/Allison Weber/Beth Wilke finished 5th (including 1 bullet) and Ryan Flack/Save Spira/Matt Morin ended up 8th. The Marathon Series had Mark Allen & co. - 2nd and Ryan Flack & crew 6th. At Mission Bay, Joel Humphrey/Mark Allen/Allison Weber won with 4 bullets in 8 races. Ryan Flack ended up 6th, and having competed in all three events finished up 5th overall.

As you may have noticed, PYC racers are everywhere covering the continent from Brazil to New England to California. Here's a list of other results: North Cape Yacht Club 2002 Great Lakes Championship, Sean Fidler/Lashaway/Frissell finished 5th; Ryan Flack/Morin^2 - 12th; Jon Garrison/Rich/Scott - 17th; Mark Allen/ L. Allen/Whatley - 18th; Charlie Hess/Walters/ Groesbeck - 21st; Lake Lansing Regatta, Bill Ziegler/Ebner/R. Ziegler - 6th; Diana Fernando/E. Fernando/Lowmeyer - 8th. Bay City Regatta: Jim Allen - 2nd, Ryan Flack - 3rd, Sean Fidler - 6th, Clarence Johnson - 8th, Ward Detwiler - 11th; Michigan Districts: Jim Allen 1st, Charlie Hess 4th, Sean Fidler 6th, Tom Klaban 8th, Ryan Flack 12th, Diano Fernando 14th, John Bennett 16th, Ward Detwiler - 21st; John Butine - 23rd John Garrison 27th, Bob Mathers 33rd, Dick Beaubien 37th, Rick Bukowsky 39th, Paul Sabotka 43rd. New England Districts in Vermont: Joel Humphrey - 1st (way to show those East Coasters how it's done!!); Lightning Youth Worlds (São Paulo, Brazil): Ward Detwiler/Shumaker/Fortune - 10th; Higgins Lake Regatta: Jim Allen - 1st, Tom Klaban - 3rd, Ward Detwiler - 5th, and Clarence Johnson - 11th; Lightning North Americans (12 PYC boats participated) - Masters: Bob Mathers/J. Mathers/B. Noll - 16th; Bruce Finsilver/M. Hecker/R. Ross - 21st; Women's: Frequent

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6279	THURTELL, JOEL H.	14390	LEWAND, KEVIN M.
7959	CALLAHAN, HAROLD E.	14439	ROUALET, MICHAEL J.
8479	LESSIEN, BRUCE T.	14457	LAPALME, JOSEPH L.
9168	BROWNE-PROCASKEY,	14464	KLABAN, THOMAS M.
9393	DIAKOW, EDWARD A.	14477	HANDELMAN, STEPHEN
9584	HARRIS, GREGORY J.	14511	HECKER, MICHAEL
10803	KASI, NAZIR	14515	LIVESEY, ALASTAIR K.
11107	HERNICK, LOUIS L.	14563	PADILLA, ROBERT C.
11133	MORIN, KEVIN J.	14567	ALLEN, LYNNE
11723	CLANCY, BRIAN M.	14590	LONGE, CHRISTOPHER
11844	LIEVENS, DIRK	14601	SMITH, WALLACE P.
11868	SMITH, DWIGHT R.	14604	KORN, SALO
12708	PALMER, RONALD G.	14628	MONIQUE, ANDY
12756	BLEITZ, MELVIN G.	14690	MCCOY, JAMES
12852	THACKER, MEGAN E.	14724	GREENSTREET, JOHN
12927	SOLAN, MICHAEL P.	14746	SOBOTKA, PAUL A.
12959	CLUXBY, MAX M.	14755	NICKELS, LOUIS H.
12961	GROESBECK, ELIZABETH	14767	BEAUBIEN, RICHARD F.
12977	FURLONG, JAMES W.	14789	BOWERS, JAMES R.
13121	YOUNG, TODD M.	14807	ALLEN, JAMES S.
13283	ROBERTS, WILLIAM J.	14819	HELLER, ERIC S.
13378	MITCHELL, MICHAEL	14842	HESS, CHARLES C.
13450	PARTLAN, BROOKE	14854	BUKOWSKY, RICHARD
13451	THOMPSON, FRED P.	14909	JOHNSON, JR., CLARENCE L.
13468	REINHEIMER, GARY	14919	DZIUBA, EDWARD A.
13468	THOMSON, WENDY S.	14920	DONALDSON, BRENDA S.
13606	CROWTHER, JOHN A.	14970	BRASKI, STEPHEN R.
13859	PROKUP, JIM	15010	BENNETT, JONATHAN
13859	BREWERTON, LINDA JANE	15021	EVANS, DAVID J.
13937	ERVIN, THOMAS E.	15047	WHATLEY, MARK
13985	BURNS, NORMAN W.	15048	GARRISON, JOHN S.
13995	VON OEYEN, PAUL T.	15050	GILLETTE, BOB
14031	HAFLEY, DENNIS	15051	ZIEGLER, WILLIAM
14049	FERNANDO, ERIC	15069	DETWILER, WARD A.
14049	FERNANDO, DIANA	15120	MATHERS, ROBERT H.
14054	KIRKMAN, TRISH	15141	FIDLER, SEAN
14060	BUTINE, JOHN A.	15142	HUMPHREY, JOEL D.
14097	WOODS, EDWARD G.		
14105	TARRANT, GREGORY W.		
14117	ENGELMAN, GERALD H.		
14126	MICK, JAMES M.		
14144	FINSILVER, BRUCE J.		
14177	GRAY, GERARD P.		
14215	ZWOLENSKY III, E. JAME		
14215	TOMLINSON, PHILIP V.		
14220	POST, THOMAS C.		
14220	POST, WILLIAM N.		
14280	DUBEL, ANDRE R.		
14282	HENDERSON, BRUCE T.		
14333	MCCARTHY, DENNIS M.		



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*"Fleet returning from racing during Whitecap Regatta,"*

crew of Ryan Flack: Jennifer Armbruster – 3rd; Junior's: Ward Detwiler/P. Fortune/JB Shumaker – 8th; Blue Fleet: Sean Fiddler – 22nd; Green Fleet: Jim Allen/Jane Allen/John Morley – 3rd (Way to go!), Mark Allen – 8th, Charlie Hess – 10th, Diana Fernando – 30th, Ryan Flack – 35th; Yellow Fleet: John Butine – 9th, Clarence Johnson – 22nd, Rick Bukowsky – 28th; 2002 Pan American Game Trials in New Jersey: Joel Humphrey/Mark Allen/Molly Hopkins – 12th. Way to go everyone!!!

The 44th annual Whitecap Regatta was held at our club on September 8-9. Despite a lackluster appearance by the wind, the after race festivities hopefully more than made up for it. For the second year in a row, Sean Fiddler ended up the overall winner. Jim Allen finished 2nd, Joel Humphrey – 3rd, Ryan Flack – 4th, Thomas LaBelle – 5th, Charlie Hess – 6th, John Garrison – 7th, Colin Park – 8th, Eric Brandt – 9th, and Diana Fernando – 10th. Thanks to all PYC members who helped out with the event and all who attended!

The instructional program continues to grow thanks to the efforts of Esther Callahan and others (building the foundation for future Lightning racing). For the first time, PYC juniors competed in the local DYRA Optimist events. Crewing for their parents in Lightnings must be paying off as there were many top ten finishers and of particular note a couple of 1-2 finishes from the Hess boys, Alex and Andrew.

Stay tuned, as PYC may be running the Michigan Districts next year in Harbor Springs. The proposed weekend is June 14th and 15th. And of course we welcome all racers to our **45th** annual Whitecap

Regatta on September 6-7.

Per exiting Commodore, Mark Whatley, "the reason this club is so successful is because so many members contribute in so many different ways. I must say that in all my years of sailing, in venues all over North America, I have never sailed anywhere that comes close to PYC.

We have the best one design sailboat racing coupled with outstanding family tradition and wonderful summer activities. It is truly an honor and a privilege to be a member at PYC.

We welcome you to come experience PYC first hand - 87 Lightnings on the club grounds, 30+ boats on Wednesday nights, and 40+ boats typically at our Whitecap Regatta. Additional club and club event information can be found on our web site at **[www.pyc54.org](http://www.pyc54.org)**. We look forward to seeing you in 2003!

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### FLEET 62, SOUTHERN YACHT CLUB LAKE PONTCHARTRAIN, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

*9696	S/B	Larry Frost III
*8131		Gene Walet
*10812	Captain Crunch	Larry Frost III
11057	Linda II	Steve Hooker
*12335	FF	Larry Frost Jr.
*13170	Pretty Ain't Fast	Chris Frost
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### FLEET 64, MAPLE BAY MAPLE BAY, MAPLE BAY, BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA

(NO MEMBERS LISTED)



## FLEET 69, MILWAUKEE YACHT CLUB LAKE MICHIGAN, MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

<i>Fleet Captain.....</i>	<i>Tom Morley</i>
<i>Fleet Secretary.....</i>	<i>Martha Cushman</i>
<i>Fleet Champion.....</i>	<i>Steve &amp; Martha Cushman</i>
<i>Runner-up.....</i>	<i>Tom Morley</i>
<i>P&amp;T Winner.....</i>	<i>Jared Drake</i>

11442	Rampage	Dean Cady
13794	Little Grey Cells	Dennis Bersch
14162	Hike	Mac Slater
14388		Jay Mueller
14400	Sans Souci IV	John Esser
14408	Hurricane Mom	Tom Morley
14508	Bonski	Steve & Martha Cushman
14740	Poodles by Verna	Bill Faude

Fleet 69 keeps the Lighting spirit alive year round with our monthly "Square Table" lunches at the club. They are especially good for a story of "the race I could have won if...." We kicked off the season with the winter chili party with lots of anxious sailors talking about when the ice would clear the harbor.

Fleet captain Tom Morley was the fire behind two all club events. Commissioning, which was complete with cannons, a blessing, bagpipes and a tribute to the spirits of the sea. This was followed by the first regatta of the year, the Strong Handicap Regatta. This event had great participation and quite a party despite the typical blustery Memorial Day weekend weather. Thanks TOM!

Summer racing on Wednesday nights with three to four short course races was a real work out and rewarded with cool beers. The P&T Regatta was blessed with sunny days and great breeze. The sailing was hotly contested behind Jared Drake's horizon job on the fleet every race. The season ended in mid October with the

Wandering Moose Regatta, revived by Bill Faude and Hans Graff. The racing was awesome, mild temperatures and SW winds held until the finish of the last race when the northeaster rolled in. Thanks to Carol Morley for the perpetual moose hat trophies.

Overall, Fleet 69 continues to be a driving force at MYC with three fleet members serving on the club board and two on committees. We look forward to another growing year!

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## FLEET 70, RED BANK OF THE SHREWSBURY NORTH SHREWSBURY RIVER, RED BANK, NEW JERSEY

0		FRANK MERGENTHALER
0		ROBERT HUTCHINSON, JR.
9984	C. NIMBUS	CARY SCOTT ZACKMAN, SR.
10626	BLESK	WILLIAM JAEGER
10696	WHITE CLOUD	GILMAN F. EATON
10787	CLUB BOAT	MONMOUTH BOAT CLUB
13386	SILVER SPOON	PATRICK E. CORR
14061	SEVENTH 'C'	TIM COKELEY
14175		TED DUFFY
14276		DALE BARNEY
14539	BLUE HAVEN	ALFRED C. MORTON
14727	SMALL AXE	DAVID WATTS
14882	SAILBAD THE SINNER	RALPH F. WILSON
14922		JACK HUNTSMAN
14922		HENRY O'HERN, III
14922		JOHN HUNTSMAN
15052	MAGNUM FORCE	MARY W. HUNTSMAN
15052	MAGNUM FORCE	PAUL(SANDY) HUNTSMAN, JR.





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### FLEET 73, CLUB NAUTICO DEL MUÑA LAKE TOMINE, BOGOTA, COLOMBIA

*Colombian District  
Sailin on Lake Tomine  
Bogota - Colombia.*

14700		SANTIAGO UZCATEGUI T.
14801		MAURICIO VALENZUELA
14804		FELIPE CASTILLO G.

This year we had the honor of being the hosts for the South American Championship, with 16 boats, 6 from Ecuador, 1 from Chile and 9 from Colombia. We are proud that Sebastián Higuera, Camilo Salcedo and Nicolas Deeb from Colombia are the new South American Champions. We also held the "Automovil Club de Colombia" Cup on the last race of the South Americans which was won Juan Santos from Ecuador. Unfortunately we ran out of time to organize the annual SALINAS TOMINE international championship because the assigned dates conflicted with the South American Championship. We are pretty sure that the next edition will be great as always!

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### FLEET 74, DECATUR LAKE DECATUR, DECATUR, ILLINOIS

13726		GARY PECK
14012	BOBS LAST BOAT III	ROBERT W. OHLEN

### FLEET 75, NYACK HUDSON RIVER, NYACK, NEW YORK

		ALTIS, Martin
		ARONSON, Annette
14277	Flying Patio Furniture	BECK, Eric & Ann
14714	RUFFIAN	CONNELL, Kathryn & Paul
14140	FAT CHANCE	COOK, William G & Donna
14363	Thumbs Up	Decker, Larry & Crittenden, Janet
11583	GREASE	DONELAN, William E & Kristen W.
		GORDON, Wayne & Jeanne C. Nelson
14781	Thistle	HANLON, Judith
		HOFFEE, Ro.
14073,	HIS	HURBAN, Gary S.
14482,	HERS	Hurban, Joan
		ISER, Stephen & Nina
7616	Endurance	JOHNSON, Roderic A & Margaret Grace
		KEANE, Mark E & Bernadette
14492		KENT, Eric
		KLEMPNER, Ronald A & Linda
11416		KWARTLER, Irwin E & Shirley
		LI, Thomas C
14484		LITTLE, Nathan & Karen
15057		LOGERFO, Paul & Kristin
12166	PIFFLE	MANIN, J P & Mimi
15059	Heart Breaker	MAYO, Willard & Stephanie
		MCCORMACK, Ronald
		MONTI, Michael G
		MORRIS, James & Ann
		NEFF, Al & Jane Walker
14514		PARIETTI, Daniel
		PEARLMAN, Bob & Myra
10368		PENINY, George M. & Leslie
		REEVES, David M. & Sara
		RINEHART, Howard B
14888	DOG	SENGSTACKEN, R. Robert
13625	Poulet de Mer	STEBBINS, Morgan & Jennifer
10784	FLASHPOINT	SURMAN, David & Ro
		WEITZMAN, Richard P & Nancy
10224		WOLFE, James P & Sharon



## FLEET 77, NEWPORT YACHT CLUB IRONDEQUOIT BAY, LAKE ONTARIO, ROCHESTER, NEW YORK



11051	FEATHER	JOHN BOETTCHER
11074	COOKIE BOAT	HOWARD P. STICKNEY
12215		WILMER R. WRIGHT
12355		RICHARD W. HALLAGAN
12400	WINDSWEEP	ANDY SMITH
13080	BROWN SUGAR	JAMES I. McINTOSH
13081	IRISH	RICHARD DOHERTY
14255		RICHARD W. HALLAGAN
14298	LUCKY TOO	MARK C. SERTL
14367	MAMBO WA	PHILIP LANGE
14397	PLAN B	JOHN H. ATKINS
14605	WHITE CAP II	ROBERT L. JAMISON
14654	AMBUSH	ROBERT C. BUSH
14655		RICHARD W. HALLAGAN
14855		RICHARD W. HALLAGAN
14949		LELAND G. ATKINSON II
15165	OBSESSION	ALAN R. McREYNOLDS

It certainly turned out to be an interesting year of sailing for Fleet 77. Sailing was down from past years but the enthusiasm of the fleet members has to be one of the highest that I remember.

Hosting the Youth World Championship was no small task for a Yacht Club of 60 plus members. The fleet did its part to support this event and add to that the hosting of the CNY District Championship the week before the start of the Youth Worlds. But it was through the efforts of the members of the club, the numerous volunteers from the Central New York Lightning District, Lake Erie District, Ohio District and CAD that the championship was pulled off with very few problems. The LYWC Committee wishes to thank all those who loaned their boats, Dave Sprague for coming from Toronto, even though Canada didn't send a team, to oversee measuring and Brian Hayes for donating two days to tune each boat. A BIG Thank-You goes to Jim Carson for his help and support, not only during the regatta but also for the previous year and a half leading up to the regatta.

The Spring Series got off to a late start due to weather, but once we started to sail we were able to get in 9 races. Mixed into

the Spring Series were 3 of our District regattas, which reduced the number of weekends we were able to get the required number of boats on the line. The off regatta weekends we averaged 5 boats. Bob and Sterling Bush won the Series with Phil Lange taking 2nd and Logan McReynolds in third.

The Summer Series was reduced to late July and August with the Youth World Championship being held right after the 4th of July. During the Summer Series there were 4 more District regattas, the WJM and the NAs. These help reduce the Series to 5 races. Bob and Jan Crum along with their daughter, Gail and son, Scott managed to sail all 5 races and walked away with the Series. As a result Gail and Scott were awarded the "Most Enthusiastic Crew Award". We look forward to seeing them on the racecourse next year. Dick Doherty took Second Place and there was a no less than three way tie for third between Bob Bush, Landy Atkinson and John Atkins.

During the summer, we had scheduled 3 Lake racing days and were finally able to get to the Lake (other than the District Regatta and the LYWC) in late August. Bob Bush, Dick Doherty and John Boettcher all were greeted with an 8 - 12 knot Thermal to make for a beautiful afternoon of racing till it was terminated with a threat of Thunderstorms. Bob won the day and was awarded a bottle of "Cheap Red Wine" as his prize.

A few of the fleet ventured west to North Cape for both the WJMs and the main event. Dick Hallagan finished 4th in the Masters with crew Al and Erin McReynolds. Logan McReynolds sailed in the Juniors with a new crew. And John Atkins crewed for Jim Carson who finished 5th. Dick stayed for the NAs while the rest of us took a reprieve from sailing and headed home.

The Fall Series was by far the most popular with as many as 8 boats on the line. The weather turned on us in October so the series was limited to September. Dick Hallagan won the Series with Logan McReynolds finishing 2nd and John Atkins finished third.

Labor Day was the 50th Anniversary of the Brown Jug. This is a multi-class, staggered start, twice around the Bay race between the Rochester Canoe Club and Newport Yacht Club. Newport hosted the race this year. A Thistle won the race with Dick Hallagan finishing second. It should be noted that all 47 boats that sailed, rounded the last mark together on a dying





south wind and a building North thermal. This made for some interesting finishes. Dick Doherty provide special trophies to both the Lightning Class and Snipe Class and brought back Fleet 77's own Dr John McIntosh who's first Lightning was #79, to present the awards. Doc stopped racing Lightnings (#13079) about 14 years ago and turned 100 this spring.

Dick Hallagan won the overall Championship. The Championship Runner Up was Logan McReynolds. John Atkins edged out Bob Bush by 0.6 of a point to take third.

Even though the Fleet racing season is over there is still some sailing to do. Logan with his crew of Elisa Pope Collins (Fleet 108) and Joe Raite (Fleet 10) are headed to Salinas Ecuador to participate in the Cupa del Pacifico. The Fleet wishes them the best of sailing and friendships and we'll let you know how they make out next year. I would like to thank Eva Smith for making phone calls to our non-email members. Not only saving the fleet postage it gave a personal contact as well as saving me the time to print and mail the information. Thanks Eva. Again I wish to thank Howard Stickney for being both Fleet Treasurer and Scorer. I am especially appreciative of Howard for his willingness and exactness of doing the day-to-day finances for the Youth Worlds.



## FLEET 85, NIANITIC BAY YACHT CLUB NIANTIC BAY, LONG ISLAND SOUND, NIANTIC, CONNECTICUT

7170	BABY MAKES III	MARTIN J. O'MEARA, JR.
10066	GOLDFLAKE	TIM DOWD
10801	WOODY	DAVID M. PETERSON
11784	UGLY FUZZY	BARRY BUEHLER
12069		WILLIAM A. SEBESTYEN
12786		PAUL O'NEILL
13940		JAMES GARDNER
14055		GARY DAVIS
14289	CIAO	TOM EMCH
14289		SPENCER EMCH
14417	IMP BABY	DONALD R. BARRETT
14419	HAZARDOUS DUTY	FRANZ R. EDSON
14619	RIVER BLUES	LARRY COLANTUONO
14619		THERESA COLANTUONO
14640		BILL SHORE
14682		BILL HEALY
14971		DAVID PECK
15024	EL BURRO LOCO	MICHAEL BREAUULT
15130		CHRISTOPHER J. VANN
15130		BARBARA A. VANN

## FLEET 90, KITSILANO YACHT CLUB ENGLISH BAY, VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLOMBIA, CANADA

The biggest piece of news from Fleet 90 this year is a new boat! Matthew Henley purchased 14841 from John deBenedetti after our Kitsilano Invitational Regatta in July. The commissioning party the next week was a hoot, with a case of champagne and a big cake, among other things, disappearing down the throats of an enthusiastic throng. His old boat, 11645, is staying in the fleet, in the hands of Doug Ash, Cam and Dick Pearce's former crew.

Sailing was a bit slow getting going at the Club this year. A freak December wind storm unfortunately combined with the highest tide of the year to cause tremendous damage to the pier, wharf, and float. Legal wrangles and contractor delays meant a six month wait to regain full use of the facilities. On the plus side, the weather was the best it has been in years! Fleet activity to focus on the Thursday evening series, with 3-4 boats out most weeks. We also sailed in two weekend series and two long distance day races.

8465	IPSUS	WILLIAM H.D. RIMMER
11645	ROCKET	MATTHEW HENLEY
13268		MENNO BOS
13289	LIISA	CAM PEARCE
13685		GEORGE McLAUGHLIN



## FLEET 104, LAVALLETTE YACHT CLUB BARNEGAT BAY, BARNEGAT BAY, NEW JERSEY

0	4-CARAT DIAMOND	WILLIAM A. SCOTT
12957	ELUSIVE	WILLIAM E. DACOSTA
13782	MEN-AT-WORK	DR. ROBERT T. MORROW
14539	GUNSMOKE TOO!	JOHN C. MORTON
14833		MATT REISER

## FLEET 108, GREAT SODUS BAY SODUS BAY, SODUS POINT, NEW YORK

658	SHE DEVIL	ROBERT DODGE
2105		JANE SOLAN
11972		ROBERT DODGE
12764		MICHAEL HEALY
13078		JED DODGE
14520		JED DODGE
14898		NANCY GHERTNER
14923		JED DODGE

## FLEET 110, HIGGINS LAKE HIGGINS LAKE, ROSCOMMON, MICHIGAN

*Fleet Captain/Secretary.....John N. Dent*

2138	BOHICA	Scott D. Carman
6663		Fredrick J. Schuster
9102		Peter B. Morley, Jr.
10291	Go Dog Go	Charles G. Alday
11185		Peter B. Morley, Jr.
12784		John N. Dent
13999	Deck-a-Dent	Scott D. Carman
14021		John N. Dent

held over the next two weeks for the youth of the area, as well as our own members' children. A family beach party wrapped up these two weeks of youth oriented activities at the Club. The second annual North-South race took place the following weekend. Chuck Alday took an early lead out of the South State Park and held it the entire race, to the North State Park edging John Dent.

The annual Higgins Lake Boat Club Invitational Regatta took place the following weekend with Lighting sailors from around the state traveling to Higgins Lake. 12 boats participated this year, which is about our usual turnout, but we would certainly welcome more of you! I guess it was a very typical Higgins Lake weekend all around. Saturday was a beautiful day, about 80 degrees with winds out of the southeast at 5 to 15 miles per hour. Sunday morning was another story though. Some of us made it to the island before a ferocious thunderstorm blew through. Those that didn't make it, including all of the sailors, were forced to wait on the mainland until it passed. Once the new wind established itself, it was out of the southwest at 5 to 10 miles per hour. It continued to build and veer to the west throughout the morning, keeping the race committee on their toes, setting new courses. When all was said and done, young Ward Detwiler from Pontiac ended up with the fifth place trophy. Dave Decker with his family from Grand Rapids won fourth place honors. Third place was captured by Tom Klaban and his sons from Pontiac. Higgins Lake regulars Colin and Karen Park, returning from their new home in St. Petersburg Florida had to settle for second place. That's because Jim Allen, with his sister Jane and John Morley crewing took two first places on Sunday to break their tie. Congratulations to Jim Allen for winning the 2002 Higgins Lake Boat Club Invitational Regatta!

Our season continued two weeks later with the 4th annual Parrot Flip. This dinner party was catered by some of our members at our clubhouse. Traveling to the island can sometimes be challenging, especially at night in rough conditions. But once you're there, the party is a blast! As for getting back home; you're on your own. Our season concluded on Labor Day weekend. The docks got pulled out and the clubhouse closed up, in preparation for another Michigan winter. Our annual Banquet was held on Sunday night with cocktails and hors' d'ouvres. Awards were presented and stories told, as we said goodbye for this season, and look forward to next year. Come visit our website at [www.higginslakeboatclub.org](http://www.higginslakeboatclub.org). Maybe we'll see you in person next year?

Here at the Higgins Lake Boat Club we kicked off our 2002 season with the annual 4th of July Fling. Many familiar faces reappeared after another long, cold Michigan winter, for this picnic and beach party. Swimming and sailing lessons were





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### FLEET 112, GREEN BAY SAILING CLUB GREEN BAY WINDJAMMERS YACHT CLUB, GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN

13818	Steve Adamski
14911	Ed Coleman
NA	John Evans
14705	Jim Gagnon
14106	Bruce Heida
	Vern Heyrman
	Jim Hopkins
11307	Brian Keller
14106	Mike Kulkoski
14476	Carl Manns
13817	Mari Martin
14130	Mike Merkatoris
14038	Tim Monday
10349	Doug Olson
13817	Brian Phelan
13901	Kelley Stevens
14582	Bill Dean
14084	Brian Grahovac
	John Haugh
	Gar Lever
	Mark Boncher



Evans Regatta / Paul Wurtzebach  
leading the fleet.

Green Bay from out of state. Others who kept Jim sharp were Jim Hopkins, Tim Monday & Brian Phelan.

This year our fleet offered 2 skippers and their crews an opportunity to host one of the six bimonthly cookouts for our fleet. This turned out to a great success, and a wonderful chance to enjoy some off water hours with our fellow fleet members. This could not have been a success with out the enthusiastic participation of our fleet members. Special thanks to Maureen Gagnon for organizing these cookouts.

The Evans Regatta was held on July 13- 14 with 13 boats attending, we were able to sail 6 races with 1 throw-out with ideal sailing conditions winds ranging from 6 to 10 mph.

The racing was tight with Ric Larson from Sheboygan in 1st, Brian Phelan / Green Bay 2nd, Bob Franke / Milwaukee 3rd, Paul Wurtzebach / Chicago 4th and Steve Adamski / Green Bay 5th. Results below.

Thanks to all the members of the club who pitched in to make the sailing season run smoothly, with special thanks to Jan Standard who ran our weekly races and Evans Regatta's with Pat Lennan assisting on Sunday.

EVANS REGATTA 2002 / JULY 13 - 14  
13 BOATS 1 - THROW-OUT

PLACE	BOAT SKIPPER / Number	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	TOTAL	THROW OUT	EXTENDED TOTAL
1	LARSON / 13030	1	2	6	1	2	1	11	6	7
2	PHELAN / 13817	3	3	1	3	6	3	17	6	11
3	FRANKE / 13003	2	1	3	6	4	3	22	9	14
4	WURTZEBACH / 14975	4	6	3	7	1	3	22	7	15
5	ADAMSKI / 13818	5	12	10	5	3	4	42	12	30
6	GRAHOVAC / 14084	6	6	6	3	6	7	40	8	22
7	OLSON / 14476	9	7	3	4	10	10	47	12	35
8	DEAN / 14582	7	8	7	10	3	11	51	15	36
9	BONCHER / 14084	8	5	9	9	13	10	51	13	38
10	HAUGH / 14084	11	10	12	10	7	6	56	12	44
11	HEIDA / 14106	10	11	11	3	11	13	59	12	46
12	KELLER / 14106	13	6	9	11	9	9	62	15	47
13	COLEMAN / 14911	12	13	13	14	12	8	72	14	58

Lightning Fleet 112, a fleet of 17 boats, sails at an ideal location on an extension of Lake Michigan, the bay of Green Bay, nestled just north of the home of the Green Bay Packers.

The sailing arena is protected to the North, by spit of land, open to the East and South and nestled close to the west shore. The conditions vary from flat water sailing at its best to short rough choppy waves coming down the length of Green Bay starting 60 miles to the North.

The season started with a schedule of 28 races, split into a Monday Series [14 races] and Thursday Series [14 races]. While the summer was very enjoyable, 10 races were scrubbed due to interruptions served up by mother nature, these included High Winds, No Wind, Heavy Rain - High Wind, Heavy Rain - No Wind, Hot Temperatures No - Wind, along with the usual teasers of some wind to sail to race course then no wind and a tow back to harbor.

Jim Gagnon & crew wife Maureen, sons Jamison & Andre with Vicki V. sailed a very consistent series besting some strong competition from Brian Grahovac who rejoined the fleet this year after moving back to

### FLEET 115, CUBA LAKE YACHT CLUB CUBA LAKE, CUBA, NEW YORK

11175	AUSTERITY	MICHAEL D. KANE
13890	OLE BLUE	GREG BUCKLEY
13911		MICHAEL D. KANE
14725	WINWARDS	SKIP WILDAY