

## STARLIGHTS

August 1924

IMPORTANT NOTICE - From August 20th to September 8th the headquarters of the association will be the Port Washington Y.C. and all mail for the secretary, other officers and contestants should during that period be addressed to the I.S.C.Y.R.A., Port Washington, Long Island, N.Y. Otherwise it may not be received until after the series. Fleet secretaries sending in forms "B" & "C" at the last moment should make note of this.

FORM C - Several fleets who will not be represented at the annual meeting have failed to file "Form C" as requested naming a proxy. This neglect and disregard of the interests of others is inexcusable and some drastic action should be taken this year against fleet officers who do not take enough interest in the association to sign their names to prepared blanks, which would take about two minutes of their time. It is only neglect but it's this sort of thing that is making the work of the association impossible and which will force an increase in dues. If our members will not do their share the only answer is to have a paid secretary to keep after them. This is our biggest problem and if the delegates can solve it this year, they can consider they have done a lot towards the future of organized yacht racing. We are so big now that individual attention cannot be given to each fleet. Our system of organization is not at fault. The thing is to find a way to make fleet officers pay attention to the printed notices sent them and notices in Starlights, which for some reason they now disregard and only act when written to personally by the secretary.

### THE COMING SERIES

Even now, some of the challengers are at Manhasset Bay, tuning up their yachts and sailing over the courses on the sound where the greatest yachting event of all times will be staged during the first week in September. Following are the fleets entered and probable representatives, only those with a (x) are definitely named, the others are only leaders to date in series not yet finished.

#### DEFENDER

<u>Fleet</u>	<u>Yacht</u>	<u>Skipper</u>	<u>Crew</u>	<u>Club</u>
Western L. I. Sound	Themes	Van Winkle	Pingery	Port Washington
	Maia II	Linkfield	Linkfield	Bayside
	Little Dipper	Pres. Corry	Nelson	Manhasset Bay

It's a close fight. Van Winkle is a dark horse and was not figured as a possible defender at the start but he is going good with 70%. Linkfield with 70% and only 5 races left will have difficulty in passing him. Pres. Corry with 66% has staged a wonderful comeback and may even win, as he is sailing very consistently.

#### CHALLENGERS

<u>Fleet</u>	<u>Yacht</u>	<u>Skipper</u>	<u>Crew</u>	<u>Club</u>
So. California	x California	Weston	Churchill	California Y. C.
English Bay	x Stella Maris	Purvis	?	Royal Vancouver
Narragansett B.	x Rhody	Gidley	Comstock	East Greenwich
British Columbia	x Centaur	Alcock	Wylie ?	Royal Victoria

(The above four are definite and headed for Sound now)

Playa de Mariano	Pipolo	E. Junkadella	?	Habana Y.C.
	Centeloupe	R. Posso	?	Habana Y.C.
Peconic Bays	Sayonara	L. Bainbridge	?	North Fork
Chesapeake	Porpoise	N. S. Kenney	?	Gibson Island
Chesapeake	Minnow	J. R. Miller	?	Gibson Island
Gravesend Bay	Sonny	W. L. Inslee	?	Gravesend Bay
Gravesend Bay	Sea Bird	Parkman	?	Gravesend Bay
Central Lake Erie	Eliminations not held yet.			
Central L. I. Sound	Eliminations not held yet.			
Eastern L. I. Sound	Eliminations not held yet.			
Prince Edward Island	?	Buntain	Reddin	Charlestown
Hampton Roads	Tom Boy	J. G. Miller	?	Norfolk

### FLEET NEWS

W.L.I.S. - With the season half over the major series stand as follows: Y.R.A. of L.I.S. season championship "Maia II" Linkfield 85% - "Irex" Ratsey 77% - "Gemimii" Perie 74%. Then in order Nos. 42- 60- 61- 41- 1- 43- 3- 4- 223- 37- 57- 36- 122.

BAY FLEET SERIES "Thames" Van Winkle 87% - "Altair" Willis 72% - "Canis Minor" Adler 67%. Then in order Nos. 1- 147- 43- 4- 61 etc.

S. CALIFORNIA - "Maia II" O. Churchill took the Lipton (\$5,000) trophy at Santa Barbara Jul 4th. The Pacific Fleets are now assembled at San Diego for the P.C.Y.R.A. Series. Weston sailed his "B" boat to victory at San Francisco winning the series.

BRITISH COLUMBIA ISLANDS - Loaned their Stars to the officers of the English Fleet who were visiting at Victoria and they made quite a hit with the navy men.

ENGLISH BAY - Now that the eliminations are over the bays are cruising and salmon fishing in their Stars.

DETROIT RIVER - Season Results:

	Owner	No. races	P.P	P.	%	Placed	Club Series
#73 "Dipper"	Conner	1	4	1	25%	1-0-0	62 ½%
#75 "Eros"	Buysee	4	8	8	100%	4-0-0	62 ½%
#102 "Blue Sandal"	Parent	1	4	3	75%	0-1-0	50%
#105 "Alcor"	J. F. Miller	2	6	2	50%	0-1-1	37 ½%

NARRAGANSETT BAY – The eliminations finished as follows:

"Rhody"	Gidley	910%	1 <sup>st</sup>
"Ara"	Wood	723%	3 <sup>rd</sup>
"Ampere"	Washburn	-	5 <sup>th</sup>
"Ibex"	Armitage	747%	2 <sup>nd</sup>
"Ariel"	Parsons	648%	4 <sup>th</sup>

Gidley won over both the 1922 and 1923 champions. In a 42 mile long distant race, handicap on rating, 2 stars entered. Cook sailing "Hope" won thereby the second year giving the Stars this race against all classes. Pegasus was 4th.

PLAYA De MARIANO - B. Junkadella's "Pipolo" has won five of the 7 races to date at Havana and finished 2nd in the other two, with but 2 more to go. It's hard to figure how he can be beaten for the Cuban Championship.

GRAVESEND BAY- adopted the W.L.I.S. Fleet Constitution and elected J. B. Cutter Fleet Lieut. The elimination series remains unchanged the Fleet having invaded the Sound during late July.

### NEW FLEETS

A charter has just been granted to the Hawaiian Islands Fleet –

Capt.. J. Waterhouse. Sect. H. M. Dowsett. Box 2600 Honolulu, H. I.

Charter members – G. S. Canavarro, A. Waterhouse, R. McPurvis, E. Bogardus. The first three boats to be built in N.Y., the rest locally. They will challenge for 1925.

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Star Class to August 1st 1924

25 Fleets      244 Registered Yachts.

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### LARCHMONT RACE WEEK

The Star Class again broke its the world's record by starting 38 Stars on Saturday July 21<sup>st</sup>. As the week progressed others joined us brining up the total entry for the series to 46 yachts but unfortunately some fell out so that the mark set the opening day was never exceeded. It must be remembered that while this only exceeds last years figure by 6 boats, that record was established by putting substitute crews in all the old gaff rigged boats and inactive ones that could be found while this year no especial effort was made and all contenders were active Stars in racing trim. The average was 35 starters each day as against 25 last year.

Adrian Iselin II sailing his new star "Ace" after four years of "Victory" and Six Metre racing returned to the Stars and won race week with 3 firsts and 2 thirds in six races against this field of 46 boats, some record. It's lucky for the challengers that he came out too late to qualify for the internationals, for in the "Ace" W.L.I.S. has another "Taurus". The other daily winners were: Corry, "Little Dipper", Elder, "Dawning" and McHugh, "Southwind". The final results published exclusively by "Starlights" are:

1 <sup>st</sup>	"Ace"	Iselin	223	6 <sup>th</sup>	"Dawning"	Elder	187
2 <sup>nd</sup> x	"Maia II"	Linkfield	212	7 <sup>th</sup>	"Little Dipper"	Corry	170
3 <sup>rd</sup>	"Southwind"	McHugh	210	8 <sup>th</sup>	"Little Bear"	Robinson	175
4 <sup>th</sup>	"Peacock"	Bedford	205	9 <sup>th</sup>	"Sonny"	Inslee	172
5 <sup>th</sup>	"Themes"	Von Winkle	197	10 <sup>th</sup>	"Viga"	Sterling	169

(x Protest pending, if allowed drops to 8th place.)

Others in order were as follows:

33- 36- 235- 24- 57- 37- 63- 41- 223- 122- 161- 203- 4- 59- 127- 18- 148- 86- 220- 3- 214- 17- 167- 204- 62- 234- 236- 219- 11- 46- 10- 20- 149- 12- 146.

## EDITORIAL SECTION

It is rumored that by the 103rd ballot the delegates (if lucky) may nominate G. A. (Pop) Corry for President for 1925, but there is some talk of South Africa showing up with a "Dark Horse".

IMPORTANT Our new members must learn the rules. At Larchmont Race Peek there was a wholesale disregard of the rules of overtaking, forcing an over lap at mark, not giving room and tearing down on the leeward boat. The officials looked on this as a sort of joke, as fouls of this nature were too frequent to even attempt to check up. The thing was disgraceful. We have always had a reputation for clean sailing and for being expert skippers. This has given us a bad black eye in the racing world and we regret to say that even some old timers, seeing that they could "get away with it" did the same thing. When called down some of these young members asked men old enough to be their fathers "If they owned the Sound" and more choice remarks. Now while we are a democratic class and while we want to encourage boys, Star racing is both a man's and a gentleman's game and there is no room for such actions as you might expect on a back lot ball field. Unless new members get down to business and learn the rules and how to abide by them they had better race by themselves or in another class. Experienced Star Skippers are not going to risk their boats in smashing into a lot of youngsters just to teach them the rules. We do not want to see such disgraceful disregard of racing rules again and this goes for all who violated these rules, young and old. From now on we protest any such violations. It's a crime to overlook them. If you do not know the rules - and many do not - stay in your own back yard until you learn them. Don't break up the sport of men who do and make the Star Class the joke of the racing world. This is pretty plain talk but it's true.

A MINOR DETAIL - Geo. Waters is tuning up the "California". He started during race week. On the first day while towing over to Larchmont he kept saying he had forgotten something. He checked up on his equipment but anchor, compass, life belts etc. all were there. Suddenly when half way over he remembered, "My God" he said "I forgot the boom."

JOY FOR ALL- Bill Inslee gave more Star men a pleasant week at Larchmont than any one. It was an unwritten law that whosoever beat the Worlds Champ. should celebrate. On Saturday right July 26th, 62 of the boys were given a chance when our "Bill" finished 32nd. How have the mighty fallen and Oh Boy! J. Garland Miller (the unbeaten skipper from our Hampton Roads Fleet) was his crew that day.

LAST CALL - Don't miss the series.

WELCOME STAR MEN TO MANHASSET BAY.