

## STARLIGHTS

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### Greetings From Our President

Cordial greetings and best wishes to all members of the Star Class of 1924 and my sincere thanks to all officers for their splendid co-operation during 1923. Fellow members of the Star Class your help is needed in the coming season of 1924 to interest beginners in the wonderful sport of small yacht racing and you are asked to wake up additional enthusiasm the coming year to again double the Star Class Fleets, tell your friends the Star is the largest class of yachts in the world today that is within the reach of the man of moderate means and that it affords the finest sport for anyone who wants keen racing and sailing in 1912 there were 24 stars and one Fleet in America, 1923 there were 174 Stars and 20 fleets in all parts of the world.

Beside the International Star Trophy donated by Horace Boucher there will be a \$100.00 cup for the Distant Fleet donated by Donald Cowl for 1924 and many more prizes are promised by friends of the class for the next International Series to be held on Long Island Sound the early part of September 1924.

The Star Class has never gone backward, it will always go forward if you do your part, Yachting is starting on the greatest upward trend in the history of the sport, let's put our shoulder to the wheel and boost the Star, keep it going forward as it has in the past. Let each one of us get more Star owners this year by taking them out for a sail or have them come along in our races. In this way we will build up our class and boost yachting, the sport we love.

G. A. Corry.

### A REVIEW OF 1923

The Association — Became International. Closed year with 20 Fleets enrolled, an increase of 10 for 1923, 5 being outside the U.S.A. Establishes the remarkable record of having doubled in size each year since founded. Held its first International Series with 8 entries out of the 14 Fleets then existing, making the greatest International one design race on record. The Fleets entered covered, to and from the series, a total of approximately 27,312 miles. Held the largest one design race in history, 32 entries. Established a new record on Pacific with 14 entries. Held a total of over 225 scheduled races. Was largest Class in world with 166 active yachts, 56 new boat built, the largest number in any one class in 1923, 216 members in good standing, Stars racing or building on every continent except South America. Stars enrolled in 42 yacht clubs.

Fleets — Largest W.L.I.S.: 54 members 44 boats, Built most: N. B. with 13 boats. Entered most Intersectional races: So. Cal. sending boats and crews to the Atlantic, British Columbia and all along the Pacific, its members covering 10,000 miles. Increased

by purchasing old boats: D.R and C.L.I.S. Only inactive fleet: L.O. Best supported at the Internationals: C.L.E.

Individuals International champion skipper and boat, best racing record of year:

W. L. Inslee, of W.L.I.S. Bayside Y. C. — “Taurus”

Fleet Champions

Mass. Coast	83	Sardine	Bacon
Narragansett Bay	123	Ara	Wood
E.L.I.S.	51	Tea Tray	Lord
C.L.I.S.	30	Peacock	Bedford
W.L.I.S.	1	Taurus	Inslee
Gravesend Bay	148	Sea Bird	Parkman
Lake Michigan	107	Nerred II	DeWitt
Detroit River	75	Eros	Burjose
Western Lake Erie	45	Polaris	Walbridge
Central Lake Erie	77	Fejo	Schweitzer
English Bay	120	Stella Maris	Purvis
British Columbia Islind	152	Miataka	Adams
Puget Sound	156	Lucky Star	Geary
San Francisco Bay	164	Frisco Star	Smith
Southern California	108	Three Star	Weston
New South Wales	168	Kangaroo	Walker
Hong Kong Bay	169	Mee Sing	Tracy
Prince Edward Island		just organized	
Peconic Bay		" "	

Entered most races: Linkfield, 32. Most intersectional races: Weston. Bbest crew: Wood. Best showing among Boy skippers: R. D. Smith. Best showing among new members: Wylie. Sportsmanship: H. H. Waite for International Championship knowing he could not possibly be better than last owner of most stars. Honorable mention for work done for the association: Weston, Miller, Teves, Wylie and Armitage. Largest Race: won by Ratsey, 32 boats.

This is the season for picking the mythical all everything teams so why not an All Star Team! It’s a good custom and at least shows some who were not fortunate enough to get into the Internationals that their efforts did not go unnoticed. “Starlights” selections are based upon comparative records and as there were so many intersectional races in 1923 we believe these selections to be very accurate and just.

“Starlights” 1923 All Star Team

Capt.	W. L. Inslee	W.L.I.S.	Taurus
2.	E. Ratsey	W.L.I.S.	Irex
3.	E. V. Willis	W.L.I.S.	Altair
4.	B.L. Linkfield	W.L.I.S.	Maia II

It would have been easier and more diplomatic to split up our choice between the Fleets but remember we are selecting from the actual records and there is no doubt but that the above is correct. No one in the Internationals ever gave Inslee the fight that these men

gave him. They beat him as often almost as he beat them and there was little to choose between them. Wylie it is true beat Inslee once but in the open races he entered Inslee and the others of the all Star Team beat him. If we are asked to pick a second and third team it is harder but there is our best guess.

2nd Team

Capt. H. E. Wylie            E.B.  
2.     O. Churchill            S. Cal.  
3.     V. P. Schweitzer        C.L.E.  
4.     P B. Weston              S. Cal.

3rd Team

Capt. R. W. Walton        C.L.E.  
2.     W. C. Wood                N.B.  
3.     R. W. Purvis              E.B  
4.     A. F. Wakefield         W.L.E.

As the all Eastern Team and all Stars is same we omit it in following:

All Pacific

Capt. H. E. Wylie            E.B.  
2.     O. Churchill              S. Cal.  
3.     B. P. Weston              S. Cal.  
4.     R. W. Purvis              E.B.

All Lake

Capt. J. P. Schweitzer      C.L.E.  
2.     R. W. Walton              C.L.E.  
3.     A. F. Wakefield         W.L.E.  
4.     C. S. Johnston / tied with  
         H. S. Watterson        C.L.E

From the Secretary's Office Don't forget to send 1924 Ass'n dues. Send your report in duplicate and by all means send one check or money order to cover all.

International News Star #38 "Banshee" is on her way to England where with Star "Leo" they will form a new fleet. Chesapeake Bay will have one or two fleets in 1924. San Diego, Cal will form a new fleet. New Charters are being mailed out this month.

A movie film showing the International Series can be had by applying to Geo. Corry, Port Washington N.Y.