

1ST DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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WINTER REGATTA SCHEDULE

2005-2006 20th District

Nov 12-13 Schoonmaker Cup, Coral Reef YC, Miami
Dec 3-4 Commodore's Cup, Coral Reef YC, Miami
Jan 7- 8 Levin Memorial, Coral Reef YC, Miami
Jan 21-22 Biscayne Trophy, Coral Reef YC, Miami
Jan 23-27 Olympic Classes Regatta, Coral Reef YC, Miami
Feb 11-12 Masters' Regatta, Coral Reef YC, Miami
Feb TBA Fort Meyers Regatta, Royal Palm YC
Mar 5-10 Bacardi Cup, Coral Reef YC, Miami

2005 5th District

Nov 12-13 Ash Bown / One Design, San Diego YC
Dec 10-11 Kris Kringle, San Diego YC

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WINTER REGATTA INFORMATION

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Olympic Classes Regatta:
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FORT MEYERS REGATTA

Royal Palm Yacht Club

February 2006

Please Preregister Now

The Royal Palm YC is willing to host a Star regatta in February but requires that there be 15 boats preregistered by Nov. 15th. This would be the third annual Fort Meyers Regatta. Fort Meyers is a 21/2 hr drive across alligator alley from Miami and once there the town offers a lot to do. There are great restaurants, and the Ford and Edison museums are next door to the Royal Palm YC. Not only that, but spectators can sit on the Club deck and watch the races. The club has great facilities, a protected harbor and one mile to the race course. There will be lots of awards: dailies, series, participation and all master categories.

The date would be the weekend either before or after the Masters'.

Some private housing is available and boat delivery from Miami can be arranged at reasonable cost.

If you are interested please let John Chirella know immediately by email to jcdcstar@yahoo.com

TRI-DISTRICT REGATTA SCHEDULE

2006 Regatta Schedule as proposed to date:

2006 1st District Schedule

May 14-15 Indian Harbor Y.C. Regatta
June 17-18 Arms-White (Mid) Tri-District Qualifier
July 14-16 1st District Championship (Boston)
Aug. 5-6 Sunapee Open (Sun) Tri-District Qualifier
Aug 12-13 Ned Hay (CA)
Aug. 20-21 New England Masters' (Mid)
Sept. 9-10 Bedford Pitcher (CLIS).
Sept. 16-17 Nutmeg Regatta (Mid)
Sept. 30-Oct. 1 Oxford Fall Wind-Up (MES) Tri-D. Q.
Oct. 7-8 Larchmont Columbus Day Regatta

FIRST DISTRICT ALL FLEET MEETING

Saturday, November 12, Noon to 3PM
New York Yacht Club
Harbour Court
Newport, Rhode Island

ALL First District Star sailors are urged to attend this priority event to work on a plan for maximizing regatta participation and to review ideas for maximizing fleet racing participation at the club level.

The meeting is to be held at the spectacular New York Yacht Club facility in Newport, RI, with lunch and cocktails on a cash basis. Spouses are urged to participate. Newport is an easy drive from all fleet locations and makes for an enjoyable day or weekend visit beyond the importance of attending the Star meeting.

Top meeting agenda points include:

- "Focus On Four" -- 2006 "Focus Events" to raise First District regatta participation
- Regatta Social/Party Strategy -- regatta entertainment reinvigoration plan
- Fleet Racing Forum -- ideas/actions for increasing club racing
- First District/Fleet Racing New Sailor Recruitment and Promotion
- Proposed Annual First District Awards Fall Banquet

Anyone with questions please call Peter Cusick and John Lombard at (203) 402-7247 (office) during business hours or e-mail: d.bolles@worldnet.att.net pcusick@meworx.com jlombard@meworx.com

David Bolles - 1st District Secretary

Peter Cusick and John Lombard, '06 1st District Meeting Co-Chairman

REGATTA RESULTS**SHUSTER REGATTA**

Mid-Eastern Shore Fleet

Miles River Yacht Club, St. Michaels, Maryland

October 1 – 2, 2005

With a nice light wind blowing in the river, the RC gave a warning for the first race two minutes earlier than the NOR specified. Aaron Serinis took the lead and held it. The course was WLWL but as the wind disappeared the course was abruptly shortened and boats were finished as they approached the first leeward mark. Aaron won, but the short race was thrown out later due to having been started too early and general protest over the way it was finished.

After a long warm wait on the water which included lunches and water distributed by the RC, the blue and white checker was hoisted over the blue and white swallow-tail and a tow rounded up the drifting competitors.

Once all the Stars were out and in a line on the lawn of the Yacht Club, the afternoon was given over to enjoying Eastern Shore hospitality. Bob Flower laid out the oysters and other “Cajun treats” and live music wafted out of Isabelle’s, the comfortable bar on the dock. Fotis Boliakis went into town and came back with Pints for everyone: Haagen Dazs.

For housing, Sam Hopkins opened his cottage on Tilghman Island to a crowd of Star sailors who got to appreciate the work of local artists building the house as well as Sam’s cooking. Sailors woke to the smell of bacon and enjoyed eggs and pancakes around his ample table with a view of the bay, glassy and windless.

There was a general anticipation of zero air again on Sunday, but as the boats went in the water a steady 4 to 6 knots filled in which, in contrast to zero, made for very pleasant sailing. Apparently it was wind that Barbara Beigel-Vosbury understood. She won the first race and followed with a 2nd and 3rd to win the regatta and to cinch for herself the title of 2005 Tri-District Champion.

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<u>Place</u>	<u>Sail#</u>	<u>Boat</u>	<u>Skipper</u>	<u>Crew</u>	<u>Fleet</u>	<u>R2</u>	<u>R3</u>	<u>R4</u>	<u>Total</u>
1	7425	Ice Blue	Barbara Beigel-Vosbury	Michael Zuschnitt	AN	1	2	3	6
2	7444	--	Aaron Serinis	Will Wagner	MES	6	1	1	8
3	7090	Lil White Lie	Bob Bradford	Roger Pickall	MES	2	3	4	9
4	7454	Neva Jo	Murray Leigh	Tom Price	CB	4	7	2	13
5	7715	Maggie May	Carroll McCallum	Fotis Boliakis	CLIS	3	4	9	16
6	7785	Elusive	Chuck Wiley	Bill Cockayne	MES	8	5	6	19
7	7054	Rebel Yell	Eric Wagner	--	MES	5	8	8	21
8	7530	Honk on Bobo	Bob Flower	Bob Greenlee	MES	10	9	5	24
9	7182	Wus N Pus	Rowan Perkins	Chris Grupenhoff	MES	9	6	10	25
10	7497	--	Kris Wilson	David Barnes	AN	7	11	7	25
11	7970	Mary Jane	Bart Kaplan	Sam Hopkins	AN	11	10	11	32

2005 TRI-DISTRICT CHAMPION**Barbara Beigel-Vosbury****2nd District Wins**

Six people qualified for the Tri-District Championship by competing in two of three regattas, one regatta sailed in each of the three districts. For 2005 the regattas were the Sunapee Open, the Bedford Pitcher and the Shuster.

The best skipper score was achieved by Barbara Beigel-Vosbury who took home the perpetual. Second best skipper was Guy Gurney and third was Kris Wilson of Annapolis.

Guy Gurney displays the price of competing in the Tri-Districts. He blew two trailer tyres on his way to Sunapee.



COLUMBUS DAY REGATTA

Western Long Island Star Fleet

Larchmont Yacht Club, Larchmont, New York

October 8 – 9, 2005

Though Star boats lined up on the wharf Friday night before this much anticipated regatta, the dire weather forecasts for gale force winds from the northern side of Hurricane Rita kept some competitors home. For Saturday they were right to stay away. It rained all morning and at about noon, after taking a wind velocity reading of 35 knots, the RC abandoned the races for the day. Happily the assembled Star sailors had the generous hospitality of Thierry Magon de La Villehuchet to console them so that the afternoon could be spent lounging over lunch at Larchmont Yacht Club, watching, through the rain streaked windows, as 36 teams of dripping college sailors straggled in after thrashing about on a leeward shore learning to reef and moor J109s.

Thierry also provided for supper Saturday evening on the porch of the Club. One whole table spoke only French as Thierry and his wife Claudine were joined by Patrick Constant and Paul Coirre, who had come from France to sail in the regatta, with their wives, and by Roland Schultz who has sailed with Thierry in France and races a Shield at Larchmont. The gallant Schultz also stepped up and volunteered to crew in a Star for his first time, greatly enhancing his team's results on Sunday.

Though the French clearly had come the longest distance to sail in the regatta, several other travelers came an unusual distance. Rick Rundle arrived from the Jackson Park fleet, Illinois, bringing a wealth of lore, non-stop Star stories and history from the Fourth District.

Jock Kohlhas brought his boat up from Florida and Dave Ivey came from Sunapee, so it was good that on Sunday Western Long Island Sound produced conditions in which races could be held. The water was flat and the wind stayed under 8 knots. It shifted around into the north-northwest and remained shifty, with large "bozo zones" of no wind in patches of the course.

There were three excellent WLWL races, sailing through and among the Shields and graceful wooden S boats. Thierry, ever the generous host, let Ben Cesare and Fotis Boliakis each win a race while he remained in second, but then he wrapped up the regatta by winning the last race and the series.

Thierry de La Villehuchet was awarded the Stanley K. Turner Memorial Trophy.

History of the Stanley K. Turner Memorial

By Jane Lawrence

As the 100th Anniversary of the Star Class approaches, it is exciting that bits of class history continue to appear. Because Thierry de La Villehuchet has a special interest in having Western Long Island Sound Fleet re-established, possibly at Larchmont Yacht Club, we have recently discovered information about a significant trophy and its background

When the NOR was posted for the Columbus Day Regatta this year at Larchmont, it was noted that the winner in the Star Class would receive the Stanley K. Turner Jr. Trophy. The question in many minds arose, "Who was Stanley K. Turner Jr.?" It took many phone calls and conversations with Larchmont Yacht Club, ISCYRA, and members of the WLIS Fleet (although the Fleet is no longer active) to find the answer. Stanley King Turner Jr. grew up in the Junior Sailing Program at LYC and was a member there from 1932 to 1943. As a young man, Stanley moved into the Star Class and was an active competitor. He sailed in Larchmont Race Week, Noroton Race Week, his Eliminations, and the Captain's Island Race.

In 1939, with Robert Hack as crew, he won a Silver Star in the Atlantic Coast Championship in his Star "Migs" #893. In 1940 he crewed for C. Stanley Ogilvy in "Spirit" to win the same championship again. Also in 1939 he sailed with Robert N. Bavier Jr. representing the crew from Williams College, winning the McMillan Cup at Annapolis. Not long after that Stanley joined the Navy and his death was reported in the Pacific in February 1944. He was the first Larchmont Yacht Club member to be killed in WWII.

The WLIS Fleet honored his memory by dedicating a trophy to be given to the winner of the Star Class in Larchmont Race Week. The first winner was E. W. "Skip" Etchells in 1944 and 1945, followed each year by well-known skippers in the Class. It was last awarded in 1967, after which the Star Class no longer participated in Larchmont Race Week. A different Stanley K. Turner Memorial Trophy was dedicated to the Race Week winner in the Etchells Class. The Trophy which was presented to Thierry de La Villehuchet, the winner in 2005, was the original trophy that was dedicated to the Star Class in 1944. It is a dimensional model mounted on wood of Stanley K Turner Jr's "Migs" #893. The trophy is covered with small brass plaques bearing the names of winners. It is a fine memorial for Stanley K. Turner Jr., to be treasured by all.

A complete description of the 1939 Atlantic Coast Championship appears in the 1940 LOG on page 55.

COLUMBUS DAY REGATTA

<u>Place</u>	<u>Sail #:</u>	<u>Boat</u>	<u>Skipper</u>	<u>Crew</u>	<u>Fleet</u>	<u>R1</u>	<u>R2</u>	<u>R3</u>	<u>Total</u>
1	8068	Klaudina	Thierry De La Villehuchet	Dan Ronan	Mid	2	2	1	5
2	8080	Team Poseidon	Fotis Boliakis	Roman Gotsulyak	CLIS	3	1	6	10
3	7728	--	Ben Cesare	Jim Mullane	Mid	1	6	4	11
4	7715	Maggie May	Carroll McCallum	Roland Schultz	CLIS	4	4	5	13
5	7927	Hello Mader	Dave Ivey	Greg Meyer	Sun	5	8	2	15
6	8043	Omm	Jock Kohlhas	David Bolles	BisB	6	3	8	17
7	7012	Found Goods	Patrick Constant	Paul Coirre	FRA	8	7	3	18
8	7078	Stella Maris	Rick Rundle	Jeff Kleinops	JP	7	5	9	21
9	7650	--	Carlos Rivero	--	BH	9	9	7	25

NASH TROPHY
First District Fall High Point
Peter Cusick
2005 Winner

Place	Sail #	Boat	Skipper	Fleet	Nutmeg	Bedford	Columbus	Total
1	7951	Mona Lisa	Peter Cusick	Mid	8	12	dnc	20
2	7728	Hayaku	John Lombard	Mid	7	17	dnc	24
3	7793	Pamper	Tomas Hornos	BH	20	8	dnc	28
4	8043	Omm	Jock Kohlhas	BisB	12	dnc	17	29
5	7715	Maggie May	Carroll McCallum	CLIS	20	(10)	13	33
6	7959	Bel Ami	Thorny Cook	CLIS	20	24	dnc	44
7	8035	Impromptu	David Bolles	Mid	27	26	(17)	53

NASH TROPHY
First District Fall High Point

Following the awarding of prizes at the Columbus Day Regatta, David Bolles, First District Secretary, announced that the 2005 winner of the Nash Trophy is Peter Cusick. The trophy is awarded to the skipper with the best accumulated score in the three First District fall regattas: the Nutmeg, the Bedford Pitcher and the Columbus Day Regatta.

David Bolles and Carroll McCallum competed in all three events but their scores as crews did not count.

ETCHELLS / STAR FALL REGATTA

Annapolis Fleet
 Annapolis Yacht Club, Annapolis, Maryland
 October 22 –23, 2005

Storms and rain threatened the weekend of the Etchells / Star Fall Regatta but never materialized. Though most sailors layered on the foulies, having the water relatively warm kept the chill factor down. On Saturday the wind came down the bay, from under the Bay Bridge along with the current. As the wind shifted westerly the current became noticeable on the port jibe approach to the leeward mark and finish. The

racecourse was located slightly north of the harbor mouth, staying on the west side of the shipping lane.

McCausland won the first two races but in the third race Arthur Anosov got on the right side of the course at the right time and broke McCausland's 9 race winning streak (4 races at the Nutmeg and 3 at Oxford).

Annapolis Yacht Club put on a supper for the combined Etchells and Star fleets Saturday night. Jack Lynch, long time sailing director of the club was honored, it being the anniversary of his birthday.

On Sunday the wind was westerly, coming in gusts of 12 out of the harbor and fanning out on the course, making for uneven areas of pressure and shifts at the edges of the fan. Anosov won again and Aaron Serinis won the last race, finishing upwind.

The First District was well represented by Dan Ronan and Lee Dayton who finished fifth in the regatta.

The winner of the Etchells division was Gary Jobson, with a Star crew aboard: Mark Mendleblatt.

ETCHELLS / STAR FALL REGATTA

Place	Sail #	Boat	Skipper	Crew	Fleet	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	Total
1	8195	Erin	John MacCausland	Shane Zwingleberg	CR	1	1	2	2	7	13
2	7713	Light Brigade	Peter McChesney	Mike Jones	AN	3	2	4	3	4	16
3	7640	--	Arthur Anosov	Dave Caesar	TaB	2	10	1	1	9	23
4	7444	--	Aaron Serinis	Will Wagner	MES	4	4	10	5	1	24
5	7763	--	Dan Ronan	Lee Dayton	WLIS	6	7	7	8	3	31
6	8063	Grinch	Bert Collins	Kris Wilson	AN	12	3	13	4	12	44
7	7953	Bogus	Nick Von Der Wense	Brian Wood	AN	9	13	5	10	11	48
8	7248	High Stakes	John Henry	Jay Lankford	MES	11	5	16	12	5	49
9	7715	Maggie May	Carroll McCallum	Jock Kohlhas	CLIS	14	16	3	11	8	52
10	7927	Hello Mader	Dave Ivey	Greg Meyer	SUN	16	15	15	6	2	54
11	7425	Ice Blue	Barbara Vosbury	Bruce Hatfield	AN	10	12	12	15	6	55
12	7313	Bop	Thomas Price	Bob Greenlee	CB	7	6	6	dnc	dnc	59
13	7454	Neva Jo	Murray Leigh	Alex Schwab	CB	17	8	11	13	10	59
14	7072	Annapolis Yacht Sales	Bob Oberg	John Morrison	AN	5	11	8	dnf	dnc	64
15	7934	7934	Karl Von Schwarz	Bud Elsaesser	AN	15	17	14	9	14	69
16	7078	Stella Maris	Richard Rundle	Jeff Kleinops	JP	18	9	dnf	14	13	74
17	7089	NJA	Mark Oberg	Andy Oberg	Isol	8	19	9	dnf	dnc	76
18	7930	Newf	Michael Feeney	Rob Bowers	SUN	13	18	dnf	7	dnc	78
19	7970	Mary Jane	Sam Hopkins	Bart Kaplan	AN	19	14	17	16	15	81

PREVIEW OF 2006 WORLD'S VENUE

Perhaps because the World's will be held in San Francisco in 2006, September 27-October 8, a noteworthy group of Star sailors attended two regattas there this fall. The Pacific Coast Championship was sailed on the Berkeley Circle which will be

the location of the 2006 World's, while the Calvin Paige Regatta was run in front of the St. Francis Y.C. Current World's Champions Xavier Rohart and Pascal Rambeau won both events, though without winning any races.

Calvin Paige Regatta

October 22-23, 2005

St. Francis Yacht Club, San Francisco, California

<u>Pl.</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yacht</u>	<u>Skipper</u>	<u>Crew</u>	<u>Fleet</u>	<u>R1</u>	<u>R2</u>	<u>R3</u>	<u>R4</u>	<u>R5</u>	<u>Points</u>
1	8107	Banque Populaire	Xavier Rohart	Pascal Rambeau	NI	2	2	2	3	3	9
2	8082	Pegasus	Jeff Madrigali	Anders Ekström	WSFB	3	1	dnf	2	10	16
3	7836	Tango	Marc Pickel	Andrew Palfney	Brm	12	4	1	7	5	17
4	8176	Team Corinthian	Erik Lidecis	Mike Marzahl	NH	6	6	5	5	1	17
5	8006	Pegasus	Andy Estcourt	Casey Smith	--	4	7	4	4	11	19
6	8162	Rachel	Andy Macdonald	Brian Fatih	NH	5	12	7	1	8	21
7	8129	Kaenan	Mark Reynolds	Hal Haenel	SDB	8	3	3	bfd	15	29
8	8156	--	Andy Horton	Brad Nichol	NB	1	5	ocs	bfd	2	30
9	7260	Frolic	Bill Buchan	Darin Jensen	PS	13	11	6	8	7	32
10	8072	--	Doug Smith	Mike Moore	SBC	15	9	9	9	12	39
11	8238	Pegasus	Phillipe Kahn	Joe Londrigan	Isol	10	10	10	10	13	40
12	7995	--	George Szabo III	Eric Monroe	SDB	9	dnf	dnf	6	4	41
13	8088	--	Steve Gould	Greg Sieck	WSFB	14	15	11	13	6	44
14	8234	Zulu	Peter Conde	Andrew Hunn	LMac	11	8	ocs	bfd	9	50
15	8236	--	Steven Kelly	Bill Holowesko	N	7	14	8	dnf	dnf	51
16	8189	--	Bill Fields	Magnus Liljedahl	NH	17	13	12	12	16	53
17	7042	--	Steve Brown	Chris Eid	--	16	16	13	11	14	54
18	6968	--	Rob Gewecke	Martin Helliwell	NH	18	17	dnf	14	dnf	71
19	7631	Swing on a Star	Charles Heimler	Ian Bostock	WSFB	20	dnf	dnf	15	17	74
20	4103	Skip	Scott Merrick	--	WSFB	21	19	dnf	16	dnf	78
21	6333	Flyer	Dale Hoffman	Rob Ferro	WSFB	19	18	dnf	bfd	dnf	81

Pacific Coast Championship

October 15-16, 2005

San Francisco Yacht Club, Belvedere, California

<u>Pl.</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Skipper</u>	<u>Crew</u>	<u>Fleet</u>	<u>R1</u>	<u>R2</u>	<u>R3</u>	<u>R4</u>	<u>R5</u>	<u>Points</u>
1	8107	Xavier Rohart	Rambeau Pascal	Ni	5	5	3	5	2	15
2	8156	Andy Horton	Brad Nichol	NB	1	6	8	1	8	16
3	8129	Mark Reynolds	Hal Haenel	SDB	9	1	7	3	5	16
4	8234	Peter Conde	Andrew Hunn	LMac	2	9	5	2	9	18
5	8236	Steven Kelly	Bill Holowesko	N	3	2	19	12	6	23
6	7995	George Szabo III	Eric Monroe	SDB	11	rdg	9	6	3	25
7	8222	Rick Merriman	Rich Peters	SDB	14	11	1	17	1	27
8	7836	Iain Murray	Andrew Palfrey	Royal Prince Alfred	10	7	4	11	7	28
9	8082	Jeff Madrigali	Anders Ekström	WSFB	4	8	14	8	10	30
10	8162	Andy Macdonald	Brian Fatih	NH	12	3	6	16	16	37
11	8176	Erik Lidecis	Mike Marzahl	NH	16	dnf	11	7	4	38
12	8072	Doug Smith	Mike Moore	SBC	8	4	16	14	13	39
13	7042	Steve Brown	Christian Eid	NH	6	16	12	10	11	39
14	8088	Stephen Gould	Greg Sieck	WSFB	19	rdg	2	9	18	41
15	8238	Phillipe Kahn	Joe Londrigan	WAIKIKI YC	7	15	10	20	17	49
16	8235	Larry Whipple	Deren Jensen	PS	17	20	17	4	12	50
17	8006	Andy Estcourt	--	Napier Sailing Club	18	13	13	15	15	56
18	8189	Bill Fields	--	NH	20	17	15	13	14	59
19	7437	Nedko Vassilev	Paul Erickson	Royal Prince Alfred	13	12	18	18	19	61
20	8023	Lee Kellerhouse	Ralph Peck	SDB	15	14	20	19	ret	68
21	7631	Charles Heimler	Nabil Sheehan	WSFB	22	10	21	ret	dnf	77
22	4103	Scot Merrick	--	WSFB	23	19	23	21	20	83
23	6968	Rob Gewecke	Martin Helliwell	WSFB	21	18	22	ret	dnf	85

EMIL'S CORNER

LARCHMONT REMINISCENCE

by Bart Beek



NEW BOATS, SAILS AND COVERS

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In the U.S. contact John MacCausland: 856 428 9094

Foxy Covers: <http://www.teamfoxy.com>

Fritz Sails: www.fritz-segel.de

Marine Spars: www.marinespars.com

North Sails: <http://www.northsailsod.com/class/star/star.html>

Quantum Sails: <http://www.quantumsails.com/star>

Spar Tech: <http://www.spartechco.com/>

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Star Class videos available: the following videos are available through the Central Office: "Star Class Tuning Guide", Class promotional video "Fine Tuned for Excellence", 1999 World's: "The World of the Stars", 1987 World's: "Sail against the Best." Also available from the Central Office are Stan Ogilvy's book "A History of the Star Class" and a biography about Durward Knowles, "Driven by the Stars". For further information on these items of Star Class merchandise plus an order form please contact Diane Dorr at the Central Office: iscyra@interaccess.com Fax: 847 729 0718 / Office: 847 729 0630
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I have very fond feelings for Larchmont because, while I was in Submarine school up in New London, I went down to Larchmont almost every weekend and sailed Potter B dinghies in the Frostbite races. My crew was little Sally Russell, 15 at the time, and the name of the boat I sailed was Brass Monkey. The Potter B dinghy was the father of the Lehman 12 - - Barney plastered over a B and made a mold, and so the Lehman 12's have almost exactly the same characteristics as the old B's, which were lap strake and of course required yearly varnishing. Some of my competitors in those races were Arthur Knapp, Corny Shields, Pat O'Gorman, Shorty Trimmingham from Bermuda, Ed Raymond, and Skip Etchells. Sometimes Stan Ogilvy would show up. What riches! Of course, at the time I didn't fully appreciate how good it was.

It sticks in my head that Pat O'Gorman won Race Week in 1945. He was doing very well in the Star and also won a Silver Star.

On those weekends I stayed with the Russell family who lived very close to the Yacht Club. They were a wonderful family and I spent many hours having political discussions with Joe, who was somewhat to the right of Herbert Hoover, and also many happy hours rolling dice with him for drinks at the beautiful old bar in the Yacht Club. I'd go to Mass with them every Sunday morning. Joe would keep an eye on his watch and if the Priest took more than 45 minutes to do Mass, Joe would grumble and perhaps make a frigid remark to the Priest. Nobody messed with Joe! He was a wonderful character; I wish I could bring him back. So, if you get into the bar this weekend, give it a little pat for old Bart and Joe.

FOR SALE / WANTED

6000 series boats in various conditions for sale. Boats are located at Milford Y.C., Milford CT. Contact Dick Hovey. Tel: 203 795 3008 / e-mail: rhovey@worldnet.att.net (9-01)

7471 Mader, 1989. Completely updated and perfectly faired. 2001 Spartech mast; hyfield levers on uppers for downwind speed; double mainsheet; new Spartech Boom; Spare mast and lots of sails; boat maintained annually by John MacCausland. Contact J. Joseph Bainton: Bainton@BaintonLaw.com (5-04)

7737 Mader, 1994. A great boat. Work commitments for the next two years have me traveling abroad too much to sail regularly. Contact Info: Elisabeth Newell / E.R. Newell Architects, pc / 828 12th Street / Santa Monica, CA 90403 / Tel: 310 899 0191 / Fax: 310 899 0181 / Cell: 310 486 2144 / e-mail: ernewell@earthlink.net (8-04)