

# 1<sup>ST</sup> DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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## NEAR-BY REGATTA SCHEDULE

Oct 7-8 Columbus Day Regatta, Larchmont, CT  
Oct 21-22 Star-etchells Regatta, Annapolis, MD

### Biscayne Bay Fleet, Miami Winter Schedule

Nov 11-12	Schoonmaker Cup	Coral Reef
Nov 13-19	North Am. Silver Star	ISCYRA
Dec 2-3	Commodore's Cup	Coral Reef
Jan 6-7	Levin Memorial	Coral Reef
Jan 20-21	Biscayne Trophy	Coral Reef
Jan 22-26	Olympic Classes Regatta	ISCYRA
Feb 10-11	Masters Regatta	Coral Reef
Mar 4-9	Bacardi Cup	Coral Reef

## REGATTA INFORMATION

### COLUMBUS DAY REGATTA

Larchmont Yacht Club, Larchmont, New York  
October 8 – 9, 2005

Thierry Magon de La Villehuchet has once again invited Star sailors from near and far to compete for the Stanley K. Turner Memorial Trophy in a regatta hosted by Larchmont Yacht Club.

Larchmont Yacht Club was founded in 1880 and houses many old paintings and trophies of historical and nautical interest. The Stanley K. Turner Memorial Trophy was dedicated by the Western Long Island Star Fleet to honor the memory of a young man who was the first Larchmont member to be killed in World War Two. Stanley Turner had won a Silver Star in the Atlantic Coast Championship in his Star "Migs" #893. Not long after his victory Stanley joined the Navy. His death was reported in the Pacific in February 1944.

The trophy is a dimensional model of "Migs" #893. The wood mounting is covered with small brass plaques bearing the names of past winners. The first winner was Skip Etchells in 1944 and 1945, followed by many well-known skippers. In 2004 the regatta was won, in a fleet of 14, by Andy Horton / Brad Nichols (who will not be attending this year because they are in San Francisco in hot contention for the Star Class World Championship.) In 2005 the regatta was won by Thierry de La Villehuchet in a fleet of 9 contestants. (For further history see story by Jane Lawrence in November 2005 Newsletter.)

Information: [www.larchmontyc.org](http://www.larchmontyc.org) follow links to Racing, Calendar and Columbus Day: <http://www.larchmontyc.org/racing/ColumbusDayRacing.shtml>.

Entry forms can be submitted online at <https://app1.regatta-manager.com/Regatta/RegattaPage.do?page=home&clubContext=larchmont&regattaContext=ColumbusDay06> or by registering on the approved entry form on Friday October 6 from 6-8 PM or Saturday October 7 from 7:30 to 9 AM.

For Further Information:  
Larchmont Y.C. Phone: +1 (914) 834-2440  
Email: [racecommittee@larchmontyc.org](mailto:racecommittee@larchmontyc.org)

## REGATTA INFORMATION

### STAR-ETCHELLS REGATTA

Annapolis Fleet  
Annapolis Yacht Club, Annapolis, Maryland  
October 21-22, 2005

This regatta is a happy combination of Etchells and Star sailors both on and off the water. Awards will be given for first through third plus Masters and Novice. Warning for first race is at 1120. Three races are planned for Saturday, two for Sunday.

If entry is received by 0900 Oct 17, fee is \$90. Later entries are accepted, with an additional \$20 fee. Entry fee includes two dinner tickets for a Saturday night buffet at Annapolis YC. Entry can be made online at [www.race.annapolisyc.org](http://www.race.annapolisyc.org) or on standard forms. The Notice of Race can be found at [http://www.race.annapolisyc.org/uploads/Etchells%20Star%20NOR\\_Final.pdf](http://www.race.annapolisyc.org/uploads/Etchells%20Star%20NOR_Final.pdf)

Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and online. Regatta Headquarters are the front office of the Annapolis Yacht Club. Stars may be stored and launched from the Sailing Center across the bridge from the clubhouse.

For more information: Barbara Vosbury at 410-570-3435 or <mailto:mbvosbury@msn.com> or Jack Lynch: <mailto:jlynch@annapolisyc.com>

Barbara also generously offers: "Let us know if you need us to store your boat until you are ready to go to Florida and we'll find a safe place to keep it."

### NASH TROPHY

#### First District Fall High Point

This beautiful trophy is awarded to the skipper with the best accumulated score in three First District fall regattas: the Nutmeg, the Bedford Pitcher and the Columbus Day Regatta. In 2005 only seven skippers sailed in two and none had sailed in all three regattas. This year there are eleven skippers who have sailed in both the Nutmeg and the Bedford and at least three of them are expected to compete in the Columbus Day Regatta, giving them a big score advantage.

Contestant Score to date

John MacCausland	48
Guy Gurney	60
Rodrigo Meireles	76
Jock Kohlhas	85
William Swigart	86
Bert Collins	94
Bill Watson	107
Thierry de La Villehuchet	118
Peter Bromby	121
John Manderson	133
David Bolles	140
Thorston Cook	154

**2006 TRI-DISTRICT CUP****JOHN MACCAUSLAND WINS BY WIDE MARGIN****FIRST YEAR STAR SAILOR SECOND**

This spring of 2006 John Manderson started sailing Stars. This fall he has won the second place award in the Tri-District competition. Previous to this, for ten years, John sailed Snipes, and describes himself as a "persistent" Snipe sailor, though he could also be called accomplished. He was second in the 2002 Snipe North Americans and thirteenth in the 2003 Snipe World Championship in Landskrona, Sweden. Clearly he has brought his persistence to the Star. This summer he sailed in the Miles River Spring Regatta (placing third), the Arms White, the First District Blue Star (placing 7<sup>th</sup>), the Sunapee Open (10<sup>th</sup>), Ned Hay (6<sup>th</sup>), Bedford Pitcher (21<sup>st</sup>), Nutmegs (8<sup>th</sup>), and intends to sail in the Larchmont Columbus Day Regatta and the Annapolis Star-Etchells Regatta before taking his boat to Miami. John is a member of the Mid-Connecticut fleet of the First District.

When asked what interested him in Stars, John explained that over the years he has talked about Stars a lot with Augie Diaz and George Szabo at Snipe regattas, and also has several other friends, including Tom Olsen and Tony Rey who sail Stars and rave about them. In 2004 John and Henry Filter watched a day of the Olympic Trials in Miami and though intrigued, John was initially put off by the cost of campaigning a Star. But in the winter of 2005-2006 John's grandfather, who was a great sailor (mostly big boats; cruising and ocean racing) and hugely important in John's life, fell ill. John told his grandfather a week before he died that he was going to buy a Star, name it "Rosebud", which was his grandfather's nickname, and "take him sailing with me." So after his grandfather died last winter John found the boat and bought it sight unseen from Peter Wright. John says of Stars, "I had never sailed one but I am now just so intrigued with the boat; it is the most interesting boat I have sailed."

John has found a dedicated and able crew in Matt Semler who modestly says his own sailing "has very little to do with our success in the Tri-District Cup. John's driving... both on and off the water... gets most of the credit." Matt grew up keelboat racing. "Mostly one design stuff on Atlantics in Blue Hill, Maine." "I've always known the Star to be the pinnacle, and it was just dumb blind luck that I found John last April having just bought his first Star and looking for crew. Having raced sailboats since I was six, it was a real experience to get in the front of a Star and have almost no idea what was going on.... "The mast does WHAT?????" But the truth of it is that there is no other boat like it, especially once you figure out that a droop hike is one of the coolest and most comfortable ways and places you could sit on any boat."

John and Matt were the *only* team to compete in all three of the Tri-District Regattas. The Tri-District Championship awards are given to the top two skippers that achieve the best scores in two out of three regattas, one regatta sailed in each of the three districts: Arms-White in the First, Sunapee Open in the Twelfth, Oxford Wind-up in the Second.

For each regatta, the skipper's average finish is calculated, with no throw out. The best two out of three regatta averages are added to get the final score.

Eleven skippers sailed in two of the three regattas. Of these the best total average was 4.3 for John MacCausland (who won the Arms-White and was second in the Sunapee Open) and 13 for John Manderson (who was tenth at the Sunapee Open and third in the Oxford windup).

**2006 Tri-District Cup Results**

<u>Skipper</u>	<u>Score</u>
John MacCausland	4.3
John Manderson	13
Tomas Hornos	15.1
Bear Hovey	15.2
Andrew Ivey	17.5
Thorston Cook	30.5
David Cutler	30.8
Will Swigart	31.6
Guy Gurney	43.5
Jim Kubik	51.5



John Manderson and Matt Semler in the 2006 Oxford Fall Windup  
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**VANDERHOFF VICTORIOUS****2006 OXFORD FALL WINDUP**

Mid-Eastern Shore Fleet

Tred Avon Yacht Club, Oxford, MD

September 30-October 1, 2006

John Vanderhoff has been racing Stars since the early 80's. Robert McVey, now deceased, was a yesteryear Star boater that moved the North Chesapeake Bay Star Fleet to Havre de Grace and got John involved in the class. Now the Havre de Grace Fleet races every Thursday night in the Susquehanna, giving John a lot of practice sailing in 0 - 6 knots of breeze.

John says "I really enjoy the interactions with Star people and am hard pressed to think of a more enjoyable activity than attending a Star Regatta."

Although John Vanderhoff has sailed the Fall Windup many times, he has not won before. He says, "this win was rather dramatic for me, winning the regatta by about a foot in a photo finish of the third race." The third race, on Sunday, John Vanderhoff lead around the first two marks, but Eliot Oldak took the lead at the top of the second weather leg before the final run to the finish, with John Manderson rounding the weather mark second, Vanderhoff rounding third and Bear Hovey rounding 4th.

Friday before the Fall Wind-up the weather was unimpeachably beautiful. Sam Hopkins and Remo Casasco, John Manderson and Matt Semler, Will Swigart and Carroll Beek went out to practice in the late afternoon. The wind out of the Tred Avon blew John Manderson and Matt Semler clear across the Choptank on a single surfing reach. It was a spell binding afternoon but the weather forecast and the locals cast a dour outlook for Saturday, shaking heads and saying -light, shifting to southwest then rain and a front overnight.

They were only partly right. As the day progressed the weather telescoped and the blue skies became covered with a complex high mix of clouds with 10 gusty knots under them and chop with the wind out of the south. Before the start we saw shifts at 200 but the RC held with 180 degrees and the line was fair. The current flowing more or less west out the Choptank, had max ebb at about 1:30. We started on time at 11 AM.

After the race, Bear Hovey said he had been sailing in that general area the previous week and the right had always paid. He had gone right in the first race but Manderson had gone farther and had passed him on a shift.

A gust on the first run caught Karen Alt hiking out and her crew standing out at the mast. They rolled to weather, dug the pole and lost the mast.



Windup Winners John Vanderhoff and Adam Dollezal

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It was shifty, but the RC started us at 180 for the second race as well. Then we were half way up the weather leg when the mark boat came by hailing everyone that the start had actually been postponed. The RC reset the mark at 200. The sky was very complex; every kind of cloud in the book was up there somewhere. The gusts were up to 15 and we had a few drops of rain. Bear's experience in the area led him well and he won the race. On the quick run back to the club the sky lightened and the wind dropped so that the afternoon after the race had the same sunny cast we'd had in the morning. The front had passed while we were racing.

The big hoist, ample dock and yard space, beer, and a delicious crab dish for dinner made for a very civil afternoon and evening.

Sunday our start was an hour earlier. It was postponed however as there was not much wind in the blue sky. The only clouds were off in the East over the land. The tide was ebbing and the wind was from the southwest against the ebb. We had one false start and the RC reset the mark to the west. At the first leeward mark they reset the weather mark again, farther west, in very light air so that on the final run we chose between the left, the shore side of the run, where there would be less current, or the right, more mid channel where there seemed to be more wind. The middle proved to be good in this dichotomy.

The races were run by Richard Lippincott. Assisting him, aboard the large beautiful blue RC boat, was Jack Quinn, and in the mark boat, was Bill Wolf. Ashore, Vicky ran the club, and in the yard, Steve was very helpful.

Pictures of the regatta are online at [www.dbconsultants.com / dbphotos / stars-09-30-06](http://www.dbconsultants.com/dbphotos/stars-09-30-06)

**2006 OXFORD FALL WINDUP**

Mid-Eastern Shore Fleet  
Tred Avon Yacht Club, Oxford, MD  
September 30-October 1, 2006

<u>Pl</u>	<u>Sail</u>	<u>Boat Name</u>	<u>Skipper / Crew</u>	<u>Fleet</u>	<u>R1</u>	<u>R2</u>	<u>R3</u>	<u>Tot</u>
1	8038		John Vanderhoff / Adam Dollezal	NCB	2	2	3	7
2	7763		Bear Hovey / Lee Dayton	Mid-C	3	1	4	8
3	7866	Rosebud	John Manderson / Matt Semler	Mid-C	1	9	2	12
4	7530	Don't No	Bob Flower / Jib Jallade	MES	5	3	6	14
5	7939	Alexia	Elliott Oldak / Roman Gotsulyak	AN	7	7	1	15
6	7460	Highway 61	Steve Kling / Mark Bryfogle	AN	6	4	10	20
7	7715	Ciao Bella	Will Swigart / Carroll Beek	CLIS	9	12	5	26
8	6881	Sea Biscuit	Mike Keene / Jeff Cox	MES	15	6	7	28
9	8063	Grinch	Bert Collins / Kris Wilson	AN	8	11	9	28
10	7089	Misguided Missile	Mark Oberg / Bob Oberg	CR	4	5	dns	29
11	7568	Star Struck Again	Donald Elliott / Doug Campbell	MES	14	8	8	30
12	7785	Elusive	Chuck Wiley / Bob Greenlee	MES	12	10	13	35
13	7090	Lil White Lie	Roger Pickall / Bob Bradford	MES	10	15	11	36
14	7814		Keith Donald / Guy Connelly	AN	11	13	12	36
15	7521	Nin Kasi	Jay Tyson / Ian Clough	TaB	13	14	dns	47
16	7970	Mary Jane	Sam Hopkins / Remo Casasco	AN	17	16	14	47
17	7688	Bonita	Walter Risse / Eric Tsibertopoulos	AN	18	dns	15	53
18	7614	Teague	Mike Christman / George Christman	AN	16	dns	dns	56
19	7786	Cover Girl	Karen Alt / Tim Godlee	MES	dnf	dns	dns	60

**FOR SALE / WANTED**

**367** (1926) NE Boatworks. Cedar over oak, needs restored but restorable. Many original deck fittings. Spruce Spar. On trailer, but trailer not safe for over the road. Free. contact: [d.conner@zoominternet.net](mailto:d.conner@zoominternet.net)

2 STARS, hull #s **5341** and **6031**, donated to Southern Maryland Sailing Foundation (SMSF), with trailers and sails, okay condition. \$750 a piece. (SMSF is a tax exempt organization that promotes and supports junior sailing in South MD.) Contact Carl Feusahrens at [carl.feusahrens@navy.mil](mailto:carl.feusahrens@navy.mil) 7/05

**5988** (1976) Lippincott for sale. Hull very fair. Several sails. Good galvanized trailer. Stored inside for last three years. \$1500.00. contact: [d.conner@zoominternet.net](mailto:d.conner@zoominternet.net)

**6600** series Melges, 1981 at QCYC, Toronto. Aluminum road trailer with hydraulic brakes, 2 suits of sails, Blue fitted boat cover, 2 in-deck compasses, Bow protector, hiking vest, mast cover, trailer tie down bars. \$2500.00 Brian Green: 416-579-6278 or [b.green@opg.com](mailto:b.green@opg.com), 6/05

**6790** Lillia. Located at Miles River Yacht Club. \$3500 Joe Balderson 410-976-4670

**7088** Lillia - decent shape but needs a new mast and sails. Can be purchased for less than \$2000 in storage in Sunapee...Dave Ivey [Dave@freedsbakery.org](mailto:Dave@freedsbakery.org)

**7145** Exact. It has a nice sail inventory and has had a rigging upgrade. The hull, spars and all equipment are in excellent condition. Trailer is a Harbeck with a nice box. All for \$3200 or B/O. Mark Einstein 410-708-1803 or [BlueCrabCC@aol.com](mailto:BlueCrabCC@aol.com). 5/05

**7585** Mader 1991, Parkerized, Tacktic Race Master, 2 Suits sails: North and Jenkins, trailer redone in 2005 (new tires including spare, brakes, wiring, title), 1 long box on trailer, mast up cover, 2 whisker poles, 2 harnesses. Superb condition. Located in St. Michaels, \$11,500.00 Bud Mullen, 410-228-0698. 6/05

**7830** Mader - This boat is a creampuff. Campaigned by Paul Cayard, meticulously maintained, race ready. This boat is probably around \$16k give or take. In storage in Sunapee Dave Ivey [Dave@freedsbakery.org](mailto:Dave@freedsbakery.org)

**7890** Mader. Fast boat in beautiful condition. Almost new Emmeti mast and boom. TackTick compass. Snodder. \$15,000. Guy Gurney, 203-656-6652, [gurney@optonline.net](mailto:gurney@optonline.net)

**7993** Mader and **8112** Folli for sale, contact J. Joseph Bainton 26 Broadway New York, NY 10004-1840 Telephone (212) 480-2529 Email: [Bainton@BaintonLaw.com](mailto:Bainton@BaintonLaw.com) Facsimile: (212) 480-9557 Cell: (917) 612-0831

NORTH AMERICA AND CANADA 2006-2007 REGATTA SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>District, Fleet, Yacht Club</u>
Oct 7-8	Columbus Day Regatta	Larchmont, CT	1 Mid-Conn, Larchmont YC
Oct 20-22	Pre-Olympic Trials		5
Oct 21-22	Star-Etchells Regatta	Annapolis, MD	2 AN, Annapolis YC
Nov 11-12	Ash Bown	San Diego, CA	5 SDB, San Diego YC
Nov 11-12	Schoonmaker Cup	Miami, FL	20 Biscayne Bay, Coral Reef YC
Nov 13-18	North American Silver Star	Miami, FL	ISCYRA
Dec 2-3	Commodore's Cup	Miami, FL	20 Biscayne Bay, Coral Reef YC
Dec 9-10	Kriss Kringle	San Diego, CA	5 SDB, San Diego YC
Jan 6-7	Levin Memorial	Miami, FL	20 Biscayne Bay, Coral Reef YC
Jan 20-21	Biscayne Trophy	Miami, FL	20 Biscayne Bay, Coral Reef YC
Jan 22-26	Olympic Classes Regatta	Miami, FL	ISCYRA
Feb 10-11	Masters Regatta	Miami, FL	20 Biscayne Bay, Coral Reef YC
Mar 4-9	Bacardi Cup	Miami, FL	20 Biscayne Bay, Coral Reef YC
Apr TBA	20 <sup>th</sup> Dist. Blue Star	TBA	20
May 12-13	Indian Harbor Regatta	Greenwich, CT	1 Central Long Isl. Sound, Indian Harbor YC
June 16-17	Arms-White	Milford, CT	1 Mid-Connecticut, Milford YC
July 2-13	ISAF Worlds	Cascais, Portugal	ISAF
July 6-7 ??	1 <sup>st</sup> Dist. Blue Star	Newport, RI ??	1 Narraganset Bay Fleet
July 14-15	Sunapee Benefit	Lake Sunapee, NH	12 SUN, Lake Sunapee YC
Aug 4-5	Sunapee Open (Tri-Dist)	Lake Sunapee, NH	12 SUN, Lake Sunapee YC
Aug 11-12	Ned Hay (Focus)	Rockport, Mass.	1 Cape Ann Fleet, Sandy Point YC
Aug 18-19 ?	New England Masters	Boston, Mass. ??	1 Boston Harbor, Cottage Park YC
Sept 8-9	Bedford Pitcher (Focus&Tri-D)	Westport, CT	1 CLIS, Cedar Point YC
Sept 15-16	Nutmeg Regatta (Focus)	Milford, CT	1 Mid-Conn, Milford YC
Sept 29-30	Oxford Fall Wind-up (Tri-D)	Oxford, MD	2 Mid Eastern Shore, Tred-Avon YC
Oct 6-7	Columbus Day Regatta 2007	Larchmont, CT	1 Mid-Conn, Larchmont YC

