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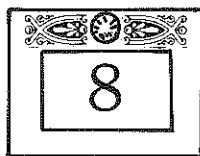
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Behind
the 8-Box



Editor "yields to reason" on self-cleating block

by Dick Elam

"Mailing you the **suicide** block. You send me the main-sheet jamb cleat you removed."

That communique started the latest round of the continuing father-son rigging fight often reported by this editor.

On this occasion, my son, Kelson, had transported Flying Scot 1198 across state lines for purposes, apparently, of re-rigging. His "suicide" label referred to the self-cleating block, crafted in Lichtenstein, that I purchased at the London Boat Show, installed on our Scot and exported from North Carolina to Texas. The cam clean operates as the ratchet sheave, which makes the device self-cleating. You must haul in the sheet to relieve tension and uncleat. If you become confused, and don't keep up with the ratchet "clicks," you could cleat when you intend to uncleat. That's why Kelson calls the block a "suicide" device. Coming from a Kamikaze, Flying Dutchman sailor, such as Kelson, that surprising defamation.

Such condemnation would be expected from Sandy Douglass who eschews any main-sheet cleats. I still

remember the agonized look Sandy rendered when I told him I looked all over Montreal to find a main-sheet jamb for my new 1198. That year was 1967. Sandy still objects. Sandy showed no interest when I told him in 1979 that my self-cleating block could be rigged as a fiddle block on the main sheet. Actually, Sandy snarled.

Past Commodore Bill Singletary allowed me to mount two "suicide" self-cleating ratchet blocks on his jib for the 1979 Mid-Winters. I crewed with his wife, Mae. When the wind rose, we encountered difficulty uncleating the jib. So I compromised my thinking and decided to use the self-cleating block on the mainsheet. I convinced Associate Editor Herb Bodman to experiment, also. Herb returned my loaned block. He complained the cleat worked in light winds—on several occasions when he didn't want the cleat to cleat.

The ancient mariners may have returned their verdict. Classic truths may survive. Sandy Douglass prevails. But don't give Sandy all the credit. The ancient Greeks discovered the secret before Douglass. Sophocles composed this truth for Haimon

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“Ancient Mariners have returned their verdict.”

to speak in the Greek play “Antigone.” Creon, the Uncle who assumed dictatorial control of the state, listens to his son while Haimon pleads with his father “to learn from those who can teach.”

HAIMON: . . . It is not reason never to yield to reason!
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over you go,
Head over heels and under: and there’s your
voyage . . .

Some readers may apply this Classical Grecian admonition to their sailing strategy. Crews, like the son Haimon, may exhort their skippers to reason. Wry readers—with crewing experience—may rediscover that skippers and dictators share much in common.



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Wisconsin Cup Trophy passes from father to daughter

by Roger Sekera

Mary Dick of Neenah, Wisconsin, with sister Adrienne and Wil Casey crewing, posted three solid first place finishes to return the Wisconsin Cup to the family trophy room; her father, Bud Dick, won in 1979.

Twenty Scots from five different fleets enjoyed 10-15 mph winds under clear skies for this four race (one throw-out) series sailed at Delavan Lake Yacht Club, Fleet 114 hosting.

While Mary Dick clearly was in command, second through fifth places were not settled until the last race. Final results for the top five were:

						Total
Mary Dick	#1305	1	1	1	DNS	2 1/4
Mike McCormick	#2194	3	5	3	1	6 3/4
Ken Voigt	# 771	2	6	9*	2	10
Dan Heyl	#2871	4	7*	4	3	11
Don McKee	#2698	8	2	2	5/DSQ*12	

*Thrown out of race

Mike McCormick of Monona, completed a clean, savvy series with his son Bill crewing. Ken Voigt of Milwaukee chose his father and mother-in-law as crew.

"It's the only time I can yell at her!" Dan Heyl of Neenah survived his second broken spinnaker pole in two weeks on the last race to hold on to fourth. Don McKee's fourth race DSQ dropped him to fifth overall and overshadowed an impressive showing.

Probably the best line came from Mary Dick. Admonished by her father to polish the Wisconsin Cup she replied, "You won it last year, you polish. If I win it, I will polish it." Well, guess what, Mary!

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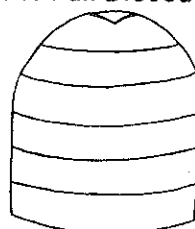
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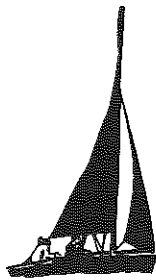
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Hartman dominates Ohio District Championship

by W.H. Westerman

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Ohio State U.) by anyone from Champagne, Illinois (home of U. of Illinois), but Jerry Hartman from Clinton Lake Sailing Association took care of that by capturing three straight firsts at the 1980 Ohio District Championships hosted by Hoover Yacht Club's Fleet 37 on June 28 and 29. Twenty-five boats were registered.

Sailing with a local pickup crew, 14 year old and lightweight Mike Ryan, Hartman bested Rick Baugher from Berlin Yacht Club in 15-20 mph breeze in the first two races on Saturday. The third race held Sunday morning was sailed in winds more suited to his weight, 10-15 mph, and Hartman again beat out Baugher for first place.

Overall results:

Name	Boat #	Club	Finishes			Total Points
J. Hartman	3078	CLSA	1	1	1	2 1/4
R. Baugher	2862	BYC	2	2	2	6
B. Cornish	3096	AYC	3	5	5	13
B. MacKenzie	2865	PCSC	5	3	7	15
D. Solomon	2950	EYC	4	11	3	18
J. Leipper	1858	BYC	6	4	8	18
P. Boyer	3006	HYC	10	8	6	24
B. Halley	2242	HYC	7	10	9	26
B. Westerman	760	HYC	8	7	11	26
B. Cushing	3301	HYC	9	15	4	28



Skippers in back row left to right are Dave Solomon, Bob MacKenzie, Bob Cornish, Rick Baugher, Jerry Hartman with their crews in the front row.

It's not a good sail unless the sail goes in summer's light air!

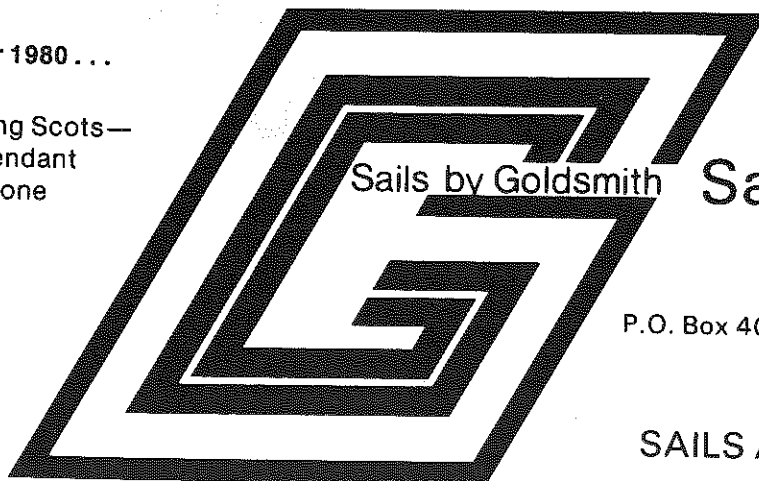
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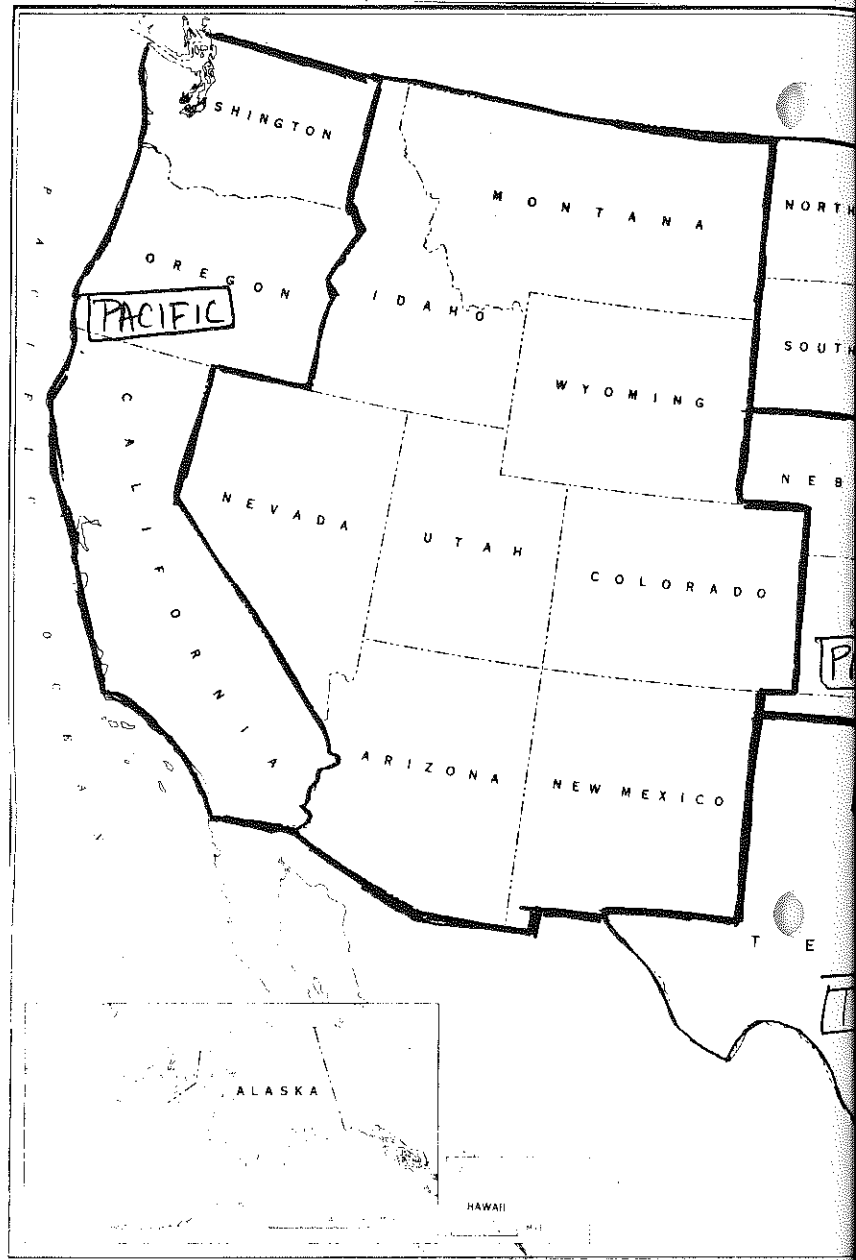
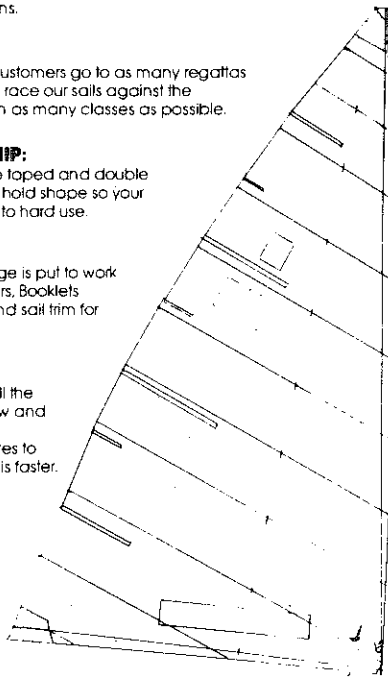
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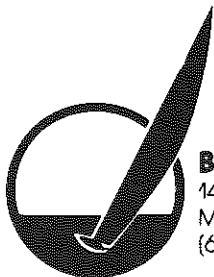
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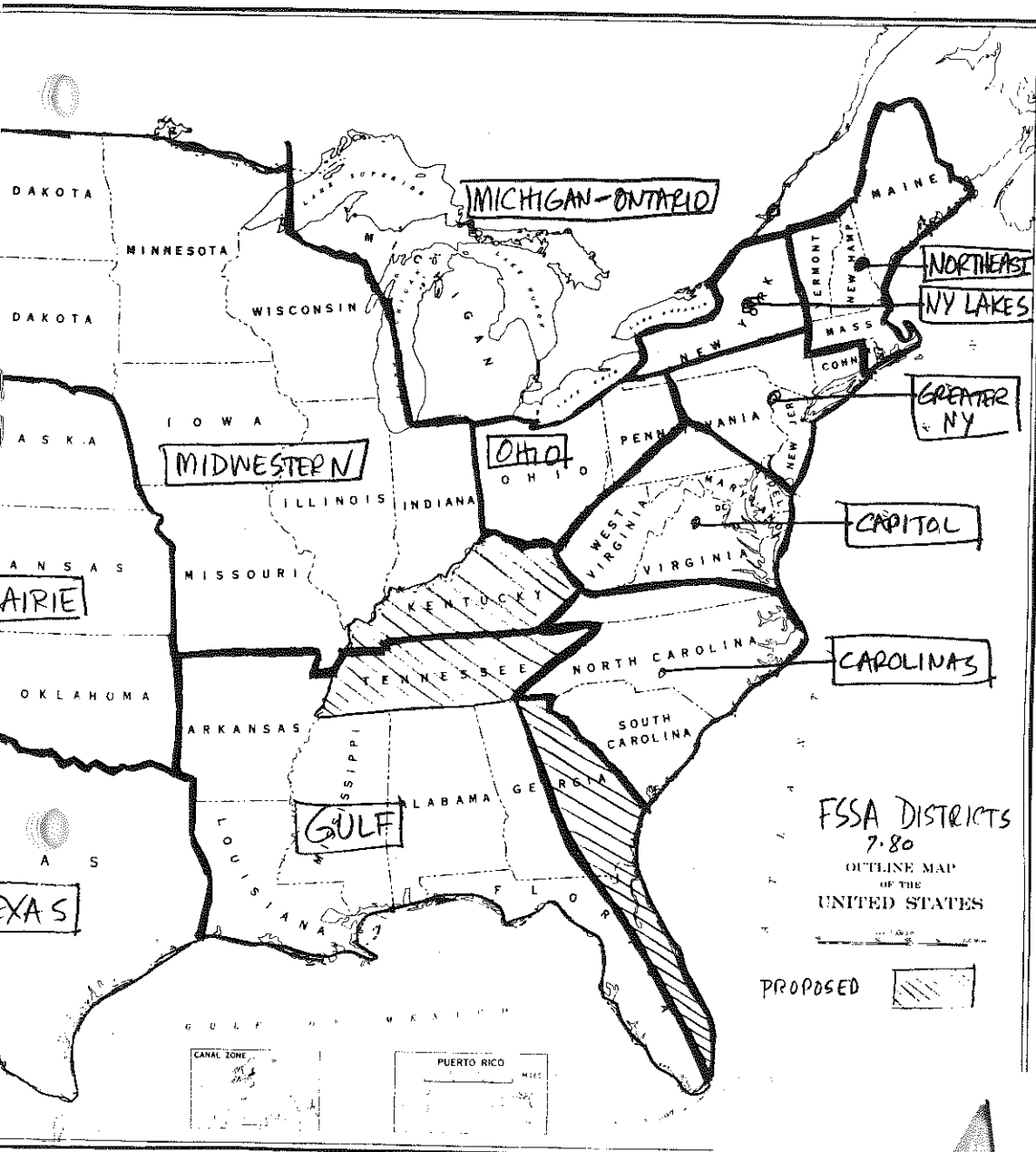
Considerations of a proposed Southeastern District (see map which shows the new district to include eastern Florida and the Atlanta area) and formal adoption of district lines were scheduled for the annual meeting of the Board of Governors.

Governors were to meet in Pensacola on July 27, the same weekend that this edition of Scots n' Water was sent to the printers.



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Governors meet in Pensacola, plan for coming years

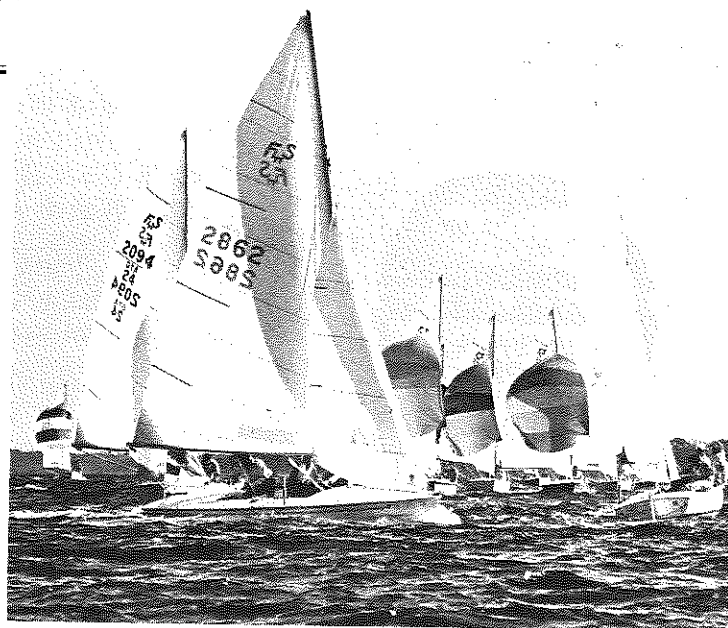
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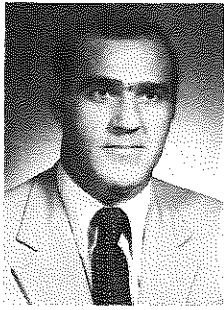
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s considers District

A bid for the 1982 North American Championships, tendered by six Massachusetts fleets, was to be considered. Races would be at Tabor Academy out of Marion, Mass., in a protected inlet off Buzzards Bay.

Annual meeting followed the Governor's meeting.





Secretary welcomes new fleets; encourages new members

by Ed Eubanks

Welcome New Fleets. The Executive Committee approved the application of Fleet 145, Cayuga Lake, Seneca Falls, N.Y. Captain is Austin A. Fribrance, (1186), Secretary is Lawrence Congdon, (1340). The other charter member is William Ramsay, (2584). We welcome this new Fleet to FSSA.

We also welcome Fleet 146, Chesapeake Bay, Podickory, MD. The Captain of Fleet 146 is Wade W. Martin, (1898), Secretary is Marion Morris, (2949). The other charter members of this Fleet are Keith Haffner, (2944), Daryl Reinke, (2954), Robert E. Wales, (2624), and Ernest Nussbaum, (1899).

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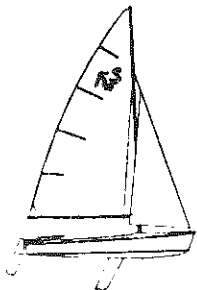
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Stiff competition marks Gulf District Championship

by Ken Kleinschrodt

Hoagie Herman of the New Orleans Yacht Club wears the Gulf District's crown thanks to three consistent finishes—5, 6, 6—while his closest of 27 competitors managed at least one finish of tenth, or higher.

A third-race disqualification—now pending appeal—kept the crown off Larry Taggart's brow.

Fleet 55 and Buccaneer Yacht Club of Mobile, Alabama, hosted the 1980 Flying Scot Gulf District Championships June 21, 22. All 28 boats started and finished the three races sailed on Mobile Bay, site of the 1976 Gulf Districts. Competition was at its best with seven skippers having finished in the top five at past North American or Mid-Winter Championships, including two former district champs. Absent were Marc and Bubby Eagan and Paul Schreck.

The course for all three races was a triangle and windward-leeward. The first race started on time in a light-moderate 6-10 knot wind with Mike Douglas, defending champ, of Panama City, Florida, taking an early lead and Luther Carpenter of Baton Rouge, Louisiana close behind. Carpenter went on to win with Douglas second and Greg Reardon of Mobile

Yacht Club third.

The second race started in a strong sea breeze of 12-17 knots after three general recalls. The breeze provided good planing conditions on the reaches. John Harrington of the Host Club took an early commanding lead at the windward mark never to be caught. He had to survive a late challenge by Mike Johnson of Fort Walton Beach, Florida, when the winds lightened for the windward-leeward. Bill Davis of the host club finished third. The top five going into Sunday's final race were Larry Taggart—9 points, Hoagie Herman—11 points, Johnson—12 points, Davis with 14 points, and Carpenter with 14¾ points. Late Saturday while viewing video-tape recordings of the races, participants were treated to free beer and hors d'oeuvres.

The final race was a hot drifter with Dwight LeBlanc of New Orleans, Louisiana, leading at every mark. Second place was hard fought with Larry Taggart of New Orleans finally beating Bill Kleinschrodt of the host club. Taggart, the apparent district champion, was disqualified for an infraction at the start giving Kleinschrodt second place in that race. Taggart's protest is pending an appeal, however.

The Regatta was well organized and the race committee work was excellent.

Place	Boat #	Skipper	Club	Race			Total Points
				1	2	3	
1	GYA 108	H. Herman	NOCY	5	6	6	17
2	GYA 25	D. LeBlanc, III	SYC	14	4	1	18¾
3	GYA 49	B. Davis, Jr.	BYC	11	3	5	19
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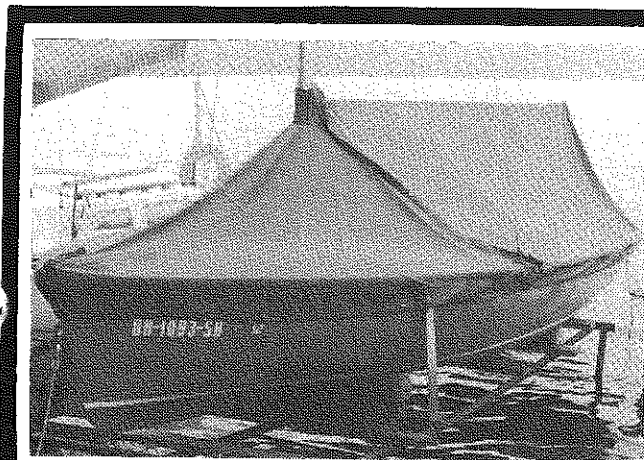
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September 6-7—Harvest Moon Regatta, Atwood Yacht Club, Dellroy, Ohio. (Contact H.E. Forrest, 1602 Dunkeith Avenue, Canton, Ohio 44708. Phone 216-455-5281 or 216-477-6322).

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Sept. 6-7—Fleet One Regatta, Cowan Lake Sailing Association, Wilmington, OH. (Contact Sandy Eustis, 931 Paradrome St., Cincinnati, OH 45202. Phone 513-579-0618).

Sept. 13-14—Massapoag Yacht Club Regatta, Sharon, Massachusetts (Contact Charles Byers, 617-528-5776).

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