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NEGOTIATIONS WITH BUILDERS

Some of the builders made representations to the Association that this year's expansion of licensed builders was reducing the volume of sales on which they make projections of future business. In turn, this affects their estimates of future expenditure on production facilities, raw materials and promotion. In the small boat business often considerable time and promotion must be spent on a new market before there are significant returns.

In consideration of these factors and at the request of some of the present builders, the Association has extended protection to all four builders to the extent that no further builders will be licensed in Ontario, Quebec or the Maritimes until September 1969. It is also provided that the Association shall be entitled to replace a substantial loss in production if one or more of the present builders should drop out. Furthermore, there shall be a review of the sales activity in the Montreal market after one year.

Royalties owing the Association have been fully paid, as of this date, by all four builders.

CLASS DEVELOPMENT IN WESTERN CANADA

Interest has been shown by a major Vancouver marine company in marketing the Albacore in the Provinces of Alberta and British Columbia and the States of Washington and Oregon. Arrangements have already been made by one of our current builders to supply this company with an Albacore to be displayed at the Vancouver Boat Show which started March 8th. Publicity material was forwarded by the Association for use at the show. Don Long, a former member of the CAA Executive now our Western representative residing in Vancouver, assisted at the display.

This latest development means that the Albacore will be displayed in Canada this year at the Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver Boat Shows compared to only the Toronto show a year ago.

NORTH AMERICAN ALBACORE CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Executive of the Association has accepted an invitation from the Royal Hamilton Yacht Club to host the second annual North American Albacore Championship on the weekend of June 22nd and 23rd. More information as the time draws near.

THE CANADIAN BOAT SHOW

Once again the Association had stands at the Show. The value of the board with its photographs and information about the Albacore and the Clubs which sail them is apparent to anyone who put in a couple of hours or so manning these stands. The questions one has to field are numerous and cover every aspect of sailing. Apart from wanting to learn more about the Class, many people used the members at the boards to sound them out on the merits of the three different manufacturers' boats on display. Quite

an exercise in diplomacy at times. Anyhow the boards and the members who volunteered their time have proved to be a real asset in developing the reputation of the Class. Our thanks go out to those members who did a stint for us at the Boat Show. (We will need more volunteers, so make a note to give us a hand next year - The Editor).

NORTH AMERICAN MID-WINTER CHAMPIONSHIP

The North American Mid-Winter Albacore Championship went to Jim Gray of the Tampa Yacht & Country Club when Tom Reid lost what seemed to be an insurmountable lead by hitting a mark and retiring in the tempestuous fourth race. Going into the race the Reids had two firsts and a second and appeared to be unbeatable, while Gray had two seconds and a fifth. Hitting a mark after the wave took charge of the boat during a planing surge through the down wind mark dropped the Reids to third place over-all. Second place over-all went to young Robert Clark, who was skipping while his father, Al Clark, crewed. The Clarks put together a steady three, four, three and five to take second over-all. Fourth place over-all went to Tony Griffin and his crew Larry Cond who sailed a steady series with a second in the last race. John Duncan of Washington and President of the U.S. Albacore Association took fifth over-all.

The Host Club, the Tampa Yacht & Country Club, provided magnificent hospitality for the visiting sailors and an interesting square course. The series started out in light winds with a tune up Thursday morning and the first race on Thursday afternoon. The Friday morning race had to be called due to high winds and low visibility (drenching rain). Friday afternoon saw two races back to back in moderate winds. The Saturday morning race, however, was the piece de resistance with steady winds to 20 knots, gusting to 30. After fighting up the windward leg the square course provided three planing legs, two reaches and a run, with some of the fastest planing any of the competitors have experienced.

The last race had to be cancelled due to even higher winds and so the series was a four race series with no throw outs. The regatta ended up with a dinner and prize presentation with invitations by the Tampa hosts to return next year and bring friends.

R E S U L T S

<u>Name</u>	<u>Boat No.</u>	<u>Tune Up</u>	<u>1st Race</u>	<u>2nd Race</u>	<u>3rd Race</u>	<u>4th Race</u>	<u>Final Standing</u>
Tom Reed	2702	3/4	2	3/4	3/4	20	3
C. Howell	2175	2	4	20	20	3/4	11
Jim Gray	1812	3	5	2	2	4	1

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Sahlman	2471	4	8	5	7	8	7
John Tinker	835	5	3/4	9	12	7	8
Tony Griffin	2376	6	7	6	9	2	4
Paul Pritchard	1661	7	10	20	20	20	17
Mullen	2180	8	12	10	6	20	13
Milt Roth	1	9	11	11	10	9	10
Glen Allen	2240	10	6	7	8	6	6
Bob Clark	597	11	3	4	3	5	2
Pope	30	12	17	14	15	11	14
Zimmerman	333	13	16	8	4	20	12
Scofield	748	14	13	12	5	10	9
Nichols	2019	15	15	17	20	20	18
John Duncan	775	16	9	3	11	3	5
Williams	2538	17	19	20	20	20	20
Richards	2470	18	14	15	14	20	15
McLean	2539	19	20	16	20	20	19
Luard	2914	20	18	13	13	20	16

OTTAWA AREA ALBACORE CHAMPIONSHIP - AT GATINEAU RIVER Y.C.

Sunday, September 10th, 1967 - Richard D. Medland, GRYC Commodore as Race Committee Chairman.

A perfect early Fall day, with bright sunshine between the clouds - a good spanking wind, but cool.

Four visiting boats from Britannia YC a New Edinburgh Canoe Club (both Ottawa).

One race before lunch, with nine boats, two of the visiting crews sit it out because of high winds and strange waters.

After lunch there were two more races, with twelve boats competing - what fabulous sailing!

The first four placing boats won gold Centennial spoons, and of course Barrie Jeffery, with Ralph Johnston as crew, taking the Thompson Trophy

Second - Phil Thompson and Bruce Laycraft

Third - Connla and Anne Wood

Fourth - Pat Evans and Alex Wylie

NIAGARA DISTRICT MEETING

A meeting was held on February 21st. Regatta dates were discussed with the District Championship arranged for August 3rd-4th. Members will be manning an Association stand at the Buffalo Boat Show.

TORONTO DISTRICT MEETING

The Toronto District held its first general meeting on February 13th, at the Boulevard Club. One of the principal reasons for the gathering was to present Bill Gooderham with the new Shaw and Begg, Ltd. trophy for winning the 1967 district championship. Walter Atkinson, Executive Vice-President of Shaw and Begg, Ltd. was on hand to present the award to Bill.

Approximately 50 people attended, including skippers, crews and wives. Fraser Dewar, Toronto District Measurer, acted as master of ceremonies. He began the programme with announcements that were of interest to all Toronto District Albacore sailors. After the presentation of the trophy, which was constructed by Davan Scale Models, the guest speaker for the evening, Bud Roulstone, gave a very informative talk on racing tactics, with particular reference to starts and gybing round the mark. While this can be read in books, getting it first hand from an expert is always more enlightening.

The programme was completed with the showing of the C.A.A. film made at the 1966 championships at Lake Rosseau. The heavy weather conditions at that regatta made for interesting and instructive viewing. It is hoped that this initial effort at getting the Toronto District members together will become an annual event.

DISTRICT MEETING REPORTS

Secretaries are requested to route their report through the Editor (K. F. Bull, 156 Glenview Avenue, Toronto 12) so that district activities may appear in Shackles and Cringles. The Editor will forward their reports to Larry Cond for filing.

TUNING, TACTICS AND TIPS

The Editor is always on the look out for material to include in Shackles and Cringles which will help to sharpen up our sailing and enable us to get more fun out of it. So if you have anything which you would like to share with other members, send your contribution to the Editor - Keith Bull, 156 Glenview Avenue, Toronto 12. Those of us who form the body of the fleet at most

regattas would very much like to hear from you fellows up front. What aren't we doing?

1968 MEMBERSHIPS

A follow-up notice has been sent by Mrs. Dorothy Barnes, the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, urging that 1968 membership fees be remitted. If you have overlooked the forwarding of your dues, we would appreciate a cheque today along with the completed application form. This will enable us to make any changes in the Registry for inclusion in the Year Book.

TRANSFERS OF BOATS

Owners who have sold their Albacore and purchased a new boat should send in information as to whom their previous boat has been sold to with their name and address. If the boat has been measured the certificate should also be forwarded to the Association so that a new certificate may be issued to the new owner. Please note that the sail number remains with the boat and cannot be transferred to the new boat.

ORDER EARLY!

During previous seasons many new boat owners experienced disappointment in the delivery of their boat because they waited until the peak selling period just prior to Summer before placing their order.

If you are planning to purchase a new boat or know of someone interested in buying an Albacore, we suggest the order be placed early.

SAILING INSTRUCTOR

Taylor Statten Camps want a sailing instructor (age 19 to 20) from June 27th to August 28th. Contact Mr. Miller at 483-5814.