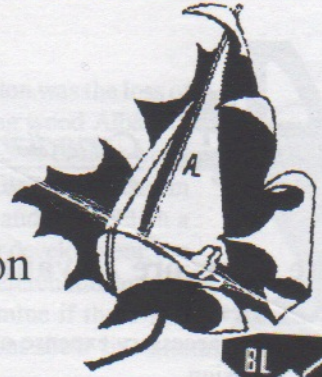


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# Cringles

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**Hope:  
MIDWINTERS**

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## **Booty in B**

**Evelyn Simpson and Dorota Konopacka,  
top Challengers at Canadians'**



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## Commodore's Comments

By Bob Stiff

Remember July, when we were looking forward to the North American Championships at the Buffalo Canoe Club on Lake Erie? This was truly a memorable event, blessed with sparkling weather, a picturesque location and excellent race management. Twenty-four boats bowed up to the line, including 4 from the USAA. All the results are here, including my first DFL which my crew reminds me of at every opportunity. Without exception, every skipper, crew and significant other I talked to was enthusiastic about returning soon and thought the BCC would be a good location for the Canadians in future.

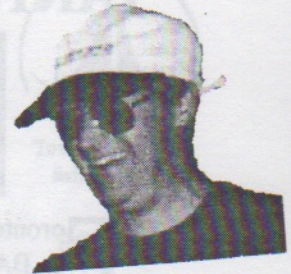
Thirty-four boats registered on a rainy Sept. 13 at Geneva Park, Lake Couchiching for the annual Canadian Championships. To everyone's surprise, particularly to the folks who went to check out the action in Orillia, out on the lake between showers there was a good breeze. OSA's Peter Jones and his crack race committee managed to get a race in Friday and provided great competition on the following two days. Saturday night's Annual General Meeting was the shortest in recent memory with all of the business accomplished in less than an hour. I am pleased to acknowledge the members support for the dedication and hard work of your association's officers. All had agreed to serve for another season and were enthusiastically re-elected. The list of these committed Albacore sailors is on the inside of the front cover and each one deserves a big thank you for making it happen in '96.

Most of you know that for some time we have been looking for ways to reduce the production cost of our boats and at the same time improve the interior layout and appearance without affecting performance or the fundamental perception of the Albacore. Our present builder, Ontario Yachts has made some encouraging proposals, but consensus and an acceptable development program still elude us.

Following last years' Worlds' a committee of the IAA was struck to work towards a consensus on the future development of the Class and move the project forward. The objectives were clearly set out and all national associations were supportive of a less expensive more attractive Albacore. Barely started on their work; however, committee activities seemed to grind to a halt when some key committee members were attracted to an enthusiastic development of a new prototype model, the GBR 2000. This boat incorporated significant changes to our traditional shear line, deck and transom. Developed by Richard Watkinson in the UK, the boat was launched and sailed at the NAA nationals last July. While the GBR 2000 has some Albacore characteristics, from any angle there is no doubt that it isn't one.

Considerable time, money and good intentions were invested in this project. Unfortunately, the result created much concern about the process, the product and the future of our international class.

Contributing to the tension was the loss of one of the two remaining wood Albacore builders, the expensive cost of new wood boats and the lack of a GRP alternative in the UK. In view of this and to establish a clear mandate for further development, the NAA in August held a referendum among their members to determine if there was support for the significant shear line alterations demonstrated by GBR2000.



Just prior to the Canadians, in response to these precipitous developments, we established a special Class Development Committee of the CAA to review the issues and advise on appropriate responses. David Weaver, chief of specifications, Rick Clayton, chief measurer, our IAA reps Rosemary Helmer and Ian Rogers and Vice Commodore Chris Gorton and I have been meeting regularly throughout the fall to try to figure out where to go from here. The following objects of the committee are simple, but the task is daunting:

To consider class organization and the design and marketing of the Albacore sailboat and to recommend to the CAA and other national associations ways and means to increase the sale of new Albacores. Without limiting the generality of this statement, to explore other class organizations and, to consider ways and means to improve the appeal of the boat provided that any changes proposed shall not result in a boat that has a better or worse performance than the Albacores currently sailed in 1996 and the boat must be continued to be perceived to be an Albacore.

The committee has devised the outline of a strategic plan for development of the class including changes to the rules and rejuvenation of the Albacore. Research tasks have been assigned and the feedback and ideas coming forward at each meeting is most encouraging. Early next year, we expect to publish definitive recommendations for the guidance of the development of the class into the next millennium. We intend to encourage our international colleagues buy into our process and it is our hope that our strategic plan can form the groundwork for an international document.

Great news initiated our last meeting. We learned that the NAA members decided against any significant change in the shear line in any future development of the Albacore. There now appears to be consensus among all associations on this contentious issue and we expect that most of the remaining recommendations for design changes to the boat will meet with agreement and will likely be able to proceed. This will be a significant factor in developing our strategic plan.

It's hard to believe that another jam-packed season is over and were busy working on next year's regatta schedule. We're looking for a neat spot' like Rehoboth for the Canadians, any ideas out there? Also, there's the possibility of a mid-winters regatta in Florida, like in March eh! Stay tuned and have a great holiday season.

Good Sailing,

## TARTS

### TARTS & BALLS 25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY

**T**oronto Sailing & Canoe Club proudly welcomed all competitors to the 25th Anniversary of the TARTS & BALLS Annual Regatta! What started in 1971 as a Toronto Albacore Race Training Series has now transformed into one of the most eagerly awaited regattas in Toronto.

TARTS & BALLS has transformed itself into the Official Start of the racing season for the Albacores, Fireballs and Wayfarers. Proof positive of the popularity of this regatta were the 45 boats which showed up in 1995. Last year Tarts & Balls was used as a Worlds' Qualifier by the Albacores and Wayfarers and this year the Fireballs had given the regatta the same designation.

Regatta Chairman: Derek Griffiths  
Chief of Fleet at Sea Operations: George Blanchard  
Race Committee Chairman: Robert Rayfield



The annual Humber Bay Howler  
"Oh, yea, but ya shoudda been here in '72!" Right?

### Saturday:

The usual, lets sit around, eat great muffins and drink beer.

Ten o'clock.

Eleven o'clock.

Twelve o'clock. Let's eat our lunches.

One o'clock. Lets get some chips and beer.

At one-thirty George put on his sun glasses, scanned the horizon, saw something and pronounced that the regatta was on. We set off to collective moans of, "Oh, NO!" and, by God, George was right again. We sailed three good races in steadily building breezes from the East- South-East.

### Sunday:

The plan was to start at 10:30 and there was a good easterly. It suddenly died at 10:15. We drifted through two postponements, then moved the course farther south and got in two races in patchy winds.

John Clark and Dave Ruddy won it.

Toronto Island

August 24, 1996



Toronto Island  
Sailing Club

RANK	SAIL #	CLUB	HELM	CREW	RACE 1	2	3	POINTS
1	7954	TI	Chu, Gord	Mehline, Chris	0.75	4	3	7.75
2	7982	VWV	Smith, Dave	Beneteau, Chris	11	2	2	15.00
3	7930	StJ	Nurse, Peter	Kline, Sandy	6	7	4	17.00
4	7955	P	Clayton Richard	Shannon,Lynn	8	5	10	23.00
5	275	M	Farrell, Barrie	Gilchrist, John	20	3	6	29.00
6	7472	M	Savege,Ann	Smythe, Betty	2	10	19	31.00
7	8009	Ti	Koehlmann, Fred	Nash, Bruce	10	11	12	33.00
8	7964	StJ	Balinski, Marek	McGuinness, John	12	6	16	34.00
9	7479	M	Johnstone, Todd	Harrison, Laurie	17	9	11	37.00
10	7630	OH	Clarke, Ken	Tamberg,Urve	37	0.75	0.75	38.50
11	7965	StJ	Tokarek, Ray	Richards, Ann	19	12	8	39.00
12	7929	StJ	Neumann, Mary	Lang, Rosemary	13	18	9	40.00
13	7967	StJ	Morrison, Mike	Steady, Fran	4	21	18	43.00
14	5923	P	Wettlaufer, Dennis	Wallace, C	9	14	20	43.00
15	7474	M	Ackermann, Uwe	Duff, Janet	14	20	13	47.00
16	7166	OH	Harris, Dave	Crewe, S	3	8	37	48.00
17	7963	StJ	Aukema, Ian	Epstein, Peter	5	37	7	49.00
18	7249	M	Lincoln, Will	Keeler, Greta	15	24	14	53.00
19	7953	TI	Mason, Sue	Fedorkow, Elizabeth	21	16	17	54.00
20	6760	M	Cameron, Marty	Helling, Gianna	24	17	15	56.00
21	7471	M	Logue, Bob	MacInnes, Abby	23	15	22	60.00
22	7635	TI	Stothers, Russ	Mitchell, Sandra	16	22	28	66.00
23	7931	StJ	Simpson, Evelyn	Abbazadeh,Babak	30	13	24	67.00
24	7473	M	Revill, Barb	Birse, Ken	18	23	26	67.00
25	7981	Ti	Koehlmann, Kathy	Ameson, Nona	28	19	21	68.00
26	7933	TI	Wilson, Neil	Mills, Kevin	25	25	25	75.00
27	7932	StJ	Carey, Jill	Sherlock, Diane	26	27	23	76.00
28	7962	StJ	Cawthome, John	Grummift, Jackie	37	37	5	79.00
29	7562	M	Goode, Steve	Maltby, Pat	27	26	27	80.00
30	7943	TI	Rubin, Norm	Fielding, Susan	7	37	37	81.00
31	7468	TI	Hunt, K	Meanwell,S	22	28	37	87.00
32	7960	TI	Benneft, John	Tong, Carol	29	30	30	89.00
33	7634	TI	Wundergen, H	Dubet, A	33	31	29	93.00
34	6750	M	Monged, Ayman	Bretherton, Steve	32	29	32	93.00
35	7544	M	Bayley, Arnold	Gillies, Leigh-Ann	31	32	31	94.00
36	7563	M	Broughton, Tim	Broecker, Mark	37	37	37	111.00

### RCYC

June 8 & 9, 1996



We all look forward to the June Regattas, they signal the beginning of a new sailing season. The 1996 season was anticipated after a long, colder than normal, Canadian winter and particularly because the last storm had vented its fury upon us in early May, only a few short weeks before!

The RCYC Regatta began under cloudy skies, cool temperatures and a light breeze. None of us seemed to care ... we were racing at last... winter was truly behind us.

Gord Chu and Carol Tong from Toronto Island Sailing Club, sailing a new Ontario Yachts boat, took the first race with North Sail makers Tof Nicol-Griffith. and colleague Dave Jarvis in close pursuit. Third were Ken Clarke and Abby MacInnes. Raines Koby, coach to the 92 Olympic boardsailing team at Barcelona and regular Thursday night racer at RCYC, finished -fourth.

As the regatta organizer, I was initially disappointed with the lower turnout (19 versus our normal 28 - 32 boats), but, given the overcast skies, I was delighted with the enthusiasm and caliber of the fleet. It would be a good event, I resolved and it was, as it turned out.

Race 2 followed race 1 immediately. Gord and Carol, a very adept light-air team, took a definite hold on first place when they won race 2 as well. This was an early warning that Gord Chu and crews were to be reckoned with in 1996. (Gord went on to win PABAR and his home club TISC regatta.). Second in race 2 were Raines Koby and Eve Rockett, changing gears well to suit the wandering wind conditions. Others, like me, couldn't get our gears shifted in the light airs. Despite the valiant efforts of my crew Cynthia Baker, we watched the performances of others from the back of the fleet. It seemed that Cricket's hind legs were twitching, but she would not jump. (Likely too much weight at the back of the boat.) But from the back of the fleet, in those moments of lost concentration, you witness interesting things, like Dave Smith (Chris Gorton's Worlds' 95 team mate and crew) skillfully maneuver his Westwood boat into third place with crew John Struthers. Dave clearly demonstrated that in addition to being an excellent crew he could be an equally capable helm. Chris Gorton certainly recognized Dave's skill first hand, while finishing a dose fourth. In a dying breeze we called race 3 with the hope of better winds on Sunday.

Sunday morning was socked in with a memorable fog, Crews traveling to the club by ferry wondered if the island had disappeared over night. Thanks to the Loran system on our ferry Kwasind, the North Island was found, with Albacores nestled on the front lawn, patiently awaiting their owners. My new weather challenge ... what to do with 38 sailors impatient to launch? Not wanting to lose their enthusiasm, we encouraged them to warm up in the main clubhouse. A resourceful group, they found things to talk about during a 2 hour delay. But, just as Gord Chu asked for a deck of cards, the wind began to mount, fearing, I guess, that the assembled fleet would change sports. Within 30 minutes the wind reached a respectable 12 knots, gusting to 15 and chased the fog away.. except in the heads of a few who had enjoyed a celebration elsewhere the night before. Much relieved, we sailed three good races in strong breezes.

In the stronger winds, Gord and Carol were a little light and they finished mid-way down the fleet. I am sure Gord still regrets reaching for those cards. In the new conditions Ken Clarke, Dave Smith and yours truly captured the first places in the next three races. . Yet in the three Sunday races it was Tof and Dave who came on strong with 2nd, 3rd and 4th place finishes demonstrating that staying in the hunt through all conditions was the way to win the regatta.

At prize-giving we honoured our top three crews; Tof and Dave, Ken and Abby and Raines, Eve and Anne with the customary flags. Fun prizes went to Carol and Gord for Gord's prophetic and acrobatic tumble from the gunwale, leaving Carol to salvage the boat. John Gilchrist and Steve Goode were acknowledged for keeping their cool under boat breakdown challenges on Steve's birthday of all days! Dennis Wetlauffer with Chris Wallace were acclaimed for having traveled from Buffalo and Calgary to sail with us. We know we will see Dennis again and hope Chris will revisit. Thanks to everyone who sailed, to all who helped with various chores and to those who came to our intimate Saturday night dinner for 9 at the club house. If you did not join us in 1996 be sure to visit in 1997. In particular we encourage all newcomers to join in the fun of the 1997 RCYC Open. See you next season if not before!

Rosemary Helmer

RCYC Fleet Rep (Cricket CAN 7384) Chirp!

RCYC

HELM and CREW	CLUB	SAIL #	RACE 1	2	3	4	5	Points
T. Nicoll-Griffith, D. Jarvis	PTCSC	7700	2	7	2	3	4	11.00
K. Clarke, A. Macinnes	RCYC	7630	3	8	0.75	4	12	15.75
R. Koby, E. Rockett, A. Schmidt	RCYC	17384	4	2	7	10	3	16
D. Smith, J. Struthers	WSC	7973	12	3	5	0.75	16	20.75
B. Farrell, W. Lincoln	MSC	7563	9	5	3	7	6	21
C. Gorton, N. Forsyth	WSC	7982	5	4	8	6	11	23
G. Chu, C. Tong	TISC	7954	0.75	0.75	12	11	14	24.50
J. Cawthorne, P. Geerkens	StJSC	7962	16	12	11	5	2	30
J. Gilchirst, S. Goode	MSC	7562	DNS	DNS	6	2	5	32
E. Nicholas, S. Forgues	NSC	5858	11	6	9	13	8	34
D. Wettlaufer, C. Wallace	NSC	5923	8	11	10	14	7	36
T. Johnstone, L. Harrison	MSC	7479	6	9	15	15	10	40
R. Helmer, C. Baker	RCYC	7384	15	17	17	9	0.75	41.75
S. Black, I. Black	OHCC	7467	14	18	4	DNF	9	45
E. Marin, C. Beneteau	WSC	7942	7	10	14	16	15	45
I. Rogers, G. Rogers, M. Hobart	RCYC	7405	13	13	16	12	13	51
M. Balinski, D. Sherlock	StJSC	7964	17	15	13	8	17	53
M. Neumann, R. Lang	StJSC	7967	10	16	19	18	18	62
L. McShane, M. Vaillancourt	WSC	7957	18	14	18	17	DNF	67

A Nautical Tale

A sailor meets a pirate in a bar, and they take turns to tell their adventures of the seas. The sailor notes that the pirate has a peg-leg, a hook, and an eye patch.

The sailor asks "So, how did you end up with the peg-leg?"

The pirate replies "We were in a storm at sea, and I was swept overboard in to a school of sharks. Just as my men were pulling me out, a shark bit my leg off."

"Wow!" said the sailor. "What about your hook"?

"Well...", replied the pirate, "We were boarding an enemy ship and were battling the other sailors with swords. One of the enemy cut my hand off."

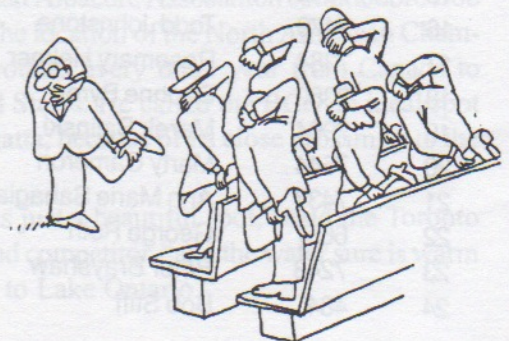
"Incredible!" remarked the sailor. "How did you get the eye patch"?

"Seagull shit fell into my eye.", replied the pirate.

"You lost your eye to seagull shit?" the sailor asked incredulously.

"Well...", said the pirate, "...it was my first day with the hook."

...AND NOW LET US PRAY!



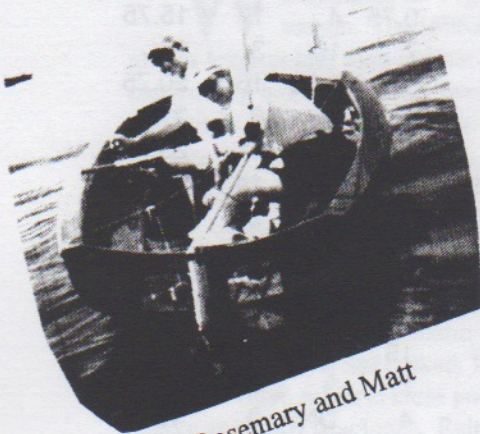
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## North American's

Photographs by Heather Wroldsen

July 27 & 28, 1996  
Buffalo Canoe Club  
Abino Bay, Lake Erie, Ontario



Rosemary and Matt



Joanna and Keith



Heather,  
carrying the big stick

Place	Sail #	Helm	Crew	Race				Total
				1	2	3	4	
1	7977	David Bussin	Abby MacInnes	6	2	4	2	14
2	7982	Chris Gorton	Dave Smith	5	14	0.75	0.75	20.50
3	7363	Ron Batt	Leslie Batt	2	11	5	4	22
4	7166	David Harris	Kevin Smith	3	6	8	5	22
5	7630	Ken Clarke	Sandy Swiatlowski	7	9	2	8	26
6	7945	Doug Marsh	Kay Marsh	0.75	12	12	6	30.75
7	7944	Heather Wroldsen	Pat Maltby	4	5	19	7	35
8	6700	Gary Bain	Carol Burrows	9	0.75	11	16	36.75
9	5923	Denis Wettlaufer	Murray Spackman	13	4	6	14	37
10	7955	Rick Clayton	Lynn Shannon	16	8	7	9	40
11	7954	Gord Chu	Ed Saulig	19	10	9	3	41
12	7499	Joanna Byron	Keith Sigg	12	7	14	10	43
13	5858	Ed Nicholas	Sue Forgues	17	16	3	12	48
14	6252	Brian Starck	Ellen Starck	8	13	24	11	56
15	7942	Liz Marin	Chris Beneteau	14	15	10	18	57
16	7479	Todd Johnstone	Laurie Harrison	15	18	13	13	59
17	7384	Rosemary Helmer	Matt Edwards	20	3	15	24	62
18	7380	Daphne Byron	Nicholas Von Wagoner	10	24	18	15	67
19	7964	Marek Balinski	Sandy Kline	23	17	16	17	73
20	7544	Marty Cameron	Gianna Helling	18	19	17	19	73
21	7437	Ann Marie Sahagian	Bill O'Gorman	11	23	21	22	77
22	6657	George Roth	Mike Leishman	22	20	20	23	85
23	7243	Peter Brayshaw	Marian Brayshaw	21	21	23	21	86
24	484	Bob Stiff	Andrew Stiff	24	22	22	20	88



**North American's  
...as seen by the Fort Erie Times**

**Big day for Albacores on Abino Bay**

**DEAN MICHEL, The Fort Erie Times**

Huge pillow-like clouds formed on the horizon of Lake Erie as the wind speed shifted and lifted the waves on Abino Bay. Twenty-four Albacores - 15-foot sailboats that hold two people jockeyed for position across the starting line and awaited each of the three blasts from the starting gun on the race committee boat.

Accompanied by the appropriate flag to indicate the countdown to race time, each loud bang, five minutes apart, sent the boats zipping alongside each other.

Finally, when the third gun went off, the racers captured the 20-kilometre wind in their sails, secured their feet in the boat, and hung on.

Hosted by the Buffalo Canoe Club (BCC), the 1996 North American Albacore Championship attracted 19 Canadian entries and five American boats to compete in five races on Saturday and Sunday, July 27-29. Most of the Canadian boats hailed from clubs in the Toronto area.

Each crew is given points for its respective finish. The 20th boat across the finish line receives 20 points, the 19th gets 19 points. The winner gets .75 points and the over-all champion after five races is the one with the lowest number of accumulated points.

Race committee chairman Matt Georger has been the chairman of "hundreds of races in his 22 years as a member of the BCC. He said although the BCC is no stranger to sailboat races, this is the first time in a number of years the club has hosted an Albacore regatta.

"With just one class of boat, this is the type of regatta the Canoe Club excels at running. We have beautiful conditions here and the BCC is known for providing competitive sailboat racing," said Georger. "The Albacore class sought out the BCC to hold their

1996 regatta here, because they knew we would give them some good racing."

Georger called Saturday afternoon a "picture-perfect day for sailboat racing". Unlike the morning,



which challenged racers with light winds, the afternoon's wind speed increased to 20 kilometres an hour, primarily out of the west. But at times the wind shifted, which Georger said, made it hard for racers to predict.

"The wind is full of holes today," the race chairman said from the deck of the 36-foot Burgee V race committee boat. "The key to winning this race is consistency. The successful skipper has to be able to look ahead and read the wind shifts to see where it's picking up."

Canadian Albacore Association commodore Bob Stiff said the location of the North American Championship rotates every other year from Canada to the United States. He called the BCC an ideal spot for the regatta, because of its close proximity to the border.

"This is just a beautiful spot," said the Toronto resident and competitor, "and the water sure is warm compared to Lake Ontario."

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## Mooredale

RANK	SAIL #	CLUB	HELM	CREW	RACE 1	2	3	4	POINTS
1	7980	M	Pawlik, Jorg	Erichsen, Julia	2	2	6	2	12.00
2	7362	OH	TerBrugge, Rob	Smith, Kevin	9	4	9	5	27.00
3	7363	OH	Batt, Ron	Batt, Leslie	22	0.75	2	3	27.75
4	6700	OH	Bain, Gary	Vallencourt, Marg	17	3	14	0.75	34.75
5	7955	P	Clayton Richard	Shannon, Lynn	3	18	7	7	35.00
6	7982	M	Gorton, Chris	Whittington, Dale	13	12	3	8	36.00
7	8009	Ti	Koehlmann, Fred	Mitchell, Sandra	14	11	4	11	40.00
8	7544	M	Farrell, Barrie	Thomas, Cathy	0.75	14	12	15	41.75
9	7954	Ti	Chu, Gord	Mehling, Christine	11	7	0.75	23	41.75
10	7563	M	Broughton, Tim	Marshall, Karen	6	17	5	14	42.00
11	7562	M	Withrow, Bruce	Swiatlowski, Sandy	4	6	26	9	45.00
12	7962	StJ	Cawthorne, John	Grummift, Jackie	7	27	16	6	56.00
13	7472	M	Savege, Ann	Smythe, Betty	5	16	19	20	60.00
14	275	M	Gilchrist, John	Goode, Steve	12	9	22	26	69.00
15	7943	Ti	Rubin, Norm	Besnard, Arnaud	10	28	18	25	81.00
16	6767	OH	Adjacic, Milubn	Langhammer, Karen	21	32	13	16	82.00
17	7545	M	Shenstone, Derek	Holley, Bill	23	24	8	28	83.00
18	5923	P	Wettlaufer, Dennis	Joscelyn, Wendy	16	30	21	18	85.00
19	7474	M	Ackermann, Uwe	Duff, Janet	36	20	20	12	88.00
20	7932	StJ	Carey, Jill	Sherlock, Diane	26	15	34	13	88.00
21	7630	OH	Clarke, Ken	Palmer, Sharon	8	8	43	31	90.00
22	7928	StJ	Doell, Mike	MacDonald, Rob	42	23	23	4	92.00
23	7967	StJ	Morrison, Mike	Steady, Fran	31	10	43	10	94.00
24	7473	M	Revill, Barb	Birse, Ken	39	19	15	22	95.00
25	6750	M	Broecker, Mark	Hogeboom, Sherry	30	25	25	19	99.00
26	7384	P	Helmer, Rosemary	Roth, George	15	42	10	36	103.00
27	7974	VM	Desjardin, Dan	Desjardins, Karen-A.	34	35	1.10	24	104.00
28	7930	StJ	Nurse, Peter	Kline, Sandy	29	5	43	30	107.00
29	7981	Ti	Koehlmann, Kathy	Fielding, Sue	24	31	28	27	110.00
30	7471	M	Logue, Bob	Macinnes, Abby	35	13	43	21	112.00
31	7924	StJ	Balinski, Marek	Konopacka, Dorota	19	29	27	37	112.00
32	7249	M	Lincoln, Will	Burrows, Carol	43	33	24	17	117.00
33	7479	M	Harrison, Laurie	Maltby, Pat	18	22	30	48	118.00
34	6525	P	Martin, John	Martin, Alasdair	38	37	17	29	121.00
35	6761	M	Montgomery, Norm	Ramlochan, Janine	20	36	31	35	122.00
36	7963	StJ	Aukema, Ian	Epstein, Peter	32	26	35	33	126.00
37	6760	M	Cameron, Marty	Helling, Gianna	37	21	40	38	136.00
38	7965	StJ	Tokarek, Ray	Rogers, Larry	25	40	43	32	140.00
39	7931	StJ	Simpson, Evelyn	Abbazadeh, Babak	41	38	32	34	145.00
40	7320	M	Bretherton, Steve	Monged, Ayman	28	43	36	42	149.00
41	7933	Ti	Wilson, Neil	Stinson, Jeff	33	41	37	39	150.00
42	7323	M	Kisby, Merle	Laliberte, Colette	27	39	43	41	150.00
43	7250	M	Bayley, Mark	Bayley, Arnold	40	34	33	48	155.00
44	7321	M	Moenck, Bob	Goddard, John	44	44	29	40	157.00

## PABAR

The twenty-second Pabar regatta was run on August 12, 1996 at Pointe au Baril under sunning skies, blessed with the usual south-westerly thermal ranging from eight to fifteen knots. As in all previous events, all races were completed and because of Race Chairman John Lawler's mid beat starting gate, the final race was completed by 4:30 PM, in good time for drinks and dinner at the ancient and atmospheric Ojibway Club.

The winner went down to the wire when Gordon Chu and Christine Mehling prevailed over Rosemary Helmer, Peter Nurse and crews. The locals did not fare well and will go back to the winter drawing boards and try to emulate the awesome downwind speed of Chu and upwind speed of Helmer.

The coveted H.A.T. was once again won with flair and panache by that outstanding duo of Warren and Willie Wilkins who succeeded in turtling at the leeward mark. After considerable toing and froing the Wilkins' yacht finally came erect after a prodigious thrust at the boom by Willie with her nose. As a result of this rather unusual technique, Willy gave a modest rendition of W.C. Fields at the regatta dinner.

Congratulations are also due to Kathie and Wendy Hurlburt and Rob and Will Adams who all sailed well in borrowed boats against a very competitive fleet in a stiff breeze. Do we see the stars of the future?

Ian Rogers

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PLACE	SAIL #	HELM	CREW	POINTS
1	7954	Gordon Chu	Christine Mehling	4 1/2
2	7384	Rosemary Helmer	Kevin Smith	4 3/4
3	7930	Peter Nurse	Jane Irwin	5 3/4
4	7438	John Lawler	Jamie Isbister	12
5	6128	Bob Mosley	Dave Pepper	17
6	7405	Ian Rogers	Gordon Mills	18
7	6626	Rob Adams	Will Adams	19
8	6765	Gail Regan	Tim Regan	22
9	6731	Mike Leishman	Steve Sherk	24
10	5502	Norm Montgomery	Sherilee Foster	25
11	7438	Jeff Wilkins	John Duras	29
12	5503	Nettie Kilgour	Sue Scott	35
13	6208	Kathie Hurlburt	Wendy Hurlburt	37
14	6580	Warren Wilkins	Willy Wilkins	39

## Balsam Lake

Sail #	Skipper	Crew	Club	Race 1	2	3	Total	Final
7982	Chris Gorton	Elizabeth Marin	OHCC	1	1	2	3.50	1
6731	Mark Ewen	Sandy Ewen	SLSC	2	3	3	8	2
7362	Bob Terbrugge	Christine Kells	OHCC	3	8	5	16	3
7949	Doug Paterson	Cam Reed	BLSC	6	2	10	18	4
673	Matt Ewen	Jane Ewen	SLSC	4	4	11	19	5
6857	Scott Griffin	Nicholas Griffin	BLSC	10	13	1	23.75	6
7930	Peter Nurse	Jane Irwin	StJames	9	11	4	24	7
7243	Peter Brayshaw	Marion Brayshaw	BHYC	5	10	13	28	8
7224	Justin Quibell	Chris Broumley	SLC	16	7	6	29	9
4597	Bob Shaw	Eric Lowy	BLSC	12	5	DNF	36	10
6657	George Roth	Michael Powers	Conest.	8	DSQ	7	37	11
5005	Grant Helliwell	Bob Helliwell	BLSC	13	9	DNF	41	12
4029	David Baker	Sheila Baker	BLSC	19	12	12	43	13
505	Stephen Willson	Susan Willson	BLSC	18	6	50	44	14
6525	John Martin	Alistair Martin	Conest.	21	15	8	44	14
6148	Gary Crawford	Linda Crawford	BLSC	11	14	DNF	44	14
484	Bob Stiff	Andrew Stiff	OHCC	15	50	9	46	17
3731	Lynda Gadd	Terry Ireland	PSC	17	16	14	47	18
7363	Ron Batt	Leslie Batt	OHCO	7	DSQ	DNS	50	19
7384	Rosemary Helmer	Chris Pike	RCYC	14	DNF	DNS	56	20
510	Glenn Willson	Lorrie Willson	BLSC	20	DNF	DNS	62	21

### - and on a sad Note:

Attached are the results from the August 4th Balsam Lake Sailing Club Regatta which was sailed in very light winds.

This was our 33rd consecutive annual regatta and we were encouraged by the turnout of visiting boats.

**However, the Balsam Lake Sailing Club is finding it beyond our current volunteer capacity to carry on. As a result, a decision was taken to cancel future regattas.**

We hope those who have attended past regattas will accept our thanks for your support and our regret in not being able to carry on in the future.

Sincerely

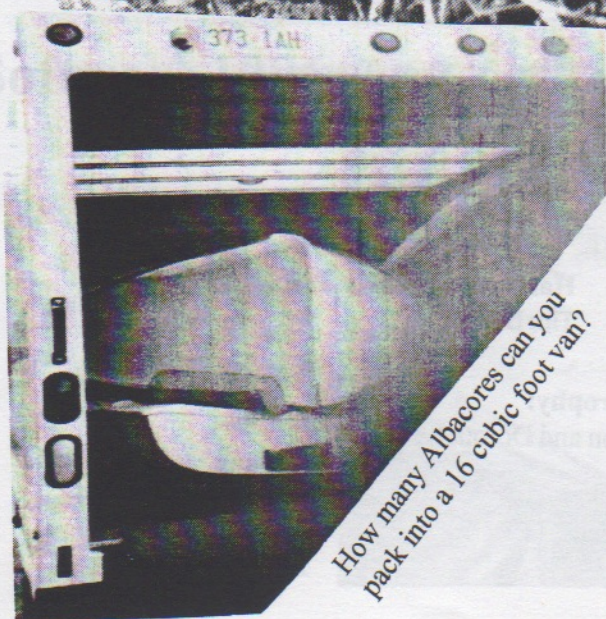
Bob Shaw

1996 BLSC Regatta Chairman

## There are strange Things done...



The ultimate regatta car



How many Albacores can you pack into a 16 cubic foot van?



Hands of a dedicated competitor  
Artful duct tape by Laurie

## Canadian's

**T**hirty teams competed for the Canadian Albacore Championship at Geneva Park, near Orillia,, September 13 to 15. They came by trailer. They came by truck. They even came from the US in what the accompanying photographs demonstrate to be the quintessential regatta car.

Registration began in pouring rain at 9 AM on Friday. There was no wind; it continued to rain; what else were we supposed to do? The beer was practically gone by 2 PM ,but the coziness of the Mooredale party cubes let only the good spirits froth to the top. Just when the supply of suds reached the critical level and a provisioning run into town was being planned, race chair Peter Jones lowered the postponement flag. Yes, he did. We overcame disbelief, found once again that it helps to be slightly lubricated when you launch Albacores at Geneva Park and followed the committee boat to the race course.



Nick Jaco and Peter Jones



Once we got out there, by God, there was some wind. We got in a race and the Canadian's was under way. Great weather on Saturday, good weather on Sunday, impressive display of pinkies (\$1,000 bills) at the baccarat table in the god-awful barn known as Casino Rama and J.C., guided by Martin Shaw won the A-Fleet by  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a point over Barney Harris and Steve Goode. Evelyn Simpson and Dorota Konopacka smothered the B-Fleet while Ken Clarke and Sandy! Swiatlowski captured the Masters' trophy. As Dave Harris would say, "We've never seen you sail better, Ken."

The race committee did a terrific job and a special thank you goes to Peter Jones whose job at OSA was being de-engineered as he ran our races with clockwork professionalism. It's not been often, Peter, but it's been great.

## Hardware 1996

### Canadian Champion:

John Clark and Martin Shaw

### Combined Ontario's and Canadian's Trophy:

Chris Gorton

### Women's Helm Trophy:

Liz Marin

### Masters' Fleet Trophy:

Ken Clarke and Sandy Swiatlowski

### Family Trophy:

Jasper and Becky Craig

### Harbour Master's Trophy:

Tim Broughton

### Challenger Trophy:

Evelyn Simpson and Dorota Konopacka

Results at the Canadian's

POSSAIL #	HELM/CREW	RACE 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	- DROP
1	7979 CLARK/SHAW	2	1	5	2	2	4	32	47.75	15.75
2	US8011 HARRIS/GOODE	3	3	4	1	1	7	5	23.50	16.50
3	7977 GORTON/PEDRO	1	2	1	5	13	8	9	38.50	25.50
4	7563 BROUGHTON/BROEKER	5	5	10	4	8	3	1	35.75	25.75
5	7950 OAKIE/SMITH	6	4	2	12	32	5	3	64	32
6	7127 CRAIG/CRAIG	7	6	6	11	3	1	13	46.75	33.75
7	7166 HARRIS/SMITH	8	7	7	3	32	6	7	70	38
8	7630 CLARKE/SWIATLOWSKI	9	15	3	6	5	20	2	60	40
9	5600 KOBY/ MICINNES	4	8	14	13	6	10	4	59	45
10	6700 BAIN/ MALTBY	10	9	15	9	9	2	8	62	47
11	7955 CLAYTON/STIFF	18	10	8	17	4	16	6	79	61
12	7270 HTOO/SHEPPARD	11	18	11	18	7	12	32	86	68
13	7967 MORRISON/ STEACY	14	17	9	28	14	23	11	116	88
14	7970 NURSE/ IRWIN	16	11	17	7	20	24	17	112	88
15	7942 MARIN/BENETEAU	15	23	12	14	15	21	14	114	91
16	7954 CHU/MEHLING	13	21	21	15	23	9	16	118	95
17	7403 KING/LOGUE	32	13	22	10	10	22	19	128	96
18	7384 HELMER/PIKE	20	12	20	21	21	11	15	120	99
19	6251 GRIFFITHS/THOMAS	12	25	16	0	12	19	26	126	100
20	7472 SAVEGE/SMYTHE	23	24	19	20	17	13	12	128	104
21	7479 JOHNSTONE/HARRISON	21	16	23	8	24	14	27	133	106
22	7405 ROGERS/HOBART	17	14	18	22	22	18	22	133	111
23	7474 ACKERMANN/DUFF	19	19	24	24	11	25	21	143	118
24	7545 CAMERON/HELLING	32	26	13	25	19	17	20	152	120
25	7471 GILCHRIST/ ROGKBOOM	32	22	26	26	18	15	18	157	125
26	7963 AUKEMA/SHERLOCK	25	20	25	19	16	26	29	160	131
27	7971 SIMPSON/KONOPACKA	22	27	27	23	25	28	23	175	147
28	6626 LEISHMAN/KEYS	24	30	30	27	28	29	24	192	162
29	7982 MCSHANE/VAILLANCOURT	32	29	28	29	26	27	25	196	164
30	7562 BRETHERTON/BURROWS	26	28	29	30	27	30	28	198	168

Software 1996



Steve Goode  
Evelyn Simpson  
John Gilchrist  
at Geneva Park

## Hardware

Martin Shaw; John Clark  
Canadian Champions, 1996



Barney Harris  
Steve Goode



Steve Bretherton; Carol Burrows

Becky Craig; Mike Leisman; Jasper Craig



Chris Gorton; Henry Pedro



Ken Clarke  
Still a Master



Evelyn Simpson  
Dorota Konopacka



Tim Broughton  
Mark Broeker



Liz Marin



## Barney's New Boat Before



## and After



## US National's

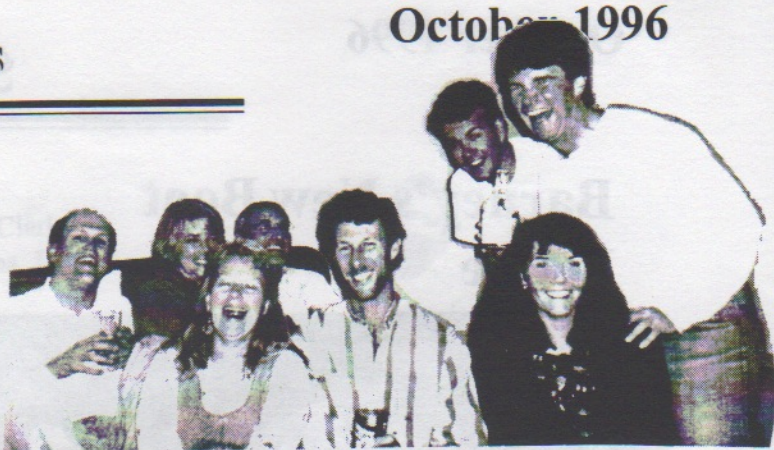
October 12,13,14,1996

**Y**ou only had to count the number of Canadian boats in attendance at the US Nationals (9 boats + me) to know that our Canadian summer yielded less sailing than we all wanted. Nineteen Canadians eagerly drove 11 hour (Are we nuts? - You bet!) to sail with our friends in the US. Lloyd Leonard and Elizabeth Wiener and Doug and Kay Marsh did a tremendous recruiting job. And the Starboard Bar did not disappoint us with its \$ 1.00 per shot, "Run the bar out" party! Gary Bain led the way to the bar. Would you expect less of him? Gary always reminds us that there is more to sailing than being on the water.

Rehoboth, site of the memorable 1993 Worlds', continues to offer excellent sailing despite its launching challenges. The channel has silted in a fair bit in the past three years, but we managed. Unfortunately, on the Sunday Dave Wallerstein and I had to take two runs at it to get it right. This explains our DNS on Sunday. Thank goodness during our first practice session we did not break the rudder only the pennant cleat as we beached the boat. Nevertheless, we had excellent race committee work and a range of breezes from light to brisk.

Barney Harris, sporting his brand new Ontario Yachts USA 8011 and David Byron from Sausalito, California, where he now resides, decisively won the US Nationals with 4 - firsts, 1 second and 2 thirds. Canadians Chris Gorton and crew Karen-Ann Desjardin made a strong international challenge, placing second, only 7.5 points behind Barney. And the racing was closer than the points score shows! In fact, the top 10 boats were amazingly intermingled, 1-US, 2-Canada, 3-US, 4- Canada, 5-US, 6-Canada, 7-US, 8- Canada, 9-Canada, 10.- US. Wow! What an event! Now that is close racing!

It is always fun to go South and share some fun with our US friends. My first trips to the US began in 1985 and over the past 12 years I have met many new friends who have opened their homes and hearts to us Canadians. Since those earlier days we have worked closely with the USAA members, past and present, to publicize USAA/CAA events and It has worked wonders because every year the pilgrimage has continued, not to mention the shopping! We are now at a point where US and Canadian helms and crews catch rides and planes to sail with each other. We honestly don't care who wins and are more concerned with who shows at events. Everyone, we hope!



Boats seem to travel, too. Matt Edwards has acquired Bilbo Baggins, now US6701 and continues to give her all the tender, loving woodworking care that wood boats need and former owner, Dennis Sherwood, gave her for so many years. When I returned from the US Nationals Dennis Sherwood eagerly inquired of me how Matt and Bilbo were getting on. It demonstrates that love affairs with our Albacores last a long time. He was delighted to hear my positive report and this confirmed to him that Matt was the right, next generation, owner for Bilbo.

Another interesting observation was the lovely restoration done by Peter and Sylvi Duncan to US342 an older wooden Fairey Marine Albacore. Turtle, as she was affectionately christened at the US Nationals by midnight marauders with white electrical tape, sports a bright, cheerful leaf green hull. It was so nice to see a vintage boat with new woodworking and finish placing a very respectable 7th. Now tell me an Albacore is a bad investment! I can only imagine the total number of happy hours this 1969 Albacore has shared with its various owners

Finally, I must extend a hearty thanks to Matt Edwards, USAA President who has sold an unprecedented 15 boats this season. He has, on good advice from sage members like Wallerstein and Byron, reactivated the US Fleet by selling boats into the hands of new active owners which, in turn, has encouraged long-standing US members to continue to come out and Barney to set a trend with a brand new boat. Thanks USAA. You are doing a great job.

At the USAA Annual General Meeting the US Fleet passed the same motion that the CAA members did with regard to the new measurement stations for the hull. Kay Marsh reported US membership is up to 64 members this year. Fantastic! Keep those members joining, Kay! Matt Edwards was re-elected USAA President with an excellent slate supporting him and we discussed how we can get containers to the UK to make a strong Canadian/US showing at Hayling Island, Worlds' 1997. We hope the eagerness demonstrated at the US Nationals carries over into the Mid-Winters to be jointly held with the Fireballs in early March 1997 at Davis Island, St. Petersburg, Florida, as we prepare for Worlds' 1997.

Rosemary Helmer

Results at the US National's

Top 25 Crews

Top 25 Helms

Sail	Skipper/Crew	Race 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Points
8011	Harris/Byron	3	2	3	1	1	1	1	8
7619	Gorton/Des Jardines	1	3	1	3	4	4	4	15.5
7945	Marsh/Marsh	10	1	2	2	8	5	9	26.75
7950	Oakie/Smith	2	11	11	8	3	2	2	28
7499	Byron/Sigg	6	4	10	6	2	7	7	32
7630	Clark/Macinnes	12	20	4	4	5	3	3	33
342	Duncan/Duncan	4	6	7	5	11	6	10	38
5858	Nichols/Forgues	7	13	15	10	15	12	3	60
7942	Marin/Beneteau	5	5	13	13	12	17	13	61
7377	Leonard/Matzner	11	27	14	9	13	9	11	67
7944	Wroldsen/Struthers	9	12	12	15	9	13	14	69
7380	Byron/Mooney	25	10	5	12	16	20	8	71
6700	Bain/Maltby	23	8	8	22	19	11	12	80
7457	Heiss/Brown	16	17	6	26	14	8	22	83
7460	Buck/Mattes	15	14	9	11	18	18	DNS	85
7130	Coffin/Caspar	14	24	20	19	6	10	16	85
7479	Johnston/Harrison	13	18	17	14	28	19	20	101
7107	Potter/Merrigan	21	21	19	18	21	16	6	101
7355	Lawser/Lawser	17	19	30	7	25	15	21	104
7456	Bear/Orndorff	8	29	26	24	7	25	23	113
7369	Merrigan/Potter/Mason	19	26	16	23	17	21	24	120
7117	Wallerstein/Helmer	20	7	25	17	29	DNS	25	123
7378	Zeisler/Stone	22	25	21	20	22	23	15	123
5923	Wettlaufer/Laughlin	27	22	18	21	23	24	19	127
5959	Foord/Gaudeul	18	23	24	25	20	30	26	136
6898	Young	DSQ	16	28	16	27	14	PMS	136
8010	DesJardines/DesJardines	29	9	22	29	30	22	27	138
7375	Macrea/Ioconni	26	31	29	30	10	26	18	140
6701	Edwards/Lawson	24	15	23	31	31	27	DNS	151
4717	Mohan/Klein	31	28	27	27	26	28	17	153
749	Kleystueber/Goebes	30	30	33	33	24	33	29	179
7492	Rathgen/Stapulonis	28	33	31	28	32	32	31	182
6867	Mohan/Seifert	32	32	32	34	33	29	30	188
7034	Joinette/Ladouceur	33	34	34	32	34	31	28	192

## Toronto Friday Night Series

### Top 25 Helms

POS	HELM	FINISHERS	32	40	40	45	49	50	50	43	46	13	50	49	49	49	50	TOP 5				
																		THIS	LAST			
CLUB #	drop	MO3M	M2	M31	J14	J21	J28	J05	J12	J19	J26	A02	A09	A16	A23	S06	YEAR	YEAR				
1	Gordon, Chris	WW	10	1	1	28	1	1	1		4	1	10	2	1			3.75	14.75			
2	Wlthrow, Bruce	M	16	3	3	8	3	4	32	7	1	1	9	2	16	4	6	10	50	4	9.5	11.5
3	Savege, Ann	M	13	3	2	2	2	27		6	2	13	15		21	3	8	7	4		11	29.75
4	Farrell,Barrie	M	15	5	15	10	16	2	16	14	23	2		1	12	11	11	4	5	7	13.75	1045
5	Chu, Gord	TI	13	4	17		8	36	12	23	7	4	2		2	2	4		7	33	14	20.5
6	Broughton, Tim	M	12	4	13	3	12	8	2	3		46	4	11		6			3	51	15	16
7	Cawthorne, John	StJ	12	5	10	5	18	3		16	3		7		22	5	9	1	10	16.75	34.75	
8	Aukema, Ian	StJ	12	7	20	1	15	6	24	41			13		25	7	2	2	11	17.75	80	
9	Marin, Liz	WW	12	7	21	13	1	7		5	4	10			5	12	30	17		25	21.75	22
10	Balinski, Marek	StJ	16	7	6	14	14	20	7	17	14	46	13	5	4	32	3	35	15	53	25	45
11	Loritz, Frank	StJ	11	8	7	4	6	28	8		8		30		8		15	44		2	27	32
12	Neville, Steve	WW	11	8	5	15		5	11	11	13		6			23	6	10	5	27		44
13	Morrison Mike	StJ	14	8	32	16	9	14	3	29			8	6	13	9	17	8	9	3	28	42
14	Smith, Dave	WW	9	11			27	11	6		28		3		23	1		24		8	28.75	1089
15	Gerlich, Paul	WW	11	12	12	19	20		9	21	25				20	24	1		8	1	30.5	13.75
16	Rubin, Norm	TI	14	9		9	21	26	23	8	5	9	29		6	13	20	3	31	19	31	21.75
17	Nurse, Peter	StJ	13	9	9	37		10	5	10	12	46	17		22	5	9		6	6	31	22.75
18	Gilchrist, John	M	10	16					2	16	46	1			9	14	55	21	19	53	41.75	2077
19	Tokarek, Ray	StJ	13	13		24	13	45	17	9	15	6	36		7	7	19		20	40	42	62
20	Johnstone, Todd	M	12	14		25	10	21	4	36		14	5		34	30		20	24	12	45	65
21	Koehlmann Fred	TI	13	14	11	20		14	19	6		23	8	10	17	55	26	14	20	49		93
22	Revill, Barb	M	15	17	19	17	19	35	47	4	11	21	33		39	8	10	23	22	30	50	58
23	Ackerman Uwe	M	16	13	14	11	7	17	20	13	20	15	24	7	26	27	29	41	13	35	51	42
24	Lincoln, Will	M	14	14	4	26		16	18	26		17	32	12	29	20	13	14	11	14	54	59
25	Shenstone, Derek	M	12	14		21	5	13	27		10	12	14		47	21	14		21	18	54	39

## Toronto Friday Night Series

### Top 25 Crews

POS	CREW	CLUB	#	DROP	M03	M17	M24	M31	J14	J21	J28	J05	J12	J19	J26	A02	A09	A16	A23	S06	TOP 5		
																					THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	
1	Laliberte, Colette	M	12	3			2	13	2	2	1	46	33	7		3	6	52			9.75	111	
2	Mehta, Sherry	WW	13	5		29	4	1	25	5	13		12		5	19	30	6	8	1	15.5	74	
3	Piotrowski, Stan	StJ	10	6					8	40	3	6		3	28	7	36		6	6	24	3060	
4	Keeler, Greta	M	10	11		2	5		47	53		12	1	11	47	8				27	26.75	4040	
5	Geerkens, Peter	StJ	10	11			15	31	7	20		8	26					37	11	1	2	28.75	27.75
6	Frith, Bob	M	11	10	4	28		4		3	10	40	15		39	14		10		22	31	62	
7	MacInnes, Abby	M	14	15	15	17	30	15	26	32	9		31	1		21	8	4	18	24	36.75	23	
8	Epstein, Peter	StJ	10	10	26		6	3	10	9	31				30	35		32		10	38	3051	
9	Dirisio, Wendy	TI	9	15					12		6	4	46		36	15	34	3		23	40		
10	Harrison, Laurie	M	12	15	8	8	3	21	27	45	34				27	26		12	50	15	46	20.75	
11	Birse, Ken	M	12	19	19		35	8	4	47	23	19			25	40	11	47	4		46	31	
12	Swiatlowski, Sandy	M	15	12	35	11	39	30	45	4	27	15	9	12		11	14	46	52	18	47	83.75	
13	Matthews, Dave	StJ	14	13	36	16	13	45	33	16	12	22		5	45		19	9	23	11	50	46	
14	Grummit, Jackie	StJ	8	21	7	5			22		15	21					3		44	43	51	40	
15	Miolla, John	M	9	14	13	31	10			13	16	32		44				3	14	53	85		
16	Konopacka, Dorota	StJ	6	15					24		14	7			9	9		15		54	103		
17	Richards, Ann	StJ	9	22	28	1	14		40		41	39		4	16		22			56.75	3080		
18	Holley, Bill	M	10	19					16		47	35		2	43	38	10	37	19	13	60		
19	Globochnik, Alex	M	12	22	24	12	22	22		26		14	5		9	37		23	24	30	62	57.75	
20	Whittington, Dale	WW	11	19	12	30	36	9		11	19	11	20		23	29	47			62			
21	Sherlock, Diane	StJ	8	23	9		26	20		29		23			13		25		2		67	34	
22	Duncan, Helen	M	11	23	23	3		17		35	44	32			29	20	46	7		32	70	78	
23	Atkin, Karen	M	8	19					49	14			19		16	4		18	35	41	71	48	
24	Steady, Fran	StJ	6	19					17				17		19		7		12	56	72	145	
25	Mehling, Christine	TI	7	26					44	25		26	2			13		7	46	73	4018		

## Toronto Friday Night Series - Clubs

WEEK (Points)					SEASON (Points Behind Leader)			
WEEK	MSC	WW	StJ	TI	MSC	WW	StJ	TI
3-May	78	145	112	217	61	34	139	
17-May	81	163	93	271	149	46	329	
24-May	74	157	103	276	232	75	531	
31-May	96	93	122	324	228	101	769	
14-Jun	145	101	91	236	184	47	850	
21-Jun	75	129	147	216	238	119	991	
28-Jun	92	145	147	230	291	169	1129	
5-Jul	93	134	124	201	332	200	1,237	
12-Jul	89	121	133	252	364	244	1,401	
19-Jul	74	110	91	120	401	262	1,447	
26-Jul	160	92	118	186	332	220	1,473	
2-Aug	84	172	138	199	420	274	1,588	
9-Aug	112	144	93	237	452	255	1,713	
18-Aug	101	121	138	229	472	292	1,841	
23-Aug	94	207	82	202	685	279	1,949	
6-Sep	105	102	143	229	581	317	2,073	

## Web Sites of Interest

**US Albacore Association**  
[www.my-town.com/sailing/](http://www.my-town.com/sailing/)

**CYA Home Page**  
[www.cdnsport.ca/~smorrow/](http://www.cdnsport.ca/~smorrow/)

**Internet Sailing Resources**  
[www.paw.com/sail/](http://www.paw.com/sail/)

**IYRU Racing Rules**  
[www.sailing.org/rules/](http://www.sailing.org/rules/)

**IYRU Regattas and Results**  
[www.sailing.org/regattas/](http://www.sailing.org/regattas/)

**Ontario Weather Forecast**  
[www.on.doe.ca/text/ontario.html](http://www.on.doe.ca/text/ontario.html)

**Dictionary of the Digital Underground**  
[www.ccil.org/jargon/jargon.html](http://www.ccil.org/jargon/jargon.html)

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## Midwinter's

Mid-Winter Albacore Regatta

March 11-14, 1997  
Sarasota, Florida

### The Dates:

The dates have been set to accommodate the Canadian Spring Public School break as there are often teachers wishing to attend or who are willing to drive cars and boats at least one way to Florida. We had originally hoped to sail with the Fireball Fleet, but the dates already set for Davis Island were fixed and did not work for many Canadians polled. Perhaps next year we can try again.

### The Event:

Over the years the CAA and the USAA have alternated organization of the Mid-Winters'. The last Mid-Winters' was held in 1990. Now back by popular demand... the Mid-Winter Albacore Regatta has been revived to give sailors the opportunity to get the cobwebs out of their boats and bodies in the warm winds and waters of Sarasota Bay off Longboat Key in Florida. Canadians have always been welcome and over the years a number of boats have regularly made the pilgrimage south.

The Mid-Winter Regatta represents an early season training opportunity and, most of all, a week of fun and fitness. Given that the Worlds' Championships will be hosted at Hayling Island, England this summer, why not organize your campaign now and practice in the warm waters off Sarasota? So, get your holiday plans organized immediately and plan to be on the starting line next to our friends from the US Albacore fleet. Those already committed to going are Matt Edwards, Bernie Harris, Daphne Byron, Rosemary Helmer, Chris Gorton. We are working on Heather Wroldsen, Joanna Byron, Don Oakie.... So why not add your name to the list. It is a vacation to be remembered and certainly not to be missed!!

### The Races.

The racing program will consist of 8 races, 2 per day with 1 drop. Racing begins on Tuesday, March 11 and finishes on Friday, March 14, 1997. Monday can be used to play, fix your boat, laze around or tour local areas.

### Venue:

The Sarasota Sailing Squadron will be our host for this event. The Club is located on the east end of City Island, at the northern end of Longboat Key. They have a large lawn and parking lot area which will easily accommodate a 25+ boat fleet.

### Directions:

#### From Canada:

Take 401 west to Windsor and cross the Bridge into Detroit. Watch for signs directing you to Interstate 75 (I-75) and go south.

I-75 south will take you through Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia and finally into Florida. The easiest way to get comprehensive instructions is to become a member of the Canadian Automobile Association and phone the Road Map Services group and ask for a tryptik which gives you a detailed set of instructions (including enlarged sections of local maps along the route) for navigation. Once you've done this you'll see how straightforward the I-75 route south is. Once you reach the outskirts of St. Petersburg area follow the local instructions, given on the next page.

## Midwinter's

### Local Instructions:

If coming south on I-75 from Tampa, take State 780 exit west to downtown Sarasota. If coming south on US 41 (Tamiami Trail), turn right and go west on State 780, which crosses Sarasota Bay as a causeway. At St. Armand's Circle (a traffic circle) merge right and go North toward New Pass Bridge and Longboat Key. Do not cross New Pass Bridge, but when you come to the Bridge, bear right and continue until you see the Sailing Squadron on the left near the end of the road.

### Flying:

While we have not checked recent schedules others have historically booked flights into Sarasota. Flights are also available into Tampa International Airport which is 55 miles north on I-75. With advance knowledge of who is arriving when we can probably arrange pick-ups at the airport by those who have driven down. Alternatively, organize a week-long car rental with your associates with car pick-up at the airport. Flights during this school break week sell-out early so we recommend you call your travel agent and book a flight today!

### Accommodations:

You can camp or rent a motel. The Sarasota Yacht Squadron has a large lawn which can easily accommodate 30+ tents. Both USAA and CAA members have usually camped. Also, showers and hot water for washing and cooking are located on the premises. We've had some great BBQs courtesy of the Canadian contingent who continue to amaze our American counterparts with our gourmet skills. We swear they come first for the food and second for the sailing. For those who are less adventuresome and prefer their creature comforts, you could rent a Winnebago and park it in the parking lot or rent a room at one of the many local motels. Also, if you regularly review The Globe or The Star there are often condominiums available for rent on Longboat Key during this time of year.

### Registration:

Fees have not been finalized, but will likely be US \$45-50.00. Forms will be mailed to those who indicate interest by calling, faxing or writing:

Rosemary Helmer  
264 St. Clair Ave, West,  
Toronto, Ontario  
Canada M4V 2A4  
B: 416-964-8427  
F: 416-967-5412 or 5710

or

Matt Edwards  
6403 East 14th St.  
Alexandria, Virginia  
USA 22307  
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