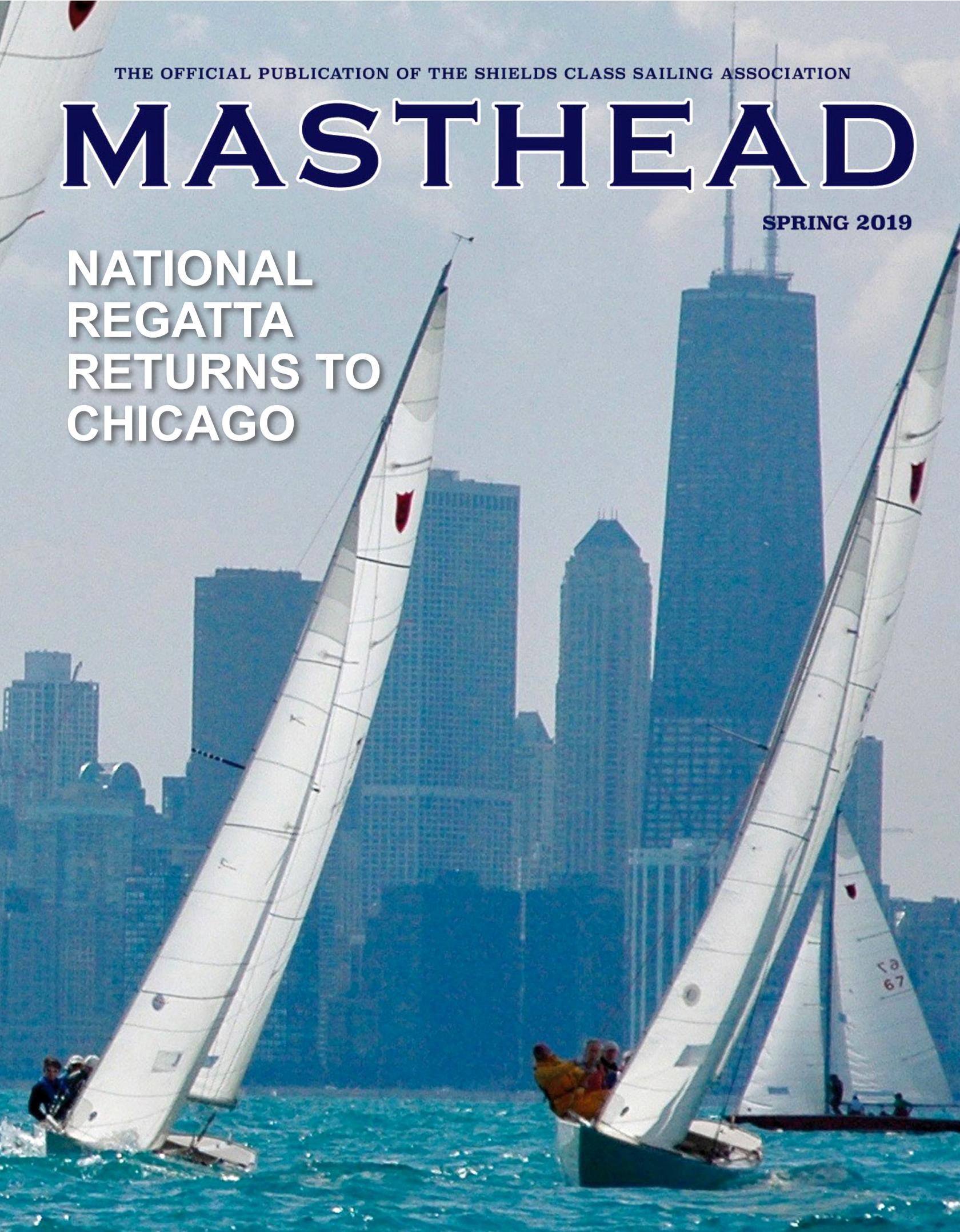


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# Chicago - My Kind of Town



Raised in a family of Sinatra fans, this song (from a 1964 musical) was heard frequently throughout our household during my youth. Long before I ever visited the “Windy City”, I knew Chicago was my kind of town. My visits for business and pleasure have confirmed it as one of the truly great cities. The class is pleased to be holding our National Championship at the historic Chicago Yacht Club’s two facilities along Lake Shore Drive. Event Co-chairs Mike Schwartz, Kristian Martincic and team have been working for more than a year to make this an unmissable event.

This year’s calendar features our headline events in Monterey in April and in Chicago in September. Below are additional marquee Shields regattas including:

NE Shields Championships	Newport, RI Sat-Sun 7/6-7/7
Edgartown Regatta	Edgartown, MA Thu-Sat 7/11-7/13
Buzzard’s Bay Regatta	Marion, MA Sat-Sun 8/3-8/4
Konigshofer Regatta	Pebble Beach, CA Sat-Sun 8/3-8/4

## Deep Thoughts, Cheap Shots and Bon Mots

I was advised last summer, “When you’re in Edgartown, pink is fashionable.” Prior to arrival on the Vineyard I owned no such attire. Then came the pink clothes acquisition campaign. There were the pink trousers, T-shirts, shorts - I was tragically hip, even managing to out-pink some of the locals. Perhaps we need to return soon to get another “season” from my wardrobe? I’m guessing there are no objections. **Above Right: Tim Bryan and Eric Anderson in Edgartown**



How fast downwind would Maverick #33 be with a complete spinnaker this year rather than the small sample of nylon cloth on the Masthead cover last December?

Need further proof of my fondness for Chicago? Check out this 2008 photo at the “Friendly Confines.” For non-Cook County class members: Although super cuddly, Billy the Cub will not pose for photographs without a payoff. Maybe his weekday gig is a Chicago Alderman? **Left: Eric & Billy - 1060 W. Addison St**

Thanks to Ken Deyett who left a nice bottle of a limited edition Scotch on my boat after using her during the Ocean-Great Lakes Challenge. Ken and his entire crew sailed a fantastic regatta in unfamiliar waters. Thank you to the crews who frequently travel to regattas around the country.

Thank you to my friend and sailmaker, Randy Shore. I requested a mainsail with teal numbers to match my spinnaker. He informed me that teal was not an option and that they would be black again. Upon opening the box, I was thrilled to find #191 in official Tiburon Teal!

Great news to report on increased boat counts throughout the class. Fleet 18 (Holland) +5 boats, Fleet 2 (Greenwich) +1 representing a 100% gain while our largest fleet (Newport) managed to get some recently inactive boats back on the racecourse. Thank you to fleet captains John Gronberg, Tom McManus and Ted Slee for their leadership.

## Right: Feel the Teal

Our class gracefully turned 50 in 2013. Six years have lapsed, and we remain the finest one design class today. Our skippers and crews continue to raise the standard. Having begun this column with lyrics by the Chairman, it’s only appropriate to conclude in a similar style.

*“I’ve been up and down and over and out, and I know one thing  
Each time I find myself flat on my face, I pick myself up and get back in the race”*

That’s Life - Frank Sinatra, 1966  
Music and Lyrics by Dean Kay and Kelly Gordon



Eric Anderson  
Tiburon #191  
Shields Class President

# 55th Shields National Regatta Welcome



## CHICAGO YACHT CLUB

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Chicago Yacht Club, Shields Fleet 3, and Co-chairs Kristian Martincic and Mike Schwartz cordially invite you to compete in the 2019 Shields National Championship. This year's regatta will be staged September 19 thru 22.

Visit our new club website at [chicagoyachtclub.org](http://chicagoyachtclub.org) to register and view the NOR and race documents.

If it helps with your expenses, we can promise you free launching, mast stepping, trailer storage and temporary mooring at our Belmont Harbor facility. We're offering a \$325 reimbursement for travel of over 400 miles. Our location is ideal for a Chicago 'on the town' experience as well. The Belmont Club is near Wrigley Field and many of our town's best eateries. CYC's Monroe station is walking distance to several great Museums and the Art Institute as well as the famous 'loop'. I'd like to promise perfect weather too, but though the September odds are with us, past experience oft makes foolish the wise.

For early arrivals, please join us for the **Chicago Regatta, Saturday, September 14**. Our practice race will be held on **Thursday, September 19**. Do register early so that we may provide you with the best possible housing options.

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## History of Shields Fleet 3

Home to the 2019 Nationals, the Chicago Fleet 3 has an interesting history.

Corny Shields made a presentation to Columbia Yacht Club directed to the members of the Dragon Class. Many Dragons were in the throes of a dry rot problem. All lake boats were exposed to similar problems, but the cost/benefit ratio was particularly unfavorable for Dragons. Shields donated over 100 boats to colleges around the country, including several to the Northwestern University Sailing Club. Columbia sailors joined in and Fleet 3 began life sailing out of Chicago's Monroe Harbor.



Among the first Columbia members to purchase boats were Warren Leib and Otto Stossel. Warren was a professional photographer and his father Jack was famous as the first photographer to land on the beaches of Normandy. Otto, also an accomplished sailor, had introduced Buddy Melges to his wife, and Buddy was a friend of the fleet. At Otto's invitation, Buddy filled the club at Columbia to capacity with a chalk talk promoting Shields racing. Otto's son, John, of television fame was crew, but preferred dinghy racing at Columbia.

In 1992, one design racing at Columbia had dwindled to one fleet and Race Committee support had become problematic. In contrast, Luders, 22 Sq Meters, Udells, Etchells and Lasers were racing actively at Chicago Yacht Club's Belmont station. The logistical problems of moorings and membership changes for an entire fleet were daunting, but the move was made successfully, and Shields Fleet 3 now calls beautiful Belmont Harbor its home.

**Below Left: Sundance**

**Below Right: Peanut**

**Bottom: Belmont Harbor panorama**



## From the Builder

Dear Readers:

Our articles typically include some tidbit of information to help owners keep their boats afloat. For this Masthead, we thought we might give you an update on how we keep Cape Cod Shipbuilding Co. afloat as we are celebrating 120 years in business. I suspect many of you know, but Cape Cod Shipbuilding is a family run business as Les Goodwin purchased the company from another family in 1939. We recently were honored at the Family Business Association conference in the category of endurance. Here's what Wendy had to say when accepting the award:

"Although the three generations of Goodwins that have been at the helm of our boatyard for the past 80 years have had similar traits, we also are individuals with our own strengths & weaknesses. Grandpa had these big bushy eyebrows & could reduce you to the size of a flea with a glance. Besides his ability to calculate complexities correctly, he also had a marvelous way with words and managed to encourage people to part with their money in exchange for a boat or a fleet. Dad is known for his kindness & understanding but also for his steadfast traditions. By example, Dad continues to show the next generation how to be tolerant & resourceful. Having had the luxury of working with both Grandpa & Dad, I hope I embody small amounts of all their traits. Like the compass on a binnacle of a ship, our subtle differences have kept Cape Cod Shipbuilding on course for 120 years, slightly adjusting our heading when tides & conditions change.

When learning to sail, beginners are taught rules, which boats have the right of way & intern they learn respect for others, and for Mother Nature. Sailors carry that respect for others with them as they step back onto land. It's quite remarkable to watch the transformation when a kid without much responsibility or care is thrust into a challenge on the water where they end up more respectful & rule abiding on the other side. A skill like sailing still does that for people all over the country & I'm proud to say our beginner boats have had a small part in turning young people who may not have had the kindest of upbringings into respectful human beings. **Below Right: Wendy, Gordon and Dan Goodwin**

Thank you to the customers who have given us the chance to build such beautiful works of floatable art. What we make turns heads. Sleek, stylish & functional. Thank you to the Cape Cod Shipbuilding employees who have become part of our family & without them we just wouldn't be. For this opportunity tonight my family & I are grateful to the FBA & all of its contributors. It's a pleasure to be recognized among these families as we all continue to make it work through the generations."

The Goodwins  
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# Monterey Defends Ocean-Great Lakes Challenge Cup on Home Waters

By Eric Anderson

While it has been only six years since the reintroduction of this famous trophy and challenge format event, the Ocean-Great Lakes Challenge has quickly become an important part of Shields lore during its short, but successful run.

The Challenge Cup was contested this year in Monterey, April 26-28. Nine crews representing five fleets came to the starting line. Throughout the weekend we enjoyed sunny skies and wind conditions which varied from 7 to 11 kts. sustained with occasional gusts. The southerly breeze created a calm sea state throughout the regatta without the rolling waves associated with our typical westerlies. Otters, sea lions and dolphins showed up to welcome our visiting sailors, but unfortunately no whales were spotted this year. It seems our returning visitors kept their notes from the 2016 Nationals for performing well in Monterey Bay - Go Left!



**Below: Chaste#170, Stillwater#103, Helen#257, Yankee#187, Delaplaine#139 and Glory#158**



Tiburon #191 edged out Bit~O~Honey #237 in the closest OGLC finish to date. There was a tight grouping at the top during most of the regatta, with four individual race winners across the regatta's seven contests. In the final race, Tiburon finished second to Yankee #187, but needed a little help from fellow Monterey crews Helen #257 in third and Stillwater #103 in fourth, to claim victory over the remarkably consistent Bit~O~Honey of Beverly

Yacht Club. In addition to Ken Deyett's Marion Crew, we were pleased to have Ron Oard and his crew from Newport and John Gronberg's team from our newest fleet in Holland, Michigan.

Scheduling an event of this magnitude so early in the racing calendar has its risks. We have had a long, wet winter with several Wednesday weather cancellations. In May 2015, our only previous hosting of OGLC, we faced sustained breeze greater than 15 kts. throughout with gusts over 20 kts. Watching the weather was a regular part everyone's daily routine in the weeks prior.

We shared a racing circle with the Ultimate 20 Class who were holding their Pacific Coast Championships alongside our Shields regatta. Any concerns about sufficient spacing to deconflict mark roundings between the two fleets were quickly resolved by our excellent local PRO Mike Gross and his team of MPYC race committee volunteers.

An event like this cannot be hosted without the support of the entire yacht club marshalling its collective resources. We are indebted to the club and fleet members who offered to house visiting sailors, the Shields owners who made their boats available for use, our club manager, Dylan Jones and his staff for their creativity, flexibility and attentiveness to our local racers and out of town guests.

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**Left: Tiburon Crew: Jon Dean, Rob Vann, Randy Shore, Doug Deppe & Eric Anderson. Lily Robnett (not shown)**

**Historical Perspective on this Trophy:** The OGLC traces its origins back to 1915 when Addison G. Hanan accepted the challenge from Chicago Yacht Club Commodore William Lydon. Hanan was among the most admired boat architects and skilled skippers in Long Island Sound during the early part of the 20th Century. Mr. Lydon's purpose was to prove the skill of midwestern yachtsmen were the equal of the east coast's top sailors of the day. Both clubs competed in the P Class Sloops. Flying the burgee of Indian Harbor YC, Hanan easily won each

race by several minutes to claim the inaugural Challenge Cup. It seems that Commodore Lydon's vision, although premature, ultimately prevailed in 1948 when Chicago was able to win back the trophy. The cup's 33 year absence from CYC created separation anxiety among the flag officers who decided the cup should remain in Chicago forever. Those traveling to nationals this year will have the opportunity to see the Ocean Great-Lakes Challenge Cup where it is permanently housed at CYC's Monroe Station.



**Visiting Crews - Right: Flt 10 Curtis Johnson, Ken Deyett (behind boom) Dan Berry, Rich Robbins and Kevin Berry**



**Left: Flt 17 Ron Oard, Laurette Cherry, Pamela Coleman, Kara Acosta & Greg Gahlinger**



**Right: Flt 18 William Clarke, Russell Six, John Gronberg & Jon Tasker**

## 2020 Ocean-Great Lakes Challenge

The OGLC competition will return to Buzzard's Bay. Fleet 10 and Beverly Yacht Club will be our hosts June 26-28, 2020

## Fleet News

### Fleet 1, Larchmont Yacht Club

*Submitted by Douglas Millar*

This year we are pleased to announce the addition of a new member to Fleet One, Doug McKiege who has purchased #220 Natalie. We are also excited that #23 Rascal, will be racing actively with Com Crocker back at the helm, and that Shields #70 Coquetta's bottom paint might finally be dry and ready for launching. A running question for this season: Will Mike O'Connor be able to repeat as the Season Champ or will Fred Werblow and #25 Checkmate reclaim the title? Following 2018's strong competition from #176 Katherine in 2nd place, #221 Cornelia in 3rd, and #182 Lure close behind, this season will be competitive.

**Below: Com Crocker, Rascal #23**

Our season begins in earnest with the Memorial Day Regatta on May 25 & 26 and continues through to our Season Finale on September 28 & 29. In addition to the 121th Larchmont Race Week on July 13-14 and 20-21, Fleet One is hosting the Western Long Island Sound Districts Championships the first weekend of Race Week. Please join us for both Race Week and Districts, there will be wonderful festivities ashore as well. We hope to have a few boats compete in the National Championships.



In addition to our busy racing schedule, Fleet One will again offer non-competitive Friday Night Racing to get new Shields sailors out on the water. We hope you will join us this year for some racing and festive revelry ashore.

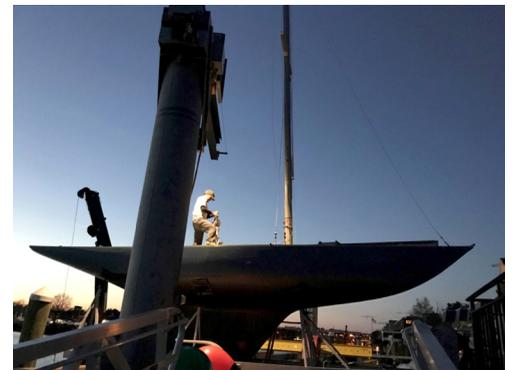
### Fleet 2, Indian Harbor Yacht Club

*Submitted by Tom McManus*

In 2018, Fleet 2 participated in the OGLC, IHYC Classic Yacht Regatta, Larchmont Race Week, and Twilight weekly racing. These regattas proved to be invaluable learning opportunities with solid cheer among old friends and new. Our 2019 season began April 6th when Circe was dry sailed at IHYC.

**Right: Mike McManus on Circe #207**

Jon Krumeich joined Fleet 2 with his purchase of boat 205. Jon grew up at IHYC in the junior program where he spent every summer of his childhood racing in Captain's Harbor. Jon is a history buff and liked the idea of getting into a classic boat that he could race one design. Boat 205 is of solid vintage and with Jon at the helm, it is a welcome addition to the fleet. See you in Chicago!



### Fleet 7, Naval Post Graduate Sailing Assoc.

*Submitted by Ron Giachetti*

Corny Shields endowed Monterey's Navy fleet with 4 boats in the early 1970's. In 2007, a surprise decision by the NPS commander forced a sale of the entire Shields fleet. However, we have remained active with



private ownership replacing government funding. In 2011 Retired Navy CAPT Laine McDaniel purchased #139 Aileen and paid for all sails, maintenance and racing fees to make Shields sailing a weekly activity for NPS students and faculty. In 2014, Delaplaine "Laine" McDaniel, sailor, businessman and philanthropist passed away leaving the "Navy Shields" among his legacies. **Left: #139's crew- LCDR Ted Haskell, LT Zishan Hameed, Ron Giachetti & LT Jason Carminati (not shown LT Rachel Hill)**

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**Fleet 7 News Continued** - Since his death, the NPS students and Laine's widow, Janet have jointly funded the operational upkeep of #139, Delaplaine, renamed in his memory. The Shields Class has had many heros throughout its history. In Monterey, one of them is Laine McDaniel.

**Fleet 8, Edgartown Yacht Club**

*Submitted by Steve Mettler*

The Edgartown Fleet had a good season of racing in 2018 and the honor of hosting the National Championship. Our regular season had seven boats register including #11 Déjà Vu (Tim Klein and Steve Mettler), #58 Undertaker (Rob Long and Stephen Potter), #219 Trouble (Jim Oakes and Goeffrey Carablad), #223 Aileen (Tim Bryan), #227 Calypso (David Brown), #230 Bolero (Bob DeVeer and Ian Smith), and #251 Amusing (Paul Mitchell). Our short fleet season, June to August, had competitive racing with typically 4-6 boats racing each weekend. **Left: Deja Vu #11**



Edgartown hosted the National Championship, September 6-8, 2018. We had seventeen boats competing, including thirteen visiting and four local boats. We were very fortunate to have some good winds on all days of racing, and thankful to those who helped to organize, support and participate. We were also

able to hold the regatta just before the major re-construction of our pier and clubhouse started. The construction is well along and looking forward to the grand opening.

On a reflective note, a long time sailor, John Klein retired this year from the foredeck of #11 Déjà Vu, and he will be missed. Tim Bryan is also retiring from Shields racing and has offered #223 Aileen for sale. #223 Aileen is a beautiful Shields and I hope that it will stay in Edgartown.

**Right: Deja Vu #11 Right: Aileen #223 at mooring**



Edgartown will be in full swing this summer and we hope to host some visitors for the Edgartown Regatta, July 11-13. Please register and contact me if you are coming and need help with arrangements.

**Fleet 9, Ida Lewis Yacht Club**

*Submitted by Ted Slee*

The 2019 Season has started here for Fleet 9 with 13 boats on a beautiful night. Scheduled are a Spring/Summer/Fall Wednesday Series and three Saturday Aloha Cup non-spinnaker racing Series. Our racing schedule gives local racers a chance to race in twenty-one Wednesday night and twelve Aloha Cup races.



Fleet registration is expected to be around 25 boats. Unfortunately the Newport Naval Station is going to sell some of their boats due to lack of use and limited funds. We are hoping to use these as entry level boats for owners on budgets who don't mind a bit of elbow grease to get them in race shape. **Left: Ida Lewis Yacht Club**

2018 Awards: Aloha Cup overall winner Peter Siegl Hawk 245 and Wednesday overall winner was Tim Dawson Aeolus 254, the crew of Lisa 59 was most improved and Peter Denton 226 Ultimate Pressure III had the best combined Wednesday and Weekend finishing scores.

2019 Fleet 9 Officers: Ted Slee 33 is Fleet Captain, John Burnham 107 Executive Director, Ron Oard 158 Treasurer, Kurt Edenbach 169 Secretary and Bill Doyle 222 Director at Large. Kim Roberts 143 is measurer and Tim Healy is sail measurer.

## Fleet 10, Beverly Yacht Club

*Submitted by William Berry*

The weather teased us in February but dashed our hopes in March and April. Fleet 10 will start racing just after Memorial Day. It has always been thus and that's just the way it is. We are a resilient fleet and although there has been some turnover, we will be stronger this year and the next. Ken Deyett's networking abilities are breathing new life into our fleet which has been a fixture of Beverly Yacht Club racing for over fifty years.

We currently have three series scheduled for both Thursday nights and Saturday afternoons. Even more exciting is the number of other regattas that we will support and in turn hope we will see corresponding support for our local regattas.

**The Island Bay Challenge Regatta-** A Shields event in Marion June 15-16. Originally for the Marion and Edgartown Shields with no entry fee. All Shields are welcome! Contact me [wberry5395@aol.com](mailto:wberry5395@aol.com) for event details for this event and for the Buzzard's Bay Regatta.

**The Newport Regatta/New England Championship** We expect three Marion boats.

**The Edgartown Regatta** We are expecting to send three or four boats.

**The Buzzards Bay Regatta** is held in Marion for Shields August 4-5.

**Shields Nationals in Chicago** We plan to have four or five competing.

Again, Fleet 10 is willing to travel to support the class and welcomes you to our regattas.

## Fleet 12, Monterey Peninsula Yacht Club

*Submitted by Rebecca Brock*



I've never forgotten this night over 6 years ago. I was a newbie to sailing and quite honestly didn't contribute much to that win, but it still felt amazing! I soaked it all in.

We barely made it to the start in time, and into a starting sequence that was so relaxed. I remember thinking, "Are they serious about racing?" Then, 4,3,2,1...short horn! Surprise to me we just won the start. The rest of the race was just like that, relaxed, with no raised voices or commands and finally winning! I couldn't believe it!

**Left: 2013 Crew- Ashley Hobson, Keely Scates, Kate Conway, Juli Alexander & Becky Brock**

Now, fast forward six years from that amazing win, I find myself partnering an all-girl boat with my friend Erin. This is the start of our second season together, and I love every minute of it. I get the chance to learn from these rock-star ladies, many of whom have grown up sailing around the world!

It's fun! It's therapeutic! It's friendship! **Right: 2019 Crew- Erin Madeira, Shandy Carroll, Jessica Jenks-Bunn, Brittany Brubaker & Becky Brock**



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## Fleet 17, Coaster's Island Navy Yacht Club

*Submitted by Ron Oard*

The crew of 158 Glory traveled to Monterey to participate in the Ocean-Great Lakes Challenge in April. The racing conditions were ideal, and everyone had a great time on the water. Well done to everyone at Monterey Peninsula Yacht Club, organizers, boat loaners, hosts, and RC for putting together such a spectacular event.

**Right: Pamela Coleman, Ron Oard, Kara Acosta & Greg Gahlinger.**



Fleet 17 members have two boats in the water for racing, but only Glory is chartered to race this year. We hope another skipper will turn up. 163 Ann, has been prepared by volunteers for that eventuality. Due to the declining usage of Shields, the Navy has decided to sell two. We hope they find a good home.

Wednesday racing with Shields Fleet 9 began early this year, May 8th and there are a number of weekend racing events also planned. Fleet 17's George Winslow Regatta is Saturday, July 20th.

## Fleet 19, Mason's Island Yacht Club

*Submitted by Bob Banas*

The 2019 season will be a celebration of the 19th anniversary of Fleet 19. It seems like just yesterday Class President Bryce Muir wrote in the Masthead "It is also my great pleasure to announce the formation of another new fleet, Fleet 19 in Mystic, Connecticut." Over the past 18 years we've experienced intense competition, honed our sailing skills and enjoyed great camaraderie. By the way, we're still having a wonderful time!

In May members of the fleet gathered for our annual spring business meeting. We will be continuing our Thursday July and August Series to the delight of the MIYC sailing "tifosi" who cheer for their favorites as they sip wine and munch canapes. Thursday evening racing is truly a spectacle at MIYC. We invite all Shields sailors to join us as a spectator or crew. If you're in Mystic first gun is at 1715 hours. We also added the prestigious Red Lobdell Memorial Regatta to our five race weekend series. The winner of the Weekend Series is awarded the Anthony P. Halsey Trophy. Betsy Lebel is joining PRO Kevin Miller and Pam Gibbs on our race committee.

The emphasis here at Fleet 19 continues to be on the development of a program to introduce young sailors in their teens and early twenties to Shields racing. Last season the Honan family made their boat available to a young team that, with a seasoned mentor aboard, was very competitive. We hope to build on that success this year.

## Fleet 21, Tred Avon Yacht Club

*Submitted by Harry Seamans*



Our spring season started with light winds, but the weather prediction was for much more. We had seven boats signed up for the Spring Series with six boats on the starting line our first day. We managed to get in two races for the spring series. Drew Kellogg's "DRAGONFLY" won both races. We are continuing the Jim Thompson Cup, our second-year attempt at match racing. This is a whole new gamut for our race committee and for us, we will need at least six Shields for this to work. Last year's Thompson Cup proved to be lots of fun. **Left: Oxford Fleet**

We are very pleased to host the Shields Nationals in 2020 and pleased that Peter Bailey will once again be our Organizing Committee Chair. Please make plans to join us in the Chesapeake.