



## SHIELDS ONE DESIGN CLASS

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Wednesday, September 18, 2024

Secretary's Report, Annual Meeting, Shields Class Association, Larchmont YC

Dear Members:

Thank you all for your time tonight, it has been a pleasure serving the class this past year as Secretary.

First, I would like to thank Rich Robbins, our Webmaster for being my backboard this whole year. As secretary my responsibilities include organizing correspondence, maintaining records of awards, award recipients, the class website, and our list of registered yachts. Rich handles many of these tasks.

I am happy to report that all our 2025 Shields Nationals competitors have paid their dues and are members in good standing of our association. Our class is happy and healthy. There is renewed enthusiasm in our class largely through the work of our fleet captains, officers, and foundation. Where other classes have gone dormant, we are now celebrating our 60<sup>th</sup> National Regatta.

Nationals Participation has been very strong over the past 4 years:

- 2021 @ Oxford – 20 Boats
- 2022 @ Newport – 34 Boats
- 2023 @ Marion – 26 Boats
- 2024 @ Larchmont – 23 Boats
- Average = ~26 Boats over 4 years
- 2025 @ Edgartown – 2 Boats (so far)

Reviewing some statistics from our website records:

- Individual Members:
  - 624 individuals registered to 17 different fleets (perhaps fewer are active), representing 154 boats.
- Boat Statistics:
  - 259 Hulls were produced.
  - 15+ confirmed destroyed.
  - 15 remain missing.

- ~200 known boats in existence.
- 55 of these boats are not associated with a fleet.
- Perhaps 150 boats are still raced or could be
- 36 Boats are registered on the West Coast
- Quick Fleet Numbers:
  - Newport, Fleet 9 – 45 Boats (29 registered)
  - Larchmont, Fleet 1 – 19 Boats
  - Marion, Fleet 10 – 16 Boats (8 registered)
  - 7&12 – 14 Boats
  - Oxford, Fleet 21 – 13 Boats
  - IHYC, Fleet 2 – 1 Boat (1 registered)
- New Fleets:
  - Daniel Island, Fleet 22 – 4 Boats
  - Black Rock, Fleet 11- 1 Boat
- Potential New Fleets:
  - Maine – 7 Boats in the state.

These numbers reflect that our fleet is doing good things. I look forward to helping the class continue this momentum into 2025.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jonathan Krumeich, Secretary  
Shields Class Association