



## SHIELDS ONE DESIGN CLASS

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Wednesday, September 18, 2024

Presidents Report, Annual Meeting, Shields Class Association, Larchmont YC

Dear Shields Class Association:

It has been my pleasure to serve over the last year. I started the year with three simple priorities for the class.

Our priority was to sponsor National Events (Nationals, OGLC, broader participation at local events). In 2024, we had four events national and local supported and promoted by the Shields Class – the Ocean-Great Lakes Challenge in Monterrey in Monterrey; the annual NYYC Regatta; the Edgartown Regatta; the classics Regatta in Indian Harbor; and now the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Nation National's in Larchmont. I want to specifically thank Jerry Stratton in Monterrey for hosting the OGLC this year. In the future, we are planning a number of events including National Championship regattas in Edgartown in 2025, Oxford in 2026, and Newport in 2027. Thank you to the class and local fleets for supporting these events and the other planned events.

Our second priority is sustaining the class (finding and restoring boats, promoting to new sailors). This was best demonstrated by the Shields Class Foundation which has taken on restoring four boats and has promoted participation locally to a significant number of junior and female sailors. In Edgartown, we have had significant participation from junior sailors from Sail MV this year which has benefited our class and local racing. I will let Eric comment on broader progress more specifically, and I thank the Foundation and its contributors for making this effort possible.

Our third priority is maintaining class rules and design, and our Corinthian spirit. There is more to do in this area to maintain a fair and uniform class while being accessible. The feature which has made shields sailing so enjoyable is the relative parity of our class and racers. I encourage each of you at the fleet level to maintain compliance of your boats and rosters.

I would like to recognize and thank the 2024 Shields Class Officers for their service and support...

Secretary:	Jonathan Krumeich, Fleet 3
Treasurer:	Jay Dayton, Fleet 21
Measurer:	Ken Deyett, Fleet 10
VP:	Dan Ronan, Fleet 1
VP:	Ted Slee, Fleet 9
VP:	Tom McManus, Fleet 11
VP:	Ron Oard, Fleet 17

VP: Jim Wirtz, Fleet 12  
VP: Lee Reichart, Fleet 19

Special thanks and recognition to Richard Robbins (webmaster) and Eric Anderson (Masthead) for their tireless efforts supporting the class.

I would also like to thank Larchmont Yacht Club, Fleet #1, for hosting the 60<sup>th</sup> annual national championship including the leadership that made this event possible...

Event Co-chairman - Doug Millar Matt Tym

Fleet#1 Captain - Matt Hays

Regatta Committee Co-Chairman - Mark Dailey & Cynthia Parthemos

Principal Race Officer - Peter Gerard

Protest Committee Chair - Com Crocker

Waterfront Director - Joel Labuzetta

Thank you for the opportunity to support the class.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Mettler, President  
Shields Class Association

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  - VP: Ron Oard, Fleet 17
  - VP: Jim Wirtz, Fleet 12
  - VP: Lee Reichart, Fleet 19
- Appointed, non-voting
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  - Historian: Jan Slee
  - Webmaster: Richard Robbins
  - Masthead: Eric Anderson
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