American David Loring wins Sunfish World Championship
Martinetti Finishes in Top Spot at International Junior Championship

By Thierry S. Huguenin
The Bahamas has ended up being somewhat of a good luck charm for David Loring.

The Charleston, South Carolina native won his third Sunfish World Championships in Nassau on Friday, October 23, 2009 with a net total of 28.6 points. He got his first championship title in 1995 in Abaco, the last time the event was held in The Bahamas.

The gruelling championship came down to the final moments of the last regatta.

“Physically it was as tough as it got. I've never been through a Worlds or any regatta at this level where it's come down to the last 200 yards,” Loring said, “I was actually losing the regatta as I rounded the last mark. As I made it into the home stretch, I was sixth and I needed to be fourth in order to win overall. I managed to pass three boats in a fight to the finish and ended up coming third in that race to win overall.”

His last minute rally put fellow Americans Paul-Jon Patin (30 points) in second place and David Mendelblatt (32 points) in third. Three-time Sunfish World Champion Donnie Martinborough was the Bahamas’ top finisher, coming in 13th overall (156 points). Charles Kelly was the three-time World Champion David Loring waves as he crosses the finish line to clinch the championship in the 2009 Sunfish Worlds. Left: Loring proudly displays his trophy. (Photos: Robert Dunkley)

Paul-Jon Patin wins 2009 US Masters
By Connie Miller
The 2009 US Masters Championship was held at the Lewes Yacht Club in Lewes, DE on September 27, 28 and 29. The fleet of 36 would have had several more boats, but a few sailors, seeing the conditions, opted out.

The Northeast wind began blowing on Friday, so the practice race was called off as most of us were saving ourselves for Saturday. The wind did not disappoint, switching to the east at 15-20 kt with gusts to 25 kt by 10:30 am. The wind held all day.

Paul-Jon Patin (Forest Hills, NY) was in his element with four bullets and Tom Whitehurst (Pensacola, FL) held on to second in each of the four races. The Race Committee delighted in watching the top boats sail the leeward legs. After four races we were down to 22 boats and the RC called it for the day.

Sunday was a different story, with light winds building to 10 kt by the end of the third race of the day. Chris Williams (Wilmington, DE) played the shifts and won the first race with...
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Letters to the Editor

Letter to Junior Sailors from

This is a message I wrote for the Junior Sailors. I read it during the award ceremony of the Junior International event and would like to publish it in the next Windward Leg.

Dear Junior Sailors:

I would like to express how proud I feel for each one of you participating in this event. As you continue your way into your lives as grown individuals, you will find a lot of similarities with your current experiences and honored in February at a series of events.

You will realize that the wind will not always blow from the North at 15 knots, and sometimes you will find currents & waves hitting your boat. But you are learning how to rig your boat according to the strength of the wind and to take good care of it.

You are learning how to do a good start on every day’s race. You are learning when it is the appropriate moment to tack, to jibe, or to do a 720 to clear a mistake. Today you are learning to apply the rules with justice and to defend your rights.

And the most important: you are learning that the other participants are not your opponent but your friends, and you have a great opportunity to build relationships and to discover love, which is the base for a happy life.

So, as you can see, you have it all right here, right now. Be confident with yourself and never give up your dreams.

The Sunfish Family welcomes Junior Sailors with open arms. With us, you will find not only fun, but also a good opportunity to enjoy high competition level and the chance to get a medal for your country at the Pan Am Games and other regional games of the Olympic cycle.

Welcome and I look forward to seeing you in the next events!

Sincerely,

Andres Santana
ISCA President

Two Sunfish Sailors Shortlisted for 2009 US Sailing Rolex Yachtsman of the Year

It was an outstanding year of achievement on-the-water during the 2009 calendar year: American men won nine world championships. The Sunfish Class has two members, one its reigning World Champion, in consideration for the award.

Sunfish sailor nominees are 2009 Sunfish World Champion David Loring (Charleston, S.C.) and 2009 Lightning World Champion Matt Fisher (Columbus, Ohio). The nominees will be reviewed by a panel of noted sailing journalists who discuss the merits of each nominee and vote to determine US SAILING’s Rolex Yachtsman and Yachtswoman of the Year awards.

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Gail M. Turluck
USSCA Secretary

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Dear Sunfish Sailors:

The year 2009 is closing with important achievements that are very promising for the future.

The second International Junior Championship was successfully finished with the participation of 25 young sailors from 10 countries and 3 continents, taking us closer to the ISAF requirements to allow the use of the World Championship title. Jonathan Martinetti, from Ecuador, won the competition after winning the Sunfish Junior North Americans, the Sunfish North Americans, and the Laser 4.7 World Championship, sending a good promotion message to the Sailing community about our Class. Congratulations to Jonathan!

The 39th Sunfish World Championship was also a great success with the participation of 72 sailors from 13 countries and 3 continents. Both events, Junior & Open Worlds, were organized by the Nassau Yacht Club. The Sunfish Class extends special thanks to the whole team of volunteers and club staff for one of the best events in class history.

Congratulations to David Loring for his third World Champion title. I'd like to extend a special recognition to the Van Aanholt family for their enthusiasm in participating in both events and taking home a lot of trophies. They are a live example of the great time families have in our Class. (See the story about the Van Aanhols on page 9 of this issue.)

The Bolivarian Games Sailing Event took place in Salinas World News

Medal Male Sailors Female Sailors
Gold Edgar Diminich (ECU) Kamila Sabogal (ECU)
Silver Jonathan Martinetti (ECU) Daniela Zimmermann (PER)
Bronze Alexander Zimmermann (PER) Arianna Villena (ECU)

The year 2010 looks very good, too, with these events planned: the celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the Sunfish Worlds in Punta Ala, Italy (June 12-19), the 3rd Junior International event in Sayville Yacht Club, USA (July 15-18), the 2009 South Americans in Tomine, Colombia (Jan 13-17), the 2010 South Americans in Paracas, Peru (Nov 24-28), the Central America & Caribbean Games in Puerto Rico (Jul 20-30), the North Americans in Mattituck Yacht Club, USA (Jul 20-25) and the qualifying regattas for the Pan Am Games Guadalajara 2011, especially the Pre-Pan Am Regatta being held in Mexico next October, among other very important events.

I believe this dynamism we are experiencing in the Class at the international level is sending a clear message to the Pan Am countries to look at the Sunfish Class as a great opportunity to achieve results for a lot of sailors who do not meet the bio-type for the Laser Class. Countries like Argentina, Chile, Brasil, and Cuba are starting to appreciate this reality.

Finally, I would like to close this year 2009 wishing a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and lots of blessings for the year 2010 to the whole Sunfish Family.

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Yacht Club, Ecuador, November 14-19, with the participation of Panama, Venezuela, Peru, Ecuador and Bolivia. The Sunfish Class, as a Pan Am Class, became very important for the event. Congratulations to the winners:
Loring wins Sunfish World Championship (continued from page 1)

Seventy-two sailors representing 14 countries competed in the event, which was hosted by the Nassau Yacht Club.

"The level of the competition was really good. The top five competitors were fighting until the very last race, which made the regatta really exciting. The hosts did a wonderful job of putting on this event," said Andres Santana, International Sunfish Class president.

The top 10 finishers as well as the first female overall and top finishers in the master divisions were all presented with one-of-a-kind driftwood with bronze sea life sculpture trophies created by Pete Johnston's Foundry in Abaco. The Ministries of Tourism and Youth, Sports and Culture and a number of corporate sponsors including Pictet Bank & Trust, Atlantis and Fun Foods Wholesale (Nestle Ice Cream) lent much needed logistical and financial support.
Sunfish World Championship  
Nassau YC - Nassau, BAH  
October 16-24, 2009

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### Starting the Race

#### PHOTO: ROBERT DUNKLEY

Willo Cappelleti of Peru

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Ann Cottrell Patin of the USA

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Willo Cappelleti of Peru

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### 2009 Worlds Special Recognition Awards

- **Dave Thompson Memorial Trophy** - William (Chris) Sands, BAH
- **Sportsmanship** - Alyson Myers, CAN
- **Furthest travelled** - Mathieu De By, Marie-Christine Breeveld, Paul Van Alphen and Piet Bankerson, NED
- **Youngest** - David Lorchbaugh (14), USVI
- **Oldest** - Pedro Wassitsch (78), AUS
- **Top Woman** - Filipina Van Aanholt, CUR
- **Top Master** - Paul-Jon Patin, USA
- **Top Grand Master** - Greg Gust, USA
- **Top Junior** - Ard Van Aanholt, CUR
- **Near Death Experience award** - Josh Tosco, Laser Performance
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### Sunfish World Championship

1. David Loring, USA  
2. Paul-Jon Patin, USA  
3. David Mendelblatt, USA  
4. Peter Stanton, USVI  
5. Mark Chirinos, VEN  
6. Malcolm Smith RES  
7. Juan Delgado Hurtado, GUA  
8. Arden Van Aanholt, CUR  
9. Mathieu De By, NED  
10. Cor Van Aanholt, CUR  
11. Greg Gust, USA  
12. Chip Clifton, USA  
13. Donald Martinborough, BAH  
14. Sikpe Stapert, BON  
15. Jose Gutierrez, VEN  
16. Mark Simmons, CUR  
17. Philippe Van Aanholt, CUR  
18. Rich Chapman, USA  
19. Hank Saurage, USA  
20. Guillermo Cappelleti, PER  
21. Seth Siegler, USA  
22. Andrea Bennett, GUA  
23. Charles Kelly, BAH  
24. Jurgen Schneider, CUR  
25. William Betts, USA  
26. Josh Kerst, USA  
27. William Sands, BAH  
28. Eric Woodman, USA  
29. Peter Bankerson, NED  
30. Fernando De Cardenas, BAH  
31. Niek Kort, CUR  
32. Gavin McKinney, BAY  
33. Daniel Norton, USA  
34. Chad Coberly, USA  
35. Paul Van Alphen, NED  
36. Andrew Wilhoyte, BAH  
37. Luis T. Nunez, VEN  
38. Bill F. Brainforte, USA  
39. Ravi Subramanian, USA  
40. James Low, BAY  
41. Jeffrey Gale, BAY  
42. Peter-Brue Wassitsch, BAY  
43. Francisco Almon, VEN  
44. Tony Collins, USA  
45. John A. Butine, USA  
46. Donico Brown, BAY  
47. Germany Damianos, BAY  
48. Steven W. Evans, USA  
49. Ted O'Brien, BAY  
50. Michael Holowenko, BAY  
51. Alex Roose, CUR  
52. Lee Montes, USA  
53. Dwayne Walls, BAY  
54. Fernando I. Monzor, PR  
55. Matthew McCoy, USA  
56. Roberto Kazbitowski, VEN  
57. Brent Evans, USA  
58. Lee McCoy, IRE  
59. Charles Clifton, USA  
60. Ed Hill, USA  
61. David (DJ) Lorchbaugh Jr., USVI  
62. Marshall Woodson, USA  
63. Lee Creekmore, USA  
64. Loni Low, BAY  
65. Brent (BJ) Burrows, BAY  
66. Nicky Einthoven, USA  
67. Anne Cottrell Patin, USA  
68. Nieves Barreda, VEN  
69. Pedro Wassitsch, AUS  
70. David McCoy, USA  
71. Marie-Christine Breeveld, NED  
72. Alyson Myers, CAN
Ecuador's Jonathan Martinetti Continues his Domination in Junior Fleet

First published in The Tribune (Bahamas), Tuesday, October 20, 2009

Ecuador's Johnathan Martinetti continued his domination of the Sunfish sailing world Saturday, winning the 2009 International Junior Sunfish Championships in Nassau.

The 17-year-old has had an impressive streak this year, already winning the 2009 Sunfish North American Championship and the Laser 4.7 Worlds held in Buzios, Brazil. Martinetti beat out 24 other top junior sailors representing 10 countries, placing first in four of the six regattas.

"Sailing here was kind of different because the wind was shifting, but the regattas were very, very competitive," he said. Puerto Rico's Fernando Monllor placed second and Philippine Van Aanholt finished with third place honours and was also the top placing female competitor.

Regatta Chairman Paul Hutton is pleased with the level of competition and the way the event played out. "These are very talented young men and women that we've had competing here over the last few days," he said, "We had two days of good racing with enough wind on the course, especially considering these were juniors and not seniors."

Six Bahamian juniors competed in the championships. Christopher Sands, who won Junior Nationals this summer, was the top Bahamian with an 8th place finish.

The top junior sailors of 2009 with their uniquely designed trophies:
From left: Paul Hutton, Regatta Chairman; Jonathan Martinetti, 1st, Ecuador; Jose Gutierrez, 4th, Venezuela; Youngest competitor, Olivia Gugliemini, USA; Fernando Monllor, 2nd, Puerto Rico; Mathieu de By, 5th, Holland; Philippine Van Aanholt, 3rd and top female Caracca; Brent Burrows, Nassau Yacht Club Commodore; Andres Santana, International Sunfish Class Association President. (Photo: Robert Dunkley)
Sunfish Worlds 2009 – a Family Affair

By Marjolein van Aanholt-Grol

What is more fun than sailing a Sunfish Worlds alone? Sailing the Worlds with your family and friends. The 1980 Sunfish World Champion Cor van Aanholt was charmed by the idea of President of the Curaçao Sunfish Association Alex Roose, who suggested they try to qualify for the 2009 Worlds with all the sailors in his family. Besides himself that would be wife Marjolein, and kids Philipine (17), Ard (15), Just (13) and Odile (11).

When the kids were very young Cor took them along in the Sunfish. At the age of three Ard sailed his first regatta in a Sunfish on the lap of his father. When the kids got older Cor let them take the tiller extension to steer, while showing them what was happening during the races. Around the age of six they all started sailing in an Optimist. At the same time they started sailing the Sunfish with two young kids together in the boat. The Curaçao Sunfish Association even had to make rules about the total amount of weight both sailors could have. During that period youth sailing became extremely popular in Curaçao and top class coaches were invited to raise the level of Optimist sailors. Young Curaçao sailors started to travel to international events in Optimist, Splash, Laser 4.7, and Laser Radial. In 2008 Curaçao organized the North American Optimist Championship with 204 kids from 25 countries and 5 continents. And now these former Optimist kids are also sailing Sunfish. Every Saturday morning a group of 15 young sailors start their weekend with a Sunfish training at the Spanish water. At the local regatta the much older experienced Sunfish sailors are not surprised anymore to be beaten once in a while by the fanatic teenagers.

Philipine van Aanholt, who usually sails Laser Radial and Splash, clearly Curaçao’s best female sailor, qualified for the Worlds and was excited to try a different boat. Ard, in the middle of his puberty advised his mother, Marjolein, who sailed twice a Sunfish Worlds, not to participate. He had two reasons for this: A. he did not want his mother to mess up his starts and B. she would probably end up in the bottom half and therefore lower the total average score of team Curacao. He did not want to be embarrassed by his mother. And if she was sailing who would take care of him? Big issues for a teenager. When teenagers Mathieu de By from the Netherlands and Fernando Monllor from Puerto Rico asked to team up with the Van Aanholt family, Marjolein decided to enjoy the Bahamas without sailing the Worlds. The youngest two kids had clinics and regattas in the Optimist and Byte and were still too light to sail the Sunfish all alone. So Cor ended up sailing the Worlds with his two teenage kids.

For the first time in his life Cor sailed a major championship against his offspring. At all local regattas he had never been defeated by his son or his daughter. With his experience and talent he was always able to win the mostly short races. But how would he do against his talented and in physical good shape kids in a longer championship?

Philipine, Ard, Mathieu and Fernando first sailed the Junior event and Cor advised them with the rigging and analyzed the races with them afterwards. With Fernando second overall and Philipine third overall and first girl Mathieu and Ard in the top ten, the teenagers were well prepared to start the Worlds. Cor, who turned 50 this year, was out of shape, so he had to rely on his amazing talent for sailing. Still he was looking forward to the family battle.

The wind in the Bahamas was much stronger than expected. This was thought to be an advantage for Cor, but Ard proved differently. From day one Ard showed his dad that he was serious about the game. Surprising the Sunfish sailors with a race victory in the second race Ard started the championship well. At night in the rented house at the dinner table all races were fiercely analyzed with moving silverware and glasses being boats and marks. Within the Curaçao team bets were made who would be the best within the Van Aanholt family. Cor who is known for his good starts was surprised more than once to meet Philipine and Ard at the first mark. While Cor had to rely on his experience he had to work hard to stay in the top ten. The kids quickly adapted to the boat and were eager to prevail. The final score within the Van Aanholt Competition: Ard (8), Cor (10) Philipine (17)

Looking at the difference in age in the top ten it can be concluded that this class is attractive to sailors varying in age. We saw top ten results for sailors ranging in age from 15 to 50. It would be great to see more families in the Sunfish class, as the boat is surely suitable for more family affairs.

"Sailing this Sunfish Worlds with my kids is very special to me. I'm immensely happy to be able to share this event with my kids", Cor concludes.

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WORLD COUNCIL MEETING
Nassau Yacht Club
October 21, 2009

World Council Members Present: Andres Santana (President), Derek Jackson for Richard L. Tillman (Past President), Paul-Jon Patin (Vice President), Terry Beadle (Secretary), Patricia Manning (Treasurer), Andres Santana (ISAF Representative), Guillermo Cappelletti for Chris Williams (Advisory Council Representative), Guillermo Cappelletti (Advisory Council Representative), Brent Richards (Builder Representative), Terry Beadle for Joel Furman (Membership Chairman), Alex Roose for Richard van der Wal (Aruba), Donnie Martinborough (Bahamas), Malcolm Smith (Bermuda), Alex Roose (Curacao), Andres Santana for Samuel Mendoza (Dominican Republic), Greta Dekker-Bruning (Holland), Guillermo Cappelletti (Peru), Andres Santana for Carlos Saevedra (Puerto Rico), Peter Stanton (US VI), Derek Jackson (USA), Paul-Jon Patin for Eduardo Cordero (Venezuela).

Roll Calls: President Santana called the meeting to order at 7:17 p.m. Roll call was taken and it was determined that a quorum was present. Each recognized NSCA was entitled to one vote. The USA with 1214 members was entitled to two additional votes, making their total three votes.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: The minutes of the last meeting were approved as published in the Windward Leg.

Presidents Report: President Santana gave a list of his activities for the year (see attached Presidents report).

He attended the first Junior Championship in Lake Bluff in 2008. There were 12 competitors from 7 countries.

In October 2008 he went to the South Americans in Manta Ecuador where there were 26 competitors from 6 nations. It was a very good event with a lot of Juniors. Almost half the fleet was Juniors.

During this visit to Ecuador he visited the Salinas Yacht Club where the 2012 Sunfish Worlds will be held. It is a very nice yacht club with all the facilities we need. They have a lot of experience hosting major regattas.

In November 2008 he went to Madrid for the ISAF annual meeting. During this visit he went to Italy to have my first meeting with the Italian Sunfish Class. In Milan several Italian NSCA members were present. They discussed the venue and to have the Worlds in Punta Ala because there will be more exposure in that area.

In January 2009 Eric Toula, who is one of the judges here at the Worlds, was elected Vice President of ISAF. He recommended President Santana for his former position of representing the countries of the Caribbean. In January 2009 President Santana received a letter from the ISAF confirming my election. He now will have more opportunities to be in contact with the decision making process of the ISAF.

In May 2009 he went to the first meeting of the ISAF conference that took place in Poland.

He returned to Italy in May to see the Punta Ala location.

Finally, last week he was in Puerto Vallarta Mexico for the executive committee meeting of the Pan American Federation. They inspected all of the facilities for the Pan American Games and also decided on the qualifying events for the Pan American Games.

Vice President’s Report: Vice President Patin reported that he is the sounding board for the Presidents activities.

He also reported that he has been spending most of his time coordinating the various Worlds, working out the details, NORs, judges, etc.

Several emails have come up concerning the Worlds in Curacao. He is helping to keep things on track for the Curacao Worlds and helping it to move ahead.

He also mentioned that questions from various people in different countries have come up concerning how the entries for the Worlds are handled. Changing the number of Worlds boats to 72 has caused the Worlds to be a more desirable event. We need to be sure all the countries are communicated with so that they are aware of the Worlds requirements. It was unfortunate that some people did not get to participate in the Worlds. The fact that this occurred will make people aware of the fact that we have some things to do to make that better and that’s part of what I have been involved in.

He stated that Rich Chapman has been really instrumental in supporting the Junior’s Championship that is hopefully to become the Junior Worlds. Next year the Junior Championship (Worlds?) will be held at the Sayville Yacht Club. Rich worked with the Sayville Yacht Club to get that ball rolling.

Vice President Patin asked Rich Chapman to give a report on the Juniors activities.

Rich Chapman reported that Clinton Edwards was very instrumental in getting an International/Worlds Junior Championship going. Clinton asked Rich to be the Junior Representative. With the help of President Santana, Rich pushed and finally got the first International Junior Champion held last year at his club near Chicago. 12 competitors from 7 countries participated. It was an excellent event. We did a lot of planning for this year’s event, everything from how we were going to handle the event to how we were going to handle the boats. We originally were shooting for 20 boats, but we had to change it to 25 because of the interest in the event. We had a great showing, 25 competitors from 10 countries and 3 continents. We are in discussions with the ISAF about making it a Worlds event, which according to some of the Junior sailors I talked to will make a big difference about who will participate. Next year we are hoping for Worlds status and 30-35 sailors. It will be in July just before the North Americans. Housing will be available for the Juniors.

Treasurer’s Report: Treasurer Manning distributed and reviewed the Treasurers Report (see attached Treasurers Report). The 2009 report contained finances through the end of September.

Some discussion took place.

Treasurer Manning will prepare a report to show our finances over the past few years based on a year-to-year basis.

A motion was passed to have the Treasurer’s Report accepted.

Advisory Council Report: Guillermo Cappelletti read the summarized Advisory Council Report created by Chairman Williams (see 2009 Advisory Council Minutes).

Proposed Changes to the Rules:
Rule 3.6.5
A motion was made to change Rule 3.6.5 Color to read as follows:
"Color. For light panels, numbers shall be dark and dense, preferably black. White numbers shall be used on dark panels. All digits on a panel must be the same color."

A motion was made and seconded to accept this recommendation from the Advisory Council. A discussion ensued. The motion passed.

Country Codes: The addition of adding country codes, when required, to the sail was discussed. Chris Williams will prepare a proposal for this addition to the Class Rules.

Old Business:
New Rudder: Chris Williams presented the results of the recent new rudder survey, which are available on the Class web site. A very lengthy discussion took place.

The Advisory Council had concerns about adding a new rudder to the currently legal rudder, which would make the Class less one-design. We then received news from Brent Richards at Laser Performance that they would continue to make recreational boats with the current rudder. Only racing boats would get the new rudder. Brent said that they should be able to add a second set of

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hollers to the current rudder and then the buyer would have a choice as to how they mount it. That seemed better in that all boats that they would have a choice as to how they mount it.

The Advisory Council made the following New Business:

- New Sunfish Measurement Guidelines & Measure Certification: Time did not allow any discussion or action on this item.
- Electronic Compasses: A discussion took place concerning allowing electronic compasses to be allowed. It was decided that there is no advantage to the Class to allow electronic compasses. No action was taken on this topic.
- Stiffening the Wooden Tiller: Time did not allow any discussion or action on this item.

- Membership Committee Report: Chairperson Furman provided the following membership report (see attached Membership Report). The International Sunfish Class is presently composed of twenty (20) Recognized National Class Associations for which dues have been received for 2009, to wit: Aruba (21 Members), Austria (5), Bahamas (42), Bermuda (20), Bonaire (20), Canada (20), Colombia (41), Curacao (48), Dominican Republic (23), Ecuador (20), Guatemala (33), Holland (22), Ireland (20), Italy (20), Peru (20), Portugal (5), Puerto Rico (27), US (124), US Virgin Islands (22) and Venezuela (39) totaling 1682 Recognized Members. Non-Recognized NSCA's include Antigua (5)(2001), Argentina (20)(2007), Brazil (5)(2007), British Virgin Islands (5)(1994), Central America (5)(1993), Chile (20)(2002), Martinique (20)(2008), Mexico (5)(2001), New Zealand (5)(2006), St. Maarten (20)(2003) and Uruguay (5)(2006) totaling 125 Non-recognized Members.

We have increased last year's membership by 32 members. This is the first increase in five years. Some discussion took place concerning Class membership.

- ISAF Committee Report: Chairperson Santana mentioned that there was not much to report. He attended the ISAF meeting last November in Madrid.

There was a discussion about relaxing some areas of the hull of the boat for advertising in favor of the classes. ISAF is working on changing the regulations so the international classes have space for advertising in order to have some income.

We are working to get the approval from the ISAF to call the Junior International Championship the Junior Worlds. The word "Worlds" needs approval from ISAF.

- Election of Advisory Council Officers: The following slate of officers were elected: Chris Williams, Chairman (USA), Martin Vezina (Curacao), Hans van der Gulik (Curacao), Paul van Alphen (Holland), Piet Banksen (Holland), Guillermo Cappelletti (Peru), Alex Zimmerman (Peru), Tom Whitehurst (USA), Luis Nunez (Venezuela)

Old Business:
- Annual Dues - The financial condition of ISCA was discussed and no action was taken on this item.
- Requirement for all NSCAs to have an email address - The requirement of all NSCAs to have a current email address was discussed again. This is becoming increasingly important as we grow. Please email the Class Office of any change in your email address and/or your mailing address.

New Business:
- Venues for the 2010-2011 World Championships - President Santana discussed the Worlds hosts.

He made a presentation on the 2010 Worlds in Italy. The presentation included pictures from the Punta Ala resort, the playground, the facilities, the sailing area, the bungalows, etc. Punta Ala is located about an hour by train from Rome. President Santana also did a cost comparison between Nassau and Punta Ala that showed the costs to be about the same. He also mentioned that the Class would be contacting the various NSCAs to determine how many sailors will be attending the Worlds.

Alex Roose made a presentation on the 2011 Worlds in Curacao (http://cprl.vourenedit.com/755520189/d4d03e45f99bd219339ba0532b6 - This is the link to the 2011 Worlds site). The presentation included hotel pictures, the location, the sailing area, the restaurants, etc. A room for two people will be about $120/day. The location is close to the downtown. It will be held June 12-19, 2011.

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Venues for the 2010 and 2011 South Americans & Junior Championships. President Santana stated that the 2009 South Americans will be held in Colombia on January 14-xx, 2010. We are still waiting for a formal commitment from Colombia.

The 2010 South Americans will be held in Paracas Peru in late November 2010. Paracas is 2 hours south of Lima. They have held many major regattas before. The winds are typically 14-18 knots from the South and starting times will be Noon to 1:00 pm. They are hoping to have some new boats available for charter.

The Juniors were discussed previously.

Honorary Life Membership Nominations. Joel Furman was nominated for a lifetime membership because of his continued dedication to the Class. The nomination was voted on and accepted.

Return of Fees for Cancelled Participants. Secretary Beadle asked the council how they would like to handle the return of fees to cancelled Worlds participants. A discussion took place. A motion was passed to return the boat charter/ entry fee less a 10% service fee to the seven competitors that notified the Class Office early enough so that it was able to find a replacement.

Pan American Games Guadalajara 2011. President Santana discussed the qualifying events with a spreadsheet showing four options. Option 4 was selected for various reasons. Some discussion ensued. A motion was made to drop the 2011 North Americans and move their qualifier to the 2010 North Americans. The motion passed pending Pan American approval.

LIST OF QUALIFYING EVENTS APPROVED BY PASAF

1 South Americans 2009 - Colombia Jan 13-17, 2010 1
2 Sunfish Midwinters 2010 - USA March 11-14, 2010 2
3 Pre-Pan Am Games - Mexico Oct 2010 2
4 South Americans 2010 - Peru Nov 24-28, 2010 2
5 Sunfish Midwinters 2011 - USA March, 2011 2
7 Pan Am Games Sailing Event 2011 - Mexico Oct 23-29, 2011 Host Country (Mexico) 1
Total Spots 12

Project to Change the ISCA Policies for the Sunfish World Championship. mentioned that we looked at the past three Worlds and decided to set the number of Worlds boats to 72 because we were trying to get rid of the Wild Cards and to strengthen the quality of the Worlds and qualifying regattas, especially in the USA.

The purpose of the change is to eliminate any unnecessary invitations to the Worlds to keep the number of boats to 72. He mentioned that four countries were left out of this year's Worlds because all of the 72 boats were filled before the four countries sent in their entries.

The spirit of the Worlds is to have as many countries as possible with at least one competitor.

President Santana reviewed all the policies to see what we could do to get us in a better position. Please see ISCA Policies review article in this issue of The Windward Leg by President Andres Santana.

A motion to accept Point 1a through Point 1g was made and seconded. It was discussed and passed.

A motion to accept Point 2 was made and seconded. It was discussed and passed.

A motion to accept Point 3a was made and seconded. It was discussed and passed.

After some additional discussion a motion was made and seconded to revoke the passage of Point 2 and Point 3a and continue the discussion of Point 2 and Point 3 via emails. It was discussed and passed.

Project to Change the NSCA Configuration in the ISCA Constitution. Time did not allow any discussion or action on this item.

The New Sunfish Handbook. Time did not allow any discussion or action on this item.

Consistency among Junior, Senior & Master age­ date qualifications. Time did not allow any discussion or action on this item.

Contest to Design a new ISCA Logo for the letterhead, website, etc. Time did not allow any discussion or action on this item.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 11:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Terry A. Beadle
ISCA Secretary

Committee Report on Membership

Greetings to Hon. President Andres Santana and fellow members of the International Sunfish Class Association World Council. In accordance with the class bylaws, I hereby submit to you a brief report as to the state of the International Sunfish Class membership over the past year as represented to me by our Class Secretary, Terry Beadle.

Thanks to the tireless efforts of our class president, Andres Santana, we now have two new National Associations, to wit, Austria and Portugal. Ireland is also a new entry into this year's worlds competition, although same was a member several years ago.

National Associations other than the United States include the following 464 members:
- Aruba 21 members
- Austria 5

Bahamas 39
Bermuda 20
Bonaire 20
Canada 20
Columbia 41
Curacao 48
Dominican Republic 22
Ecuador 20
Guatemala 33
Holland 22
Ireland 20
Italy 20
Peru 20
Portugal 5
Puerto Rico 27
USVI 22
Venezuela 39

Respectfully submitted,
Joel Furman, Membership Chairman
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
Nassau Yacht Club
October 18, 2009

Advisory Council Members Present: Chris Williams (Chairman, USA), Brent Richards (Builder Representative), Jurgen Schneider (Curacao), Greg Gust for Paul Foerster (World Champion, USA), Guillermo Cappelletti (Peru), Jurgen Schneider for Hans van der Gulik (Curacao), Andres Santana (ISAF Representative), Greg Gust for Tom Whitehurst (USA), Greg Gust for Todd Edwards (Measurer, USA), Andres Santana for Sebastian Mera (Dominican Republic).

Roll Call: Chairman Williams called the meeting to order at 4:20 p.m. Roll call was taken and it was determined that a quorum was present.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: The minutes of the previous meeting as published in the Windward Leg were approved.

Proposed Changes to the Rules: Rule 3.6.5 A motion was made to change Rule 3.6.5 Color to read as follows: “Color. For light panels, numbers shall be dark and dense, preferably black. White numbers shall be used on dark panels. All digits on a panel must be the same color.” The motion was seconded and a discussion ensued. The motion passed.

Country Codes: The addition of adding country codes, when required, to the sail was discussed. Chris Williams will prepare a proposal for this addition to the Class Rules.

Old Business:
New Rudder: Chris Williams presented the results of the recent new rudder survey, which are available on the Class web site. A lengthy discussion took place.

The advisory council had concerns about adding a new rudder to the currently legal rudder, which would make the class less one-design. We then received news from Brent Richards at Laser Performance. That news is that they would continue to make recreational boats with the current rudder. Only Racing boats would get the new rudder. Brent said that they should be able to add a second set of holes to the current rudder and then the buyer would have a choice as to how they mount it. That seemed better in that all boats that they make could be set up with the rudder in the “racing” position or the recreational position. Otherwise, if we adopted the new “Whitehurst rudder” anyone who buys a recreational boat and then decides to race it will have to buy the new Whitehurst rudder.

The following motion was made, seconded and passed: “Permit a one year test of a modified existing rudder made more vertical using the Paul Foerster approach. A template would be provided to sailors to make the modifications.”

New Business:
Sunfish Measurement Guidelines & Measurer Certification: Time did not allow any discussion or action on this item.

Electronic Compasses: A discussion took place concerning allowing electronic compasses to be allowed. It was decided that there is no advantage to the Class to allow electronic compasses. No action was taken on this topic.

Stiffening the Wooden Tiller: Time did not allow any discussion or action on this item.

Miscellaneous: An item, not on the agenda, was discussed concerning the jens rig and reefing for Juniors. Greg Gust will come up with a proposal to handle this item.

Summary of Advisory Council Report: Chairman Williams will prepare the Summary of the Advisory Council Report to be delivered by Guillermo Cappelletti at the World Council meeting.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:29 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Terry A. Beadle
ISCA Secretary

REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT
2008-2009 Period

List of Activities
1st Junior International Championship - Lake Bluff, IL, Sept 5-7, 2008
12 competitors from 7 nations

26 competitors from 6 nations

Visit to Salinas Yacht Club - Salinas, Ecuador, Oct 2008
Venue of the 2012 Sunfish Worlds

2008 ISAF Annual Meeting - Madrid, Spain, November 2008

Visit to the Italian Sunfish Dealer - Milano, Italy, November 2008
Pietro Negri / Negri Nautica
Mario Migneco, Umberto Valle & Fabrizio Menghetti
From the Italian Sunfish Class

Elected as member of the ISAF Council - January 2009
Representing Group O

2009 ISAF Mid Year Annual Meeting - Warsaw, Poland, May 2009

Visit to Punta Ala - Punta Ala, Tuscany, Italy, May 2009
Venue of the 2010 Sunfish Worlds
Organized a clinic with Eduardo Cordero

PASAF Meeting - Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, Oct 9-11, 2009
Qualifying events decided
Dear Sunfish Sailors,

The World Council met on Wednesday October 21, 2009 to discuss a long agenda that included, among other issues, the project of the new rudder developed by Tom Whitehurst.

The World Council members appreciate the time and efforts Tom has put into this project for several years, driven by the belief that it would help to make the Sunfish Class more attractive, particularly for the youth, complementing the current Class’s strategies.

A discussion forum and a survey were authorized by the Class to understand how clear the members were about this idea and how many were supporting it. The results showed that only 23% of the total ISCA members replied to the survey, which was felt to be a very small sample to consider, and reflecting low interest and/or no understanding of this project by the membership. Further, only 13% of the total ISCA members replied in favor of the new blade (they were 55% of the sample but a very small portion of the whole membership) which is a small number to make such a big change. It is a fact that only a few sailors actually had the chance to test the rudder, so the WC members believe almost all of the members replied to the survey based on theory or the opinions from those that are in favor or against the new blade.

The following points were discussed and debated by the WC and as a result:

There is perhaps a terminal flaw of the discussion, the sense of the WC was that there are a number of counter productive flaws in moving forward with either the modification of the current rudder or to permit a new design.

1. Whether the new blade is approved, or the rule is changed to permit the current rudder to be made more vertical, the class will be less One Design as a result.
2. This change may generate division, ambiguity, diversion and anxiety to the members, in moments where unification is a key element.
3. The One-Design status of the Class will be at risk and also ISAF may object to the change, questioning our judgment.
4. The Class is getting stronger at the international level, especially with new juniors.
5. The US seems to be experiencing a decrease in membership primarily due to aging of its members who are staying active in racing.
6. The US Sailing and the majority of the Yacht Clubs in the US are focusing their strategies on preparing young sailors for the Olympic Classes. The WC does not believe they will support the Sunfish Class just for having a new rudder and conversely the perception or actual sense of being less one-design would make marketing of the Class worse. The WC believes the Class needs to experiment with other approaches to allow the sailing community to realize that the majority of the young sailors do not meet the profile required for the Olympics and much talent and enthusiasm is being left behind or lost in the “top down” or result oriented approach. The WC favors the traditions and strengths of the Sunfish Class and supports the process oriented approach currently envisioned by the leadership.
7. Brent Richards said Laser Performance would continue delivering all the boats with the current rudder and the new “racing rudder” would have to be bought in addition to the current rudder. They would have to study if the “Pro” version of the boat can be delivered with the new racing version of the rudder.
8. Regarding modification or the alternate idea of making holes to the current rudder in a different position, Brent Richards, from Laser Performance, warned it would void the warranty. Also, they would need to carefully study the structural effects of the new positioning of the holes before changing the mold and/or developing a solution to facilitate the making of the new holes in the current rudders for the owners.
9. Brent Richards said Laser Performance will not invest any time or resources to calculate costs or experiment with prototypes unless the Class formally decides to go ahead with this project.
10. The Class would have to negotiate with Laser Performance to get the best possible deal, but there is no way to anticipate the results.

Based on all the above, the WC decided that the process of changing our current rudder is not recommended to continue so as to not to risk the unification of the Class and divert our energies in that direction anymore and recommends to concentrate on implementing strategies to market the Sunfish Class with our current boat as it is.

Let's highlight the reasons we have to feel proud of our boat, our people and our organization.

On behalf of the World Council,
Andres Santana
President

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Policies and Proposed Changes to ISCA Policies for Sunfish Worlds

REVIEW OF THE ISCA POLICIES FOR SUNFISH WORLDS
PROPOSED CHANGES TO BE APPROVED BY THE WORLD COUNCIL
OCTOBER 2009

INTRODUCTION
After the reduction of the maximum number of participants to 72, implemented for the 2008 Worlds, the number of wildcards participants decreased from 21 and 47 (2006 and 2007) to 8 and 0 (2008 and 2009). The interest for participating is now so high, that this year we ran out of boats 45 days before the deadline, leaving 14 competitors in the wait list. This is great news, considering we were begging people to participate just two years ago, affecting the value of the qualification events (practically anyone could enter the Worlds without competing in the qualification events), and degrading the competition level of our premium event.

However, seven countries were left into the wait list at that time (USVI, PERU, ECU, PR, ITA, COL and CUB) because they were taken by surprise and did not register before we ran out of boats. Cuba was prepared to join the Class for the first time, participating with two competitors, in preparation for the Pan Am Games. As a result, the Class received complaints about the qualification policies published in the 2009/2010 ISCA Notice, recommending a review to ensure the participation of the maximum possible number of countries, to honor the “World Championship” title in the best possible way.

Fortunately several cancellations were received, allowing USVI and PER to join. Here was the cancellation and wait list status as of Oct 12, 2009:

CANCELLATIONS:
Canceled Competitor Date Replacement Competitor
Anne Edwards (USA) 7/06/09 Brent Evans (USA)
Fritz Hanselman (USA) 8/09/09 Eric Woodman (USA)
Joel Furman (USA) 9/14/09 David (DJ) Lonsbaugh Jr. (USVI)
Chris Raubacher (USA) 9/16/09 Guillermo Cappelletti (PER)
Juan Jose Alvarez (BON) 9/20/09 Peter Stanton (USVI)
Bob Hines (USA) 10/01/09 Marx Chirinos (VEN)

WAIT LIST
1. Fernando I. Monllor - PR
2. Andrea Milla - ITA
3. Juan Carlos Suarez Herrera - PR
4. Alex Zimmermann - PER
5. Dany Delgado F. - COL
6. Andrey Quintero - COL
7. Gabriel Ramos - PR
8. Jonathan Martinetti - ECU

Now it is time to review our qualification policies and registration procedures with the following goals in mind:
- To ensure the participation of 15 to 20 countries every year, ideally not leaving anyone out of the event, and maintaining the number of boats to 72 units for the moment.
- To balance the total US vs. Non-US participation to approx. 40% vs. 60%. In the last three years the US participation has been above 65%.
- To balance the Continental participation to approx 65% NA and Caribbean, 25% Central and SA and 10% Europe.
- To ensure the highest quality of the participants, enhancing the competition level and value of the event.
- To keep down the Wildcards, having instead a wait list of ideally no longer than five sailors.

To facilitate the registration process making it simpler, safer and easier.

SUNFISH WORLDS QUALIFICATION and REGISTRATION PROCESS
To ensure the participation of 15-20 countries every year, ideally not leaving any country out of the event, and maintaining the number of boats to 72.

To achieve this goal, I recommend establishing new policies for the registration procedures:

a) The Class Office would reserve one spot to each NSCA until the registration deadline or until the NSCA register one or more competitors, whatever occurs first. Immediately after the deadline, the Class Office will release all reserved spots that were not used.

b) The reserved spot will not change the maximum number of sailors assigned to each NSCA.

c) The Class Office will assign all the free spots on a first come first serve basis, until no more are available.

d) If the free spots are gone before the registration deadline, all new entries will be placed in the wait list in the same order as received.

Immediately after deadline, all unused released spots will be assigned to the sailors in the wait list in the same order.

e) Once an NSCA fills its maximum number of spots, the Class Office will not process additional entries into the Entry List or Wait List, until the registration deadline passes.

f) Right after the Official NOR is released, the Class Office will automatically do the reservation of 1 spot to each recognized NSCA with no pending membership dues. Once a new or non-current NSCA pays their dues before the dues payment deadline, the reservation will also be made, subject to spot availability. No slot reservation will be made for NSCAs paying their dues after the dues payment deadline, but their members may register in the entry or wait list depending on availability.

NOTE: The dues payment deadline for all NSCAs will be May 1 or 60 days before the registration deadline for the Sunfish Worlds, whichever occurs first. At the beginning of every year, this date shall be published in the Class website and sent to all NSCAs by email.

g) NO entry from any NSCA will be processed into the Entry List or Wait List if their ISCA dues are pending. New NSCAs currently qualify up to two sailors if they have five members minimum. But the following year, they need to have 20 members, which is too much to ask. I recommend reviewing this:

h) Establishing a 5 year growing plan for new NSCAs in the Pan Am continents as follows:

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i) From the 5th-10th year the new NSCA continues under the normal policies.

j) Recently created NSCAs (last three years) will be treated as if they were in the second year.

k) Any non-recognized NSCA with more than five years of inactivity, will be able to join again as a New NSCA in its first year.

l) People requesting to be recognized as a new NSCA shall submit a written application that shall be studied and approved by the ISCA.

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officers. The ISCA board shall pay special attention to the ISAF eligibility code and how many members are current residents in the country they are representing. ISCA Officers will have the right to ask for additional information or documents to understand the development plan of the Class in their country.

m) In order to comply with ISAF eligibility code, the Class Office will require a copy of a valid ID to new ISCA members and Sunfish Worlds participants for the file, to support basic information such as birth date, nationality, residence, etc. This ID shall be requested by the Class Office only once, or if there is a change to report. Valid IDs may be passport, driver’s license, birth certificate or equivalent.

To balance the total US vs. Non-US participation to approx. 40% vs. 60%.

To achieve this goal, I recommend setting the USSCA maximum quota to 25 spots, which represents a reduction of three spots from the average of 28 for the last five events. We can review this in the future, if we increase the number of boats. This reduction would take effect for the 2011 Sunfish Worlds.

To balance the continental participation to approx 65% NA and Caribbean, 25% Central and SA and 10% Europe.

In addition to the adjustment to USSCA, I recommend to review the other qualification parameters, to ensure more room for the rest of the countries: (These reductions would take effect for the 2010 Sunfish Worlds)

n) The Host Country and the Host Club combined shall not receive more than five additional spots: three for the host country and two for the host club. If the host country will not use all their three spots, the host club can use it or vice versa. This shall be clarified to the Class Office via email or the default of three and two will be assumed.

To ensure the highest quality of the participants, enhancing the competition level and value of the event.

I am curious about the relatively low average participation we are having with the categories corresponding to the winners of previous events:

- Top 10 Finishers from previous Worlds
- Former World Champions
- Continental Champions of the last 3 years
- Top 5 finishers from SA's and Europeans
- Winner of the Master Int'l Championship

Total: 11

Understanding this behavior would require further analysis, investigating person by person to discover and document the reasons.

I recommend adding two new categories: “Junior International Champions of the last three years” (three sailors) and “Top four finishers from the Junior International Championship of the previous year” (three sailors). This will add high quality young sailors into the event.

To keep eliminated the need of Wildcards, having a wait list ideally no longer than five sailors, instead.

I believe that leaving the number of boats in 72, for the moment, will contribute to this goal. The length of the Waiting List will determine the need to increase the number of boats. We are fine when it is between two and five sailors by the start of the event. Being less than that will increase the risk of using wildcards.
### ISCA Annual Financial Statements

Submitted by Patricia Manning, ISCA Treasurer

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*Marx Chirinos heads to the mark. (Photo: Robert Dunkley)*

### World News

**ASSETS**

- **Current Assets**
  - Checking/Savings: 8,656.92, 9,707.92, -1,051.00
  - Savings Bank of America: 46,147.47, 22,177.45, 23,970.02
  - CD - Bank of America: 33,844.11, 33,062.35, 781.76
- Total Checking/Savings: 88,648.50, 64,947.72, 23,700.78
- Accounts Receivable: 176.15, 701.25, -525.10
- Total Accounts Receivable: 176.15, 701.25, -525.10
- Total Current Assets: 88,824.65, 65,648.97, 23,175.68

**TOTAL ASSETS**: 88,824.65, 65,648.97, 23,175.68

**LIABILITIES & EQUITY**

- **Liabilities**
  - Current Liabilities: 3,036.97, 895.05, 2,141.92
  - Accounts Payable: 3,036.97, 895.05, 2,141.92
  - Total Accounts Payable: 42,010.00, 18,000.00, 24,010.00
  - Other Current Liabilities: 43,260.00, 18,895.05, 27,341.92
  - Total Current Liabilities: 46,296.97, 18,895.05, 27,401.92
  - Total Liabilities: 46,296.97, 18,895.05, 27,401.92
- **Equity**
  - Fund Balance: 48,154.21, 48,154.21, 0.00
  - Unrestricted (retained earnings): 1,057.83, 1,426.15, -368.32
  - Net Income: -6,684.36, -2,826.44, -3,857.92
  - Total Equity: 42,527.68, 46,753.92, -4,226.24

**TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY**: 88,824.65, 65,648.97, 23,175.68

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World News

News from the Bahamas

Lowe Wins at McCoy Memorial
Terry McCoy Memorial Regatta
Nassau YC - Nassau, BAH
September 26-27, 2009

1 Jimmie Lowe 3-1-1-1-(DF)-1 7
2 Donnie Martinborough 1-3-2-3-1-(OS) 10
3 Chris Sands 2-2-(5)-2-2-2 10
4 George Damianos (10)-5-4-4-3-3 19
5 Peter Bruce Wasitsch 4-4-7-5-(OS)-5 25
6 Lori Lowe (7)-7-3-6-4-6 26
7 Gavin McKinney 5-8-6-11-(OS)-4 34
8 Lee McCoy (13)-6-8-13-10-9 46
9 Ted O'Brian 6-13-10-12-7-(DC) 48
10 Fernando de Cardenas (16)-16-13-7-5-8 49
11 Matthew McCoy 14-10-9-(15)-9-7 49
12 Donico Brown 9-11-8-(OS)-11 50
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Campeonato Ramon Chiarella Ortigosa
Paracas, Peru
25-28 Julio, 2009

1 Diego Cebreros (2)-(DS)-1-1-1-1-1-2-1-1 10
2 Guillermo Cappelletti 1-(3)-(3)-(2)-OS-2-3-2-1-2-2 17
3 Juan Carlos Suarez 3-1-2-3-2-3-(3)-(DF)-4 22
4 Carlos de Trazegnies 4-4-(5)-5-3-4-5-(DS)-4-4 36
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6 Rodrigo Arca 6-5-(7)-(7)-5-6-6-7-6-5 52
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8 Jenny Hoyle 9-(DS)-(DS)-8-6-8-8-8-7-9 71
9 Alberto Bedoya Sr. (DF)-(DS)-DS-DF-DF-DF-9-7-DS-8-8 97
10 Alberto Bedoya Jr. 8-(DS)-(DS)-DS-DS-DS-DS-DS-DS-5-7 98
11 Matias Jochamowicz 10-(DS)-DF-9-7-DS-DS-DS-DS-DS-DS 104
12 Maria de Alvarez (DF)-(DS)-10-DS-10-10-9-9-10-10 104

Campeonato Nacional (Fase 1)-Nueva Era
Paracas
29,30 Agosto; 5,6 Setiembre

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2 Alex Zimmermann (6)-3-4-4-1-5-5-3 25
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29,30 Agosto y 5,6,19,20 Setiembre

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16 Julio Newell 13-13-12-(DS)-12-16-16-16-(DS)-DS-DS 132

Sands is Bahamas Junior Champ

Bahamas Junior Nationals
Nassau YC - Nassau, BAH
August 15-16, 2009

1 Chris Sands 1-1-1-1-(2)-1 5
2 Donico Brown (4)-2-2-2-1-2 9
3 Michael Holowesko (5)-3-3-4-3-3 16
4 Michael Gibson (7)-6-5-3-4-4 22
5 Brent Burrows 2-7-4-5-(8)-5 23
6 Torrington Cartwright 3-5-(7)-7-5-7 27
7 Theron Maillis/ Eddie Williams (12)-4-6-8-7-9 34
8 Bianca Wagner/Donovan Williamson 8-8-(10)-6-6-6 34
9 Mishael Taffin/Ansel Rhaming 6-9-(12)-9-10-10 44
10 Daniel Gibson/Pedro Rahming 9-(11)-8-10-9-11 47
11 Dominic Williamson/Recarino Nexon 11-10-9-(12)-11-8 49
12 Devaughn Williamson/Dustin Smith 10-(12)-11-11-12-12 56
13 Daniel De Cardenas (DF)-DC-DC-DC-DC-DC 70

Chris Sands (left) and Peter Bruce Wasitsch at McCoy Memorial.
Schneider Takes The Glory in Curaçao

By Alex Roose

The Curaçao Sunfish Championship, held August 29-30 and September 12-13, was a memorable event in which Hans van der Gulik and Marc Simmeren were the only ones to win more than one race (out of eight), but yet they did not become the new champion. It was the very steady sailing champ of 1981 and 2008, Jürgen Schneider, who took the glory.

The tradition of one weekend with heavy air and one weekend with light air was maintained as if the weather adapts itself to the wishes of the sailors. But the most important news was the breakthrough of the youth.

Short track champion was Kevin Otterdijk (15) who sailed four good shorties, had no bullets, but always had a top five finish which resulted after the battlefield was cleared, to his big surprise and joy.

Gunnar Copper scored a second in both the overall and the short track. The Sunfish is clearly an all-age boat in which big differences in age are unimportant and everybody can win. Louis Hendriks and Jordan van Rooyen were unbeatable in the Sunfish-double and off course Kevin Otterdijk won the youth solo.

For 36 years we have sailed the championship in the Spanish Water. Like the past 10 years, the regatta consists of four short track races (approximately 20 minutes a piece) and four regular races. In the short track everybody sails in one class (adults, youth sailors and youth doubles) and the average of two races counts as one race in the overall championship, which declares the 3.5, 6.5, 8.5 etc in the overall. When recalculating a "short track" in an "overall" race result we only count the sailors in the same class.

The Juniors: (Back, L-R): Jarrik Bijsterbosch, Louis Hendriks, Kevin Maas, Eugene Hendriks, Jordan van Rooijen, Kevin Otterdijk. (Front): Alexandra Siebels, Kyra Maas, Milou Bijsterbosch. (Photo: Alex Roose)

The Adults (L-R): Gunnar Copper, 2nd; Alex Roose, 4th; Jürgen Schneider, 1st; Dolf van der Giesen, 6th; Bruce Brandt, 5th; (and front) Mark Simmeren, 3rd.

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My Sailing Adventure in the Netherlands

By Nicky Einthoven

Dear Gretta,
I'm coming to the Netherlands this summer! I haven't set the exact dates yet; can you email me your regatta schedule?

Dear Gretta,
Can I borrow a Sunfish for Alkmaardermeer? (translated: Alkmaar the lake!) (Northwest of Amsterdam.) There is a three-day event at the lake called Alkmaardermeer the weekend after my Mom and her twin sister's birthday party near Breda in the southwest part of the Netherlands.

Dear Nicky,
Sure!

The next day I was looking over the Sunfish-NL regatta schedule, my vacation time allotment, and my family's plans for their vacations - a birthday party and a visit to the medical Museum too much

Dear Nicky,
Of course you can! We always have a boat for you!

Flashforward: It's August 2009. My family and I are in the Netherlands. Revised family plans make me miss Friday of the regatta. Saturday morning I drove the rental car to Alkmaardermeer where the Dutch Sunfish sailors are all set up and have a boat waiting for me. Gretta Dekker, Marie-Christine Breeveld, and George Soros greet me and give me parts to rig the boat. The boat belongs to Yellow Man who is on vacation in Bonaire, and gave permission. The wind is Beaufort wind strength 4 with puffs to 5. As start time approaches, we launch the boats by pushing them over the bulkhead and sailing out of the marina downwind amongst the boats, turn to starboard and reach along the isles of boats, turn to port and sail downwind out of the marina to open water.

There were two race courses. Sunfish were the fourth start on one of the courses. Other fleets included the Valk, the Vrijheid (translated: Freedom), Lasers, and more. All boats were varnished wooden boats, except the two fiberglass fleets.

We used the standard five-minute starting sequence. The course had four buoys and was windward-reach-leeward-windward-leeward-windward. They call “Bakboard” for “Starboard Boat.” With the strong wind I didn't finish so well and only sailed two of the three races. I spent the night in a cute bed and breakfast at the boat, which had a bicycle for their guests.

Sunday had wind just like Saturday. Hans lent me his spare sail which would be flatter. In the morning we had Sprints. These are races with one leg, a windward leg. There were three Sprints. I sailed the first two and dropped out of the third - too much wind for me. In the afternoon there were two more races like Saturday's races, for which I took DNS. I took lots of photos of the sailors sailing upwind into the marina, boats heeled way over, with a very short distance to the next tack.

There was lots of food and drinks available before and after the awards ceremony. The croquette are very good! After the boats were cleaned up I was invited to race with the Doordrijvers, which is a weekly Friday evening Sunfish series on a lake just north of Amsterdam.

Friday, I had already returned the rental car, and my brother, cousin, and I were on a borrowed boat on the canals of Utrecht (east of Amsterdam). We paused after going through a lock to get ice cream and to discuss my travels. I walked to the train station, taking a detour around road construction, took a train to Amsterdam Central where I met George Soros (we found each other thanks to cell phones), then we took a bus for several stops, then we met Marie-Christine Breeveld who picked us up in her car and drove along the dams to the very small parking lot at the Doordrijvers clubhouse. When we parked the car she said we'd be among the last to leave because we'll be parked in (blocked).

The lake was pretty big, the wind was strong. There were about 30 Lasers and 8 Sunfish. I sailed Gretta's boat. The sailors helped each other rig and launch. We launched directly into open water. The course was triangular, twice around, with an unusual ending - the last mark is rounded to starboard instead of to port and they sight the finish line from land at the clubhouse. It was fun. There were lots of nice people.

To get “home,” Marie-Christine drove George and me to the bus stop, where George and I took a bus to the Amsterdam Central train station, from where George took the train and I took a tram (trolley) which let me off one block from my brother's place. Elevators are only required in buildings with five floors or more. My brother lives on the fourth floor (third extra floor) of a four story building, and yes, those Dutch stairs are steep.

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Mast Sleeve Retro Kit
Sleeves for stiffening and strengthening the mast are now installed on all Sunfish masts. The stiffener consists of an aluminum sleeve inside the bottom of the mast section that inhibits lower mast bend for a stiffer, more durable mast. A mast sleeve retrofit kit is available to equip previously purchased masts. Detailed instructions included. V20147  $38.00

Sunfish Spars and Bailers

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**Sunfish Hull and Deck Fittings**

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**Trailex Aluminum Sunfish Trailer**

Made of extruded aluminum framing, this trailer is light, stiff and strong. Light enough to use as a hand dolly. Rear roller and carpeted pads make loading and unloading safe and easy. Split tongue design allows trailer to be delivered to your door in the continental US. Complete assembly instructions included. Total trailer weight is 90 pounds.

TRSWT2005 $797.00

**Zhik Hiking System**

"Get a Grip" Zhik Hiking System

The ZhikGrip rubber texture on the underside of the padded strap and boots align and marry together when hiking. The patented ankle straps snap to the boots and are tightened to anchor to your leg. When you hike with toes pointed, the boot is forced to stretch, adding significant foot support. This combination of boot, ankle strap and hiking strap helps to relax the foot muscles so you can hike harder and be better connected to the dynamics of the boat. Boots are .5mm Titanium neoprene with side zipper entry and a firm grip sole for foot support. Available in men's sizes 5 - 13. Visit www.apsltd.com for more boot options. ZHS300 300 ZhikGrip Boots $79.00

Ritchie 58W Tactical Racing Compass

Flush, deck mounted compass requires no cutouts in the deck. 3" blue card with tactical quadrants shows wind shifts and headers. Has a movable bezel, twists on/off for easy removal, 2" high and 4 1/4" base diameter.

RTRIS-58W APS $75.45

**The Sunfish Bible**

Contains just about everything important written to date about the Sunfish. Includes Larry Lewis's Sail It Flat, Derrick Fries' Successful Sunfish Racing, and a collection of articles from SAIL magazine, Sailing World and its predecessors. Also included is Kristi and the Fish Sun from Gary Jobson's book, World Class Sailing.

RHOMP $29.95

**Seitech Sunfish Dolly**

Anodized aluminum frame with fiber reinforced composite joints. Wing nuts at "I" joint, quick pins on wheel axles and quick release at middle of center tube for easy breakdown and transport. 16" knobby tires; 3" wide hull strap. SESUN $390.00

Be sure to check out the "Red Hot Sailboat Racing" DVD featuring great Sunfish content and Brad Funk. Available at APS.

www.APSLTD.com

Windward Leg - Issue 3, 2009
Swivel Lead w. Cleat - Mainsheet
This base is screwed to the deck in place of a ratchet eye strap (forward side of cockpit). With this set-up you can easily adjust and cleat the mainsheet on a more relaxed sail. Includes Harken's carbon cleat.
H241  APS $47.80

Harken Ratchet - Mainsheet
The H019 ratchet is a popular choice for a Sunfish mainsheet block. Offers good holding power that runs smoothly. Slider on the side turns the ratchet on/off.
H019  APS $48.60

NEW Ronstan 55mm Orbit Ratchet - Mainsheet
This new ratchet is the first block to offer both a manual on/off AND a fully automatic ratchet engagement. If you don't have a deck mounted eye strap to attach your block use the V79460 eyestrap with hardware.
RF56101  APS $47.55

Recreational Line Package
Standard on all new Sunfish. This package uses Vanguard's new English Braid UK lines. Low-stretch halyard and control lines and non-water absorbing flair for the mainsheet.
V33042SF  $69.55

Racing Line Package
In our racing package, we use Spectron 12 for the Cunningham and outhaul. Spectron 12 is made of stretch-free Spectra and has a strong woven construction and a smooth finish. For the main halyard we use Excel Racing for its tough polyester cover and no-stretch Spectra core. Our sail ties are Excel Vectran, a strong no-stretch line in a snug cover. Our mainsheet choice is Rooster Rope's Polyline, a lightweight polyester line that will not absorb water and has a unique construction that nearly eliminates twists and tangles. Don't get caught up by tangles when you're letting out the main around the weathermark. We add stopper balls for the ends of the outhaul and Cunningham lines for easy on-the-water adjusting.

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Sheet Hangers
This pair of webbing straps Velcros around your boom to keep the mainsheet from dropping down. Helps keep the sheet slack free and from snagging during jibes.
MSTSF109 $10.50

Sunfish Sails and Accessories

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Snooth Boot
Padded bow bumper. Slide over the bow, run webbing back and around the mast, then secure with quick release/adjust buckle.
V21001 $73.50

APS Sunfish Mast UP or DOWN Deck Cover
Made of breathable Top Gun Polyester. Large zipper runs from the bow to the mast - use it with the mast up or down. Store your booms under the cover with the ends extending past the boat's stern inside the attached spar sock. 1/4" shock cord in hem exits at the rear of the cover for tensioning. Sets of adjustable cross tie webbing straps with quick release buckles give a skin tight fit. This is the easiest, most secure cover attachment system available.
Color: Gray (Blue or Aqua, 2-3 week special order) MSTSF555T $226.00

APS Sunfish Deck Cover (shown right)
Made of breathable Top Gun Polyester. 1/4" shock cord in hem exits at the rear of the cover for tensioning. Sets of adjustable cross tie webbing straps with quick release buckles give a skin tight fit. The easiest, most secure cover attachment system available.
Color: Gray (Blue or Aqua, 2-3 week special order) MSTSF302T $186.00

APS Sunfish Hull Cover (shown left)
Made of breathable Top Gun Polyester. Double reinforcement patch at the bailer. 1/4" shock cord in hem exits at the rear of the cover for tensioning. Sets of adjustable cross tie webbing straps with quick release buckles give a skin tight fit. The easiest, most secure cover attachment system available.
Color: Gray (Blue or Aqua, 2-3 week special order) MSTSF301A $238.35

APS Sunfish Padded Blade Bags
Made of high denier coated Nylon and closed cell foam padding. Centerboard features carry handle and adjustable webbing closure. Rudder bag features quick release adjustable buckle.
Color: Navy (Gray, Teal, Red, Black, Royal Blue or Purple, 2-3 week special order) MSTSF551 Daggerboard $46.50 MSTSF552 Rudder $31.35

APS Sunfish Spar Bag
Made of high denier coated nylon. Large zipper runs length of the bag. Double webbing carry handle. Holds up to two full sets of spars. Color: Royal Blue (Gray, Teal, Red, Black, Navy, or Purple, 2-3 week special order) MSTSF558 $56.20

Spar Partners

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The Builder's Corner

by Brent Richards

The tan is fading but memories from a great 2009 summer sailing season are still fresh here at LaserPerformance. We pulled off a great season capped off with the Sunfish Worlds at the Nassau Yacht Club. 2009 was by far the largest charter season with over 500 boats being sent throughout the United States, Canada, and the Bahamas. Through our sponsorship of US Sailing, International Laser Class and Sunfish Class Associations we provided brand new boats so truly it was the sailors ability to win and not the equipment that won the events.

It was great to see everyone at the World's this year. Once again it was a great event...

During the worlds we had a couple of product issues come up that we're addressing. The gooseneck, although a major issue at the time, fortunately was an easy fix. The short story was that our vendor could not provide enough units. As a result we had to backfill from a local foundry. It became very evident that the casting pour was done incorrectly and created air pockets that weakened the part. We have since been able to get our main vendor to increase safety stock and this shouldn't be a problem again. All were replaced during the regatta, and none of the substandard products were released into the field.

There were also a few issues that came up regarding the rudder. We're looking into these and should have updates shortly.

On to 2010 - Sunfish Worlds in Italy is coming up on us quick. The Event is in June but for us that is right around the corner. We will have to start building hulls in February to make the timing of this year's event. I look forward to seeing everyone that can be at the Worlds.

In closing this year and reflecting on the worlds at Nassau Yacht Club, LaserPerformance could not have pulled off the event without the endless hours of volunteer support from the members of Nassau Yacht Club and officers of the International class. Not only did the Sunfish class have a world class event but the Bahaman fleet grew by 39 boats and looks to have some strong sailors competing in the Worlds for years to come. We hope that the success of the Bahamas has the same effect on Italy and that we start to see more Sunfish on the Mediterranean!

Join the Sunfish Class today!

Membership forms are available at www.sunfishclass.org
Or contact the Class Office at (248) 673-2750
It is hard to believe that 2009 is coming to an end! This past fall the United States was well represented at the World and International Championships in Nassau, Bahamas. We had 27 competitors at the World Championship and three competitors at the International Junior Championship. It was fantastic to see David Loring, Paul Jon Patin, and David Mendelblatt tightly packed in the first, second, and third overall positions at the conclusion of the World Championship. Not only are the three of them tremendous ambassadors for our class and sport. They deserve a huge congratulations and thank you for representing our country so well, both on and off the water.

Over the weekend of October 24, Clinton Edwards represented the US Sunfish Class at the 2009 US Sailing meeting in Texas. His generously donated time provided the class with valuable information about US Sailing's future direction and how we fit into it. Clinton's efforts have positioned the class well for the future. The Sunfish is now being considered for the 2012 O'Day Championship. Over the next year we will continue to work with US Sailing to secure our class's place in the championship. Thank you, Clinton!

Finally, in early December US Sailing announced that David Loring has been nominated for the 2009 Rolex Yachtsman of the Year. David had a historic year racing his Sunfish. He was the runner up at the North American Championship, and captured his third World Championship. David is the fourth person in the history of our class to win three or more World Championships. Congratulations David!

As we close the door on 2009, it is important to remember where we have come from, and to think about where we are heading. I would encourage all of you to take a few moments to think about your past experiences sailing, and how they have had a positive impact your life. Please draw upon the insight gained from these experiences and share your knowledge with a member of your local youth sailing community. Together we can help shape a better future for generations to come.

I wish you a happy holiday season!

For the class,
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Announcing 2010 United States Sailing Foundation Grants

The United States Sailing Foundation has awarded the US Sunfish Class two $500 grants to help the top US sailors compete in the 2010 World Championship held at Punta Ala, Tuscany, Italy.

The grant selection committee made up of chair Derek Jackson (NY, NY), Rich Chapman (Libertyville, IL) and Pat Manning (Austin, TX) will award the grants to sailors based on the criteria defined by the USSF and USSCA.

1 Grant #1 (Awarded via Resume Application)
1.1 Eligibility
Any US citizen who is a member of US Sailing, and received an invitation to the 2010 World Championship by virtue of their performance in a Sunfish World Championship qualification event that was sailed in 2009. Individuals who work in the marine industry, members of the grant selection committee and members of the committee's immediate family are ineligible.

1.2 Application
Eligible individuals may apply via resume. The resumes may be emailed to ussf_grant@sunfishclass.org or mailed to Derek Jackson (2109 Broadway Apt 16-69, NY, NY, 10023). Resumes must be received by February 1, 2010.

1.3 Award
The USSF intends that the grants be used to send the class' top sailors to the World Championship. The grant selection committee will use the pool of resumes received to judge who that individual is. The committee will make a decision by Feb 13, 2010. The grant recipient will be notified as soon as possible after the decision of the committee is final, and is not grounds for redress by any competitor in the 2010 World Championship.

2 Grant #2 (Awarded at the 2010 Midwinter Championship)
2.1 Eligibility
Any US citizen who is a member of US Sailing, and has registered for the 2010 Sunfish World Championship prior to March 28, 2010. Individuals who work in the marine industry are ineligible. The recipient of Grant #1 is not eligible to also receive this grant.

2.2 Award
The grant will be awarded to the top US finisher at the 2010 Sunfish Midwinter US National Championship (see http://www.sunfishclass.org for details). If that individual does not meet the eligibility requirements of 2.1, or is not able to attend the 2010 World Championship, the grant will go to the next highest eligible US finisher until a recipient is found. However, the grant will not be awarded to any sailor who finishes outside the top five overall places at the 2010 Midwinter National Championship.

2.3 Award Alternates
In the event that no individual meets the criteria defined in 2.1 and 2.2, an individual will be selected by the grant selection committee from the remaining pool of resume applicants as defined in 1.1 and 1.2. This individual will be notified as soon as possible, but no later than April 17, 2010. The decision of the committee is final, and is not grounds for redress by any competitor in the 2010 World Championship.

Please contact me with any questions about the grants or the selection process.

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Paul-Jon Patin wins 2009 US Masters (continued from page 1)

Jim Greenfield (Oaklyn, NJ) topping the fleet in the final two. The ages of the competitors ranged from 41 to 85 years young. Dick Heinl (Mahasset, NY) reigned as Supreme Grand Master, showing you are never too old for a Sunfish.

### 2009 US Masters Championship

**Lewes YC - Lewes, DE**  
**September 25-27, 2009**

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2009 US Masters Winners:  
(Back row L-R) Connie Miller (Top Woman); Dick Heinl (Supreme Grand Master); Jim Greenfield (Great Grand Master); John Meyer (Grand Master); David Graham (Master); and Dan Norton (Apprentice Master).  
(Front row) Paul-Jon Patin, 1st; Tom Whitehurst, 2nd; Chris Williams, 3rd; Richard Whitehurst, 4th; and Rob Eberle, 5th.  
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Regional News

Manson, Gossett are SANJL Midget and Junior Champs

Mountain Lakes, NJ was the scene of the 2009 SANJL Junior Championship. Twenty one young sailors gathered to test their skill against each other in the light August winds. The breeze was often frustrating. Sailors, race committee, and parents on shore all agonized as positions and fortunes constantly changed on the race course. In the end, local knowledge proved important as Alec Manson (a frequent guest of MLSA) consistently found better pressure along the west shore and rode puffs to the front to take the overall win. He was followed closely by Simon Bertocci and Nathan Altomare, both former winners of the event. Robert Gossett of Mountain Lakes used his experience on his home lake to stay in the wind and win the Midget fleet trophy.

The Hunterdon Sailing Club demonstrated their team depth by taking the top three spots as well as seven out of the top ten places overall. Highland Lakes was lead by World's competitor Will Kresic who finished a strong fourth overall. Mountain Lakes dominated the Midget division taking the top four places.

The 2009 Championship brought together many young sailors. Some were attending their first regatta and some were racers with national and world level regatta experience.

Cooper River Round-up

By Jim Scarpa #75172

The 2009 Fall Sunfish season at Cooper River Yacht Club (Fleet 158) in southern New Jersey ended with three events in the books. The annual Fall Series had Connie Meeks (Piman, NJ) comfortably leading from the start and tearing up the competition thereafter. She was followed by Doug Howlett (Somerdale, NJ) and the third spot to Rosemary McMullen (Sickerville, NJ). The Fall Series in this part of the world is always a fine accomplishment due to continuously changing weather conditions from Labor Day until Halloween. Great job by all!

The annual Club Championship was held October 24. Veteran champion Art Littleton took the title this year with three bullets and three second place finishes. An inspirational performance! Second was Mike Parsons and the bronze went to Judy Lazo (Collingswood, NJ), the Commodore of our fun-loving yacht club.

Senior Sunfish sailing on the lakes is seeing resurgence. Several of our local clubs have thriving junior programs. Many kids are learning to sail and race, with some kids regularly traveling to regattas. The centerpiece of our local junior season has always been the SANJL junior regattas. Started in 1978, these events have seen successive generations of juniors progress from being new kids at their first regatta to eventually becoming expert racers.

The annual club Chowder Bowl was held November 1. This award dates back to 1946 and is the oldest trophy awarded to club members. This frosty race was won by Connie Meeks. This last award topped off a super season for Connie and we are looking forward to seeing her try to repeat this success next year.

### SANJL Midget & Junior Championship
Mountain Lakes SA - Mountain Lakes, NJ
August 22, 2009

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### SANJL Midget and Junior Regatta #1
Hunterdon SC - Spruce Run Reservoir
August 1 2009

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**Triangle & North Jersey Fleets Open Regatta**
Smoke Rise SC - Kinnelon, NJ
September 20, 2009

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Regional News

Storybook Ending to World's Longest Sunfish Race Around Shelter Island

By Joe Sullivan

There was a lot of love at Southold Yacht Club at the Awards Ceremony following the 39th Annual "World's Longest Sunfish Race, Around Shelter Island, NY," which took place on Saturday, August 15, 2009.

Choked up while thanking the officers and members of the Southold Yacht Club for their gracious hospitality during his nearly 30 years of participation, Dr. Dick Heinl (Muttontown, Long Island, NY) accepted the winner's trophy and a set of green chevrons from club Commodore Walter Preston for winning this 24-mile nautical marathon. Three elements made his victory special: first, Heinl became the only four-time winner in the history of the event; second, he accomplished the feat at age 84, two months shy of his 85th birthday; and third, after leading the Race for approximately 18 miles, he was overtaken, but came from behind to cross the finish line first. Here is how the second-place finisher, 34-year old John Condon, a three-time winner, described what happened.

"I passed Dick at West Neck Point as we headed towards Paradise Point. Dick built up at least a 3/4 mile lead from Greenport to South Ferry. I stayed along the shore and when Dick went in towards West Neck Harbor, I was able to gain a 100-yard lead. In 1999, I was in a similar situation as Dick; lost my lead in the same fashion and finished second to Sean Sullivan. I never forgot that and stayed away from that area. I led until Paradise Point where I was second to Joe Sullivan. Dick has always been an inspiration for all of us and is just amazing. He may be 84 but sails like he is straight from college. Dick was the first sailor I met outside the Yacht Club will have her name inscribed on the HEINL-LYMAN OCTOGENARIAN PLAQUE, which was created by SYC when the two sailors turned 80. Plus Celeste Flick of Southold Yacht Club will have her name inscribed on the PEGGY WAGNER MEMORIAL PLAQUE as the first woman to finish.

The Race itself was one of the most challenging in the history of the event. Just before the start, a zephyr came in from the southwest giving the fleet a desired downwind start. However, within two minutes, the wind shifted to the north and the sailors were soon tacking to windward in two-three knots of breeze and wondering if any of them would cross the finish line before the six-hour time limit had elapsed. Heinl & Condon were the first to escape Southold Bay. Two hours later, they rounded Hay Beach Point into Gardiner's Bay still one-two and with a comfortable lead over Lee Montes, Geoff Loffredo, Scott Heinl, Joe Sullivan and Jim Koehler. On the way to Rama Head, the wind filled in from the southwest at about 8-10 knots. At Rama Head, with Heinl, Condon & Montes opening up ground, Koehler, who sailed further out from shore, got some good wind and moved into fourth; Scott Heinl held onto fifth followed by Sullivan and Loffredo, who had a half-mile lead over the rest of the fleet. By the time, they rounded Mashomack Point, Steve Guyer, 2008 winner Bob Hines and Keith Lyman had cut that distance in half and were gaining rapidly.

After passing the South Ferry with its two to three-foot waves and heavy powerboat traffic, Koehler, Scott Heinl and Sullivan made the same mistake that Heinl had made in being overtaken by Condon. They sailed too close to West Neck Harbor while Guyer, Hines & Lyman stayed in the deeper channel closer to North Haven. Guyer moved into fourth place, but despite a valiant effort, was overtaken by the more experienced Hines and Koehler to finish out of trophy contention. Knowing that he had sailed perhaps the best race of his life, he couldn't stop smiling for the remainder of the day.

World’s Longest Sunfish Race
Southold YC - Southold, NY
August 15, 2009

1 Dick Heinl Seawanhaka Place YS 4 Hours, 52 Minutes
2 John Condon Mattituck YC - 4:52:30
3 Lee Montes Wet Pants SA 4:57
4 Bob Hines Aspatuck YC 5:00
5 Jim Koehler Narrasketuck YC 5:01
6 Steve Guyer Southold YC 5:02
7 Keith Lyman East Marion, NY 5:03
8 Joe Sullivan Southold YC 5:03:30
9 Geoff Loffredo Southold YC - 5:06
10 Scott Heinl Seawanhaka Place YS 5:09
11 Bart Hale Southold YC 5:09:30
12 Ivo Lekich Southold YC 5:11
13 Brendan Horn Wet Pants SA 5:14
14 Jeff Oak Southold YC 5:14:30
15 Nick Honig Southold YC 5:15
16 Celeste Flick Southold YC 5:16
17 Ruth Hakanson Wet Pants SA, 5:18
18 Tom Talbot Old Cove YC 5:27
19 Jessica Anderson Southold YC 5:33
20 Peter Young Southold YC 5:33:30
21 Walter Preston Southold YC 5:33:45
22 Kathryn Campbell Southold YC 5:44
23 Kristen Preston & Diana Barton Southold & Triangle YCs 5:46
24 Douglas Rose Jr. Southold YC 5:46:30
25 John Hodgson Southold YC 6:00+
DNF Joel Furman Bellport & Sayville YCs
North Fork wins Aspatuck Team Race Championship

By Joe Sullivan

For the fourth year in a row, the North Fork Sunfish Yacht Racing Association captured the Ted Conklin Memorial Trophy by winning the 46th Annual Aspatuck Team Race Championship hosted by Shinnecock YC on Tiana Bay, in Quiogue, NY on Saturday, August 1.

Unlike “Fleet Racing” where each boat pits against every other boat in the race, in “Team Racing” two teams compete to win by accumulating the lowest point team score, e.g., with three boats on a team, a 2-3-5 finish for 10 points will trump a 1-4-6 finish for 11 points. The emphasis in “Team Racing” is on tactics and strategy vis-à-vis boat speed in “Fleet Racing.”

The Shinnecock YC Race Committee of Doug Adams, Abby Connett, Laura McChesney and Kelso Sutton did an outstanding job in setting the courses and adjusting them in the shifty wind conditions for the six participating teams, which sailed a single round-robin of five races each. After nine races of the round-robin, NFSYRA and Westhampton Yacht Squadron #2 were dominating with three wins and no losses each. In their head-to-head race, the North Fork team took the start and an early lead. By the time the leeward mark of the “College N” course was reached, Westhampton had moved ahead but on the final windward leg, they were overtaken by North Fork, which placed 1-3-5 for nine points topping Westhampton’s 2-4-6 for 12 points.

The next three teams tied and a total-points-scored tiebreaker had to be used to decide third, fourth and fifth places.

The final standings were:

North Fork Sunfish YRA (Ryan Anderson, John Condon & Joe Sullivan) 5-0
Westhampton YS #2 (Mac Huehr, Jim Koehler & Conor Vakay) 4-1
Westhampton YS #1 (Geoff Craz, Luke Hicking, Nick Purpura) 2-3
Southold YC #1 (Navid Ahmadzadeh, Ian Flick, Ryan Penney) 2-3
Mattituck YC (Brandon Buonassuto, Craig Stern) 1-6-2-7

Aspatuck Team Winners (L-R) Ryan Anderson, Joe Sullivan, and John Condon share a laugh with Jim Koehler. (Photo: Doug Adams)

D’Urso, Gerard Hoeltzel) 2-3
Southold YC #2 (Robert Ewing, Christian Honig, Dan Lyons) 0-5

Following the team race competition and a terrific lunch provided by the hosts, three fleet races were held and the top three finishers were Craz, Purpura and Koehler.

Schmidt Holds on for Upstate NY Championship

By Bill Schmidt, Fleet #614

Canandaigua Yacht Club hosted the 2009 Upstate NY Regionals on August 15-16. The regatta was run alongside the Wayfarer North Americans and the Vanguard 15 Muddy Mast regattas. Having 65 sailors in attendance made for a lively social event. The Wayfarers and Vanguards shared the south course, while Sunfish raced on the north course.

Hot, hazy, weather is not always conducive to a good breeze and Saturday was no exception. The Sunfish got in one race before the sun burned away the wind and the Race Committee sent them in for lunch. It was not a good day for sailing, but it was a great day for the beach. Most of the sailors spent the afternoon swimming in the lake, usually with some sort of beverage in hand. After two postponements racing was cancelled for the day and everyone headed up to the club for a tasty buffet dinner prepared by Chef Steve.

There is always wind early in the morning on the Finger Lakes, so the Race Committee wisely moved up the start on Sunday to 8:30am. Three nice races were sailed before the wind became unstable and attempts to get in a fourth were abandoned.

The racing was very competitive with the top three places separated by only two points, and no one was able to win more than one race. Fourth place and top Woman went to Mary Schmidt (Rochester, NY) from CYC, Third place and top Junior was Nick Valente from Wet Pants SA, Second was Mark May (Ossining, NY) from Shattemuc YC, First Place and top Master was Bill Schmidt (Rochester, NY) from CYC. Special recognition was given to Joe Valente, who didn't sail but helped launch and retrieve boats all weekend and helped bring several young sailors from Wet Pants SA to the regatta.

New York Upstate Regional
Canandaigua YC - Canandaigua, NY
August 15-16, 2009

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Jaywork Wins at Commodore’s Cup

By Nancy Hastings

The annual Commodore’s Cup was held at RBBA in Rehoboth, DE on Saturday September 5, 2009. The weather was perfect; lots of sunshine, and a shifty northerly breeze blowing 8-12 ks. Eight boats sailed a total of three races, with very stiff competition. Nancy Hastings Jaywork (Wyoming, DE) won the regatta, with two first place finishes and a third. Ed Wagman (Camp Hill, PA) earned second place, barely beating third place Dave Racine by a point. A trophy presentation was held on the deck following the races, along with refreshments, and a good time was had by all.

Woodman, Brangiforte Win Duo

The Yankee Duo, held on September 19-20, 2009 on Cape Cod, provided perfect late summer weather, great racing, and some high drama. The Yankee Duo is two separate events held on consecutive days at the same venue the Orleans Yacht Club. Organized by the Sherborn (MA) Yacht Club, 2009 was the 40th year of the Yankee Duo.

Eric Woodman (Framingham, MA) won Saturday’s event (The Chowder Cup), beating Scott Greenbaum (Scituate, MA) and Bill Brangiforte (North Weymouth, MA). All three were tied with 10 points after five races, with one throw out, but Woodman won on the strength of more second place finishes than the other two. Ken Charles (Manchester, CT) finished fourth and Les Johnston (Medway, MA) finished fifth.

On Sunday, Brangiforte won the day with 8 points and Greenbaum and Woodman tied again with 10 points each. Drew Staniar (Sudbury, MA) finished fourth and Bill McInnis (Swansea, MA) was fifth. Greenbaum and Woodman finished with identical scores of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, each throwing out the fifth. Greenbaum won the tie-breaker because he finished ahead of Woodman in the last race.

Woodman Wins at Newport

Newport Regatta
Sail Newport Newport, RI
July 11-12, 2009

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Sponsored by the Sherborn YC
Hosted by the Orleans YC-Orleans, MA
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Greenbaum Wins New England Championship

The first annual New England Sunfish Championship concluded in thrilling fashion, coming down to the final race of the 2009 season with Scott Greenbaum (Scituate, MA) taking the race and the championship by a single spot. The championship included 10 New England regattas, not counting the two regional championships. The regattas that counted included: Bolton Lake Regatta, Northeast Challenge, Newport Regatta, Chatham Regatta, Spofford Lake Regatta, MLSA Sunfish Invitational, Connecticut Governor's Cup Trophy, Massapoag YC Regatta, Chowder Cup and Just Desserts.

With the win, Greenbaum took home a new racing sail. Second place Eric Woodman (Framingham, MA) won a hiking pants set and Bill Mcinnis (Swansea, MA) got a spray top. These prizes were donated by Vanguard Sailing Center of RI. Additionally Lee Parks (Newport, RI) in fourth and Paul Odegaard (Guillford, CT) in eighth won a raffle for nice Atlantic vests, donated by Boatthings.com.

Woodman Takes MLSA Victory

By Donald Scarbrough

An overcast but windy day greeted Sunfish sailors to Lake Monomonac in Rindge, NH on August 9, 2009 for the annual Monomonac Lake Sailing Association (MLSA) Sunfish Regatta. After a brief skippers' meeting the racers were ready to go and completed 8 races by 2:00pm. With only 12 points in 8 races, Eric Woodman (Framingham, MA) was awarded the first place trophy with David Davies (Middletown, NY) in second with 15 points and Lee Parks (Newport, RI) in third with 20 points. Also presented that day was the Monadnock Challenge trophy to David Davies. The Monadnock Challenge was award to the sailor with the fewest cumulative points in both the Spofford Yacht Club Sunfish Regatta held on August 8th in Spofford, NH and the Monomonac Lake regatta.

Thanks go to Peter Wells and Chip Aquadros for their management of the races. Thanks also the "Sandwich Making Crew", Terry Charters for trophies, Michelle Perry for getting us such a great venue, Steve Shriner of SYC for helping to organize the "Monadnock Challenge" and to all the sailors who participated. Thanks also to Eric Woodman and Lee Parks for helping us communicate the news of the regatta. We look forward to seeing all of you next year!

MLSA Invitational
Mononomac Lake SA
Rindge, NH
August 9, 2009

1 Eric Woodman 12
2 David Davies 15
3 Lee Parks 20
4 Bill Mcinnis 25
5 Rob Egemeier 35
6 Paul Odegaard 40
7 Donald Scarbrough 55
8 Steve Shriner 58
9 Michelle Perry 64
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15 Pete Beckwith 98
16 Ernie Morris 106
Greenbaum Wins the 60th Annual Massapoag Lake Regatta

By Drew Staniar

Eric Woodman’s NE Regional website refers to the Massapoag Yacht Club regatta as the “best eats and Saturday evening party on the circuit.” This year’s event on September 12-13 did not disappoint. OK, so there was a cold rain on Saturday, with a fickle North to North East breeze. The Sunfish Class was the largest fleet with 16 boats.

Taking advantage of the committee boat favored starting line; Scott Greenbaum (Scituate, MA) sailed into lunch in first place, with 1-1-4. Alan Beckwith (Medfield, MA) was second with a 4-2-1. A lovely luncheon buffet was offered, although some of us ate quickly in order to retreat to our cars to warm up, change clothes, and dry out. The afternoon sailing was tight with some sailors taking flyers that paid off. By the end of the first day, the top three sailors were separated by only four points.

Fortunately, the large and 24-foot-deep trapezoidal shaped ledge located three-quarters of the way up the weather leg did not bite any dagger boards. Two years ago, John Skrypiec (Portsmouth, RI) challenged the ledge with final score: Ledge 1, Skrypiec 0.

Sunday was better weather but with a very light North to North West breeze. Forget “breeze”, it was time to get in touch with your inner self, inside your cockpit. This is when the lake had its revenge. On the first beat, you could watch sailors pass you to leeward and pass you to windward, all in unperceivable air. At this time, you know you have offended the wind gods, you’re just not sure why or how...

Greenbaum was consistent and held his lead over Beckwith as they battled closely during the two Sunday races. The sun appeared around 12:30, the wind died completely, and the Race Committee called it. In hindsight, the Race Committee was completely correct. As we packed up our boats, the lake turned to glass.

Now one of the joys of sailing Massapoag is watching the other fleets. This can make you feel better, especially when you are getting down on yourself for pulling up the back of the class. A couple of observations:

Flying Scots look bigger from a Sunfish vantage point, especially when you look astern at that big main and spinnaker quickly overtaking you on a run. At that point, their bow wave becomes audibly intimidating. On the other hand, this fleet demonstrated some most interesting starting tactics. Flying Scots tend to all line up outside the committee boat and parallel to the starting line with at least 60% barging like mad. As the countdown approaches 10 seconds, there is lots of luffing, shouting, stalled boats being pushed up the line and rub-rail incidents. Inevitably, one boat will be over and another five plus boats get peeled off the committee boat, resulting in one of the slowest fleet starts ever witnessed. It was consistently comical, even after the fifth start.

Now the Daysailors had their own starting ritual. They were supposed to start with the Scotts. However, this small fleet of three assumed they had their own start. So about five minutes after the Scotts depart, one of the Daysailors realizes the mistake, politely calls to his two competitors, and off they went. Despite approximately a five-minute head start, many ended up in our class. Fortunately there were three prizes at trophy time, so no one had hurt feelings.

Sunfish: There were some honorable mentions:

Race 4 Sunday morning, on a Gold Cup Course, Lee Parks (Newport, RI) rounds the weather mark in very light air, and proceeds to blow through the lee of both Alan and Scott on the way to the jibe mark, and extends her lead on the second reaching leg.

Race 5 a windward/leeward in tiny air, Mary Charles (Manchester, CT) goes high on the final run almost to the shoreline, and follows little puff after little puff to scoot to weather of us all, who are quietly cursing to ourselves. She even temporarily passes hubby Ken who had his own honorable mention. Ken Charles (Manchester, CT) started by the committee boat on a very port favored line. While we all think he is toast, Charles proceeds to quietly pass everyone by sailing to leeward of the fleet to lead at the first mark by 30+ yards. Finally, about three minutes after Mary kills us by sailing high the weather shoreline, octogenarian Pete Beckwith (Wayland, MA), gains about six boats by sailing the rub-rail line to the pin.

I tell ya, this lake will get you talking to yourself.

Davies Takes Spofford

Dave Davies (Middletown, NY) sailed with remarkable consistency in sometimes extremely light and shifty conditions to win the 2009 Spofford Lake Regatta. Davies was followed by Bill McInnis (Swanse, MA) and Eric Woodman (Framingham, MA).

60th Annual MYC Regatta
Massapog YC - Sharon, MA
September 12 & 13, 2009

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Davies Takes Spofford

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Spofford Lake YC - Brattleboro VT
August 8, 2009

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Milliken Wins Board Bash

By John Park

September 19 was a mixed day of light to moderate wind conditions at the Board Bash at Lake Norman, NC, where paying attention to wind strength and shifts paid off. In a strong fleet of 15 Sunfish, Brad Milliken took honors for the Juniors and beat the Seniors overall. Even with Brad giving the seniors a second for every year over his age, he still beat us! John Park finished first for the Seniors. John, who according to his wife is reliving his youth, was racing a 35-year-old Sunfish that he got when he was 13. Alex Jones won the Midget division.

Board Bash
Lake Norman YC - Lake Norman, NC
September 19, 2009

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4 Andrew Bates 4-OS-3-3-4 26
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6 Claude Summers 7-2-7-7-7 30
7 Michael Chenard 8-6-5-6-5 30
8 Sarah Jones 9-5-10-9-8 41
9 Paul Gunther 10-DS-9-8-9 48
10 David Bradford TE-TE-11-10-10 49
11 Chris Bell TE-DS-8-DF-DS 55

MIDGET
1 Alex Jones 1-1-1-1-1 5
2 Elijah Jones TE-2-2-2-3 11
3 Larissa Jones TE-DS-3-3-2 15
4 Sarah Bell TE-DS-DS-DS-DS 22

Whitehurst Triumphs at Southeast Regional #2

By Rick Whitehurst

The Southeast Region held its second championship of the season at the Halloween Regatta on October 10-11, 2009 at the Augusta Sailing Club in Georgia. Always a popular and well-hosted event, this year was no exception.

The first day's forecast was for light winds, which held true for the first race. Mother Nature stepped in after that with winds in the 10-14 range for the next two races. Wind coming from the northwest, straight down the long axis of the lake, made for a very long fetch and strong choppy conditions. Heavily pin-end favored starting lines made for excitement and crowded conditions at the starts. All races were twice around hotdogs with weather offset and a leeward gate perfect for a Sunfish regional.

The real story of day one was the tightly packed downwind finishes seven after 40 minutes of racing in shifty winds. The first race finished in machine-gun fashion not long after the leaders crossed. The race committee had the foresight to have a voice recorder going as sail numbers got lost in the shuffle. After day one, Rick Whitehurst (Charleston, SC) and Nick Valente (Mt. Pleasant, SC) were in a tight battle for the lead. Each had consistent finishes with one victory. A six-way battle royale was developing for the next three spots in the trophy column.

The last day's forecast held true with light winds of about 5 out of the northeast and flat lake conditions. "Eyes out of the cockpit" to look for the wind patches and shifts was the name of the game. John Helman (Augusta, GA) took a bullet in the first race to improve his standing in the trophy race against Charlie Frasch (Charleston, SC) and John Meyer (Lively, VA), while Valente gained a 3-point margin on Whitehurst for the overall lead.

The final race held the lightest and most shifty winds of the regatta. Whitehurst lead the race wire-to-wire, took the bullet and the overall victory with Valente very close behind. The battle for third through fifth continued into the very last downwind leg. Frasch grabbed third overall on a tiebreaker with Meyer. Helman held on to take fifth overall.

Southeast Regional #2
Augusta SC - Clarks Hill Reservoir, GA
October 10-11, 2009

1 Rick Whitehurst 3-3-1-5-1 13
2 Nick Valente 4-1-2-6-6 15
3 Charlie Frasch 2-12-3-4-8 29
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5 John Helman 11-8-7-7-5 32
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7 Matthew Swan 5-2-12-7-16 42
8 Dayton Colie 16-5-4-12-7 44
9 Michael Poulnot 13-13-6-11-4 47
10 Donald Fritz 1-15-17-13-10 56
11 Gordon Sproul 15-16-13-10-2 56
12 John Young 18-10-11-9-12 60

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Circumnavigate... Piece of Cake

By Rob Eberle

Twenty-nine Sunfish were on the line August 1-2, 2009 to compete in the eighth annual Harkers Island Regatta. Sailed in a protected sound inside Cape Lookout, NC, the popular one-design event has been likened to a challenging obstacle course. Sailors sail, paddle and pull their boats while negotiating shifting currents, passing under a narrow drawbridge and traversing shallow wind ing marshes.

The ten-mile race around the island was sailed Saturday in a moderate sou'westerly with water levels much lower than normal. Sailors may choose the direction they circumnavigate the island, a unique feature in 'round island Sunfish racing. As in previous years, the fleet split direction with the majority heading west for a long reach up the length of Harkers Island.

Jaime Deale (Southport, NC), competing in this regatta for his third time, established an early lead. Deale was closely followed by Alex Seachrist (Oriental, NC) and Alex Dean (Raleigh, NC). Seachrist took over the lead rounding the west end of the island but inadvertently edged out of the channel and ran hard aground, allowing several boats to scurry by him. Meanwhile, Dean, with extensive local knowledge found an inside route close to shore. The westward fleet were cramped together at the drawbridge, but managed to paddle and sail through it with no bumps. Before them was a maze of shallow marshes.

Passing the halfway mark of the race gives participants the first indication about which direction around the island is favored, and whether they made the right decision. Last year's winner, Zak Mathews (New Bern, NC) elected to sail east instead of west with a handful of other boats. This strategy produced a more upwind and difficult transit through the back-island marshes and an upwind passage through the drawbridge.

Midway through the race, the westward group appeared well ahead of the eastward fleet, but they had yet to face the formidable marshes. Hidden in reeds too shallow for the chase boats to follow, skippers dragged their boats over the shallowest spots in an unusual dogfight for the lead and many places changed hands.

Eventually the westward group emerged, beat up the short side of the island and made their final turn off Shell Point. However, they were unaware that Mathews had made up significant ground and was homing-in on the finish line. After two hours of hard racing, a handful of boats battled the last half-mile.

In the end, only three minutes separated first through fifth place. Dean took line honors, while Deale claimed a close second and Reiner Zeppenfeld captured third. Zak Matthews, first to finish in the eastward group, was fifth.

A traditional low-country boil dinner was served Saturday night for all racers and family members complete with steamed local clams and a rum cake contest.

Sunday morning brought heavy rain and lightning and everyone hovered under the clubhouse tent for breakfast waiting for the weather to pass. After an hour's delay, three challenging windward-leeward races were sailed in a building 20-25 kt sea breeze with smooth water and a modest cross current. It was a bit of helter-skelter for the less experienced competitors with multiple capsizes and some broken gear. New Bern's Rob Eberle led the fleet with three bullets; Deale and Seachrist were close behind, finishing second and third, respectively.

Midlands 50th - Wow!

By Andrew Clarkson

In short, they came (99 boats in all from eight classes), they ate, and they drank a lot! And they sailed some too.

The 50th Midlands Regatta was held on a gorgeous early November weekend at Columbia Sailing Club in South Carolina. Temperatures were unusually warm and the sun shined the entire weekend. Notably absent was the breeze. But thanks to the able-handed race committee, just enough action was seen to call it a success. Particularly for the Opti fleets whose persistence paid off with enough light breeze late into Sunday morning, that they completed an additional three races.

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Carolina YC - Charleston, SC
August 1-2, 2009

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Midwest Regional #2 a Weekend in the Sun
By Gail Turluck
The Bruce Goldsmith Memorial Regatta for Sunfish and
Lightnings was the setting for the 2009 Midwest Regional #2, at
Devils Lake YC, Manitou Beach, MI. Coming around the bend at
the north end of the lake on Saturday morning, in addition
to seeing the sun, there was wind on the water ... a good omen!

Went inside to register and ... who's that on the list? None other
than five time Midwinter and former North American Champion
Bob Findlay (Glencoe, IL), now recovered and rebuilding strength
after nearly 10 years of treatment for a believed Chinese parasite
infection. Slowly the collection of boats on the beach built. Last
year's champion, Dan Norton (Manitou Beach, MI), 1991
Lightning Pan Am Games Gold Medalist Sean Fidler (Royal Oak,
MI), Fireball Class standout Ronald McHenry (Cortland, OH),
Snipe District Champion Chad Coberly, 2009 multi-Sunfish
regatta winner Scott Schappe (Lake Bluff, IL), an incredibly deep
assemblage that kept growing TO 25 BOATS!

We welcomed Doug Tagsold (Blissfield, MI), David Hanselman
(Eagle River, WI), and Cara Sanderson (Cleveland Heights, OH) to
their first Sunfish regatta. Sanderson borrowed a club boat with a
recreational sail and a leaking hull (not discovered until after day
2's racing) when her Lightning ride no-showed, yet she kept trying
and shared great humor with fleet members. That red and white
sail sure was easy to pick out! We're hoping she's not scared away
from Sunfish forever.

Missing was last year's five inches of rain from Hurricane Ike.
Sunny skies allowed for six races in shifty light to medium
southerly winds over two days. The racing was very tight, with
multiple lead changes in nearly every race, multiple position
changes, and near front to back shuffling a couple of times. At the
same time, the better sailors somehow managed to be at the front
by the time the course was done. Notable was the true finish line
crossing tie between buddies John Morse (Blissfield, MI) and
Tagsold that 0.5 in each of their scores is a shared finish!

Sunfish sailors dominated the special awards. Findlay won the
"Better To Be Bad & Colorful Than Dull & Mediocre" award for
his Saturday night activities. Hanselman won the "Good Enough
For Who It's For" award after capsizing when hit by a 5 knot "puff"
Saturday. Mid-fleet awards were won in Sunfish by Matt
Heywood (Ann Arbor, MI) and John Mathers (Pontiac, MI) in
Lightnings.

2009 Goldsmith Memorial winners: (Front L-R): David Hanselman, Bob
Findlay, Matt Heywood, Donald Fritz, Cara Sanderson. (Back) Dan Norton,
1st; Chad Coberly, 2nd; Linda Norton, 3rd; Sean Fuller, 4th; Scott Schappe, 5th.
(Photos: Gail Turluck)

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Regional News

Fleet 680 Hosts Wawasee Open
By Linda and Dick Tillman
On August 15, 2009, twenty three competitors turned out for the annual WYC Sunfish Open Regatta, held as a one-day event this year, at Wawasee Yacht Club, Syracuse, IN. Out-of-towners Tom Katterheinrich (New Knoxville, OH) and Shapoor Guzder (Hawthorn Woods, IL), and several WYC members from the E-Scow and Lightning Fleets joined the ranks.

At 10:30 a.m. the lake was like a mirror, and PRO Steve Bonifas postponed until the wind filled in, lightly but with promise, around 11:45am. Race 1 started in a light (5 mph) SE breeze, on a five leg, WL course. Linda Tillman (Syracuse, IN) and Guzder led the entire race, finishing in just under an hour, followed by Brad Wagon and Casey Call. The course was shortened for the next race, which started in a bit more breeze that continued to be up and down and shifty. Again, Linda won, with Dick Tillman (Syracuse, IN) second, Katterheinrich in third, and Guzder in fourth. The third race got off around 3:00pm, in winds that continued to shift back and forth as much as 45 degrees, varying from one puff at 14mph and then zero. Undaunted, the fleet finished the race, with Dick winning, followed by Call, Guzder, and Katterheinrich. The challenging wind conditions and temperatures in the 90s added up to quite a day!

After racing, the sailors enjoyed a delicious cookout put together by Peggy Sabens and her committee. Awards of laser-engraved picture frames were presented to the top five overall. Michael Schmahl, placing 15th overall, won the Top Junior award out of a field of five juniors who included Andrew Schmahl, Bradey Wright, John W. Call, and Charlie McClain. Compliments of an anonymous donor, a choice of a sailing themed cap or t-shirt was given to each participant who did not receive an award.

Wawasee Open
Wawasee YC - Syracuse, IN
August 15, 2009

1 Linda Tillman 1-1-5 7
2 Dick Tillman 6-2-1 9
3 Shapoor Guzder 2-4-3 9
4 Tom Katterheinrich 8-3-4 15
5 Brad Wagon 3-5-7 15
6 Casey Call 4-14-2 20
7 Steve Carr 12-7-6 25
8 Bryan Bahler 10-8-8 26
9 Steve Gardt 7-9-11 27
10 Glen Dalhart 17-6-9 32
11 Mert Wolfe 14-13-10 37
12 Sally Gindling 5-15-18 38
13 Ken Gindling 15-10-13 38
14 Susan Sharp 13-11-14 38
15 Michael Schmahl 9-17-15 41
16 Sheryl Wallace 19-12-16 47
17 Andrew Schmahl 18-21-12 51
18 Bradey Wright 20-16-17 53
19 John Call 16-19-19 54
20 Buzz Levinson 11-24-24 59
21 Jim Sabens 21-20-20 61
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23 Charlie McClain 23-22-24 69

Molleran Beats All at OktoberFast
By Mike Stratton
Hueston SA held their annual OktoberFast Regatta on October 4 in warmth and wind. Temperatures were in the low 60s and wind was in the 8-12 range as HSA's Bill Molleran (Cleves, OH) continued his run of fall victories. Molleran started the series with a seventh place due to being over early but recovered in the next three races with two seconds and a bullet to edge out Tom Katterheinrich (New Knoxville, OH) by a quarter point. A rare general recall was even required in race 2 due to a massive pile up at the pin end of the line, the second race in a row where that occurred. Trophies once again reflected the relaxed, informal nature of the event, characterized by the usual three "C's" - cheap, cheesy, and crappy. The "Aw Shucks" award should have gone to Roger Henthorn, the only participant to win a race and finish out of the trophy hunt.

OktoberFast
Hueston SA - Hueston Woods, OH
October 4, 2009

1 Bill Molleran 7-2-1-2 11.75 10 Rose Schultz 9-8-11-10 38
2 T.Katterheinrich 2-5-2-3 12 11 Bill Sanderson 12-7-10-11 40
3 Neil Harrell 1-3-9-6 18.75 12 Charlie DeArmon 13-12-12-12 49
4 Jerry Callahan 4-9-7-1 20.75 13 Mike Albino 11-13-13-13 50
5 Brian Callahan 3-10-4-5 22 14 Brendan Draper 14-14-14-14 56
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7 Mike Stratton 8-4-3-9 24
8 Pete Peters 5-6-6-7 24
9 Laura Beebe 10-11-5-4 30

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Johnson Slough Legend Findlay Wins Again!

By Jim McCarthy and Leland Brode

The Johnson Slough Yacht Club's annual Great Pumpkin Regatta was held on October 17, 2009 in Hinsdale, IL just west of Chicago. Twenty boats sailed, including a return appearance by Slough legend Bob Findlay (Glencoe, IL), who has been absent for several years and has won the Great Pumpkin 22 times!

The regatta always attracts local sailors as well as boats from the Midwest, represented by Tom Katterheinrich (New Knoxville, OH). Jim Irwin (Highland Park, IL) brought several young sailors from the Deerfield/Highland Park High School sailing team. Thanks to Jim for encouraging new Sunfish sailors and bringing them all to the regatta.

We sailed six races, with one throw away. Bob Findlay came through again, and Slough resident Dave Anderson (Hinsdale, IL) came in second.

If you have not been to the Great Pumpkin race, it's hard to explain the 'cult' reputation the regatta has acquired over the years. It has been going for at least 20 years. The regatta formerly was held every April and October making it the first and the last regatta of the season for Chicago area sailors. So the weather is wide ranging.

One year I recall sailing in the snow. Snow is an excellent tool for seeing how wind puffs unfold. Now the regatta is held once a year in October. It's held on a small L-shaped lake in unincorporated Hinsdale, IL surrounded by nice homes, most with a Sunfish in the back yard. The Johnson Slough YC, consisting of those sailors living around the lake, has been active for many years. Many of the original sailors do not sail much any more (one big exception is Dave Anderson who finished second). However, they are actively encouraging their juniors with a racing program.

The wind at this small lake is interesting, and frustrating. Small lakes always provide variable and shifting winds, but the Johnson Slough magnifies this effect many times over. During one race the wind typically comes from all points on the compass, and then dies and then comes in again. And not then same everywhere on the course. If you are moving well on a leg of the race take advantage of it since you probably won't be in a few minutes. On one of the downwind legs in this year's regatta I was barely moving along with several boats in my immediate vicinity. However, Katterheinrich, about 15 yards behind me, was now the lone boat speeding ahead of everyone else with his own private puff of wind. This is typical. If you are in the lead, it's only for that moment. Many leaders have lost out by choosing the unlucky side of a leg.

The wind on October 17 was better than usual. There was enough to hike out at times during the race and the dead spots rarely lasted very long. The wind ranged from 0-10 kt, mostly from the north, but all other directions were well represented. This regatta had no big winds. When they do occur you need not worry about tipping over as the lake is very shallow. If this occurs all you have to do is stand up. You will at first be standing in water about chest high as you slowly sink into the muck on the bottom of the lake. A complete capsize will tarnish the top of your spar and sail with a slick paste of black goo (aka goose poop). It takes a while to wash off. This has affectionately been referred to as being "sloughed".

The big treat at the Slough is lunch. Jim McCarthy kindly opens his home for lunch and festivities afterwards. His basement resembles most sports bars in the area, complete with video and pinball games. There is plenty of room to relax and watch Saturday football on any of several TVs before returning to the water for afternoon races. The food is always excellent and includes steaming bowls of homemade soup.

Great Pumpkin Regatta
Johnson Slough YC - Hinsdale, IL
October 17, 2009

1 Bob Findlay 2-1-1-1-(3)-2 7
2 David Andersen 3-2-(8)-3-5-1 14
3 Leland Brode 1-4-6-(8)-1-7 19
4 Sandi Youngman (7)-3-3-4-6-4 20
5 Tom Katterheinrich 8-(9)-4-6-4-9 31
6 David Michaels 5-6-12-(13)-2-8 33
7 Bill Nelson (16)-5-2-7-8-11 33
8 Doug Warren 10-7-5-2-(11)-10 34
9 Charlie Rush 11-(13)-7-5-10-5 38
10 Jim Irwin 9-(12)-9-11-7-3 39
11 Gail Turluck 6-10-11-10-(14)-6 43
12 John Poast 4-11-10-(12)-12-12 49
13 Steve King 12-8-(13)-9-13-13 55
14 Thuka (15)-15-15-14-9-14 67
15 Nick Covett 14-14-14-(15)-15-15 72

Highland Park Mayors Cup
North Shore YC - Highland Park, IL
September 5, 2009

1 Scott Schappe 3-1-1-1 6
2 Fritz Hanselman 2-2-2-2 8
3 Leland Brode 5-3-4-3 15
4 Shapoor Guzder 4-4-3-4 15
5 Charlie Rush 6-6-5-5 22
6 Sandy Youngman 7-8-6-9 30
7 Jim Irwin 12-7-7-7 33
8 Bill Nelson 9-9-10-6 34
9 Alan Cohen 11-10-8-8 37
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11 Larry Hammond 13-12-9-11 45
12 Pierce McCall 8-5-DQ-DQ 47
13 Rich Chapman 1-DQ-DQ-DQ 52
14 Ellie Sylvan 14-14-12-12 52
15 Ronaldo Borges 15-13-13-DQ 58
16 Tom Russell DF-DQ-DQ-DQ 68

2009 Sunfish Midwest Series Results

By Tom Katterheinrich

The 2009 Midwest Sunfish Series consisted of 6 Regattas scattered around the Midwest. The Regattas were at Wolf Lake YC (MI), Midwest Regional #1 at Lake Bluff YC (IL), Wawasee YC (IN), North Shore YC (IL), Midwest Regional #2 at Devils Lake YC (MI) and the Johnson Slough YC (IL). The best three of six regatta scores were used.

1 Scott Schappe 0-2-1-5-0-0 8
2 Leland Brode 0-5-0-3-(10)-3 11
3 Bob Findlay 6-0-0-0-6-1 13
4 Shapoor Guzder 7-0-3-4-(12)-0 14
5 T Katterheinrich 8-0-4-0-(11)-5 19
6 Jim Irwin 0-4-0-7-0-10 21
7 Rob Stephenson 5-10-0-0-8-0 23
8 Charlie Rush 0-12-0-5-0-9 26
Draheim Wins Wurstfest in Bubba’s Boat

By Bubba Horner

Wurstfest 2009 a light air regatta. I loaned my boat to Bill Draheim and he won with a 1-1-2-2. We did not enough wind to have a fifth race on Sunday morning. Bill’s son, Stewart, was tied for third with Greg Gust with 14 points, but Greg won as he had a first place score. Doug Peckover from WRBC was a solid second overall.

The winner of the 2009 Texas Circuit Regatta was Tony Collins (Dallas, TX), who was awarded the Earl Gerloff Award. This perpetual trophy is kept in The club house at LCYC with winners name engraved.

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Lake Canyon YC - Canyon Lake, TX
October 30-November 1, 2009

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**Oktoberfish:** (L-R) Stewart Draheim and Judi Foote (Photo: Chuck Haines)

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17 Judi Foote DC-DC-DC-DC-DC 90

Heart of Texas (HOT)
Stillhouse SC - Belton, TX
September 12-13, 2009

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2 Ed Hill 4-2-8-2-1-2 19
3 Tony Collins 2-3-3-8-4-1 21
4 Ellen Burks 6-4-2-1-2-DC 27
5 Bill Jackson 1-5-4-8-6 28
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Come on Down to the USSCA Midwinters in March 2010!

By Cindy Clifton

Hey Sailors! Get those boats out of the garage, get your suntan lotion out of the closet, and head to Sarasota, FL for the Sunfish Midwinters on March 11-14!

70 degree temperatures, medium winds, light chop and terrific competition is the norm for us here in Florida in March. Of course we could get a front and the “animal” in us will enjoy that too! Get a team together (four) for the Annual Team Race held on March 11!

We have planned great food and activities on shore and will try to provide housing for those who request it. Camping is free at the Sarasota Sailing Squadron. Online registration will be available at www.sarasotasailingsquad.com. Or send a check to SSS, 1717 Ken Thompson Pkwy., Sarasota FL 34236.

See the Notice of Race at www.sarasotasailingsquad.com or the last Windward Leg.

Charters are available through Tackle Shack and Ullman Sails of Florida.

Baseball's Spring Training with the Orioles, our new spring team, and the Pirates just up the road in Bradenton will be in the midst of season and of course there is Opera, Performing Arts, Museums, Mote Aquarium and more for your family members. We look forward to welcoming the multi-cultural/multi-lingual class of Sunfishers and will do what we can to make your visit a great one!! Cindy Clifton, 941-954-6923.

There is still time to register for the ISCA Masters on March 19-21, 2010

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