2014 Championship Dates

- International Masters Championship, Pensacola Yacht Club, March 23-25, 2014
- US Team Race Championship, Pensacola Yacht Club, March 26, 2014
- US National Championship at Midwinters, Pensacola Yacht Club, March 27-29, 2014
- Youth/Junior North American Championship, Bay-Waveland Yacht Club, July 28-29, 2014
- North American Championship, Bay-Waveland Yacht Club, July 30-August 2, 2014

David Gonzalez wins 2013 North American Championship

by Christopher Williams

The 2013 Sunfish North American Championship at Brant Beach Yacht Club on New Jersey's Long Beach Island was defined by wind, waves and heat. The championship was contested on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, July 18-20. The first race of the day on Thursday and Friday featured winds of 8 or so knots, but the wind turned on for the final three races of each day, topping out around 20 on Friday. The wind was from the south-southwest on all three days, which is the sea breeze direction, and the high heat made the sea breeze very strong. With the mid-90s temperatures and the need to clear the boat's daggerboard of eelgrass every minute or so upwind, it was a physically challenging regatta.

All four of the first day's races were three leg windward-leewards. Despite the fact the courses were only three legs, they were long, with each race taking more than 45 minutes. Amanda Callahan of Rhode Island won the lighter air first race, with two other women, Gail Heausler of Florida and Arriana Villena of Ecuador also finishing in the top five. However, in the heavier wind of the afternoon, Dan Hesse of New York became the Day 1 leader.

Friday's races were a mix of three and five leggers, with Tom Donahue, who only sailed in three races of the championship, winning the light air first race of the day. Once again, Amanda Callahan, Gail Heausler and Arriana Villena finished in the top five. Tom's decisive win made what was becoming apparent very obvious - current was playing a big role on the weather legs.

Brant Beach is my home club, and the current rarely seems to be a factor in the course area, but that was not the case for the North Americans. Unquestionably, when the tide was going out, the right paid off going upwind, and with the tide coming in, the left was better.

At the end of day two, David Gonzalez of Venezuela had taken the lead, with Dan Hesse second and Doug Kaukeinen of New York third, and the three were separated by just six points. On Saturday, the first of the final three races was sailed in 12+ knots, (Continued on page 16) (Complete Championship Scores on page 7)
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It's great that we have so much Sunfish news to share. I really look forward to opening my email every day to see who has sent in the newest event reports. We have many people who want to learn about Sunfish events that are not necessarily race oriented and this issue has material for them, too. As we near the end of the year, planning for 2014 should be starting. If you want to add an event (racing or rally) to the Class calendar, be sure to contact Schedule Coordinator Anne Edwards (see page 27).

Thanks to Kent Lewis and Alan Glos who volunteered out of the blue to write maintenance articles about fun times attract attention and build participation. Their expertise will help many.

Your next event will benefit from you reporting your past event! Entertaining articles about fun times attract attention and build participation. Send your news to sunfishnews@gmail.com. Thank you! —Gail M. Turluck

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Letters to the Editor
Super job on the Windward Leg issue! Just can't believe how you pulled together all those results. Thanks and keep it up.—Paul Odegaard

Great job on that Spring 2013 issue!—Pat Manning

Gave your first issue a grade of "A." Very good job on a very tough assignment.—Gordon Geick

I do not support paying for printing costs of any kind - especially when putting things online is essentially free and virtually nobody in the Class leadership is doing that at this point. If people have time to put together a printed newsletter then they should have the time to put together content for the website and email out links to their region.—Eric Woodman

Windward Leg arrived yesterday and what a job you did! It is awesome, and I want to say thank you very much. Your obvious passion for the Sunfish and leadership in resurrecting this publication is very much appreciated by this old duffer. I am absolutely convinced that Windward Leg is the glue that holds the Sunfish Class together. Congratulations upon taking the initiative to get it done. Hopefully, your momentum will rally the troops to move forward.—Joe Sullivan

SUNFISH BIBLE
The world renowned guide to everything Sunfish, The Sunfish Bible, is in stock and available to sailors for order from book sellers, Sunfish dealers, and other marine gear vendors.

Vendors may contact Sunfish Bible Sales Coordinator Betsy Schmidt for information on case lot pricing and to make shipping arrangements. She is best contacted by email: betsy19742@aol.com.

Hector Duval replaces Andres Santana in Pan American Sailing Federation Board
Andres Santana (Dominican Republic) and Rich Jeffries (USA) resigned from the PASAF Executive Committee. PASAF and the Sunfish Class thank both Jeffries and Santana for their many years of service to both PASAF and sailing in general. Jeffries and Santana were replaced by Liz Filter (USA) and Hector Duval (Dominican Republic) respectively.

Pan American Games-Sailing in 2015 in Toronto will be conducted out of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club City Site which will experience many improvements in preparation for the event. The City Site is close to the athlete's village, making it convenient for competitors. This will eliminate the ferry rides to Snug Island for daily competition.

On October 10, 2013, in Toronto, the Pan American Sports Organization will decide which of the four bidding cities will be the site for the 2019 Pan American Games. The bidding cities are: Santiago, Chile; Lima, Peru; La Punta, Argentina, and Bolivar, Venezuela.

Tracking and on board cameras are likely for the sailing competitions at the 2015 Pan American Games. Sailing will be the sport with the potentially significant public interest because the Medal races will take place directly in front of the city of Toronto where the public can view these competitions at no cost.

Sunfish Class country qualifying starts with the 2014 US National Championship at Midwinters in Pensacola in March. Additional qualifying events are 2014 South American Championship, Paracas, Peru; 2014 North American Championship, Bay Waveland Yacht Club, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, USA; 2015 U.S. National Championship at Midwinters, TBD.
2013 Youth World and Youth/Junior North American Championships

By Gail M. Turluck

In a creative stroke, the 2013 Youth North American Championship was held over two days and the 2013 Youth World Championship was created by adding a third day, hosted by Brant Beach Yacht Club in Brant Beach, New Jersey. The format drew a strong pool of competitors. The Youth North American Championship was won by Alonso Collantes de Riglos of Peru. The Junior North American Championship was won by Nicolás Gómez-Sánchez, also of Peru.

After the first day of racing, Collantes de Riglos said he didn't do anything different, that he just stayed focused and sailed the same way he sailed the day before. Upon winning the Youth North American Championship he felt really good, but it wasn't his final goal. He was still focused on the next day.

Knowing he was in the lead and wanting to win the Youth World Championship, he went to sleep early, got his boat ready as soon as he could and stayed focused on the regatta. He was elected to win the Youth World Championship, as it is much greater than the North American Championship and the World Championship was his goal. He found the competition from the Guatemalan and Venezuelan sailors to be the biggest challenge.

"They were really good and it was really hard to keep them back during the whole regatta." He trained a lot in Peru with his teammates and has been sailing for a long time so he felt well prepared for the regatta. Besides going to the gym he likes to hang out with friends, have fun trying other sports, he likes parties and that kind of stuff, but he always keep sailing first. He only started sailing Sunfish last year because he sailed Optimist Dinghies until 2011. He said, "I've been sailing for almost 11 years. That's a lot of time if you are 17." His favorite things about Sunfish sailing are the way people get along and the way you get the boat set up; it is really easy and quick. He enjoyed that after racing they went to the beach that was nearby, another day they went go-karting, and they spent one night in Manhattan. It was a lot of fun.

Collantes de Riglos said, "The Sunfish is a boat that youth can sail for any reason. If you want to have fun, if you want to be competitive, if you want to relax, those are things that no other Class can give you. That's why I like so much to sail Sunfish!"

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2013 Youth World Championship Awards presentation. Photo by Dori Jo Gugliemi.

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2013 International Masters Championship

by Greg Gust

The 2013 Sunfish International Masters Championship was a fun-filled three-day event. The 53 boats fought hard for position, especially during the first race which turned into light wind with a 65° wind shift. The balance of the races were sailed in a nice 5-15 mph. After the second day of racing, Lee Parks was leading with 14 points, Dan Norton second with 16 points, and Greg Gust in third with 20 points. The third day of racing started out with Gust arriving at the club with only 25 minutes before the race start (time change problem). After arriving at the starting area with just minutes to spare, he won the last two races and won the regatta.

Gail Heusler, the Regatta Chair, finished eighth, on top of putting on a great regatta which everyone enjoyed. Some of the highlights were a rigging talk Friday evening by Greg Gust and a big raffle on Saturday night. This is a great regatta at the start of the season which everyone should try to attend next year.

Notable is the top Great Grand Master Linda Tillman, sailing just four months after having a benign cyst removed from her brain. She earned a standing ovation. Recognition was given to Davis Island Yacht Club’s Henry Moore, perpetual race committee for the Sunfish Fleet. Fair winds.

2013 International Masters Championship
Davis Island Yacht Club, Tampa, Florida
March 8-10, 2013

Senior Master (Age 60+)  
Name Hometown Finishes Tot Overall
1. Don Bergman Holland, MI [36]-11-22-21-14-25 108 18

Great Grand Master (Age 70-79)

1. Linda Tillman Melbourne, FL 7-4-36-25-12-28-[38] 112 19
2. Dick Tillman Syracuse, IN [49]-3-16-13-47-19-21 119 22
4. Jean Bergman Holland, MI 21-31-28-18-[32]-24-31 153 30
7. Tom Burke Pinehurst, NC 42-[DF]-DS-48-49-47-DS 294 53

Grand Master (Age 60-69)

1. Greg Gust Rockwall, TX [28]-1-1-2-16-1-1 22 1
2. Joe Blouin Tampa, FL 37-2-13-6-[38]-3-6 67 10
3. Ron McHenry Cortland, OH 15-29-15-14-4-10-9 67 11
4. Fritz Hanselman Libertyville, IL 19-19-8-20-[31]-7-12 65 13
5. Chris Gates Indianapolis, FL 3-22-18-16-[20]-24 90 14

Name Hometown Finishes Tot Overall
6. Drew Stanislaw Browster, MA 8-26-12-5-[62]-3-5-[OC8]-13 93 15
8. Bill McLaughlin West Chester, PA 10-[45]-39-30-10-27-22 138 27
9. Ursula Olson Sarasota, FL 41-[7]-45-21-11-36-39 158 31
11. Dave Ellis St. Petersburg, FL 40-32-29-[41]-27-25-18 171 33
12. Dan Greenwood Bantersville, OK 29-37-[44]-26-20-40-20 172 34
15. Charles Cushing St. Petersburg, FL 20-44-[50]-47-37-39-44 231 44
16. Lynne Randall St. Petersburg, FL 43-41-[OC8]-32-45-45 264 49

Master (Age 50-59)

1. Donald Martinborough Nassau, Bahamas [34]-10-10-7-5-2-2 36 3
2. Tom Whithurst Pensacola, FL 11-16-3-[43]-6-3 43 5
3. Lee Parks Newport, RI [48]-5-4-3-18-15-18 47 6
4. Dave Dunn Daytona Beach, FL 5-8-[20]-10-6-12-10 51 7
5. Gail Heusler Tampa, FL 4-11-7-11-[13]-7-3 53 8
6. Fred Hutchinson Fort Myers, FL 6-12-[31]-3-20-8 58 9
7. Brent Barbehenn Lumberton, NC 9-[24]-19-21-3-11-14 77 12
8. Rob Etherle New Bern, NC 2-21-22-17-[35]-17 104 17
10. David Silverman Indian Harbor Beach, FL-[33]-23-21-32-4-17-11 128 23
11. David McCray Shreveport, LA 22-33-27-12-8-29-40-60 131 24
12. Paul Straley Casselberry, FL [46]-18-17-8-44-21-29 137 26
14. Josh Rubin Humble, TX 17-40-33-[53]-6-16 150 29
17. Holly Hanselmann Libertyville, IL 27-38-40-[44]-35-34-34 208 40
18. Gail Turluck Richland, MI 25-46-31-[49]-42-38-33 215 42
19. Linda Wartzsch Sarasota, FL [50]-49-42-34-45-30-37 237 45
20. Louise Neuberger Tampa, FL 31-48-44-[DS]-33-43-43 242 46

Apprentice Master (Age 40-49)

1. Dan Norton Manitos Beach, MI 1-9-5-[17]-5-4 25 2
2. Chad Coberly Grand Rapids, MI 12-6-2-9-[9]-3-5 43 4
3. David Parshall Gilbert, SC 16-14-26-[OC8]-15-4-23 98 16
4. Stephen Winkler St. Augustine, FL 14-17-[OC8]-43-14-DS-DS 196 38
6. Christine Chang Satellite Beach, FL 30-50-41-[51]-50-44-41 256 47


Henry Moore thanks the Davis Island Yacht Club regatta organizers and Sunfish Class for their years of participation and for the competitor signed photo from the 2013 International Masters Championship. Photo by Gail M. Turluck.
ISCA PRESIDENT’S CORNER

by Paul-Jon Patin

The Class has had some very positive communications all around as we close in on the 43rd Sunfish World Championship to be held in Lewes, Delaware. All systems are go in Lewes. Our Principal Race Officer, International Jury and Regatta Committee headed by Connie Miller are ready and excited to kick things off soon.

LaserPerformance has provided sails for each World Championship competitor, putting an essential ingredient back into the brand of the regatta. All talks have been going well recently and we are looking forward to other opportunities that both LaserPerformance and the Class can work together to grow Sunfish internationally.

We are in the latter stages of two World Championship bids (2014 and 2015), having been approached by regatta organizers in North Carolina and the Peruvian organizers of the 2014 South American, and Caribbean Games.

The North Carolina bid is a very interesting opportunity for both the World Championship and Youth World Championship to be run in conjunction with a camp known as “Camp Seagull.” The organization is a YMCA based sailing (but not limited to sailing) camp that actively teaches in Sunfish and has had great success in hosting large Optimist Dinghy events.

The Peruvian World Championship bid is proposed for 2015 in Paracas Bay, 250km south of Lima. One of the 2013 World Championship International Jury members has been named to be the Principal Race Officer, and along with our current World Champion and Peruvian Team we look to have many of the details discussed at the World Council Meeting at this year’s World Championship.

Look for more news after the World Championship at the ISCA President’s page on www.sunfishclass.org.

THESE AIN’T YOUR PAPA’S REGATTA ANY LONGER

by Candace Porter, Editor, Inland Lake Yachting Association

Get Social (Media)—For some of us, sailing is winding down. We are sending our children back to school, sailing schools are closing down, and folks are leaving summer homes. But sailing is still in full swing elsewhere. As our youth sailors begin high school sailing, Optimists begin to travel southward, adults move to Melges 20s or compete in end of year championships, we can follow our sailors online. Gone are the days of a blackout until the cars arrive home in the driveway. News of results with photos and often videos are nearly instantaneous. Friends at home follow mark roundings when they occur. It’s a NOW world.

So how does this impact your club? Gone are the days when you just publish a regatta date and folks come. This is a competitive market. If you are not promoting ahead of the event, chances are someone else will beat you to the sailors’ time and money. If you are not publishing results each day’s end, you are disappointing and thus discouraging next year’s participation. This adds burden to the host club’s work force but results in a net increase in participation.

Sailors’ recreational dollars are endless no longer. It takes effort to attract sailors to your sailing venue. Your effort before the event, your hospitality during the event, and your regatta wrap-up impacts your next year’s attendance. Get social media savvy; your regatta success depends on it!

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Join the Yahoo! Group sunfish_sailor

by Gail M. Turluck

Sunfish sailors and racers alike will find a still-growing resource of rigging, maintenance, repair, trailer, and dolly information in the Yahoo! Group called sunfish_sailor. Yahoo! Groups have been in existence for about 15 years making it a mature and effective communications platform. Nearing 3,300 members, the Group sunfish_sailor has an email list feature which delivers messages by your choice: as they are sent, in a daily digest, or for viewing only on the web page. The glory of the Yahoo! Group sunfish_sailor web page, though, is its growing library of Sunfish information including Setup Manuals, Repair Guides and Serial Number Look-up resource for Sunfish, Super Sunfish, Sailfish, Minifish and Sunfish-like boats, colloquially referred to as “clones.”

To get started, visit:
http://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/sunfish_sailor/info

and sign up for the group. There are various tabs to choose, including Photos, Files (this has all the know-your-boat and fixit material), Links, Events (some under the “more” tab). Once you have signed up for the group you may post messages for help and make contributions to the various tabs.

Our Sunfish Class community has grossly underutilized this resource. We ought to be sending invitations featuring “flyers” about our regattas that include the complete plans for regattas and events. Flyers may be loaded into the “Files” section and a link placed in your email message posting. Nowhere else can we reach 3,300 Sunfish sailors in one quick contact!

Rallies are gaining traction as are festivals as ways to draw sailors together to “play with their boats,” yet not necessarily race. Perhaps 2014 is the year that your club or fleet will decide to do something to reach out to more of the recreational Sunfish sailors and host an event that more of them may relate to!

Do keep in mind that for Championship events that boats are expected to be raced in compliance with the Sunfish Class rules which may be viewed at: http://sunfishclass.org/documents/ISCA_CLASS_RULES.pdf, as well as current rules interpretations that are available at the bottom of: http://www.sunfishclass.org/about/rules-measurement.

It is fascinating to see all the creative things that people have done with a Sunfish sailboat. This is another means we have to reach potential participants—get started today.
INTERNATIONAL REGATTAS RESULTS

SUNFISH CLUB ARUBA

Three Sunfish competitors in the 2013 Aruba International Regatta, sharing the course with keelboats, catamarans and other dinghies. Photo by Juancho Ridderstaap.

2013 Aruba International Regatta
Oranjestad, Aruba
August 9-11, 2013

As in previous years, the event comprised competition in a wide range of sailing classes including yachts, beach catamarans, Optimists, Windsurfers and Sunfish. Competition in the Sunfish Class was fierce. The Regatta was held at Sunfish Bay at the heart of Oranjestad, Aruba's capital. On Saturday winds averaged 15 knots, being moderate for Aruban standards. On Sunday winds increased to 20 knots with higher gusts. The standard Sunfish racing course entailed a start mid-way the bay, then a short windward leg towards the beach followed by a narrow reach across the beach before heading downwind to the leeward mark. The reach across the beach provided splendid viewing for spectators. A total of two windward legs had to be completed before crossing the finish line across the Regatta Centre tower. The extended Sunfish racing course included a leg out of Oranjestad harbor into open water. Each day two standard races and one extended race were to be completed. On Saturday morning the fleet headed out to enjoy sailing on Aruba's crystal blue waters. Soon the Sunfish were engaged in fierce competition with the sailors pinching hard to get to windward as effectively as possible. On the downwind leg the quest for speed and determining the right time to jibe were key. After a few races it became clear that the battle for first, second and third would be fought between Ton Nijtont of Bonaire, Robbie Ferron of St. Maarten and Richard van der Wal (twelve fold Aruban National Sunfish Champion and 2011 Sunfish Worlds Grand-Masters winner). After two days of sailing van der Wal claimed first, Nijtont second and Ferron third. In the end everyone was satisfied with two days of splendid sailing and an animated prize-ceremony and awards dinner illuminated by sunset on the beach. —Robert Moons

1. Richard van der Wal (11-11-12) 1
2. Ton Nijtont (2-3-3) 5
3. Robbie Ferron (3-3-2) 9
4. Peter Prinsen (5) 14
5. Job Labooyt (5-5-5) 18
6. Theo Poiesz (6-6) 22
7. Robert-Jan Moons (7-7-7) 27

2013 Spring Series
Rodger's Beach, San Nicolas, Aruba
February 13, March 13, May 26, 2013

1. Anthony Hagendoorn [A- [A] 1
2. Richard van der Waal [DN] [DN] [DN] [DN] [DN] [DN] 1
3. Theo Poiesz [B] [B] [B] [B] 1
4. Job Labooyt [B] [B] [B] [B] 1
5. Peter Prinsen [B] [B] [B] [B] 1
6. Maurice Rooyakkers [B] [B] [B] [B] [B] 1
7. Ernst Kervel [DN] [DN] [DN] [DN] [DN] [DN] 1
8. Hijjack Klaaswater [DN] [DN] [DN] [DN] [DN] [DN] 1
9. Robert-Jan Moons [DN] [DN] [DN] [DN] [DN] [DN] 1
10. Arie van der Klip [DN] [DN] [DN] [DN] [DN] [DN] 1
11. Bart Koja [DN] [DN] [DN] [DN] 1

1. Paul de Souza [1-1-1-1-1] 5
2. Spencer Cartwright [3-4-2-2-2] 11
4. Pedro Rahmig [4-5-3-3-3] 22
5. Cochise Burrows/Ben Derbyshire [7-3-5-5-5] 31
7. Thomas Treco [8-8-7-7-7] 43
8. Nathaniel Burnside [6-7-DF-DS-DS] 41

Admiralitaits - Sailing Demonstration
Stichting Youth Watersports Aruba, Bucutiweg, Aruba
March 17, 2013

Stichting Youth Watersports Aruba (SYWA) and Sunfish Club Aruba held a sailing demonstration on March 17 in cooperation with Stichting Rancho. Participation numbered 7 Optimists, 5 Sunfish, 1 Laser and 1 Zuma. All boats entered the water at SYWA headquarters at Bucutiweg, on the Bucuti lagoon. Parkietenbos. Soon the fleet was out at sea and heading downwind for Nikki Beach. A motorcraft accompanied the boats for added security. The youth sailors performed remarkably well and the other sailing boats held their pace. An intermediate stop was made after which the fleet sailed into the beach across the Governor's House, Paardenbaai, Oranjestad. Stichting Rancho welcomed the fleet at the Governor's House as they were hosting Miniature Sailing Boat races on this day. The visit marked a first event of Miniature Boots, Optimists and Sunfish joint sailing activity. The Optimists and Sunfish gave a sailing demonstration (Dutch: "Admiraalzeilen") sailing up and down between the Governor Beach and Surfside Marina. In the end the Optimist and Sunfish fleet departed and headed back for SYWA headquarters on Bucuti lagoon. The youth sailors demonstrated great capability sailing back the distance accompanied by the other boats. In the end, everyone was satisfied with a great day of sailing. Special thanks goes to Stichting Rancho for hosting this event.

BAHAMS SUNFISH CLASS ASSOCIATION

2013 Bahamas Youth National Championship
Nassau Yacht Club, Nassau, Bahamas
August 10, 2013

The event saw a turnout of 9 boats, sailing in near perfect conditions of 14-16kts. The Race Committee was able to complete 6 races throughout the day, allowing for each competitor to 'drop' their worst score. In the end, it was Paul De Souza who came out on top with a near perfect score line throughout the 6 races. Congratulations to Paul De Souza for winning the 2013 Sunfish Youth National Championship! Spencer Cartwright finished in second, with Brent Burrows finishing third. The Bahamas Sailing Association would like to thank Donnie Martinborough, William Sands, Robert Dunkley, Donico Brown and everyone else who assisted with Race Committee for this superb day of racing in Montague Bay!

Here's our Bahamas Sailing Association attempt at the record for how many people can fit on a floating Sunfish. We made it up to 171!
INTERNATIONAL REGATTA RESULTS

Sunfish start at 2013 Homer Lowe Memorial Regatta in the Bahamas. Photo by Liann Kay Kaighin.

23rd Annual Homer Lowe Regatta
Marsh Harbour Sailing Club, Abaco, Bahamas
April 6-7, 2013
The 2013 Homer Lowe Memorial regatta featured an all-Abaco turnout, with sailors from Marsh Harbour, Hope Town, Marsh-O-War and Cherokee. The weather was perfect with winds blowing 12-17 mph both days. The moderate wind made for good close racing. The skipper’s meeting was at Snappas and they got right to the racing at 10:45 am. Dwayne Walters took the first win of the day. Andrew Wilhoyte won the second race before the lunch break at Snappas. Wilhoyte finished off Saturday with two more first place finishes and a comfortable lead overnight. On Day Two, with two races to go, it was a race for second. Walters won his second race of the regatta, and winning the tie-breaker of third place finisher, Jim Kaighin. Wilhoyte won the Homer Lowe Championship for the second time. The large group of moored boats in the harbor really enjoyed watching the racers up close. Racers would sometimes be just inches from the spectator fleet, so they got real familiar with the sailors. They were cheering the competitors on and taking pictures. We could not help this regatta without help from others. Liann Kay Kaighin, Lenore and David Mubock ran the Race Committee boat. James and Anne Pleydell-Bouverie assisted with setting the marks on the race course. Other helpers included Faron Sawyer and Rhonda Hull. Snappas is always a great place to hold an event and worked out well as regatta headquarters for the weekend. Thanks to Bill Aubry.

1. Andrew Wilhoyte (2)-1-1-1-2-1 6
2. Dwayne Walters 1-4-3-(DF)-1-4 13
3. Jim Kaighin 3-2-3-4-2 13
4. Jeff Gale 4-5-(6)-2-3-5 19
5. Matt McCoy 6-2-(7)-4-5-3 20
6. Tristan Albury 5-5-5-(DC)-DC-DC-DC 32

Italian Champion Ivan Mazzeo receives his trophy at Sailing Club Reggio.

ITALY SUNFISH CLASS ASSOCIATION

2013 Italian National Championship
Sailing Club Reggio, Calabria, Italy
July 12-14, 2013
We have just concluded the twenty-eighth season of the Italian Sunfish Class. In the splendid setting of the Strait of Messina, Calabria, Ivan Mazzeo won the 2013 title. Eight races were sailed with the wind always above 13 knots and with a peak of 18, which put the fleet to the test. The Sunfish sailors had gathered on the coast of Reggio Calabria. A perfect wave condition to ride combined with a beautiful and hot summer sun made ideal sailing conditions. Mazzeo earned the Championship with four first places in the first two days that allowed him to close the regatta with a race to spare. Behind him was Nino Aneri and third, the always positive Antonio Liotta, a well-established master of the strong wind. Francesco Parisi was first grand master. Challenger trophy awarded to the “Golden Cigar” Stefano Iron as “Tuscan athlete” as he improves. Excellent organization on land and in water was provided by the Sailing Club Reggio who helped make really pleasant days spent in Calabria for which all participants will keep a wonderful memory.—Luigi De Luca

Learn to Sail Camp Session I in Nassau ended on a great note! Beautiful day with the kids at Cabbage Beach. Photo courtesy Bahamas Sailing Association.

CARACAO SUNFISH SAILING ASSOCIATION

Jan Sfeat Sunfish Triangles
Jan Sfeat Watersport Association, Spanish Water, Curacao
June 2, 2013
1. Kevin Oetndijk 1-1-1-2-1 5
2. Denc van Rooyen 2-2-3-3-2 12
3. Jurgen Schneider 5-5-1-2-3-2 13
4. Alex Roose 4-4-4-4 4-4
5. Duff von der Giessen 3-3-9-9-9 20
6. Marijn Kamps 7-7-5-5-5 28
7. Tijn van der Gulik 6-6-9-9-9 39

Table: CARACAO SUNFISH SAILING ASSOCIATION

1. Ivan Mazzeo 1-1-4-1-1-(8)-(7) 11
2. Antonio Aneri 2-3-1-1-(6)-(2)-(6) 14
3. Antonio Liotta 3-(4)-(1)-3-4-4-(8) 17
4. Luigi De Luca 4-2-2-(DN)-(6)-2-3-4 17
5. Stefano Iron 10-10-4-7-8-1-1 24
6. John Jordan 7-6-(7)-2-7-(9)-(DN) 35
7. Geraldo Crisanti (16)-5-(10)-8-11-(12)-5-2 41
8. Eugenio Arcorito 5-6-7-7-(13)-10-(14)-11 46
9. Umberto Valley 6-7-1-6-(DN)-(13)-6 49
10. Stefano Cardarelli 8-6-(10)-10-8-11-6-(13) 52
11. Domenico Cannizzaro 9-(14)-8-(15)-9-8-(11)-9 54
12. Fabrizio Menghetti (14)-11-(14)-14-5-5-7-12 54
13. Elio Bonanno (12)-(15)-9-11-10-(10)-10 59
14. Rosella Giordano 11-12-(13)-9-(7)-(DN)-12-3 60
15. Veronica Green 13-16-16-12-(DN)-(DN)-DN 88
16. Fabio Schiffili 14-13-10-(17)-(14)-(DN)-DN-DN 90
17. Domenico De Francesco 15-(17)-15-13-(16)-(DN)-DN-DN 91
18. Francesco Parisi (DN)-20-(18)-18-18-DN-DN-DN 95
20. Paolo La Duca 18-19-17-(DN)-(DN)-(DN)-(DN) 106

Caronte & Tourist Trophy
Circolo Nautico Punta Imperatore, Ischia, Naples, Italy
May 18-19, 2013
1. Antonio Liotta 2-1 1
2. Luigi De Luca 2-3 5
3. Gerardo Crisanti 3-4 7
4. Ferro 6-2 10
5. Fabrizio Menghetti 6-5 11
6. Luca Orsini 5-6 13
7. Renato Gheui 4-9 13
8. Domenico Cannizzaro 7-7 14
9. Eugenio Arcorito 9-6 15
10. Domenico De Francesco 10-13 23
11. Fabbrini DC-DC 26
12. Ivan Mazzeo DC-DC 26
13. Fabio Schiffili DC-DC 26
INTERNATIONAL REGATTA RESULTS

2013 30th Naval Academy Trophy
Circolo Belico Antignana, Livorno, Italy
April 20-28, 2013

1. Andrea Milla 1-1-6 8
2. Renato Ghelzi 5-2-5 12
3. Eugenio Arcocito 3-4-9 16
4. Fabrizio Menghetti 4-5-8 17
5. Ubaldo Old 6-11-2 19
6. Stefano Bonanno 2-8-12 22
7. Gerardo Crisanti 8-7-7 22
8. Antonio Liotta 7-13-3 23
9. Luca Orsini 9-3-11 23
10. Giulio Brini DCS-6-4 25
11. Luis De Luca 10-DCS-1 26
12. Stefano Bonanno 10-9-10 29
13. Riccardo Giorgio 11-12-13 36
14. Domenico De Francesco 12-14-DNS 41

SUNFISH CLASS NETHERLANDS

Open Regatta
Kinselmeer, The Netherlands
September 1, 2013

1. Paul van Alphen 1-1-1 3
2. Hein van der Lingen 2-2-2 6
3. Marie Christine Breeveld 3-3-DNS 10

Alkmaar Open
Alkmaardermeer, The Netherlands
August 16-18, 2013

1. Piet Bankersen 1-1-1-(2)-1-1 6
2. Gunnar Copper 3-2-2-1-2-(DNC) 13
3. Hein van der Lingen (4)-3-4-3-2 18
4. Job Habraken 2-4-5-5-4-(DNC) 21
5. Marie Christine Breeveld 5-6-6-4-(DNC)-5-DNC 33
6. Robert van Bruinessen 6-5-5-6-5-(DNC)-DNC 34

2013 Netherlands National Championship
Ijsselmeer, Workum, The Netherlands
June 29-30, 2013

1. Piet Bankersen 1-1-1-(2)-1-1-1 4
2. Paul van Alphen (4)-2-2-1-2 7
3. Hein van der Lingen 2-3-3-(2)-3 12
4. Gunnar Copper (4)-4-3-3 13
5. Mark Simmeren (5)-5-5-4-5 19
6. Tony van Venzen 6-5-1-2-1 27
7. Job Habraken (DNS)-DNS-6-6-6 29
8. Mike Nijss (DNS)-DNS-6-8-8 35
9. Robert van Bruinessen DNS-6-8-DNS-DNS 39
10. Marie Christine Breeveld DNS-DNS-DNS-DNS-DNS 44

2013 Braaasem Summer Regatta
Braaasem, The Netherlands
June 8, 2013

1. Paul van Alphen 1-1-1-1-1-1 0
2. Hein van der Lingen 2-2-2-2-2-2 15
3. Marie Christine Breeveld 3-DNS-DNS-DNS-DNS-DNS 52.5

Happy sailors celebrate at the end of the 2013 Netherlands Championship. Photo by Marianne Lenos.

2013 Ramon Chiarella Championship
Paracas, Peru
July 27-29, 2013
With 7 races sailed, the wind warm and friendly, Alex Zimmermann is champion in this classic championship, followed by young helmsmen Karl Schroth and Carlos Lacro. New names are joining the list of winners! Keep it up guys...

1. Alex Zimmermann 1-(4)-1-1-1-1-1 6
2. Karl Schroth 5-2-4-2-3-17 18
3. Carlos Lacro 2-3-3-6-7-2-4 20
4. Juan Carlos Suarez 4-5-4-3-4-2 21
5. Andres Regal 3-1-7-5-5-9-6 27
6. Luis Angel Nemi DNS-6-8-10-10 47
7. Guillermo Zavala 10-DNS-6-8-3-11-9 47
8. David Shattell 12-10-9-13-6-5-6 49
9. Nicolas Gomez Sanchez 11-1-10-9-12-7-12 54
10. Stuart Desmanion 6-DNS-15-14-8-3 61
11. Sebastian Schroth 7-DNS-9-10-11-12-12 61
12. Gustavo Gomez Sanchez 15-DNS-14-2-9-6-11 62
13. Giuseppe Petrozzi 9-6-16-12-10-13-DNS 66

PIER SUNFISH CLASS ASSOCIATION

Happy sailors celebrate at the end of the 2013 Netherlands Championship. Photo by Marianne Lenos.
INTERNATIONAL REGATTA RESULTS

14. Sebastian Cepedes 8-DNS-12-11-13-14-14 72
15. Ricardo Garcia 14-8-11-14-OCS-15-13 75
1. Pedro Luis Fernandez [4]-1-2-3-1-2-2-2-1 15
2. Raul Rios-de Choufiers 2-3-1-4-2-3-[6]-1-1-2 19
3. Ramon Gonzalez 3-2-5-1-4-6-3-3-[OCS]-3 30
4. Agustin Lutzaro-Lugo 1-5-3-6-RDG-1-4-4-5-[9] 32.8
5. Ivan Aponte [DNS]-4-4-2-4-7-5-4-4 37
6. Marcos Teidr 5-6-7-5-5-7-2-[OCS]-DNS-5 54
7. Gerardo Fernandez 6-7-6-[DNS]-DNS-5-5-7-3 58
8. Jose Naggiaro 8-9-[10]-9-7-8-9-9-6 71
9. Roberto Puig 9-8-7-[DNS]-DNS-8-9-7-8 73
10. Gregg Fyffe 7-[10]-9-8-6-10-8-10-10 75

12th San Juan International Regatta Club Nautico de San Juan, San Juan, Puerto Rico February 1-3, 2013
1. Gregg Fyffe 1-1-1-2-1-[OCS]-1-1-2-1 12
2. Jose Naggiaro [DNS]-DC-DC-DC-DC-DC-DC-DC-DC-DC 50
Junior Division
1. Christian Meyerson 3-2-2-2-[OCS]-2-2-1-2 19
2. Eduardo Herrera 2-3-[OCS]-DNS-DS-DS-DS-DS-DS 45

PUERTO RICO SUNFISH CLASS ASSOCIATION

2013 BRISA/CNIG Invitational Regatta and Sunfish Olympic Cup Club Nautico de Guayama, Bahia de Jobos, Puerto Rico June 8-9, 2013
1. Pedro Luis Fernandez [4]-1-2-3-1-2-2-2-1 15
2. Raul Rios-de Choufiers 2-3-1-4-2-3-[6]-1-1-2 19
3. Ramon Gonzalez 3-2-5-1-4-6-3-3-[OCS]-3 30
4. Agustin Lutzaro-Lugo 1-5-3-6-RDG-1-4-4-5-[9] 32.8
5. Ivan Aponte [DNS]-4-4-2-4-7-5-4-4 37
6. Marcos Teidr 5-6-7-5-5-7-2-[OCS]-DNS-5 54
7. Gerardo Fernandez 6-7-6-[DNS]-DNS-5-5-7-3 58
8. Jose Naggiaro 8-9-[10]-9-7-8-9-9-6 71
9. Roberto Puig 9-8-7-[DNS]-DNS-8-9-7-8 73
10. Gregg Fyffe 7-[10]-9-8-6-10-8-10-10 75

Naming Your Sunfish
by Gail M. Turluck

For many Sunfish sailors their Sunfish is their only boat. For others, it's a secondary craft, used for fun, skill development or alternative racing. What should unite all Sunfishers, though, is that they give their Sunfish a name. Why, you ask? Well, naming a boat is a tradition that goes back maybe as long as 5,000 years! Build your ownership pride by giving your "Love Boat" (previous Sunfish marketing moniker from back in the day) an appropriate identity to fit her mission.

Sailors can be quite the superstitious lot. Tempting any ancient God is something many sailors seek to avoid, be it Poseidon, Neptune or... Whether considering their luck or staying in alignment with God's will, sailors often seek every positive affect they can pull in while on the water.

For those who race, one of the identifiers for each boat is its name. Isn't it awkward to fill in that spot on your registration form with a sail number, your given name, "Sunfish," or something else inappropriate, instead of an inspirationally derived name? I know I admire the boats I see in the boat launch that have a name emblazoned upon them, whether once on the transom, or twice—once on each side whether amidship or on the rear quarter.

How to pick a name? Make sure it's something that's easy to pronounce and you will not be embarrased by explaining how you came upon the choice. Will it fit and be readable in the space you choose to apply it? You may apply the name with paint, vinyl, or, if you must, marker.

Now, what if you bought a used Sunfish that already has a name?

There's some thought it may be bad luck to change the name, but these days that is seen as not true. First thing to do is to remove the old name completely from the boat, the trailer, the gear box, the sail cover, EVERYTHING! Clean up the areas and apply the new name. Then, whether a new or old boat, you are ready for the "formal" part of the naming process.

Once you have the boat name selected, you are ready to complete the process. Set the date for her christening! Purchase one or more bottles of Champagne (quality of your choice) and get some glasses (if you'll have guests). Take your Sunfish and champagne to the water and rig the boat on shore. Open the Champagne. Make a brief speech of celebration of your new craft, giving an appropriate prayer to your and the wind and water's higher power, seeking safety, cunning, and good luck for your Sunfish. Simply pour a fair amount of the bubbly refreshment over the bow. Then, pour yourself and your guests a glass and enjoy. It is recommended to NOT attempt to break a Champagne bottle on a Sunfish; you are more likely to damage the boat than the bottle.

Lastly, and most importantly, take your freshly christened Sunfish out for a sail! For a renamed boat, be sure to turn the boat head to wind, stop and then sail backwards. By backing over the old name, all vestiges will be washed away and the water Gods appeased. Enjoy your newly named Sunfish!
USSCA PRESIDENT’S CORNER

by Richard Chapman

As summer winds down here in the northern tier of the Midwest, I’m pleased to look back on a great summer of Sunfish sailing and racing all around the US. Many Region Championships have been completed with good attendance and some new sailors at almost all of the events.

Two events that stand out are the hotly contested Northeast Region Championship which included a guest appearance by David Dellenbaugh and the Southwest Region Championship on a beautiful lake near Aspen, Colorado. (I just added that to my regatta bucket list!).

On the national scene, Rochester Canoe Club once again put on a fantastic show when they hosted the US Masters Championship in June. Thirty-nine sailors enjoyed great sailing and great hospitality! In July the Brant Beach Yacht Club hosted a trifecta regatta with the Youth World Championship, the Youth North American Championship and the Open North American Championship. It was great to see the club and Long Beach Island back on their feet less than a year after the devastation of Hurricane Sandy. The sailing conditions were awesome and the racing was very tight! Congratulations to all of the regatta winners and participants.

It’s great to see all of you out enjoying the friendship, camaraderie and competition that goes along with racing this great boat! There’s still plenty of sailing left in the fall, as well as a few very active frostbiting series in New England. For those of you in the South, I hope you get to keep sailing all winter long!

I’d like to thank the USSCA Board Members for their work over the last year. We have made great progress on several of our initiatives, primarily the new web site and the resurrection of the Windward Leg newsletter. Without their hard work and dedication, none of that would have been possible. Future initiatives include increasing membership and increasing regatta participation.

Finally, best of luck to all of you who will be participating in the World Championship in Lewes, Delaware. I’m really sorry that I can’t be there. Lewes Yacht Club always puts on a top-notch regatta and I’m sure it will be a fantastic event!

SUNFISH SAILORS IN THE NEWS

Juan Maegli named College Sailor of the Year

2003 Midwinter Champion Juan Maegli won the Everett B. Morris Trophy as College Sailor of the Year in June. He was previously named an All-American in 2010. He had won the 2012 ICSA Singlehanded National Championship and placed in the top three at most of the regattas he sailed last year for College of Charleston. “This is something I did not expect,” Maegli said. After representing his home country, Guatemala, in the London 2012 Olympic Games, Maegli was not sure he would return to college sailing. “I decided to come back and then I get this great honor,” he says.

Although sailing is not popular where Maegli grew up, his father sails, and at the age of five Maegli started crewing for him. Now that Maegli has graduated plans to get back to his Olympic campaign. This will be his third Olympic campaign. “I hope to win the first Gold Medal for my country in the Laser. It has always been my lifelong dream.” Another Sunfish sailor named to the 2013 All-America Team is Raul Rios, Boston College ’16, who is from Puerto Rico.

Kutkiewicz-led squad Third at 2013 World Military Sailing Games

Team USA won the women’s Bronze in the 46th Conseil International du Sport Militaire (CISM) World Military Sailing Championship in Bergen, Norway, June 27-July 4, 2013, sailed in Ynglings. The US Armed Forces Women’s Sailing team, led by skipper Navy Lieut. Trisha Kutkie-wicz and fellow crewmembers from the Coast Guard Lieut. Elizabeth Tufts and Lieut. Junior Grade Krysta Rohde, earned 36 points out of 17 races to take the Bronze Medal. The US women finished strong on day-four of competition, sailing into first place during the last race and securing their place on the podium. In their youth, Kutkiewicz sailed Sunfish in the Long Island, New York area and Rohde sailed Sunfish in Savannah, Georgia, and is a past Youth North American Champion.
DAVID MENDELBLATT OUTDUELS GREG GUST AT 2013 MIDWINTERS

By David Mendelblatt

It was a great time racing at the 2013 U.S. National Championship at Mid-winters. The conditions and sailing were great. The regatta was a big challenge for me because I knew I would have a hard time putting points on Greg Gust. He is a great sailor and there is no one I have more respect for. I knew he would finish well in all the races and I would have to avoid making mistakes. I did this by making adaptable game plans based on predictions and trends, but by staying "in the moment" of each part of every race. I wanted to sail clean and to be proud of how I raced as a sailor and a friend of everyone out there. I was happy to finish on top, but appreciated a good "shoot-out" with one of the class' best competitors.

My best call of the weekend was camping out at the Sarasota Sailing Squadron on Friday night after dinner, which included too much good food, beer and checkers playing. It was great seeing all my Sunfish sailing friends.

Conditions on Sarasota Bay were nearly perfect for Sunfish sailing. Partly sunny, 70-ish degrees, and winds 8-15, heavier later in the day.

2013 U.S. National Championship at Mid-winters
Sarasota Sailing Squadron, Sarasota, Florida
March 14-17, 2013


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The Windward Leg newsletter will only be as informative as all of our regatta hosts make it. Regatta hosts: your job is not done until you write a brief story, include all the results, include information about what the sailing conditions were like, share what the FUN stuff you included was, and send it to the Editor at sunfishnews@gmail.com. If you do it immediately when the regatta is done you can relax knowing you did a fine job!
2013 US MASTERS OVERALL TO DOUG KAUKENEN

by Doug Kaukeinen

Welcome to the jungle is what GnR sang about, but for this year's Masters Championship it was more like Welcome to the Bay, Irondequoit Bay that is! Thirty-nine brave souls descended upon Rochester, New York for three action packed days of racing, socializing, eating, drinking, and catching up. Here are some of the vital statistics regarding the clientele that showed up to take a shot at taking home some silver.

- 39 boats total
- 14 clubs represented
- 19 out-of-town participants
- 7 states represented
- 1 Great-Grand Master (70+ yrs old)
- 11 Grand Masters (60-69)
- 2 traveling hotels (e.g., RVs)
- 5 portable hotel rooms (e.g., tents)
- Long distance participants
  - Indiana 550 miles
  - Illinois 512 miles
  - Michigan 470 miles

Friday was arrival day, boat set up, registration, and practice racing. By the time the practice racing started, the "thermal" was kicking! This is the best wind on the bay. Irondequoit Bay is narrow east to west and long north to south. The north end of the bay opens onto Lake Ontario, which is about one mile from the club. On hot days, the sun warms up the land quicker than the air over the lake, producing a fairly steady 8-12 mph from the north/northeast, heavenly. The visitors were feeling really good about competing on our bay after racing the few practice races; full hiking conditions, steady wind, and great Race Committee. Alas, this was not the sign of what was in store for the competitors for the rest of the weekend. Rochester Canoe Club provided some lovely hors d'oeuvres and adult liquid refreshment after racing on Friday. We passed a hat and ordered some pizza to bring closure to a spectacular day.

The REAL Irondequoit Bay showed its true colors on Saturday. Weather conditions would not allow the famous thermal to develop and we were stuck with a light westerly/southwesterly. Wait. did I mention southerly, easterly, northerly? The Race Committee, led by the fearless Phyllis Kaukeinen, did the very best they could with the course and starting line, going with the median wind direction and managing to get all the races in! The good news is that no matter how terrible you were looking in the race, no matter how far back you were from the lead pack, there was always an opportunity to catch a shift or a puff to put you back in the game. The conditions, in a funny way, leveled the playing field, deviating from a purely boat speed race into strategic (coupled with a lot of luck) racing. Everyone led a race at one point or another it seemed. One would think that we had races on Day 1, Doug Kaukeinen somehow put it together to lead by four points. He likes to say it was all sheer talent, but anyone that experienced the sailing that day would beg to differ! Lucky, lucky, lucky!

We had three more races on Day 2 in similar but more westerly conditions. There were many exclamations of surprise when the MW3 course placard was displayed, sending the sailors on a three lap windward-leeward race. By the time the third lap came around, a sudden blast from the north inverted the fleet. This capped off a memorable weekend. In the end, Doug Kaukeinen held on to the lead with Rich Chapman in 2nd and Jim Gindling in 3rd.

Many thanks to the Rochester Canoe Club for hosting such a well run regatta. There were many compliments received from the participants about the club's hospitality, race management, great meals and fantastic wine bar. RCC is a member-driven club; the membership really stepped up with many volunteers to successfully run this event. We look forward to hosting another!

2013 US Sunfish Masters Championship
Rochester Canoe Club, Rochester, New York
June 21-23, 2013

Great Grand Master (Age 70-79)
1. Joe Kaukeinen Rochester, NY
2. Ron McHenry Rochester, NY
3. Eric Gesner Webster, NY
4. Mike Fortner Fairport, NY
5. Ron McHenry Rochester, NY

Grand Master (Age 60-69)
1. Mark Weider Rochester, NY
2. Fritz Hanselman Libertyville, IL
3. Chris Williams Berwyn, PA
4. Ralph Simpson Webster, NY
5. Dan Fien Rochester, NY
6. Jon Williams Rome, NY
7. Mary Ellen Brown Rochester, NY
8. John Fields Rochester, NY
9. Denis Wettlaufer Youngstown, OH
10. Tim Abbey Warren, OH
11. Gail Turluck Richland, MI
12. Chip Bayer Rochester, NY
13. Lynda Bryant Rochester, NY
14. Holly Hanselman Libertyville, IL
15. Mary Schmidt Rochester, NY
16. Kevin Loftus Fairport, NY
17. Dave Larson Rochester, NY
18. Jim Hauck Rochester, NY
19. Ken Andrews Pittsburgh, PA
20. Renee Johnson IL

Mastor (Age 50-59)
1. Rich Chapman Libertyville, IL
2. Eric Gesner Webster, NY
3. Chris Williams Berwyn, PA
4. Ralph Simpson Webster, NY
5. Dan Fien Rochester, NY
6. Jon Williams Rome, NY
7. Mary Ellen Brown Rochester, NY
8. John Fields Rochester, NY
9. Denis Wettlaufer Youngstown, OH
10. Tim Abbey Warren, OH
11. Gail Turluck Richland, MI
12. Chip Bayer Rochester, NY
13. Lynda Bryant Rochester, NY
14. Holly Hanselman Libertyville, IL
15. Mary Schmidt Rochester, NY
16. Kevin Loftus Fairport, NY
17. Dave Larson Rochester, NY
18. Jim Hauck Rochester, NY
19. Ken Andrews Pittsburgh, PA
20. Renee Johnson IL

Apprentice Master (Age 40-49)
1. Doug Kaukeinen Rochester, NY
2. James Clinding Shortville, NY
3. Brian McGuire Patchogue, NY
4. Mike Fortner Fairport, NY
5. Bryan Jerman Rochester, NY
6. Judy Gesner Webster, NY
7. Scott Cramer Johnson City, NY
8. Jeff Scott Rochester, NY
9. Kevin Mitchell Andover, OH

Finishes

Tot Overall

Masters award winners (Back row, L to R): Rich Chapman, Eric Gesner, Chris Williams; Doug Kaukeinen, James Gindling, Brian McGinnis; (Front row): Ralph Simpson; Joe Kaukeinen; Mark Weider, Fritz Hanselman, Per Stampe; Holly Hanselman. Photo by Gail M. Turluck.
2013 North American Championship, continued

with the wind building to the mid- and upper teens for the final two races. Gonzales produced a 2-4-2 to win the championship, while Doug sailed a 4-7-1 to wind up second, and Dan had a disappointing 17-1-10 to finish third.

Obviously, Gonzales sailed extremely well, but he was thrown a curve ball right before the start of the final, decisive race. The starting sequence was underway when his gooseneck broke. He was able to use the tail of his halyard to lash the boom to the mast and still make the start. There was general recall, which gave him time to double-check his lashing. He had done a good job with it, as he moved up from fourth at the first windward mark to finish the race overlapped with Kaukeinen for second.

Notable about Gonzales are his age and weight. He is just sixteen and perhaps 135 lbs., but his upwind speed in a blow was possibly the best in the fleet. He had just finished 5th in the Youth North American Championship and 3rd in the Youth World Championship that preceded this regatta, so he had a very successful week in New Jersey!

Gail Heausler won a close contest for the top female finisher, beating Arianna Villena by only six points. Mark Weider of New York won the Grand Master award in style, with a 67 point cushion over Fritz Hanselman of Illinois. Brian Bahler won the Alcort Trophy.

There was a dinner for the fleet Friday evening and a Barbeque after the regatta ended coincident with the Awards Ceremony. It was a heavy air regatta. The sailors were pretty worn out. The water was so shallow you could stand around next to your boat between races. It was hard to do this though, as it was blowing so hard it was tough to hang on to your boat in the waves.

Race management was excellent, with square starting lines, good length courses, almost no general recalls, and never needing anything more than the "I" flag to get the starts off. There were plentiful water and snacks available after each race, with the former particularly important given the high heat. Each morning sailors were greeted at the main club house with a full cooked breakfast, prepared by a bevy of club members who volunteered their time to help make the North Americans a great regatta. Brant Beach Yacht Club put on a top-notch regatta.

Tight mark roundings were the rule at the 2013 North American Championship at Brant Beach Yacht Club. Great, fun racing! Photo by Beth Rettinger.
### United States Regatta Results

#### FLORIDA REGION

2013 Labor Day Regatta

Sarasota Sailing Squadron, Sarasota, Florida
August 31-September 1, 2013

Conditions were really light, and only one day of racing due to conditions. Fleet sent in by Race Committee due to no air on Sunday.—Cindy Clifton

| 1 | Gail Hauser | 3-1-1 | 5 |
| 2 | Joe Blouin | 1-3-2 | 6 |
| 3 | Mindy Strauley | 2-3-9 | 9 |
| 4 | Paul Strauley | 2-4-2 | 9 |
| 5 | Sue Davidson | 4-7-6 | 15 |
| 6 | Louise Neuburger | 5-5-8 | 18 |
| 7 | Sari Wallfisch | 8-6-6 | 20 |
| 8 | Lynne Randall | 6-7-10 | 23 |
| 9 | Charlie Cushing | 9-8-9 | 24 |
| 10 | Patrick Ellis | 10-11-9 | 30 |
| 11 | Lisa Avila | 11-10-11 | 32 |

**2013 Florida Women's Sunfish State Championship**
Sarasota Sailing Squadron, Sarasota, Florida
May 18, 2013

| 1 | Mindy Strauley | 1-1-2-2 | 6 |
| 2 | Gail Hauser | 1-3-2-1 | 8 |
| 3 | Ursula Olsen | 2-3-5-3 | 13 |
| 4 | Linda Schwiertz | 5-4-1-8 | 21 |
| 5 | Beth Anderson | 7-6-7-4 | 24 |
| 6 | Lynne Randall | 8-7-6-6 | 27 |
| 7 | Linda Tiffan | 11-8-9 | 37 |
| 8 | Sari Wallfisch | 17-15-5 | 40 |
| 9 | Robin Wall | 3-17-8-12 | 40 |
| 10 | Dottie Schell | 10-8-10-15 | 44 |
| 11 | Janet Molen | 18-11-2-7 | 48 |
| 12 | Loretta Garber | 9-14-13-13 | 49 |
| 13 | Bonnie Sevier | 6-12-DQ-11 | 50 |
| 14 | Jo Dzina | 13-16-14-10 | 53 |
| 15 | Elaine Devito | 16-13-11-14 | 54 |
| 16 | Penelope Durham | 12-5-10-18 | 56 |
| 17 | Christina Chang | 14-10-DQ-16 | 61 |
| 18 | Jane Owens | 19-15-11-15 | 65 |
| 19 | Brenda Scanton | DNC-DNC-DNC-DNC | 84 |
| 20 | Lisa Dodds | DNC-DNC-DNC-DNC | 84 |

**2013 Florida Region Championship/**
Melbourne Small Boat Spring Regatta
Melbourne Yacht Club, Melbourne, Florida
April 13-14, 2013

| 1 | Dick Tillman | 5-1-1-[G]-1 | 10 |
| 2 | Joe Blouin | 3-[4]-3-2-1 | 12 |
| 3 | David Silverman | 4-3-[D]-3-1-4 | 15 |
| 4 | Dave Dunn | 2-7-[D]-2-3 | 16 |
| 5 | Paul Strauley | 8-5-[T]-7-5-6 | 31 |
| 6 | Chris Gates | [10]-10-4-4-7 | 32 |
| 7 | Mindy Strauley | 6-9-9-[D]-4-9 | 36 |
| 8 | Dave Ellis | 1-2-5-[D]-DC-DC | 42 |
| 9 | Donald Fritz | 9-11-8-10-10 | 43 |
| 10 | Stephen Winkler | 11-8-10-[D]-8-9 | 46 |
| 11 | Rita Steele | 7-6-6-DC-[D]-DC | 53 |
| 12 | Christina Chang | 13-12-11-[D]-12-11 | 59 |
| 13 | Patrick Lambert | 14-14-10-[D]-11-10 | 66 |
| 14 | Daniel Fritz | 15-[D]-DC-DC-9-DC | 75 |
| 15 | Bill Haberland | 12-13-[D]-DC-DC-DC | 76 |
| 16 | Lee Sayer | 16-[D]-DC-DC-DC-DC | 84 |

**2013 Mount Dora Sailing Regatta**
Mount Dora Yacht Club, Mount Dora, Florida
April 6-7, 2013

| 1 | Joe Blouin | 1-1-1-3-3-4 | 13 |
| 2 | Chris Gates | 5-2-5-2-1-2 | 17 |

#### GULF COAST REGION

2013 Back to School Regatta
Ponchartrain Yacht Club, Mandeville, Louisiana
September 7-8, 2013

| 1 | Todd Edwards | 2-1-[3] | 1-1-1 | 6 |
| 2 | Chris Friend | [3]-1-1-3-3 | 10 |
| 3 | Anne Edwards | 1-3-2-2-DNF | 11 |
| 4 | Elise Read | [DNF]-DNF-DNF | 20 |

**2013 Charles R. Galloway Regatta**
Gulfport Yacht Club, Gulfport, Mississippi
August 17-18, 2013

| 1 | Barrow Hawkins was the top Youth racer at this regatta. |
| 2 | Todd Edwards | 1-1-2 | 5 |
| 3 | Tom Whitehurst | 3-2-2 | 8 |
| 4 | Chris Friend | 2-3-3-3 | 11 |
| 5 | Barrow Hawkins | 4-4-2-5 | 17 |
| 6 | Emery Edwards | 6-6-4-5 | 21 |
| 7 | Maddy Murray | 5-5-6-6 | 22 |
| 8 | Allen Keister | 7-7-8 | 29 |
| 9 | Joe No Name | 8-8-7-8 | 31 |
| 10 | Adam Cooper | 9-9-FS-DS | 39 |

3 Eric Tucker 4-5-5 14
2 Chris Beebe 4-3-2-1 8
1 Hank Saurage 1-1-3-3-1 9
14 Barry Pierce 4-4-4-4-3 19
5 Nick Doty 3-6-5-6-RET 28
20 Barrow Hawkins 6-5-7-5-5 28
50 John O'Donnell DC-7-6-7-DF 36

### MID- ATLANTIC REGION

2013 Commodore's Cup Regatta
Rehoboth Bay Sailing Association, Dewey Beach, Delaware
August 31, 2013

Summer Sunfish racing concluded on Rehoboth Bay in the classic southerly blowing no less than 20. Sailors launched and darted to the race course as the wind built and the bay churned. Nine sailors made the regatta but as the wind blew steady over 20 the fleet pared down to just five as the third and final race got underway. Eric Tucker, who was called over course side, sounded back to beat several boats in race two to finish second. He won the regatta with terrific reaching speed, sailing close and making smart rounding. Though he said the courses could have been tighter, he was impressed with the sailing conditions. Chris Beebe took second overall making smart tactical moves upwind. Eric Tucker, who was steady and sure at the starting line, sailed consistently to take third overall. The strategy for accurate starts, aggressive hiking and control separated the fleet at the starts. JR Futcher, who joined in the August sailing, as a Laser sailor translated hiking seamlessly. Missing the first race took her out of the standings, but she held a competitive position in the heavy air regatta. The intense southerly was the highlight of the regatta. Many reaching legs were not only fast but downright exhilarating. The "tire hose" reach gave many sailors something to talk about and to remember as the summer sailing came to a close.—June Rose Futcher

| 1 | Boris Gailey | 1-1-2 | 4 |
| 2 | Chris Beebe | 1-2-1 | 5 |
| 3 | Eric Tucker | 4-5-5 | 14 |
| 4 | Joe Maida | 8-3-4 | 15 |
| 5 | June Rose | [JR]-Futcher | DS-4-3 | 17 |
| 6 | Roger Anderson | 5-7-7 | 22 |
| 7 | Austin MacElroy | 6-6-DS | 22 |
| 8 | Barry Pierce | 3-DS-DS-DS | 23 |
| 9 | Greg Markman | 7-DC-DC | 27 |

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2013 Midwest Region Championship II
John Sheppard, Jr. Memorial Regatta
Lake Bluff Yacht Club, Lake Bluff, Illinois
August 24-25, 2013
Lake Michigan produced two of its best sailing days of the year on August 24th and 25th for Lake Bluff Yacht Club's annual John Sheppard, Jr., Memorial Regatta. This year the regatta also served as the second Midwest Region Championship for 2013. Twenty sailors from four different states trekked to Lake Bluff, Illinois for a fun weekend of sailing. Saturday produced warm weather with southeast breezes in the 6-10 knot range and light chop. This allowed the Race Committee to get in a total of five races for the day. Three different sailors won a race on the first day so the scores were tight. Everyone was tired after an active day but enjoyed a delicious dinner at the home of a Lake Bluff club member. Sunday morning dawned warm and breezy from the southwest with wind around 14 knots and gusts to almost 20 knots. The first race of the day favored the strongest, in a two-lap windward-leeward. After that, the winds moderated somewhat and the Race Committee got in another two races, resulting in a total of seven races for the regatta. Winner of the regatta was Rich Chapman, followed closely by Scott Schappe, and Fritz Hanselmann. The top female competitor was Gretchen Seymour. After Sunday's racing, competitors enjoyed bratwurst and hot dogs on the beach before packing up and heading home. Much thanks to the Lake Bluff Yacht Club members and race committee for a great weekend of sailing.

Just For Fun #2
Hueston Sailing Association, College Corner, OH
July 14, 2013
You might say that Brendan Draper has served his apprenticeship. The 18-year-old skippered the youth starts in favor of going at it with the adults and came away with top honors in the Sunfish Regatta #2 racing on July 14 at Hueston Woods' Acton Lake, the day before youth and ladies camps began. Sixteen Sunfish were on the water with seven youngsters battling it out in the youth start.

many of them connected to the youth camp as helpers, alumni, or participants. Draper, who has a reputation for being more interested in just day sailing or giving strangers rides on his boat, won his first Sunfish race. He started slowly, finishing 7th in race one, but he recovered quickly. He had two seconds before taking a bullet in the last race of the day, edging veteran Roger Henthorn by a point. The win was all the more notable as the wind would gust to 10 mph and then nearly disappear, requiring the young helmsman to adapt quickly. In the youth starts, Kevin DeArmon overcame a similar slow start (6th in race one) to win the day for the younger skippers. Sarah Lockhart, sailing in only her second regatta of the summer,
surprised the fleet with a first place finish in race one. Samantha Marks took race 2 before DeArmon asserted himself by running away with the final two contests of the afternoon. But it was close. Sister Megan DeArmon finished only two points behind her big brother with steady finishes near the top of the fleet. In senior racing, it was even tighter. Only three points separated the top five finishers, as the wind humbled even the most attentive sailor. Today, even himself by running away with the final two contests of the championship, it was clear that he was racing a Sunfish and went for the Hobie reach. After realizing his mistake, he still managed a 4th.—Mike Stratton

Youth
1. Kevin DeArmon 6-2-1-1 10
2. Megan DeArmon 3-4-3-2 12
3. Sean Mahoney 4-3-2-3 15
4. Samantha Marks 5-1-4-5 15
5. Sarah Lockhart 1-6-5-4 16
6. Danielle Marks 2-5-6-DF 21
7. Sydney Brooks DF-DS-DS-DS 32

2013 Sam Meyers Memorial Regatta
Pymatuning Sailing Club, Andover, OH
July 6-7, 2013
1. Ron McHenry (1)-1-1-1-1-1 5
2. Tim Abbey 3-4-(2)-2-2-2 11
3. Donald Fritz 2-2-3-(5)-4-3 14
4. David Fort 4-3-4-4-3-(6) 18
5. Gail Turluck (6)-5-6-5-4 23
6. Kevin Mitchell 5-(6)-5-6-6 28
7. Annual Carpenter Lake Sunfish Regatta
Carpenter Lake Sunfish Fleet, Eagle River, Wisconsin
July 6, 2013
There was a nice Southwest wind of 10-15; pretty good for a 350 acre lake in the Northwoods. Managed to get in five races in two hours. David Michals usually shows us how it is done, but this time David Hanselman gave him a boat with a faulty rudder. Also, there was a minor collision at the finish line with Fred Knoch. Rules? Whatever it takes? Everyone enjoyed a nice picnic of brats and beer

after racing—Dave Hanselman
1. David Hanselman 4-1-3-1-2 11
2. Sue Holloway 2-2-2-4-1 11
3. David Michals 1-3-1-2-DF 18
4. Fred Knoch 4-4-3-3 18
5. Mike ‘Doc’ Byrne 6-4-6-6 26
6. Phil Marbach 5-6-5-7-6 29
7. Mike Apple 7-7-7-5 31
8. Peter Storms 8-8-8-9 41
9. Mike Mettler 9-10-8-9 45
10. Mike Wolf DS-DS-9-10-7 48

2013 Michigan Open Championship / Midwest Region Championship
Lake Gull Yacht Club, Richland, MI
June 1-2, 2013
For the second year in a row, Gull Lake had all the fans on, providing challenging racing in cool temperatures with strong breezes and some chop. Sailed out of Gull Lake Yacht Club, sailors were greeted with complimentary coffee at registration, sandwich lunches, home cooked dinner at the Turluck residence (with games scheduled, but the racers were too tired and declined to play), heavy Continental Breakfast on Sunday, and burger and brat lunch in the club on Sunday. Race Committee Alex Borden, Patti Ticknor, Melinda Titus, Dave Johnson, Bob Borden and Max Doolittle set 45 minute courses, Windward-Leeward. Extra work to attract Sunfish racing a try. He had practiced a little with Chad Coberly and after two races the fleet all were wondering if he would just walk away with the title. After Saturday’s four races, Dan Norton was in front, Kremers was second and John Butine third. Sunday morning brought more breeze and two more races, making a discard race part of the equation. After five races, Kremers, Coberly and Butine were tied for second; the last race sorted them to their final positions. With Norton and Coberly having qualified for the 2014 World Championship previously, the berth from this event was awarded by Youth sailor Isaac Kremers! What a welcome to the Sunfish Class—Gail M. Turluck

1. Dan Norton 2-(4)-3-1-2-1 9
2. Chad Coberly 5-(6)-1-2-1-2 11
3. Isaac Kremers Grand Rapids, MI 1-(6)-3-4-4 13
4. John A. Butine 3-2-(5)-3-5 15
5. Ron McHenry 4-3-(9)-6-5-3 21
6. Tom Katterheinrich New Knoxville, OH 6-(11)-5-7-7-7 33
7. Gwen Scott 9-(10)-4-9-6-10 38
8. Gail Turluck 7-9-(13)-11-8 44
9. Jim Richter Hickory Corners, MI 11-8-8-(12)-10-12 49
10. Neal Turluck Richland, MI 8-(15)-11-10-11 51
11. Don Bergman Holland, MI 14-5-10-4-(DS)-DS-52
12. David Hanselman Eagle River, WI 15-(7)-7-14-12-13 53
13. Tim Abbey 10-13-12-(15)-13-6 54
15. Donald Fritz Maumee, OH 12-(14)-17-14-14 61
17. Michael West (DC)-12-DS-16-16-DS 85
18. Frank Workman 16-(DF)-DS-DS-DF 92

NEW ENGLAND REGION

Carmel, IN
2013 Massapoag Yacht Club Regatta
Massapoag Yacht Club, Sharon, Massachusetts
September 7-8, 2013
The weather cooperated beautifully with sunny skies and a west wind blowing about 10-12 miles per hour on the first day. In the A fleet, there was plenty of pressure on the course, both from the wind and from the competition, as leads changed several times, and top prizes were pretty evenly spread. The winds got squirrely and light as the day wore on, making windward mark roundings a definite challenge, especially since the Sunfish shared the course with the Flying Scots and Day Sailers, adding their own special brand of confusion to the mix. Sometimes the lake looked more like an obstacle course than a regatta! At the end of the day, Massapoag Yacht Club’s Gary Werden sat...
United States Regatta Results

atop the A Fleet leader board, and Mark Stoughton continued his late season hot streak to dominate the B Fleet with 6 firsts in 7 races. Anyone who has ever sailed on Lake Massapoag knows that it is a mixing bowl for the wind and gusts can come from any direction at any time. The weather prognosticators called for building gusty winds on the second day, so we expected carnage. In the morning it looked like the weathermen were going to be wrong. It looked like there were going to be gentle breezes out on the water, making it a light air day. Mother Nature decided to cooperate with the forecast, and the wind rose from any direction at any time. The wind rose from any direction at any time. The tendency for the wind to decide on occasion to shift right up to the mark and sneaky. This year’s regatta turned out to be the Ken Charles show. Charles got five firsts in the ten race regatta and his worst finish was a 9.

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Sailing Club, who thankfully finally got through an entire regatta without a breakdown. Seabrook did a great job providing five meals, a Friday night party, a Saturday night leg with dinner and some great courses.—Josh Rubin

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- **2013 Southwest Region Championship South**
- Lake Canyon Yacht Club, Canyon Lake, Texas
- June 1-2, 2013

The weather tested Sunfish skills this weekend. Registered racers from Shreveport, Dallas, Galveston, Austin, along with the Lake Canyon Sunfish Gang were on the water. Winds were at 165 degrees at 15 mph with gusts up to 24 mph for the 1st and 2nd races. Winds decided to shift to 150 degrees while the sailors were at lunch on the super-dock. By 2:00 pm the wind had dropped down to 8 mph with gusts to 12 mph for the remainder of the day. We got in four races on Saturday. For the first race the leading three off the start were Greg Gust and father and son competitors Bill and Stewart Draheim. Greg Gust and Bill Draheim were approaching the finish and Greg had taken a port tack at the leeward mark and Bill took a starboard. The result of the differing tactics led to an exciting wrestle for the lead and the win giving Greg Gust a victory by less than a foot. Greg Gust took the second race victory as well, but this time over Stewart and Bill taking third. After the lunch break, racing resumed at 2:10 pm. The sailors had to adjust their approach to the race due to the lower winds, making this race different than before and giving Stewart the victory. Josh Rubin took 2nd place and Bill in third again, with Greg Gust following in 4th place. Race 4 Greg Gust adjusted his tactics and claimed victory, with Josh again in 2nd and Bret Sweetman in 3rd, followed closely in fourth by Ellen Burks. The top Lake Canyon Yacht Club finishers for this race were Ty Johnson in 9th, Sylvie Mathis in 11th, and Dave Sanford in 12th! Day 2 of the regatta had something completely different with winds at 80 degrees from 4-7 mph. The 5th race started out slowly, but Ellen Burks had a strong lead when she rounded the windward mark and held the lead to the finish claiming victory above Josh Rubin (2nd) and Greg Gust (3rd). The 6th and final race of the competition had the Race Committee following the wind all over until it settled in at 350 degrees at 5 - 12 mph. This race at the leeward mark had everyone splitting tacks, so boats were approaching the finish from all angles and speeds. The victory went to Stewart Draheim with a wise choice for a port tack approach until he met Greg Gust on the water (who had chosen starboard). Stewart’s momentum took him successfully through a starboard tack in front of Greg and he stole the lead and the win. For Lake Canyon Yacht Club Dave Sanford took 9th place for the final race. Top Woman for the weekend was awarded to Ellen Burks. Top Master was given to Victor Manning. Fifth place was also went to Ellen, with 4th place for Josh Rubin and 3rd place for Bill Draheim; his son Stewart beat him out for 2nd place by 8 points. The overall victory was given to Greg Gust. A hearty thank you and a job well sailed to all participants this weekend. And many thanks to all the volunteers who helped feed the sailors this weekend. —Jake Mathis and Jordan Schulze

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2013 West Region Championship/ Mission Bay Yacht Club, San Diego, California August 17-18, 2013

The regatta took place at the Mission Bay Yacht Club on two days with 6 races total. We had 8 boats which is a pretty good show for our Region. Conditions were moderately good, partly overcast with winds between 5 and 15 knots. —Les Piehl

1. Les Piehl
2. Fauss Hull
3. Paul Henkart
4. John Huebner
5. Barney Mohler
6. Mike Waters
7. Bob Lamoreaux
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West Region Championship sailing on Mission Bay. Conditions look amazing! Palm trees, white sand beaches, strong breeze, close competition. Photo provided by Les Piehl.

West Region Championship winner Les Piehl (right) accepting his award at Mission Bay Yacht Club. Photo provided by Les Piehl.

Frostbite Regatta Series
Fleet 632, San Diego, California
January 19, February 9, February 23, March 9, March 23, 2013

1. Les Piehl
2. Fauss Hull
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4. John Huebner
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SUNFISH MAINTENANCE: DAGGERBOARD TRUNK

by Alan Glos and Kent Lewis

The Sunfish daggerboard trunk (the opening that the daggerboard goes into) is prone to damage and leaks. We have all forgotten to raise the daggerboard when coming ashore, and that unwelcome “thunk!” when the board grounds puts a lot of stress on the trunk. Even small cracks can cause serious leaking into the interior of the hull, soaking the interior foam and making for a heavy Sunfish. The trunk is also prone to chips and leaks where it is bonded to the hull and the deck.

A standard leak test with a little compressed air and soapy water will tell you if you have a leak in the trunk. Mix a 50/50 solution of dish soap and water, sponge the solution in and around the daggerboard well, and blow air into the hull through the cockpit vent hole. You might need to lean the boat against a tree so you can draw the soapy water across both the top and bottom opening of the well. Watch for bubbles to form, make note of the area and dry it off for repair.

Caution: Use a low volume of air at low pressure, or else you could split the seams of the boat or expand it enough for foam to come loose.

If you find a damaged area that goes through both the gel coat and fiberglass, the best repair is two stage, interior and exterior. For the interior repair, install an inspection port centered between the forward edge of the daggerboard trunk opening and the inside "V" of the splash rail. A 6" to 8" port will suffice, but the larger port will make it easier to get your arm and hand inside the hull. Make sure the inside surface of the daggerboard trunk is completely dry and the reach in with a gloved hand and wipe the trunk with acetone to make sure the surface is clean. Then coat the damaged area with a thick coat of catalyzed epoxy resin and apply a pre-cut piece of fiberglass cloth in the wet resin. Use your resin brush to make sure the cloth is saturated with the resin and brush on more resin to make sure you get a good wet out. This interior patch will not win any beauty contests, but it will do the job and nobody will see it. Next for the exterior repair, clean the slot of the daggerboard trunk and sand the damaged area to get a good roughed-up surface to work with. To make the sanding easy, use a power drill, a long bit extension shaft and a 3/4" diameter sanding drum on a shaft that you can chuck into a bit extension shaft (see photos). With this rig, you can sand the damaged area from deck level. A 60 grit sanding drum works well.

Sand the damaged area, and then brush on a generous coat of epoxy resin thickened to about mayonnaise consistency. Let cure and then sand smooth with the sanding rig with 100 grit drums. A 4-in-1 file is also handy; it has both curved and flat sides to remove rough material before final sanding.

Another option for repair material are two-part structural epoxy putties like Marine Tex or Marine RX. They bond well and are a close match for white gel coat, but they are harder to sand.

Note: Some people use automotive body filler (Bondo) as it is inexpensive, easy to apply and sand. We do not recommend using Bondo as it adds no strength to the repair and will tend to shrink and fall out over time. The thickened epoxy will make a stronger,
USSCA 2013 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Brant Beach Yacht Club, Brant Beach, New Jersey
July 19, 2013

Call to Order: 7:00 PM

2012 Minutes—Minutes of the 2012 Board meeting and general membership meeting were distributed to the Board via Class newsletter prior to this meeting. Action for approval: Eberle motioned, Miller second, approved.

Reports

President’s Report—Rich Chapman noted that the past year has been very busy with many projects moving along and coming to fruition. He noted that the new web site has launched due in a large part to the dedication and expertise of Eric Woodman. Also, Larry Maas has done phenomenal work getting sponsors in.

Chapman has been attending meetings with ISCA and the builders and discussing the support for future World Championship events. He noted that currently there is no site for 2014 for the World Championship.

Chapman also noted the Windward Leg had been published for the first time in three years and that the first one was very large as a catch-up issue, but that future ones will be much smaller. He asked Board members to spread the word to send articles to Editor Gail Turluck.

Treasurer’s Report—I am pleased to be able to report that when we compare the first six months of 2013 to the same period last year, Membership Dues income is up $3000. I’m sure this is helped by the fact that people can now join the Class through the web site and pay by using Google Checkout. This has only been available for 2 months, so there must be other good factors at work. We have also started receiving some advertising revenues from the banner spots that are on the new Sunfish web site. Those sponsorships have brought in $1500 for USSCA so far this year. USSCA’s share of the cost of the new web site was $3100.

More revenues will be received in the future.

The Windward Leg has breathed new life for the first time since 2010. The Spring 2013 issue caught us up with the World Championship and North American Championship results since 2010 along with a few other stories and articles. USSCA’s portion of the cost for this expanded issue was $5800, and this accounts for most of the net loss as of June 30th. As far as the Balance Sheet is concerned, our total Cash in Banks is $42,221 as of June 30, 2013 and $13,374 of that amount is in a Certificate of Deposit.—Pat Manning, USSCA Treasurer

Measurer’s Report—Recent rule changes just approved by ISAF that can be made effective as of December 15, 2013:

Rule 3.7.2 Amended rule to read: “One or two halyards may be used. Halyards may be of any length and diameter. The running end of one halyard may be used to create a boom vang and/or to pull the boom out in light air. A single purchase loop may be tied in each halyard to help draw the halyard tight, provided the sail can be quickly lowered in an emergency” (December 15, 2013 goes into force).

Rules 3.7.3 & 3.7.4 Simple change in both these rules for consistency with new Rule 3.7.2 to make the word “halyard” plural.

Rule 3.6.6 (New Rule approved by ISAF) New rule to read: “National Letters when required shall be applied as shown on the Measurement Diagrams for the sail. The National Letters on the starboard side shall be placed in the third panel from the bottom of the sail. The bottom of the letters on the starboard side shall be parallel to the seaml above the panel, and 1+/- 1/8” (25+/- 6mm) from the center of that seam. The letter closest to the leach shall be a minimum of 2-3/8” (60mm) and a maximum of 4-3/4” (120mm) from the leach. The letters on the port side shall be placed in the second panel from the bottom of the sail. The top of the letters on the port side shall be parallel to the seaml below the panel, and 1+/- 1/4” (25+/- 6mm) from the center of that seam. The letter closest to the leach shall be a minimum of 2-3/8” (60mm) and a maximum of 4-3/4” (120mm) from the leach. This changes RRS G.1.3(c)” (December 15, 2013 goes into force).

Rule Challenges & Interpretations to ISCA Class Rules voted on at the last World Council Meeting, October, 2013 that are currently in effect and posted on the class website with photographs:

Challenge #1: Fairlead tube, attached without hardware, permitted at the aft end of the lower boom to create a smooth turn (and less friction) with the outhaul line going around the boom end cap. Approved.

Challenge #2 & #3: Foerster and Gust adjust type depowering rigs. Approved. Note: the standard Jens rig is still viable with all current and pending changes.

Challenge #4: Adjustable hiking strap. Approved using additional hardware.

Challenge #5: Adjustable boom vang using running end of the halyard with purchase loops and/or led aft of the deck cleat to enable adjustment while underway racing. Rejected. It is no longer permitted to have an adjustable vang with purchase loops or any arrangement that can be adjusted "on the fly" while racing. The "traditional" simple vang using the running end of the halyard to the deck bullseye and terminating at the deck cleat is permitted as in the past under rule 3.7.2.

Challenge #6: Fastening of hiking strap directly to the cockpit lip. Approved.

Additional changes to our rules are still needed, mostly to reflect new equipment provided by the Builder. These changes should hopefully be completed during the next year.

Initial draft of new ISAF “Rules of Conduct for Conducting Major Championship Regattas” completed. Scheduled for circulation to Advisory Council and World Council members and eventual World Council vote.—Rob Eberle

Regatta Coordinator Report—The 2014 International Masters Championship will be March 23-25, the US National Team Race Championship will be March 26, and the US National Championship at Midwinters (this is a World and Pan American Games qualifying event) will be March 27-29 at Pensacola Yacht Club, Pensacola, Florida. The 2014 Youth North American Championship will be July 28-29 and Open North American Championship will be held July 30-August 2 at Bay Waveland Yacht Club, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi.—Anne Edwards

Publication of Windward Leg newsletter—There will be two hard copy issues of the Windward Leg through end of year.—Gail Turluck

Annual Elections—The Annual elections were held and the below officers elected: Secretary: Susan Mallows; Advisory Council: Jim Koehler; Chris Williams; Masters Event Coordinator: Fritz Hanselman; Women’s Events Coordinator: Gail Heausler; Nominations Coordinator: Tom Katterheinrich; Gulf Coast Region Representative: Todd Edwards; Midwest Region Representative: Tom Katterheinrich; Southwest Region Representative: Vic Manning; West Region Representative: Les Piehl.

Respectfully submitted,
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## 2013 USSCA TREASURER'S STATEMENTS

### United States Sunfish Class Association

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TWO 2013 SUNFISH SUMMER SAILSTICE STORIES

Visit www.summersailstice.com to learn about the event; start your 2014 plans!

... We lucked into a wooden Sunfish in early June and I finished a quick restoration on June 22nd, so we took our 1952 Sunfish "Zip" out for a sail on the Summer Sailstice, June 23. We sailed in our local bay, part of the Pensacola Bay complex, in light winds. The boat is a joy to sail. She makes different sounds than the fiberglass boats; a nice pleasant thunk from the mast and wooden spars when tacking. The wooden hull feels very solid and the craftsmanship of the Alcott workers is evident in every part of the boat. The first Skipper was Audrey Lewis, and I sailed her for a short time. I have a complete write up of the restoration and sail on our blog: http://tinyurl.com/52Woodie-Zip; and there is a short Youtube video: http://tinyurl.com/52Woodie-YT and more photos on our Facebook restoration page: http://tinyurl.com/52Woodie-Fb. Believe me, there's plenty of them!—Kent Lewis

... A little about the Na Hōa Holomoku Sailing Club in Hilo, Hawai'i. We are a community sailing club located on Hilo Bay. The club supports a once a month community sail event, where we teach all comers to sail Sunfish. We try to have ten Sunfish in working order on the first Sunday of each month to support this effort. We usually get between 30-40 children and adults who then are taught a few basics and put on the boats for the afternoon. We coach from land and sea. Because turnout is so large we try to put two per boat. Because most are new sailors, the boats often end up damaged and we spend the rest of the month getting them back in working order. On the 4th Sunday of each month this summer we have been doing club racing. Not all boats are created equal, some leak, some have very old sails, and some are just plain heavy from all the patches we do, so between each race we switch boats on the water & check in with the committee boat. The idea is you sail each boat only once in the afternoon. The club has 10 sailable Sunfish at any given time, but 13 hulls. We don't have the tillers, rudders, dagger boards or sail rigs to sail all 13 at once. All work on our boats is done by club members; much of the materials are donated, and though our boats may not be pretty, they get tons of use, and everyone has a great time. The Sunfish are our most valuable boats as they are what we use to excite new sailors. —Mickie Stava

Summer Sailstice Sunfish at Hilo, Hawai'i. Photo by Mickie Stava.

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2013 North American Championship Photo Gallery

Tight quarters on the starting line put a premium on moving fast and having a clear lane at the 2013 Sunfish North American Championship at Brant Beach, New Jersey. Photo by Beth Reitinger.

Arianna Villena looks over her shoulder to check clearance going upwind at 2013 Sunfish North American Championship. Photo by Beth Reitinger.

The fleet coming in on the starboard tack layline at a windward mark. Photo by Beth Reitinger.

Hazy and breezy, hot! Photo by Beth Reitinger.