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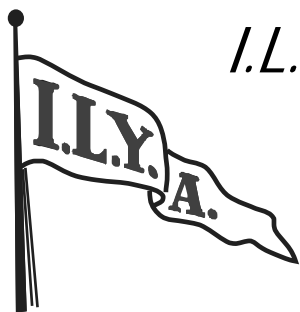
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A view from the foredeck

Tradition, exceptional racing, and lasting friendships— the foundation of ILYA sailing

The ILYA boasted wonderfully successful regattas last season in terms of fun, innovation in race committee work, and the high standard of performance always emblematic of scow sailing. Congratulations to our champions:

X Champs Davis Porter and Chris Banholzer at Delavan
 Optimist Champs Nicholas Clemence, Nora Kiernan, Gabrielle Bui and John Barr at Cedar and Pewaukee
 Youth Champs Andrew Keane and Carlos Abisambra at Mendota hosted by Hoofers
 And at our Annual Champs at Oshkosh:
 M-16 John Applegate
 I-20 Aaron Lynn
 MC Dan Fink
 C Augie Barkow
 Melges 17 Iggy Labanauskas
 E Vincent Porter
 A One Design John Porter
 A Open David Chute

We thank our hosting lakes who perennially provide us with the generous service of volunteers, incomparable social events, and the sacrifice of hours of planning and execution. Our sponsors, numerous local and sail-related partners, allow the events to support the ILYA and our member clubs in a profitable manner.

We face the challenge in 2008 to promote participation at the ILYA level. Each fleet has been charged to generate creative means to promote its fleet but also to improve communication and support to guarantee a positive experience at our events. This direct charge is in addition to the continuing effort seen at the local level where our ILYA sailors build homelake fleets in ever-stronger

ways. The ILYA is proud of the strength of its member club fleets, their regattas, and the efforts of each of our sailors at home. It is the local promotion of scow sailing which is the measure of our success at the Inland level.

To that end, your Board of Directors faces the most difficult question of how to assign regatta placement to best promote participation. Tradition is king in the ILYA. We all harken (no pun intended) back to old memories (will Oshkosh ever be the same without the Pioneer?), recall races (remember when C boater Mark Prange won a race at the time limit with others racing four hours later?), cherish lasting friendships (join the Bilge Pullers in the Spring and Annual meetings to observe the poignant ceremony noting the passing of our dearest friends). With serious deliberation, the ILYA Board established a three-pronged statement which will lead us in future decision-making:

1. The Annual Regatta needs to be the premier event of our association each year with regard to the quality of the sailing area, the social events, and the race management.
2. The Annual Regatta is the major asset of the association. The ILYA needs to partner actively with the hosting club to assure that expectations of participants are clear and provide assistance, involvement, and support when requested.
3. While tradition is important, the future may demand flexibility, and the association needs to be responsive to, and work with, our fleets.

We intend, firstly, to preserve our tradition of providing the best racing

conditions available. We have empowered our fleets to make choices which will promote participation which, in the end, brings us all those experiences we cherish: social experiences, quality of racing, and rekindling of friendships. We welcome our recent initiatives:

- new partnerships (welcome to new member clubs Twin Lakes and Macatawa Bay, and new formats (watch for the A One Design as they sail at Mendota and the Melges 17 which returns to Pewaukee in 2008). Our remaining adult fleets strongly support the traditional format at fun-filled Okoboji.
- new sponsorships (watch for work from Sharon Garber, Fletcher Driscoll, Mark Prange, and Rick Trester)
- new pricing opportunities (C fleet free youth sailing, free registration in all fleets for new boat owners compliments of Melges, and 50% discount in all adult fleets for youth).

Our strength is the coordination of our scow fleets; **together** as classes of scows we have built traditions and we experience the finest in race management and racing—most of us in multiple fleets. I challenge all of you to find another area of the country where families participate to the level we have achieved. We benefit from the collaboration of the classes in our broad scow family. We are enriched by the experience each fleet, club, or family brings to the ILYA. Please welcome our new initiatives as we provide new venues or regatta structures in the coming years. The ILYA, an organization of tradition, exceptional racing, and lasting friendships.

—Commodore Candace Porter

2007 Annual Championship Regatta



Can you hear the roar? A fleet of 22 A Scows raced for Class A One Design honors.



The MC fleet was small, but competitive



A familiar site—PRO Mike Sherin in his whaler

Snapshots of the 2007 ILYA Annual Championship Regatta

*hosted by Oshkosh Yacht Club
photos by Pat Dunsworth, RJ Bangs,
and Candace Porter*



Leo and crew head out for another grueling race in the Open A Class.

A fleet of 30 E Scows sailed a variety of winds in the five races



Innovation, the experimental A Scow, took all firsts in the Open Class.



Class M fleet rep Carly Eckert found plenty of wind on the way to the south course



2007 Champ Augie Barkow (V-11) battles Peter Keck (00-88) for light air honors.



The traditional silver and the new crystal made for a stunning display on the winners' table



The I-20 fleet brought twenty teams, including competitors from three Winnebago clubs



Oshkosh sailors Aaron Lynn and Keith Rosebaum took I-20 top honors



Molly Sitter and Gussie Cummins shared the M Class Rookie of the Year trophy



John Applegate and Elain Zamula came from New Jersey to win the M Championship

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FOR SALE: 2004 I-20 Scow **Adrenalin Rush**. Excellent condition, well cared for since it was built. Includes 2 sails—racing set and practice set, full deck cover, and travel bottom cover. Trailer is in very good condition with long neck for easy ramping. Located in Syracuse, Ind., at Lake Wawasee. Asking \$14,000. Kenny Bolles (574) 529-5157 or email k.bolles@mchsi.com. Bob Bolles (317) 371-6250 or email bbolles@comcast.net.

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FOR SALE: 1973 Johnson M-20 Scow. The boat has barely been used. It comes with all spars, two sets of sails—one set is old the others are new North Sails, one spinnaker, cover, and trailer. I re-ran most of the lines, and added many other performance upgrades plus many upgrades to the boat and trailer. I am asking \$2,000. 630-244-9753 or email alexander-johnson@uiowa.edu.

FOR SALE: A Boat "Victory." Complete with 3 mains, 3 jibs, 3 spinnakers, and both full deck and full bottom covers. Contact Brad Robinson at 952-474-5757 or e-mail victorbrad@msn.com.

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2008 ILYA

REGATTA SCHEDULE

TBD	I-20 Scow Invitational Site TBD Early Entry Deadline: TBD
TBD	Youth Championship Laser, Laser Radial, Club 420 Mendota/Hoofers Sailing Club Early Entry Deadline: TBD
July 10-13	MC Scow Invitational Nagawicka Lake Yacht Club Early Entry Deadline: June 27
July 10-13	E Scow Invitational Delavan Lake Yacht Club Early Entry Deadline: June 27
TBD	Optimist Racing Clinic West No Guns, No Tears, No Protests TBD Early Entry Deadline: TBD
July 17-20	A Scow Open Class Invitational White Bear Yacht Club Early Entry Deadline: July 5
July 17-20	C Scow Invitational Okauchee Lake Yacht Club Early Entry Deadline: July 5
July 18-20	Melges 17 Scow Championship Pewaukee Yacht Club Early Entry Deadline: July 5
July 21	Optimist Racing Clinic East No Guns, No Tears, No Protests Lake Beulah Yacht Club Early Entry Deadline: July 15
July 23-26	X Championships Oshkosh Yacht Club Early Entry Deadline: July 10
Aug. 3-5	Optimist Dinghy Championship Red, Blue, White and Green Cedar Lake (Wis.) Yacht Club Early Entry Deadline: July 15
August 9-12	Annual Championship Classes E, MC, M Okoboji Yacht Club Early Entry Deadline: July 25
August 13-16	Annual Championship Classes A Open, C, I-20 Okoboji Yacht Club Early Entry Deadline: July 25
August 21-24	Annual Championship Class A One Design Mendota Yacht Club Early Entry Deadline: July 25

(All dates include registration periods)

Warning: Classifieds Scam

You may have occasion to use the ILYA Scow Slants or the ILYA Web Site (www.ilya.org) to advertise a boat or related equipment. Evidently some scam artists have found the ILYA Web site and its classified ad page. One of our current advertisers told me he was contacted twice recently with the scam. I heard a similar story from two other ILYA members recently as well.

The scam works something like this (with possible variations): The interested person (scammer) supposedly has a friend or business acquaintance who owes him

money. That money (more than you are asking for the boat) is sent to you in the form of a cashier's check (WHICH IS FAKE!). When you receive the cashier's check, you are supposed to deposit it and send a personal check for the overage amount to the scammer.

Here's how you get taken: The bank has no idea that the cashier's check is fake, so they accept it, and you send a good check to the scammer. After a few days, the bank finds out that the cashier's check was fake, and you are responsible for it. By then you are out your good check, and possibly the

boat, if the scammer even bothered to come get it.

You have probably read about this type of scam in your local newspaper. I know it has been written about in the Janesville (Wis.) Gazette a couple of times now.

Precautions: Don't accept or deposit any checks without having the bank first verify its authenticity. Tell others about this scam, especially if they may have items advertised somewhere.



Extrasport Challenger Model discontinued—a few remain in stock

We have a small inventory of Extrasport Challenger life jackets in sizes XS, S, M, and L. We are told these will no longer be available. We are still able to offer our members a special deal on the popular and versatile Retroglide Avenger!

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Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

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Signature _____



Retro Avenger

Challenger



ILYA Hall of Fame to induct six at Winter Inland

ILYA Hall of Fame will announce the honoree class of 2007 at the Winter Inland. The ILYA Hall of Fame was organized in 2002, the brainchild of Bilge Puller's past Admiral Dick Casper. To date, eighteen ILYA competitors and contributors have been honored in the Hall of Fame.

The ILYA Hall of Fame Class of 2007 includes the following:

- Bill Bentsen (Geneva)
- Gordy Bowers (Minnetonka)
- Jule Hannaford III (White Bear)
- Thomas Hodgson (Wite Bear)
- Jerry Huse (Okoboji)
- Gordon Lindemann (Pine)
- Jane Pegel (Geneva)



The process of electing an honoree is an elegant one and begins with nominations from any ILYA member. These nominations are forwarded to any ILYA Past Commodore, or any Bilge Puller's Past Admiral. From there, nominations go to a screening committee and, if qualified, are placed on the ballot as either an outstanding contributor or an outstanding competitor. The ballot is then sent to all Past Admirals and Past Commodores who are then asked to vote for up to 10 nominees in each category.

In addition, qualified nominees from the first half-century of the ILYA's existence can be placed into the Hall of Fame by a unanimous vote of the Historian's Committee. This committee, made up (no surprise here) of Past Admirals and Past Commodores, seeks to fill the void where the memories of our current electors leave off.



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Set Sail for the Olympia Resort February 8th - 10th

The Winter Inland went so well last year, we have decided to stay. We are excited to be at the newly renovated Olympia Resort in Oconomowoc, WI. on February 8th - 10th. It's many amenities and activities make it a natural for a weekend getaway for the family.

Enjoy the O Spa, skiing, shopping and much more. Olympia is noted for their fine spa and workout facilities. The O Spa features a wealth of services to include; Massages, Facials, Body Wraps, Manicures/Pedicures, Wax Treatments, and much, much more. You will discover 17,000 square feet of pure tranquility and indulgence. During your visit, partake in a Spa Healthy snack without ever leaving the calm. The O Spa is here to offer the royalties you truly deserve. Want more? A day pass to the O Spa provides access to the Sauna, Whirlpool, Steam Room, Eucalyptus Room, Roman Baths, and hi-tech Fitness Center.



This is the place for snow sports enthusiasts of all ages and skill levels to enjoy the winter season. The highest point between Milwaukee and Madison, the hill has a 205-foot elevation and a 2550-foot

runout. The hill features two chair lifts, one rope tow, and lighted runs. Snow-making and grooming equipment provide consistent conditions throughout the season. In addition, there is a substantial discount for hotel guests.

Shopping is as convenient as can be. The Johnson Creek Outlet Mall is a short drive away. Beautiful downtown Oconomowoc boasts many cute boutique-type shops. Nearby Delafield is an antiques paradise.

The water park at the Country Springs in Pewaukee is an easy jaunt.

Friday Night is Junior Night

We truly are excited to have Joni Palmer coming to help our junior programs. She is widely recognized as the leading sailing school guru in the country. Her

enthusiasm is contagious! Mark your calendar and sign up on the form provided here or by contacting the ILYA office. You don't want to miss this event, and space may become an issue.

Joni will again address participants in breakout sessions Saturday morning.

Fleet meetings on Saturday morning

All the adult fleets will have meetings Saturday morning, setting the stage for the 2008 season. Class scantlings and promotion will be discussed by all. Be sure to be there to catch up on the news!

Newly Vitalized Promotion Committee

The ILYA's new Promotions Committee has great ideas and improvements to unveil. We are excited to tell you what is planned and are eager to learn from you what services would best serve you and your club.

Dean Brenner

Dean Brenner is the head of US Sailing's Olympic Committee. As such, he has increased the money sent to athletes four-fold. He will amaze us all with inside information on the upcoming Olympics. Fans of John Ruf and Sally Barkow (Aren't we all?) won't want to miss this.

Seminars for all Interests

We will be holding seminars on Saturday. They will include junior programs, yacht club issues, race committee subjects and racing "how-to". At this time, they are still in a state of flux, but those that are firm are listed here.

Special Awards

The coveted Pillsbury Trophy will be awarded to the outstanding sailor of 2007. *Member of the Year* and *Yacht Club of the Year* will also be honored. The Bilge Puller's prestigious Hall of Fame will honor new inductees.

Special Rates

For Inland guests the rooms will be a very special \$99.00 per night for a standard room.

Rooms are limited for this event and are available on a first-come, first-served basis.



Winter Inland at a Glance

Friday afternoon & evening, February 8th

4:00 - 6:00 P.M. - Promotion Committee Meeting

All are Welcome!

- ❁ 2007 Annual Regatta Report
- ❁ Joint meeting of ILYA fleet Reps
- ❁ Fundraising
- ❁ Sailing Director Program
- ❁ What would you like to see?

7:00 - 9:00 - Junior Sailing

- ❁ Joni Palmer

9:00 P.M. - ??? - Meet in the ILYA bar

Saturday morning, February 9th

8:30 A.M. - Registration - Sign in, pick up your name tag and luncheon tickets

9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M. - One Stop Regatta Shop & Boat Show

All the latest and greatest gear & equipment

8:00 - 8:45 A.M. - Fleet Meetings

- ❁ Classes X and IOD joint

9:00 - 10:15 A.M. - Fleet Meetings

- ❁ Class E
- ❁ Class C
- ❁ Class I-20
- ❁ ILYA Open Class A
- ❁ Melges 17 Class

10:00 - 11:00 A.M. - Long Range Planning for Yacht Clubs - Dean Brenner

- Run your club more efficiently
- Avoid conflicts by knowing your goal

10:00 - 10:45 - Junior Sailing - Joni Palmer

10:30 - 11:45 A.M. - Fleet Meetings

- ❁ Class MC
- ❁ Class M
- ❁ NCSSA Class C
- ❁ Class A One-Design

11:00 - 11:45 A.M. - Delegates Meeting -

Make sure your club is represented

- ❁ Election of Directors
- ❁ Promotion Committee Recommendations
- ❁ Official Business of the Association
- ❁ Delegate involvement in ILYA

11:00 - 11:45 - Junior Sailing - Joni Palmer

12:00 - 1:45 P.M. - ILYA Luncheon

- ❁ Member of the Year Award
- ❁ Yacht Club of the Year Award
- ❁ Race Officer Recognition/Award
- ❁ Pillsbury Cup Award
- ❁ Hall of Fame Presentations

Saturday afternoon, February 9th

2:00 - 3:00 P.M. - Dean Brenner

Olympic Preview

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3:15 - 4:00 P.M. - 3 Roundtable Sessions

4:15 - 5:00 P.M. - Even more Roundtable sessions

5:00 - 7:00 P.M. - Cocktail Reception

Sunday, February 10th

9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. - Rules Committee and Board of Directors Meeting



ATTENTION CLUBS

Each club should make sure they are represented at the Delegate's meeting at 11:00 a.m. Saturday morning. Elections and other Association business will be conducted. Commodore Porter would like to involve the delegates more in our efforts. It's your chance to be heard!

The Shift Continues!

2007 Quantum Winners!

E-Scow

ILYA Invitational 1st-Kevin Jewett
Toms River Tune-up 1st-Will Demand
National Championship 2nd-Augie Barkow
WMYA Championship 1st-Don Nelson
Charleston Easter 2nd-Will Demand

C-Scow

National Championship 1st-Mark Prange
ILYA Championship 1st-Augie Barkow
WYA Championship 1st-JJ Hausman
Blue Chip 1st-Augie Barkow
ILYA Invitational 1st-Brian Brickler
NCSSA Midwinter Championship-1st-Brian Barr

MC-Scow

MCSA Masters Champs 1st-Peter Toumanoff
ILYA Championship 1st-Dan Fink
Southeast Regional Champs 1st-Zack Clayton
MCSA National Championship 2nd-Zack Clayton
George Dorn Regatta 1st-Joe Kutschenreuter
MCSA Youth Championship 2nd-Eric Rivard
Marinkuckee Fall 1st-Mike Greeson
North Lake Fall 1st-Bruce Gallagher
Scottish 1st-Jeff Minore

I-20

ILYA Championship 1st-Aaron Lynn
National Championship 1st-Ian Schillebecker
ILYA Invitational 1st-Joe Terry

X-Boat

ILYA Senior Championship 1st-Critter Banholzer
WYA Championship 1st-Ryan Groesch
White Cap 1st-Nicholas Clemence
Quint Regatta 1st-Robbie Johnson
Quad Regatta 1st-George Kutschenreuter
Blue Chip 2nd-Nicholas Clemence
Lafayette Tune-up 1st-Critter Banholzer
Extreme Regatta 1st-Robbie Allen (partial)

Melges 17

ILYA Championship 3rd-Augie Barkow
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National Championship 1st-Paul Reinicke
ILYA Championship 2nd-Paul Reinicke

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To be guaranteed availability please make your room reservations prior to January 25, 2008.

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The following vendors will be there with the latest and greatest. This year we have made an effort to make them more accessible to you. Their booths will be right outside the meeting rooms.!

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We are very excited to have Joni Palmer come speak to us on Friday night and Saturday. She is the premier sailing school coach in the country. Her presentations are totally interactive and answer those nagging questions or challenges we all have.

Joni has run programs across the country from San Diego to the Naval Academy to a small program in Upstate New York. She has run the US Sailing Junior Symposium and is a popular speaker there. She personally has faced all the problems you do. She encourages all participants to share their knowledge and work through issues.

Her enthusiasm is contagious. It is guaranteed you will walk out with a smile on your face and a better way of dealing with challenges that arise.

Joni will also have two seminars on Saturday morning. Although she has prepared topics, the interest of the participants will drive the discussion.

Let us know you are coming.

Sanctioned Regatta Chairs

Each club that has been awarded an I.L.Y.A. Sanctioned Regatta for 2008 has been invited to send a representative (chairperson?) to coordinate his or her efforts with Jim Smith and/or Mark Prange at a convenient time during the day on Saturday. Please notify Jim or Mark if you plan to attend.

Aware of the increasing costs of the Winter Inland, and the ever-expanding programs and speakers offered, the ILYA Board instructed the Winter Inland Committee to exact a modest all-inclusive fee to attendees of the February event. The Committee has decided that a \$30 fee would be charged to all attendees, and that fee would cover two full days of meetings, Saturday luncheon, and Sunday lunch for those who stayed to observe the Board of Directors meeting on Sunday. Those attending fleet meetings only are welcome at no charge. The registration form can be found on page 13.

Please send it in at your earliest convenience.

Dean Brenner to dazzle us with Olympic dreams



Dean Brenner is currently the Chairman of the United States Olympic Sailing Committee. He has an entertaining presentation featuring our own Olympians — Sally Barkow and John Ruf.

Dean learned to sail at the age of 19 in Watch Hill, Rhode Island, and the sport quickly became his passion. After some success racing at his local yacht club, Dean embarked on a six-year effort to qualify for the 2000 US Olympic Sailing Team. Dean and his teammates finished second at the US Olympic Trials, narrowly missing a spot on the Sydney Olympic Team. Along the way, Dean has become a six-time national and North American champion and was a member of

the US National Sailing Team for three years, from 1998-2000.

In addition to demanding world-class sailing skills, the Olympic experience required extensive organization and communication skills to market and raise funds for the effort. With Dean leading the way, the team raised nearly \$1 million to support their campaign.

Dean currently is serving a four-year term as the Chairman of the United States Olympic Sailing Committee. In this role, Dean leads an organization of coaches, staff and volunteers that supports over 100 world-class athletes as they train for the 2008 Olympic and Paralympic Games in Beijing, China. As Chairman, Dean has ultimate responsibility for all facets of the entire US Olympic Sailing Program. Since he took on this challenge, he has led a turnaround of US Olympic Sailing that includes a 300 percent increase in its funded budget over the last four years.

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Thanks, Winter Inland Committee.

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☐ I do intend to stay for the Board meeting. I will need _____ lunches on Sunday.

We really would like to know if you're coming!

Please send registration information to

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Room reservations at Olympia should be made directly by calling (262) 369-4999. Mention ILYA

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Afternoon Roundtable Sessions



2:00 - 3:00

3:15 - 4:00

4:15 - 5:00



Session A-1: The 2008 Olympics

Dean Brenner

- ☆ Why this is so important
- ☆ Olympic Preview
- ☆ Increased US support

Session B-1 : Running Your Club Bar

- ☆ Insurance Issues
- ☆ Legal issues
- ☆ How to make money
- ☆ Managing your bar

Session B-2: Time-based Race Management

Chip Mann

- ☆ An interactive session where the participants can learn the ins and outs of running races based on time. Specific fleetdata and information will be available.

Seminar B-3: Racing Strategies - *Melges Racing Team*

- ☆ Race course management
- ☆ Starting strategies
- ☆ Tuning tips

Session C-1: Lake Use Issues

- ☆ Current Legislation
- ☆ Pier / Raft Rules
- ☆ Shoreline protection/Management
- ☆ Legal Issues

Session C-2: Judging

Tom Hodgson

- ☆ Learn proper procedure for the RC team charged with protests. Make this a positive experience for everyone involved. Learn effective strategies for managing the process efficiently.

Session C-3: Fashion Choices for the Race Course

Hedlund, Aquarius, & Gill

- ☆ Proper clothes for the day
- ☆ Comfort & Safety can coexist
- ☆ Gadgets for both the RC and sailor

Session C-4: Club Websites

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- ☆ Do we need professional help?
- ☆ Is this of value to members?
- ☆ Maintainance



Youth Champs reverts back to its original name—'Youth Champs!'

An attempt to give the traditional ILYA 'Youth Championship' (sailed in Lasers, Laser Radials, and Club 420s) a more inviting name for its competitors, provided more confusion than it was worth.

In 2007 the event was renamed the ILYA 'Dinghy Championship,' a decision which generated a number of emails and phone calls to the ILYA office, especially from Optimist parents who weren't sure

how to enter the Opti events, as the Optimist Dinghy Championship and the newly designated 'Dinghy Championship' had different fees, eligibility requirements, venues, and application forms, on-line or other.

For the sake of clarity, the former 'Youth Championship' will revert back to its original title in 2008 and the future, at least until a better, but non-confusing, name is submitted by the fleet.

E Fleet unites around asymmetrical

United region by region, the National E Class (NCESA) overwhelmingly supported a move in 2008 to embrace the asymmetrical configuration. The ILYA region comprises 40% of the organization, but all four regions voted to accept the eventual return to a September date

for Nationals (in 2009), and a 2008 implementation date for the asymmetricals. One hundred fifteen ILYA members voted for the changes. For more information, consult the NCESA website at www.e-scow.org.

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Additional regatta hosts may be named at next board meeting

The ILYA Board of Directors would like to extend its thanks to the clubs hosting 2008 regattas and also to the clubs which made bids but were not awarded regattas.

The Board tries to balance the geography of the bids and the quality of the sailing along with the desires of the bidding clubs and the affected fleets, and the overall impact on the Association, including its finances.

The Regatta Coordinating Committee will accept and award additional bids at its February, 2008 meeting. The following bids will be reviewed along with any others received in writing before that meeting. To keep up to date on regatta bids between issue of Scow Slants, visit the ILYA web site at www.ilya.org.

Bids for 2008 regattas have been received/awarded as follows:

2008 Annual Championship—awarded to Okoboji

2008 ILYA A Scow One Design Championship—awarded to Mendota

2008 MC Invitational—awarded to Nagawicka

2008 E Invitational—awarded to Delavan

2008 I-20 Invitational—no bids received

2008 M Invitational—Cedar, Ind.

2008 A Invitational—awarded to White Bear

2008 C Invitational—awarded to Okauchee

2008 Melges 17 Championship—awarded to Pewaukee

2008 X Championships—awarded to Oshkosh

2008 No Tears West—no bids received

2008 No Tears East—awarded to Beulah

2008 Optimist Champs—awarded to Cedar, Wis.

2008 Youth Championships—awarded to Mendota/Hoofers

Bids for 2009 regattas have been received/awarded as follows:

2009 Annual Championship—Green Lake (tentative bid)

2009 MC Invitational—Pewaukee; Beulah; Cedar Wis.; Cedar, Ind., Clear

2009 E Invitational—Clear, Pewaukee

2009 I-20 Invitational—no bids received

2009 M Invitational—no bids received

2009 A Invitational—no bids received

2009 C Invitational—awarded to Minnetonka

2009 Melges 17 Championship—no bids received

2009 X Championships—Gull, Okauchee/Nagawicka (Sr/Jr fleet), Clear, Beulah (Jr fleet)

2009 No Tears West—no bids received

2009 No Tears East—Beulah

2009 Optimist Champs—Beulah

2009 Youth Championships—Beulah

Bids for 2010 regattas have been received/awarded as follows:

2010 Annual Championship—no bids received

2010 MC Invitational—Okauchee, Pewaukee; Cedar Wis.;

2010 E Invitational—Minnetonka

2010 I-20 Invitational—no bids received

2010 M Invitational—no bids received

2010 A Invitational—no bids received

2010 C Invitational—awarded to Beulah

2010 Melges 17 Championship—no bids received

2010 X Championships—Okoboji, Beulah (Jr fleet), Pewaukee

2010 No Tears West—no bids received

2010 No Tears East—Beulah

2010 Optimist Champs—Beulah

2010 Youth Championships—Beulah

Clubs desiring to bid specifically for any of the regattas may do so by contacting Executive Secretary James A. Smith, ILYA, P.O. Box 311, Fontana, Wisconsin 53125, or email ScowSlants@aol.com. Bids for regattas should be written on member club stationery and signed by a flag officer.

Melges 17 agenda

The ILYA winter Melges 17 Fleet Meeting will be held in conjunction with the 2008 ILYA Winter Inland, Feb. 9, at Olympia Resort & Spa in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, at 9:00 a.m. Each ILYA club with a registered MC fleet may send a voting representative to this meeting, and each owner or helmsperson is also entitled to vote on issues pertaining to the fleet, which may include, but is not limited to, the following:

1. National Association report
2. Fleet and regatta promotion
3. 2008 Championship Regatta format
4. Future regatta sites recommendations
5. Review recommendations to the RC
6. Time-based race management
7. Class experiments, if any
8. Number of trophies
9. Five-year measurement plan
10. Election of fleet committee members
11. Election of fleet committee chairperson
12. Other

Official Notice Annual ILYA Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Inland Lake Yachting Association will be held at Olympia Resort, Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, AT 11:00 A.M., on Saturday, February 9, 2008 in conjunction with the Winter Inland. Official business of the ILYA will be conducted, including the election of Board of Directors.

Nominating Committee seeking nominations

The Nominating Committee of the ILYA Board of Directors respectfully requests that ILYA member club nominations for directors be submitted to the ILYA office. The Nominating Committee, chaired by Past Commodore Thomas Hodgson, and comprised of Olaf Harken, David Ferguson, Candace Porter, and Mark Prange will be looking to fill vacancies at the February, 2008 and February 2009 Annual Meetings of the Delegates.

Chairman Thomas Hodgson
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A Open agenda

The winter Class A Scow Open Fleet Meeting will be held in conjunction with the 2008 ILYA Winter Inland, Feb. 9, at Olympia Resort & Spa in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, at 9:00 a.m. Each ILYA club with a registered A fleet may send a voting representative to this meeting, and each owner or helmsperson is also entitled to vote on issues pertaining to the fleet, which may include, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Fleet and regatta promotion
 2. 'Victory' request to be grandfathered by One Design fleet
 3. Future regatta sites recommendations
 4. 2008 Annual Regatta format
 5. Review recommendations to the RC
 6. Time-based race management
 7. Class experiments, if any
 8. Number of trophies for Inv. and Champs
 9. Five-year measurement plan
 10. Election of fleet committee chairperson*
 11. Other
- * Committee representation and chairmanship is restricted to owners or helmsmen who have sailed in the ILYA events for this fleet within the past two years.

WINTER INLAND FLEET AGENDAS

Class E agenda

The ILYA winter Class E Scow Fleet Meeting will be held in conjunction with the 2008 ILYA Winter Inland, Feb. 9, at Olympia Resort & Spa in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, at 9:00 a.m. Each ILYA club with a registered E fleet may send a voting representative to this meeting, and each owner or helmsperson is also entitled to vote on issues pertaining to the fleet, which may include, but is not limited to, the following:

1. National Association report/news
2. 2008 Annual Regatta format
3. Fleet and regatta promotion
4. Skipper and fleet ranking program
5. Future regatta sites recommendations
6. Review recommendations to the RC
7. Time-based race management
8. Class experiments, if any
9. Number of trophies for Inv. and Champs
10. Five-year measurement plan
11. Election of fleet committee members
12. Election of fleet committee chairperson
13. Other

Class C agenda

The ILYA winter Class C Scow Fleet Meeting will be held jointly with the NCSSA Meeting in conjunction with the 2008 ILYA Winter Inland, Feb. 9, at Olympia Resort & Spa in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, at 9:00 a.m. Each ILYA club with a registered C fleet may send a voting representative to this meeting, and each owner or helmsperson is also entitled to vote on issues pertaining to the fleet, which may include, but is not limited to, the following:

1. NCSSA update
2. Youth promotion
3. Scantlings - Review of 2007 updates
4. Future regatta sites, recommendations
5. Time-based race management
6. 2008 Annual Regatta format
7. Review recommendations to the RC
8. Class experiments, if any
9. Five-year measurement plan
10. Elect ILYA fleet committee members
11. Elect ILYA fleet committee chairperson
12. Other

Class MC agenda

The ILYA winter Class MC Scow Fleet Meeting will be held in conjunction with the 2008 ILYA Winter Inland, Feb. 9, at Olympia Resort & Spa in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, at 10:30 a.m. Each ILYA club with a registered MC fleet may send a voting representative to this meeting, and each owner or helmsperson is also entitled to vote on issues pertaining to the fleet, which may include, but is not limited to, the following:

1. National Association report
2. Fleet and regatta promotion
3. 2008 Annual Regatta format
4. Future regatta sites recommendations
5. Review recommendations to the RC
6. Time-based race management
7. Class experiments, if any
8. Number of trophies for Inv. and Champs
9. Five-year measurement plan
10. Election of fleet committee members
11. Election of fleet committee chairperson
12. Number of Inv. races, ending regatta early
13. Other

Class I-20 agenda

The ILYA winter Class I-20 Scow Fleet Meeting will be held in conjunction with the 2008 ILYA Winter Inland, Feb. 9, at Olympia Resort & Spa in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, at 9:00 a.m. Each ILYA club with a registered I-20 fleet may send a voting representative to this meeting, and each owner or helmsperson is also entitled to vote on issues pertaining to the fleet, which may include, but is not limited to, the following:

1. National Association report
2. Scantling governance
3. Championship regatta promotion
4. 2008 Inv./future regatta sites recommendations
5. 2008 Annual Regatta format
6. Review recommendations to the RC
7. Time-based race management
8. Class experiments, if any
9. Number of trophies for Inv. and Champs
10. Five-year measuring plan
11. Election of fleet committee members
12. Election of fleet committee chairperson
13. Other

A One Design agenda

The ILYA winter Class A Scow One Design Fleet Meeting will be held in conjunction with the 2008 ILYA Winter Inland, Feb. 9, at Olympia Resort & Spa in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, at 10:30 a.m. Each ILYA club with a registered A fleet may send a voting representative to this meeting, and each owner or helmsperson is also entitled to vote on issues pertaining to the fleet, which may include, but is not limited to, the following:

1. National Association report
2. Fleet and regatta promotion
3. 2008 Annual Regatta format
4. Future regatta sites recommendations
5. Review recommendations to the RC
6. Time-based race management
7. Class experiments, if any
8. Number of trophies for Champs
9. Regatta measuring/greeting procedures
10. Election of fleet committee members
11. Election of fleet committee chairperson
12. Other

Class M agenda

The winter Class M Scow Fleet Meeting will be held in conjunction with the 2008 ILYA Winter Inland, Feb. 9, at Olympia Resort & Spa in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, at 10:30 a.m. Each ILYA club with a registered M fleet may send a voting representative to this meeting, and each owner or helmsperson is also entitled to vote on issues pertaining to the fleet, which may include, but is not limited to, the following:

1. National Association formation
2. New builder/mold
3. Scantling clarifications/control
4. Fleet and regatta promotion
5. Future regatta sites recommendations
6. 2008 Annual Regatta format
7. Review recommendations to the RC
8. Time-based race management
9. Class experiments, if any
10. Number of trophies for Inv. and Champs
11. Five-year measurement plan
12. Election of fleet committee members
13. Election of fleet committee chairperson
14. Other

Melges inducted into Wisconsin Hall of Fame

Buddy Melges was inducted into the Wisconsin Hall of Fame on November 10. Ted Turner and Gary Jobson presented videotape intros of Melges' achievements and contribution to the sport.

Buddy was part of a group of inductees comprised of basketball coach Dick Bennett, NFL star lineman Mike Webster, Milwaukee Brewer Cecil Cooper, Milwaukee Bucks owner Sen. Herb

Kohl and sportsman Fred Miller.

The group joins the ranks of earlier Hall of Famers including Henry Aaron, Bart Starr and Reggie White; leaders such as legendary coaches Curly Lambeau, Vince Lombardi and Al McGuire; and renowned announcers from Earl Gillespie to Bob Uecker.

We in the Inland are all aware of Buddy's sailing accomplish-

ments which include Olympic and Americas cup successes, as well as national and international championships in numerous sailboat and iceboat classes, but perhaps we are more impressed by his sportsmanship and his enthusiasm for growing our scow classes and helping our scow sailors and junior sailors reach their potential.

Congratulations, Buddy, on a well-deserved honor.

ILYA sailors Barkow and Ruf prepare for China

Hard work and determination has paid off for John Ruf and Sally Barkow in their Paralympic and Olympic sailing bids. Both are gearing up to represent the US in the 2008 Beijing Summer Olympics.

John has won the opportunity to represent the US in the Paralympics, winning the tight competition in the 2.4mR class. Sally, definitely a favorite in the competition, will know after the midwinter regattas in Florida if she will be the US Yngling entry in the Olympics.

According to *Sail Magazine*, "competition for the 2.4mR berth developed into the closest points situation of the East Coast classes. John Ruf (Pewaukee, Wis.) and Mark LeBlanc (New Orleans, La.) came off the water tied in points [on the last day], with Ruf capturing the berth in this singlehanded Paralympic class on a tie-breaker. He sailed strong in the second half of the regatta, winning Race 10 and proceeding to take all bullets in the next three races. Finishes of 2-2 for Ruf on the final day moved

him from second overall and into the lead.

2.4mR sailor Mark Bryant (Estero, Fla.) finished third, only one point behind the winner. These three Paralympic sailors raced a lethally close contest: at different times during the regatta, each of them held the class lead and only one point separated the top three boats in the final tally."

While Ruf was sailing the Trials, Barkow and her team, comprised of Debbie Capozzi (Bayport, N.Y.), Amanda Callahan (Canton, Mass.) and Annie Lush (Poole, England) exposed themselves to the toughest keelboat competition they could find, and, among a string of achievements, won US SAILING's Rolex International Women's Keelboat Cham-

pionship for the third straight time.

According to US SAILING, "going into the final two races, Barkow led the 39-boat fleet with 14 total points. 'Today we went out and knew what we had to do. It was tricky and light and mind boggling, instead of having to race the boat hard like yesterday. We had to make sure we were in the top eight. Then if we were beating Derby Anderson, we wouldn't have to sail the last race.'

"Barkow finished fifth in the first race and elected not to sail the final race.

"In both the 2005 and 2003 Rolex IWKC, Capozzi and Lush were with Barkow, along with her third Yngling teammate Carrie Howe (Grosse Pointe, Mich.), who could not attend this regatta.

You can help our Olympians

The ILYA Foundation serves our many sailors who wish to participate in higher level events and need financial support. The Foundation was established under the ILYA's 501(c)(3) status and welcomes charitable donations. Please send donations, (small as well as large) to ILYA Foundation, P.O. Box 311, Fontana, WI, 53125-0311.

US SAILING Names 2007 Athletes of the Year

Portsmouth, R.I. (December 18, 2007)

US SAILING, the national governing body for the sport, has selected eight athletes as Sailing's 2007 U.S. Olympic Committee (USOC) Athletes of the Year for outstanding performance and achievement. Laser sailor Andrew Campbell (San Diego, Calif.) and Laser Radial sailor Anna Tunnicliffe (Plantation, Fla.) are SportsMan and SportsWoman of the Year; Yngling sailors Sally Barkow (Nashotah, Wisc.), Debbie Capozzi (Bayport, N.Y.) and Carrie Howe (Grosse Pointe, Mich.) have captured the Team of the Year category; Sonar sailors Rick Doerr (Clifton, N.J.), Tim Angle (Marblehead, Mass.), and Bill Donohue (Brick, N.J.) are the Paralympians of the Year.

These U.S. sailors have proven to be dominant forces in their respective one-design fleets in 2007, in both U.S. and international arenas. US SAILING has nominated these sailors to the USOC for consideration for the overall Athletes of the Year awards; each Olympic sport's national governing body selects their outstanding athletes for consideration for this national distinction. The overall winners of the USOC Athletes of the Year awards will be announced in January 2008.

Team of the Year: Sally Barkow, Debbie Capozzi, Carrie Howe

Skipper Sally Barkow and crew Debbie Capozzi and Carrie Howe are familiar faces in the winner's circle of the USOC Team of the Year award: this team competing in the Yngling won this award in 2005, and their outstanding performance in 2007 earns them the title for the second time. These three women have consistently outperformed their peers at class events in 2007 to prove themselves to be a powerhouse team in this keelboat fleet. Their selection

for this award is based on gold and silver medal performances at both national and international events in the Yngling class. Gold medal performances in 2007 included a class win at US SAILING Rolex Miami OCR and the 2007 Princess Sofia Regatta in Palma de Mallorca, Spain; the team brought home silver

medals from the 2007 ISAF Sailing World Championships in Cascais (Portugal), the 2007 Semaine Olympique Française in Hyères (France), and the Yngling North American Championship in Miami (Florida). This team has been named to the US Sailing Team every year since 2003.

Crew membership benefits change

By action of the Board of Directors, Crew members of the ILYA will no longer receive hard copies of *Scow Slants* in the mail after this issue.

Crew members will continue to find *Scow Slants* accessible via the ILYA web site.

Crew members pay no dues for their membership; they derive their membership by virtue of the registration and participation in an Inland event of a member skipper and or owner. Crew

member email addresses continue to be solicited on each yacht's entry form, and at the registration desks of ILYA sanctioned events. Crew members with email addresses on file will continue to receive the ILYA on-line newsletter, *ScowLines*.

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ILYA welcomes Twin Lakes Sailing Club

The membership of Twin Lakes Sailing Club of Twin Lakes, Wisconsin in the ILYA family of clubs was enthusiastically endorsed by the Board of Directors at the October meeting. The club's activities focus on Lake Elizabeth with a fleet of nine MCs and 33 members.

Twin Lakes Sailing Club was founded in 1978 and is Fleet #79 in the MC Sailing Association.

The club had competitions with neighboring ILYA club, Powers Lake, and trains juniors for sailing using Optimist Dinghies. In anticipation of fleets that may have sail letter designations, the ILYA has assigned 'TL' to this newest member club.

Please welcome Commodore Tom Murphy and members of TLSC when you see them at ILYA events.



Race Management Corner

#47

January, 2008

By Chip Mann

Fresh and qualified Race Officers wanted

RUMOR: *The ILYA Race Officers and Judges are a small clique of volunteers that do not let anyone new in their little group. WRONG! I also hear over and over that we are a well qualified group that is getting older and older. I can't argue with that. We need fresh blood and new volunteers.*

The last complaint about being older also brings with it a great deal of experience. Believe it or not, having a firm grip on the rules and being a great sailor is not all it takes to be a great race officer. In my opinion, it also takes a lot of time on the water with an experienced race committee mentor, a feel for the wind and water, and the time and dedication to want to do the work.

The ILYA takes considerable pride in the capabilities and skills of its recognized Race Officers and Judges, all of whom are volunteers. In order to establish and maintain a high level of competence within the group, each candidate for appointment is required to meet certain standards of accomplishment, coupled with on-going training and on-the-water experience. Persons seeking these positions are required to qualify as follows:

ASSISTANT RACE OFFICER:

- May be any person who regularly gives of their time and talent to assist in Race Management work at ILYA sanctioned events, either on or off the water.
- Shall be recommended by an officer of an ILYA Member Club.
- Shall be endorsed by an ILYA Senior Race Officer.
- Shall be confirmed by the Race Management and Judges Committee.



RACE OFFICER:

- Shall be recommended by an Officer of an ILYA Member Club and endorsed by the Club PRO or equivalent.
- Should, if possible, have served as Assistant Race Officer (under the supervision of a qualified Race Officer) in at least two ILYA sanctioned events.
 - Shall have two years experience in management of Club or equivalent races including PRO on at least five separate occasions.
 - Shall participate in ILYA Training events or Seminars, on or off the water.
- Shall be endorsed by an ILYA Senior Race Officer.
- Shall be confirmed by the Race Management & Judges Committee.

SENIOR RACE OFFICER:

- Shall have been an active ILYA Race Officer for a minimum of two years.
- Shall have served as RO in four ILYA sanctioned events.
- Shall have served as PRO in at least three events, other than Club or equivalent races.
- Shall have participated in a reasonable number of ILYA Training events or seminars, on or off the water.
- Hopefully participated in a US Sailing seminar on race management.
- Shall have been observed carrying out the function of a PRO, and shall be recommended by an ILYA Senior Race Officer.
- Shall be confirmed by the Race Management & Judges Committee.

JUDGE:

- Shall be recommended by an Officer of an ILYA Member Club and endorsed by the Club Head Judge or equivalent.
- Shall be endorsed by an ILYA Judge.
- Shall have participated in a reasonable number of ILYA Training events or Seminars, on or off the water.
- Shall have two years experience serving as a Club (or equivalent) Judge, including serving as Jury Chairperson on at least five occasions.
- Shall have served as a Judge in at least two ILYA sanctioned events.
- Shall be confirmed by the Race Management & Judges Committee.

RE-CONFIRMATION: Once granted, an appointment as ILYA Judge, Senior Race Officer, Race Officer or Assistant Race Officer shall not be rescinded. However, in order to be considered for selection to serve at future ILYA sanctioned events, each Judge, SRO, and RO shall be subject to periodic re-confirmation by the Race Management and Judges Committee. Principal criteria to be considered by the Committee will include activity and performance.

If you are interested in getting "on track" to be certified in any of these ILYA categories I encourage you contact me during this off season (262-238-1535). I will do everything I can to get you the experience necessary to see if this is "in your blood."

Speaking of seminars or training events, we will be offering two different seminars at the mid-winter Inland. Dr. Tom Hodgson will present a seminar on Judging and I will present a seminar on how to run a race with "time based sailing". Several qualified RC folks will assist me.

2008 SEASON PRINCIPAL RACE OFFICERS:

For the 2008 season the following race officers have been assigned the job as PRO for the ILYA sanctioned events.

Youth Championship	TBD	Mendota Hoofers	Russ Ackley
MC Invite	July 10-13	Nagawicka	Russ Ackley
E Invite	July 10-13	Delavan	Terry Bischoff
C Invite	July 17-20	Okauchee	Walter Schmidt
A Open Invite	July 17-20	White Bear	Tom Hodgson
Melges 17 Championship	July 18-20	Pewaukee	Bill Dale
IOD No Tear East	July 21	Beulah	C. Porter/S. Reese
X Junior Championship	July 23-26	Oshkosh	Tom Hodgson
X Senior Championship	July 23-26	Oshkosh	Chip Mann
IOD Championship	Aug. 3-5	Cedar, Wis.	Mike Sherin
E Championship	Aug. 9-12	Okoboji	Mike Sherin
MC Championship	Aug. 9-12	Okoboji	Chip Mann
M-16 Championship	Aug. 9-12	Okoboji	Phil Peterson
A Open Championship	Aug. 13-16	Okoboji	TBD
C Championship	Aug. 13-16	Okoboji	Terry Bischoff
I-20 Championship	Aug. 13-16	Okoboji	Devin Farley
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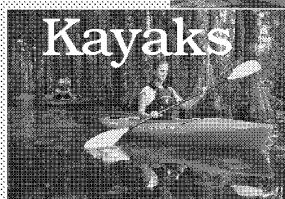
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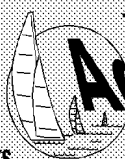
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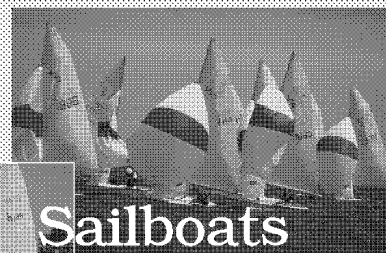
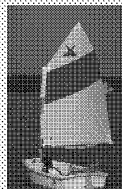
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C Scow and A Open Scow Invitational winners

Beulah's Bricklers win windy C Invite

by Chris Andert

Lake Beulah's Brian and Kevin Brickler are the 2007 ILYA Invitational Champions. The Brickler's came out on top after SEVEN races at the Clear Lake Yacht Club. The fleet enjoyed the seven good races in the new "time based racing" environment.

Friday brought clear skies and winds from the SE around 5 to 10 mph. At the Skipper's meeting the fleet decided to go with PRO Jeff Butzer's recommendation of six or seven races. No one disagreed—all wanting to give this method the full opportunity. Two races were sailed in the morning in shifty conditions, and one in the afternoon. Mark Prange won Race 1 after trading positions throughout the race with Greg Stauffer, Brian Brickler, and Chris Andert. All four had the lead at one point in the race.

Race 2 went to Sam Rogers. Sam jumped out to an early lead and held on despite challenges from Brickler and Prange. Race 3 went to Andert followed closely by Prange and Brickler. Saturday the winds built to 10-20 mph. Gusts hung on the higher side of that scale. Everyone

took 3rds - except for the Bricklers. Some great racing took place as the fleet stayed tightly packed—often only one to two minutes would separate first from last.

The Bricklers, who must have eaten their Wheaties for breakfast, won races four and five. They decided to finally take a third crew in race six, but I guess it was their downfall because for the first time this weekend they didn't finish on the podium (check out the scores - five straight races in the Top Three - that's not easy).

Race six was won by another Beulah sailor, Frank Davenport. Sunday's breeze was 15-20 mph—great C Scow weather! The Bricklers held a 15 point lead on the fleet. They raced their victory lap while 2nd through 5th fought hard (Andert - 34 points, Prange - 35, Rogers - 36, Hans

Margaret Osmundson Photos



Zinn - 40 points). Andert won the last race by a boat length over the Zinns. It was another tight race as multiple boats took claims to lead at different times.

TOP FIVE

1. B-18 - Brian & Kevin Brickler - 33 points
2. M-25 - Chris Andert & John Rainaldi - 35
3. M-5 - Hans & Max Zinn - 42
4. E-1 - Mark Prange & Bob Stelter - 44
5. I-42 - Sam & Peter Rogers - 46

The CLYC were great hosts to the C fleet and the A Open fleet. Sailors were treated to some great Iowa hospitality! Food was fabulous and plentiful (freshly baked cookies), but more importantly, the CLYC had heard about the C-fleet's penchant for "free beer." Thirsty C sailors were well hydrated, and the availability of refreshments, of course, led to the requisite game of Flip Cup. Beulah sailors encouraged by their on-the-water results took on all comers, and, more times than not, they won. Thanks to everyone at the CLYC for their time and effort!

reach down wind was a spectator's delight. Steve Johnson worked his way into 3rd place. Burton finished 1st, followed by Erickson and Johnson at the finish line.

The wind stayed steady and the PRO decided to go back-to-back. Burton had a

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'Victory by Design' wins A Open

by Tommy Erickson

Friday morning it was sunny and warm at Clear Lake, site of the A Open Invitational. PRO Charlie MacNider started the race on the north shore, setting the windward mark of a W 3 1/2 course just to the west of the island. The wind was seven mph and shifty. Tom Burton and the *Victory by Design* team did a great job playing the shifts, getting the lead and then covering David Chute sailing the new carbon fiber experimental A Scow. Burton held on to win the race with Chute taking 2nd, with Blair Jenness finished in 3rd.

Race two was sailed back-to-back with the wind building to about nine mph. Burton worked his way to the front of the fleet winning the second race. Chute got 2nd place, followed by Jenness in 3rd.

Friday night was a large party at the Clear Lake Yacht Club with locals coming to welcome the A Open and C Invitational sailors. The food was great and all CLYC members, A Scow sailors and C Scow sailors were entertained by a Steel Drum Band.

Saturday morning was clear with a great breeze. PRO Charlie MacNider set the starting line on the north shore with the windward mark of the W 3 1/2 course set halfway between Dodgers Point and the island. By the start of the race, the winds had built to 20 mph with gusts to 25. It was a clear start, but halfway up the first leg it was a sad sight when the mast on the experimental boat snapped in two. Burton was 1st to the first mark followed by Tom Erickson in and Jenness. The wind stayed around 20 mph with higher gusts. Watching the A's

decided at Clear Lake in July

nice lead at the first mark, followed by Jenness with Erickson in 3rd. The wind built a little and the A's had some great rides down wind. Burton won, followed by Jenness and Erickson.

Saturday night's party was at the beautiful home of Charlie and Kathy MacNider. The food was great and we all had a great time. It was a wonderful way to end a great day of sailing.

The forecast for Sunday was for heavy winds, so the PRO decided to start us early so we could get race five in. The starting line was again on north shore with the windward mark to the west of Dodgers Point. The wind was around 20

mph at the start. Burton won race five with Jenness taking 2nd and Johnson 3rd.

After the race, prior to haul out, there was the awards ceremony. Burton and the *Victory by Design* team took 1st place. Jenness was 2nd, and Erickson was 3rd.

Thanks go to PRO Charlie MacNider and his race committee. I also want to thank Regatta Chairs Margaret Osmundson and Denni Sue Erickson; what a great job they did! The CLYC wants to thank all the sailors, their family and friends for helping us make the 2007 A Open Invitational and C Invitational a great success.



Jewett wins 'Gatsby-esque' E Invite at White Bear

The 2007 ILYA E Invitational Regatta at the beautiful White Bear Yacht Club boasted 38 strong competitors from the Upper Midwest. The regatta had a variety of wind and course conditions that provided excellent competition. Friday morning dawned crisp and cool and sunny, but with no wind to speak of. PRO Tom Hodgson brought the fleet out onto the water as the wind began to build, but nothing solid filled in, so in we went

for lunch. By 1 p.m. the breeze had begun to fill in and we headed out to try for two back-to-back races.

The race committee did an admirable job wrestling with the shifting breezes and eventually was able to get a course set and a race underway, but by then the hopes of two races had evaporated. A windward 3 1/2 course with a heading of 260 was set.

Charlie Harrett (Geneva) got off to an early lead, followed closely by Lee Alnes (White Bear) and Kevin Jewett (Pewaukee). The shifty conditions and variable winds speeds were quite challenging, and the lead changed a few times. White Bear's Dan Guidinger, Van Johnson, and Jay Rendall pulled up into the top five at one point and Guidinger eventually took top honors on the last leg with a phenomenal tack to the finish.

Special thanks to Jock and Twinks Irvine for their incredible generosity hosting the wonderful evening party at their Manitou Island home! Sailors were treated to some delicious food and drink as well as some fabulous Blue Grass music by none other than past Commodore Hodgson and his friends. Wow! What a way to cap a

perfect day of ILYA competition.

Saturday brought very different wind conditions to White Bear. With a 9:30 start time, the Race Committee hoped to get two back to back before lunch. The wind was about 9-14 mph at 8:30 and came up steadily. By race time it was steady in 15-20 mph range with gusts much higher. One race was sailed before lunch, with two back to back in the afternoon.

Sunday had no wind and no races. A good effort was made by the race committee, but the weather just did not cooperate. Congratulations to Kevin Jewett from Pewaukee for his victory with just nine points over four races, proving once again that consistency is key in ILYA racing. Minnetonka's Tom Burton took second place with just 12 points, followed by White Bear's Dan Guidinger with 22 points. Vince Driessen from Gull Lake won race four which helped break the tie for fourth place with Chris Jewett of Minnetonka who rounded out the top five.

Thanks to all the competitors who made the effort to come to White Bear for the event! We really appreciate your being here and contributing to a really fun regatta. Special thanks to Regatta Co-Chairs, Janet Callahan and Dan Guidinger, and their regatta committee, for their hard work organizing another "Great Gatsby-esque" event as one competitor remarked.



photo by Pat Dunsworth

Board of Directors meets in Hudson

RULES COMMITTEE/BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Minutes

October 14, 2007

Best Western Hudson House Inn

Hudson, Wisconsin

In attendance: Commodore C. Porter, Prange, Trester, Hodgson, Jenness, Haines, Bill Wyman, Andert, Willie Crear (for Catlin), Neuman, Eckert, Sam Rogers (for Bill Fauntleroy), Barkow, Driscoll, Friend, Lamphere, Mann, Osmundson, S. Schmidt, Strothman, Wyman, D. Porter, Reese, Mann, and guests Sharon Garber and Jack Zimmerscheid.

Commodore Candace Porter called the meeting to order at 0900, followed by roll call and introductions.

Commodore Porter discussed several important issues in her Commodore's Report, including the need to face difficult decisions, the strengths of each Board member, the need for a consensual vision and that by working together, we can make decisions we are proud of. She cited for thanks, Beth and Bill Wyman for their extraordinary and tireless work to provide a superb event at the Annual Regatta, and also cited the Pewaukee Yacht Club and their volunteers for a fantastic Opti regatta. Included in her thanks were the chairs and volunteers of all 2007 ILYA regattas.

Noting only a change of date, from 2007 to 2008, (in paragraph 7, in reference to the hiring of a Sailing Director), the minutes of the April 28 Special Board Meeting were approved (Mann, Wyman).

The following actions of the Executive Committee were reviewed and approved (Haines/Schmidt):

1. Acceptance of the application of Twin Lakes Yacht Club for club membership.
2. A new framework, and voting status on the rules committee for X and Opti Class Committees.
3. Melges 17 Championship trophies were accepted.
4. Approval of the date for the X championship: July 23-26.
5. Discussions with Mendota Yacht Club regarding A, I-20 regattas were initiated.
6. A request from Brad Robinson regarding *Victory* was deferred to the A One Design national organization, as the issue related to scantlings, which is the responsibility of NCASA.

Commodore Porter led a lively and far ranging discussion on the topics raised at

the Delegates' Meeting held October 13, 2007. Among the topics discussed were continuing the 50% discount to youth sailors, enhanced live reporting online from regattas, youth championship issues, and a report from Sam Rogers of Melges Performance Sailboats.

Commodore Porter and Vice Commodore Prange then led the board in a discussion of promotion, aptly titled, "Winds of Change." The discussion centered on regatta site selection, regatta programming, race management, and the role of the fleets in the aforementioned topics. After considerable discussion, three points of consensus emerged:

1. The Annual Regatta needs to be the premier event of our association each year, with regard to the quality of the sailing area, the social events, and the race management.
2. The Annual Regatta is the major asset of the association. The ILYA needs to partner actively with the hosting club to assure that expectations of participants are clear and provide assistance, involvement and support when requested.
3. While tradition is important, the future may demand flexibility, and the association needs to be responsive to, and work with, our fleets.

These points were reviewed and, while no action was taken, Commodore Porter asked for, and received, general consensus on all points. Vice commodore Prange and the Regatta coordinating committee were directed to develop a tentative five year plan for the ILYA championship(s). Jack Strothman recommended that the plan be available at least a month prior to the Winter Inland for broad comment by membership.

Chair Mann gave the Race Management and Judges Committee Report, which was prefaced by praise and thanks by Commodore Porter directed to Chair Mann and all in the race officer corps and the regatta volunteers. The report included regatta reports from all the PRO's for all ILYA events in 2007. Mann cited the lack of judges (jury chairs), and the Board offered suggestions. Time-based sailing was discussed, and approval from all fleets will be sought at the fleet meetings for action (adoption) at the Winter Inland. Other non-action items discussed included recruitment of younger race officers, sailing instructions be available to fleet reps for review before the event, and that the fleets

should work with RC and regatta organizers to assure sufficient safety boats.

Fleet Reports:

Class A Open: Jenness reported that the fleet would like to hold its 2008 Invitational on White Bear Lake. The experimental hull program (*Innovation*) will continue. The Rules Committee approved the use of carbon fiber bilge boards on an experimental basis for the Jenness boat. The boat will be scored during the experimental period. (Jenness/Driscoll).

Class A One-Design: Haines reported that the class is healthy, and that Melges Performance Boats potentially has 3-4 new orders, pending sale of existing A-boats.

Class E: Wyman announced that Lon Schoor will serve as Secretary of NCESA and noted that the asymmetrical spinnaker issue is still pending. The fleet prefers its regattas to be held over the weekend, if possible, and has approved time-based sailing.

Class C: Andert gave regatta reports and notes from the national association. He proposed motion to approve anodizing of bilge boards and rudders, which was passed by the Rules Committee, and also passed by the full Board (C. Porter/Jenness). Through a cooperative effort between the national class and the ILYA promotion committee funds, C events will be free to youth sailors next season.

Class Inland-20: Crear (for Catlin) gave regatta reports, and read a line from Inland-20 National Association Commodore Joe Terry, noting that the general perception of the I-20 fleet is that they get very little for their money from the ILYA. This generated a lively discussion of the relationship of the I-20 fleet (and its national association) to the ILYA. Crear was charged with obtaining an Invite site and to discuss his fleets concerns regarding safety boats. The fleet was charged to assist with safety boat coverage if the fleet is in need of extraordinarily high coverage.

Class M-16: Eckert noted the participation at the 2007 Annual Regatta (19 boats) was healthy, but expressed concern about participation in the 2008 Annual and Invitational regattas. She reported that the M-16 Scow Sailing Association is interested in taking over control of the class scantlings. She moved that the number of trophies at the Annual Regatta be increased to five, based upon recent regatta attendance (Eckert/Reese). After discussion the action was tabled.

Bentsen, Pegel honored

At a reception held at the Chicago Yacht Club in August, ILYA members Bill Bentsen and Bob Pegel, both from Geneva, were recognized by US SAILING for their long and distinguished service to the sport of sailing. The title Judge Emeritus was bestowed on the pair.

Bentsen served for many years as chairman of the Rules Committee and Appeals Committee and played a major role in the development of the Racing Rules of Sailing which are used world wide. An accomplished sailor, Bentsen won an Olympic bronze medal in the Flying Dutchman class and a gold medal in the Soling class. Bentsen has always been available to ILYA race committee and judges for expert advice, and secured ILYA assistance in the experimental use of the current simplified racing rules.

Pegel served as a Senior Judge, Senior Race Officer, associate Appeals Committee member, chairman of the Race Management Committee and the US Single-handed Championship. He was instrumental in writing the rules used in iceboat races around the world. Pegel's achievements in racing came via the E Scow, in which he won a Blue Chip regatta and placed as runner up in several ILYA and NCESA championship events. On the ice he has won Northwestern and International Skeeter Class titles. Pegel continues to serve on race committees and juries at the Lake Geneva Yacht Club and in ILYA sanctioned events.

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Happy Tenth Anniversary

or is it the 110th anniversary of the Inland 20 Class?

by ILYA Fleet Rep Geoff Catlin

The I-20 Class is celebrating its tenth anniversary in 2008, but actually has roots going back to 1898, when the tunnel-hulled DOMINION dominated the Seawanhaka Cup competition between Canada and the U.S. scow clubs. Later came the M-20, introduced by Harry Melges, and promoted by his son Buddy and 'Smiley' Freytag through the '60s and '70s. The current design, the I-20, is a further improvement on the M-20, the principal difference lying in the asymmetrical spinnaker flown on a carbon fiber sprit, with carbon fiber spar, which makes this 20' boat fast, fun, and safe to sail. The components are so light it is a simple affair for one person to rig.

What is unique about the I-20 is that the class started with one boat, and a long history. The ILYA Class A scow was the first to convert as a group to the asymmetrical spinnaker rig in 1994, followed by the I-20 introduction in late 1997. With a vote looming, it

appears as if the National E Scow Class will follow the lead of the A and I-20 in 2008 or 2009, and convert to asymmetrical spinnaker as well. The M-20 and Inland 20 set the stage for this evolution of one design scow sailing as we know it.

From humble beginnings in Madison, Wisconsin and a new builder in Windward Boatworks, the class has grown to a sizable organization, running regattas and continuing to grow fleets across the Midwest and the rest of the country. Our newest growth has been through America's heartland, with new energy and boats at Lake Wawasee, Indiana; Lake Carlyle, Illinois; and Indian Lake, Ohio. This region of the Midwest is an untapped resource for growth of scow sailing. The I-20 is gaining a firm hold as new boats and better sailors swell the ranks. Old blood hears the footsteps of new blood, with sailors from Lake DuBay and Carlyle, not traditional I-20 or M-20 lakes, winning two of the four

national events this past year.

Within the ILYA, the class has added more boats up and down the shores of Lake Winnebago. From Neenah to Fond du Lac the numbers keep growing. After this year's ILYA Championship at Oshkosh the fleet remarked at how great it would be to have the ILYA live in Oshkosh, at its once and future home at the foot of Washington Avenue. This is a great compliment to OYC, and is a reflection of the amount of I-20 sailing activity in the Fox Valley. Today we stand as the strongest one design scow class in that area. The Class has turned Lake Winnebago into an I-20 lake, with three clubs regularly sailing I-20s: Neenah-Nodaway, Oshkosh, and Fond du Lac.

Up to the north the Minnetonka sailors have become energized with the rebuilding process that is happening on their waters. As new boats make the journey that way, people are seeing first hand what many have known for a long time: the I-20 is the best bang for your racing dollar and time.

In ten quick years, we have come a long way, with a lot more to accomplish. The tenth year anniversary celebration and National Championship is scheduled for Green Lake, September 26-28. This will illustrate to all sailors what good leadership and a little hard work can accomplish. The Green Lake YC is excited to have us, and the I-20 class has long enjoyed sailing these waters, with more I-20 events having been sailed there than anywhere else. In addition to the sailing, three days of festivities will make this event one to be remembered. The goal of bringing 50 boats to this event has everyone excited and with help from all, it will happen.

We look forward to seeing all those who have been involved with the class from its inception to today. Thank you for your contribution in making the class grow and leaving a legacy of fun family sailing for all to enjoy.



National Commodore wins first event—ILYA I-20 Invitational

by Joe Terry

Sailors representing Wisconsin, Illinois, Missouri, Indiana, and New York met in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin on the south shores of Lake Winnebago for the Inland Lake Yachting Association's (ILYA) Inland 20 Scow Invitational.

Fifteen teams made up the class hosted by the Fond du Lac Sailing club for racing on Saturday and Sunday, June 23rd and 24th. With most of the teams arriving on Friday evening, a great time was had setting up boats and catching up with friends in beautiful Wisconsin summer conditions.

As the boats were prepped and splashed, the winds started filling in toward the forecasted 9 mph from the southeast. While the wind conditions were a little lighter than what most of us prefer in the high powered Inland 20, the highly adjustable rigs were tuned to be powered up in the lighter stuff and the sailors skimmed over the flat water unusually smooth for lake frequently called "Windybago."

Race 1 began on a very short starting line with everyone starting cleanly. My wife LaCinda and I liked the winds up the center of the course and while the pin end seemed preferred, we chose to try to start on the right side of the line. We made a nice hole and hit the line for a great start at full speed and quickly worked our way up the middle of the course. The winds were nice, and we kept our Inland 20 on it's lines with firm mainsheet tension, a touch of vang, and some backstay when the puffs filled in. In fact, we were working the backstay more than the mainsheet on the first beat.

The good start paid off as we rounded the first windward mark in first place. The fleet as a whole sailed pretty tight and the downwind leg was challenging. Choosing speed vs. angle can be a tough decision and while we opted for speed early in the leg, as the wind diminished slightly, we started working deep. We rounded the leeward mark still in first place, but found some holes on the second leg that George Winter and John Hayashi avoided and we took a respectful second place.

The winds dropped to next to nothing for the second race. We got off to an awful start when we found ourselves between a barging boat and a luffing boat and became the double crunch between two scows. Fortunately, the Inland 20 was built to take a beating

and no damage—not even a mark—was left on the boats as the barging boat tacked away for penalty turns. Unscathed, but way back in the fleet, we had our work cut out for us. We worked our way back toward the middle of the fleet when the wind all but died. On the

last downwind leg of a W 2 1/2 in nearly zero wind, we opted for a wildly unconventional sail plan—we dropped our main so we could use the asymmetrical to head dead toward the mark. While we wouldn't necessarily recommend this practice, it was effective in a couple of ways: First, we managed to make our way back into the top five boats by keeping the chute filled in nearly no wind; and second, after some refreshing beverages later that evening, everyone had quite a few laughs when we all agreed that no one can remember any scow sailing a downwind leg without a main sail, and catching up with the leaders.

The racing was called after two races due to no wind, and at the end of day one, we found ourselves tied in second place with Stefan Schmidt and Juan Gonzolas with a very tight field of very good sailors behind us.

Sunday's forecast didn't look good, and there wasn't much hope early in the morning, but the big lake became its own weather machine, and while the forecast called for 5 mph southeasterly winds, the lake produced it's own 5 to 8 mph northerly.

The boats splashed after a short postponement and race three was underway. Once again there was a very close and clean start and for the entire regatta, there were no individual or general recalls. Our objective was to protect our second place ranking as first seemed quite optimistic, so we worked hard to keep in contact with the contending boats. The winds were spotty, resulting in a lot of hunting going on. We managed to stay with the leaders, and by the second windward leg rounded in



first place just in front of Grant Frautschi and Carolyn Curry. We rounded the last leeward mark again a few boat lengths ahead of Frautschi and Curry and because our primary competition was a few places back, we kept our distance and worked together with Frautschi in attempt to gain some insurance on the rest of the fleet. We were excited as we approached the finish line a few boat lengths ahead of Frautschi, but whom did we see coming in on starboard—youngsters Steve Catlin and Andrea Gratton! We were about to cross clear ahead when we were stopped dead by some chop generated by a huge power boat. We got our tack in, laying the finish line, but Catlin and Gratton had just enough speed to sneak across the line about a foot in front of us and take the bullet.

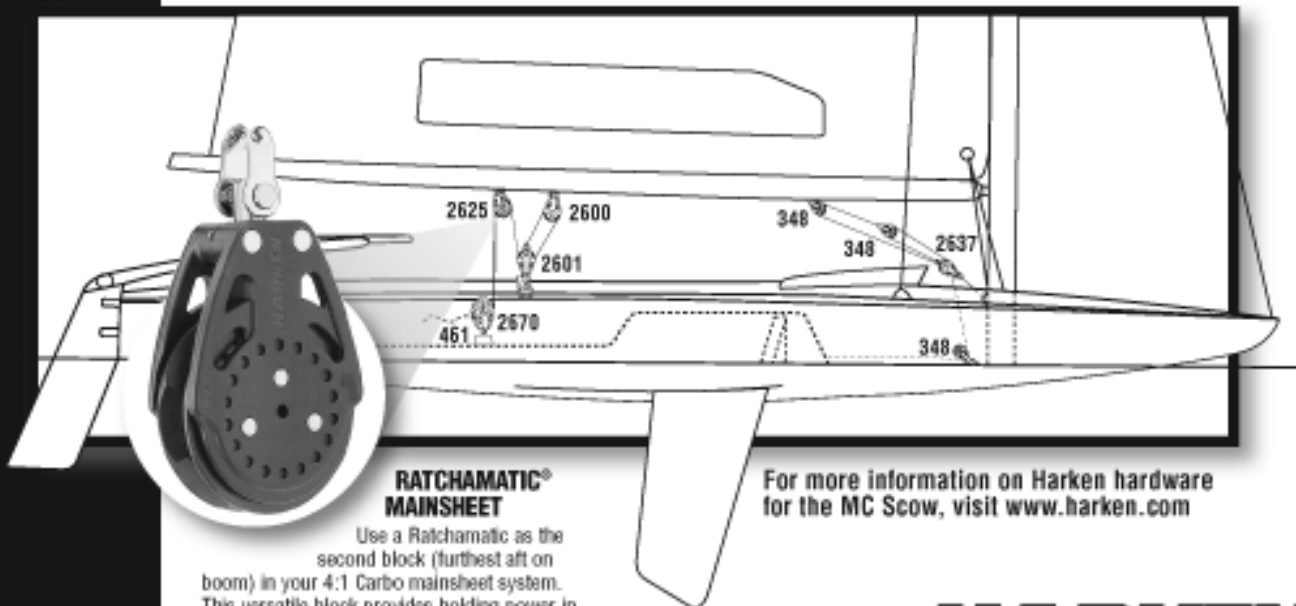
The time limit came after one race on Sunday, and when the scores were tallied, our consistency paid off; for the first time ever, LaCinda and I brought home the first place trophy. And while we're extremely proud of the accomplishment, what is truly unique is that until this year, we've been the lone Inland 20 on our lake. The only one-design experiences we have had are traveling to ILYA and National Inland 20 Scow Association regattas over the years. So the people we really have to thank for our victory is the rest of the Inland 20 fleet. It's those sailors—and you ALL know who you are—who have unselfishly dedicated themselves to bettering the fleet as a whole, who have shared their "secrets,"—rig setup, sail trim techniques, tactical suggestions, etc. so the rest of us have been able to get up to speed and be competitive.

It was a proud and memorable



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Pewaukee inaugurates the new ILYA Melges 17 fleet in style

The Pewaukee Yacht Club—a legendary club with legendary racing sailors. This prestigious yacht club hosted the new Melges 17's first annual ILYA Championship over the weekend, and what an event it was. Four championship races, over 20 Melges 17s jetting around the race course, a first class party on Saturday night with over 150 people in attendance, and then a rock and roll trophy presentation. What a show!

There were some fun tune up races on Friday evening. Winds were out of the east and they were steady. Many people made it out for these races including some of "travelers" with this boat—Mark Unicume from Denver, Mary Anne Ward from Florida, and Bill Wiggins from South Carolina. Yes, the Melges 17 has spread nationwide so the fleet is diverse. It was great to show this group the ILYA and their standard of racing.

The regatta's PRO Bill Dale brought the fleet together for a 10 am start—two races in the morning followed by two races in the afternoon. Right off the bat we had an exciting occurrence. Bill Fauntleroy from White Lake, Michigan port tacked the fleet on the first start of the ILYA Championship—a great sight as the many spectator boats followed Bill and the fleet upwind. Even with this start, though, there was no stopping Lake Geneva's Andy Labanauskus. He rounded this first mark in the lead and he simply extended. Then he extended some more as he won the race by a country mile. Augie Barkow was 2nd, Fauntleroy was third, and Mary Anne Ward was fourth in this race. Big gains and losses could be made downwind in this east 5-10 mph breeze. When you were in the breeze the boats were really jetting around the course. One spectator commented, "This is the best bang for the buck out there. Did you see how fast those boats were downwind in the light breeze? Amazing! Following and watching this fleet was a blast."

Race 2 started up right away and Labanauskus started right where he left off—in the lead. His USA-97 boat port tacked the fleet and Andy increased his lead from there. Impressive to say the least. Two races, two bullets for Labanauskus. Barkow as 2nd, Fauntleroy 3rd, and Ward 4th again.

The PYC served up one of their famous lunches. Dave Decker (Dex) and Tammy Sawyer co-chaired this important event and they put on a show. Great meals, give-aways for virtually all of the competitors, a winners circle for the race



winners (can't tell you what happened in the winners circle on Saturday night...you need to go to the 2008 Melges 17 ILYA to see what takes place in that circle...yikes). Post lunch it was more racing with two races in the afternoon.

The spectator fleet bulged to over 30 powerboats watching the final two races of the day! It was one of the largest spectator crowds we have seen in years. Lots of people with a lot of interest in the Melges 17 and the ILYA racing. It was really great to see. The afternoon start gun sounded and this time we saw different people in the front of the fleet but still the same winner. Ken Wruk from Lake Geneva was up there, Hans Meyer from Pewaukee was in the hunt as was Hans Dickel from Minnetonka. All battled for the lead and while some had it for a moment there was simply no stopping the

Okoboji Inter-Lake: A winning regatta

by Tom Weigel

This summer, July 27-29, Okoboji Yacht Club staged a winning Inter-Lake championship regatta during varying wind conditions.

Friday racing was challenging, with gusty winds turning strong for the day for the C, MC, and X classes. This made for exciting starts and hard-fought finishes in the fleets.

Saturday presented sailors with light air, highlighted with several promising wind shifts and stronger winds which soon shifted again and faded into tantalizing shore breezes, but insufficient to set courses.

Sunday began with light air, which quickly developed in a moderate breeze that shifted to the right-hand side of the course and then lightened.

In the C Scow Class, Minnetonka's David Strothman, sailing M-10, won first place honors with finishes of 1-2-6 for the regatta. He was followed by White

Bear sailor Steve Johnson, who celebrated his 50th consecutive Inter-Lake regatta, with finishes of 3-13-2 for second place. Okoboji sailor Marty Palmer finished third with 2-9-9 finishes in the regatta.

Twenty-five C Scows competed for the Inter-Lake team and individual trophies. Top five finishers were:

1. M-10 David Strothman 1-2-6 9.0
2. W-17 Steve Johnson 3-13-2 18.0
3. P-2 Marty Palmer 2-9-9 20.0
4. M-17 Jason Ostbye 8-1-12 21.0
5. C-52 Greg Stauffer 10-4-7 21.0

Team C Class Standings:

1. Okoboji 147.0
2. Minnetonka 158.0
3. Missouri 193.0
4. Calhoun 250.0
5. Clear Lake 255.0
6. White Bear 268.0

In MC class racing, the 28-boat fleet was won by Lake Harriet's Bill Colburn,

finishing 2-2-1. Second was Clear Lake's Stuart Oltrogge, with races of 1-3-3. Third, Pat Flood from Okoboji finished with races of 5-1-4. The top five were:

1. 2344 Bill Colburn LH 2-2-1 5.0
2. 2340 Stuart Oltrogge Z 1-3-3 7.0
3. 1963 Pat Flood P 5-1-4 10.0
4. 2290 Steve Powers P 3-4-10 17.0
5. 2096 Kelli Farrar P 6-7-5 18.0

Team MC Class Standings:

1. Okoboji 106.0
2. Clear Lake 129.0
3. Upper Minnetonka 174.0
4. Lake Harriet 195.0

Complete Inter-Lake results can be reviewed on the Okoboji Yacht Club web site at www.o-y-c.org/. Class X sailing results and summary can be found in the *Xploits* section of this issue.

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Class MC: Neumann requested a clarification in the sailing instructions regarding the ability of a race officer to either finish a regatta before the last day of scheduled sailing, or potentially add races under uncertain weather conditions and forecasts. After discussion, it was suggested that the fleet committee make a proposal to the Board at the Winter Inland. He then reported on regatta attendance issues, and noted that the fleet endorsed time-based sailing. Commodore Porter challenged Neumann to consider promotional efforts to assure increased participation after this year's poor attendance.

Class Melges-17: Rogers (for Fauntleroy) reported on recent regattas and reflected on the success of last year's events. He requested that the 2008 championship again be awarded to Pewaukee (and separate from the Annual Regatta), noting with Commodore Porter the number of Melges-17 sailors who sail in other classes. The fleet endorses time-based sailing. Rogers went on to express the appreciation of the class to the ILYA and related benefactors for their support, and especially for the magnificent trophies now awarded to the class.

Class X: S. Schmidt (for Murphy) recommended holding off on site selection for the 2009 and 2010 Championship Regatta until the Winter Inland. The potential bidders will be asked to attend to promote the sites. He noted that the new deck design approved last year has been well-received, and offered praise to RM&J Chair Chip Mann for his leadership in time-based sailing, something the X class is using to great positive effect.

Optimist Dinghy: Reese led a discussion of cross-region regatta attendance. On her motion, the Rules Committee approved that our Green Fleet Championship be expanded to two days (Reese/Jenness). She offered praise and congratulations to Sharon Garber and the Minnetonka Yacht Club's regatta committee and volunteer corps for the 2007 Opti Championship, noting (to applause) the sponsorship and volunteer ethic, illustrated by the distribution of 13,000 bottles of water during the event.

Rules Committee Chair Lamphere then noted some items currently under discussion that may have proposals by the Winter Inland meeting:

1. Defining what a "sanctioned class" means in our bylaws.
2. The need to explore masthead or sail peak floatation.
3. The implications of a 5-year measuring rotation among classes.

4. How many races constitute a regatta.
5. Requests from the Inland-20 and M-16 classes to take control of their scantlings.

Prange reported for the Regatta Coordinating Committee. The following actions were taken:

1. 2009 Annual Regatta: Awarded tentatively to Green Lake (Mann/Jenness).
2. 2008 Annual Regatta schedule was discussed, and will be resolved by the Executive Committee by November 1.
3. A One-Design: 2008 Awarded (with 2 abstaining) to Lake Mendota (Haines/Schmidt).
4. Inland-20: Made no request to move the 2008 championship venue to Mendota. Given that the class committee chair (Catlin) had previously requested to move the I-20 championship site from Okoboji to Mendota, the Executive Committee was authorized to check once more with fleet leadership to assure that the correct site was scheduled. (*Subsequently, upon further discussion with Catlin, Okoboji was selected for the 2008 site*).
5. M-16: Would like their championship regatta to be held at Lake Okoboji with the other fleets of the Annual Regatta.
6. Class C: On a motion by Andert/Mann, the 2009 Invitational was awarded to Lake Minnetonka, and the 2010 Invitational to Lake Beulah.
7. Optimist Dinghy: A Reese/Trester motion to award the 2008 No Tears East regatta to Lake Beulah, and the 2008 Optimist Championship to Cedar Lake was approved. It was noted that a bid is still needed for the 2008 No Tears West regatta.
8. A Prange/Trester motion to award the 2008 ILYA Youth Championships to Lake Mendota, specifically the Hoofers, was approved.
9. The schedule for Okoboji will be set by Okoboji and the EC to be announced by November 1.
10. By general consensus the Melges 17 event will be held at Pewaukee.

Trester presented the Finance Committee report, noting that an operating loss was expected for the fiscal year and the cyclical nature of ILYA budgets based upon regatta location, attendance, and other factors. Advertising rates in *Scow Slants* and the revenue potential of our online presence was discussed. A subcommittee of Driscoll, Sharon Garber, Wyman, and Prange was charged with looking at expanding our advertising revenues and developing a tem-

plate for advertising rates and availability, etc., at regattas, online, and in *Scow Slants*.

Reese and Porter reported that the Promotion Committee is working to enhance our online presence, and will present a comprehensive report at the Winter Inland.

Commodore Porter reported that Youth Development has a number of things in the works, and will defer their report to the Winter Inland. Aaron Mann has been selected as chair. The ILYA Youth Champs will be held again at Hoofers with addition of parental supervision to the regatta organization.

Reese reported that the Winter Inland will be held on February 8-10, 2008, at the Olympia Resort in Oconomowoc, Wis., and will feature an Olympic Games theme, honoring John Ruf and Sally Barkow. Expenses and the investment in the Winter Inland was discussed at some length.

Barkow displayed, to unanimous approval, the new trophies. She reported that a savings of over \$2000 has been realized. Requests from several clubs and sailing entities have been made for the digital images, and a discussion followed as to the ownership of the image and our role in potentially selling or making those images available. Barkow suggested that the responsibility for maintenance of perpetual trophies is currently undefined, and needs study and future action. Also for future study is the issue of how many trophies per fleet should be awarded, and how that number should be determined. Barkow will, with the help of the Executive Secretary, prepare a list of needed repairs for 2009.

Old Business: Trester reported on the continuing upgrade of our online registration and membership processes. Online credit card processing is coming.

New Business: Commodore Porter noted the Olympic Campaigns of Sally Barkow and John Ruf, and asked for the approval of the Board for the Executive Committee to do some planning around how the association might support these campaigns. The date of June 7 was suggested as a date for an official send-off for John and Sally. While there was no official action taken, there was no objection raised to Commodore Porter's request.

A motion to adjourn (Wyman/Friend) was approved, not by voice vote, but by the overwhelming sound of chairs being moved away from the meeting table.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas A. Hodgson, Past Cmdr

2007 ILYA Sanctioned Regatta Results

2007 ILYA Class E Invitational

White Bear Yacht Club

July 12-15, 2007

1.	V-123	Kevin Jewett	4	1	2	2	9
2.	M-9	Tom Burton	3	3	5	1	12
3.	W-1	Dan Guidinger	1	8	10	3	22
4.	GL-6	Vince Driessen	11	12	1	5	29
5.	M-3	Chris Jewett	8	4	4	13	29
6.	WH-12	Don Nelson	7	9	9	8	33
7.	I-42	Charlie Harrett	2	7	11	14	34
8.	.M-12	Jeff Solum	9	2	14	10	35
9.	.H-7	Lon Schoor	12	5	15	7	39
10.	M-7	Jule Hanneford	14	10	13	6	43
11.	M-11	Gordie Bowers	18	6	3	19	46
12.	.W-20	Van Johnson	5	DNF	12	4	60
13.	H-11	Lance Puccio	25	13	7	19	64
14.	I-49	Bri or Vince Porter	22	16	6	23	67
15.	W-4	Jay Rendall	6	DNF	8	17	70
16.	W101	Matt Markoe	20	19	20	11	70
17.	W-32	Daniel Thompson	21	17	24	9	71
18.	M-77	Woody Jewett	17	23	17	15	72
19.	W-25	Lee Alnes	10	14	23	26	73
20.	M-10	Jack Strothman	15	18	28	12	73
21.	W-87	Ken Broen	13	11	27	24	75
22.	M-35	Carl Zinn	28	15	18	16	77
23.	.M-8	Chad Olness	23	24	19	20	86
24.	W-47	Louis Hill	DNF	22	16	22	99
25.	.W-66	Ed Cox	27	20	26	27	100
26.	M-26	Jack Zimmerschied	26	26	22	29	103
27.	UM-6	Dave Abramson	16	DNF	25	25	105
28.	GL-3	Tyler Dunphy	31	25	21	30	107
29.	H-38	Justin Segersten	30	21	29	28	108
30.	M-4	Amanda Allen	29	27	DNF	21	116
31.	BE-11	Tim Black	32	29	30	31	122
32.	BE-3	Scott Tice	37	28	31	32	128
33.	V-15	Eric Good	19	DNF	DNF	DNS	136
34.	W-8	Dustin Hartwig	34	DNF	33	33	139
35.	W-3	Tom Austin	24	DNF	DNS	DNS	141
36.	BE-10	Dave Kline	35	OCS	32	RAF	145
37.	Z-24	Bob Swanson	33	DNF	DNS	DNS	150
38.	W-26	Steve Beck	36	DNF	DNS	DNS	153

2007 ILYA Class I-20 Invitational

Fond du Lac Sailing Club

June 22-24, 2007

1.	DB-34	Joe Terry	2	5	2	9.00
2.	FD-314	George Winter	1	1	9	11.00
3.	H-5	Stefan Schmidt	3	4	6	13.00
4.	H-216	Grant Frautchi	8	3	3	14.00
5.	FD-499	Andy Gratton	4	9	4	17.00
6.	FD-4	Willy Crear	5	7	7	19.00
7.	J-11	Aaron Lynn	7	2	11	20.00
8.	S-17	David Crosby	6	11	8	25.00
9.	4	Jeff Marquardt	9	12	5	26.00
10.	U-1	Steve Catlin	13	14	1	28.00
11.	WA-1	Kenny Bolles	11	6	12	29.00
12.	FD-1	Richard Baccus	10	10	10	30.00
13.	674	Eric Hall	12	8	13	33.00
14.	U-656	Greg Leifer	14	15	14	43.00
15.	H-111	Dave Whealon	16	13	16	45.00

2007 ILYA Class MC Invitational

Minnetonka Yacht Club

July 12-15, 2007

1.	2344	Bill Colburn		3	1	1	1	5	11
2.	2446	Rick Trester	M	1	2	10	5	1	19
3.	2436	Jamie Kimball		2	7	6	2	6	23
4.	1987	Noel Neuman		7	4	4	12	4	31
5.	2431	Brad Farrar		22	5	2	4	2	35
6.	2314	Peter Slocum		6	3	13	10	3	35
7.	2044	Dan Fink		5	12	8	3	7	35
8.	2096	Kelli Farrar		13	10	3	6	10	42
9.	2382	Markham Chatterton		4	15	7	7	9	42
10.	2320	Andrew Moen	JR	14	6	9	16	8	53
11.	1850	Andy Crowe	M	8	13	19	14	12	66
12.	2043	Aaron Mann		9	DQ	5	8	16	70
13.	2261	Scott Colesworthy	M	10	8	DQ	9	11	70
14.	2144	Patrick Huttner	M	11	14	15	20	19	79
15.	2082	Jon Lang	15	20	12	19	13	79	
16.	2363	Bob Sevey	GM	26	11	20	13	15	85
17.	2423	Coye Harrett	JR	12	22	16	15	21	86
18.	2126	Keith Morical		23	21	11	18	14	87
19.	2267	Steve Bernstein	19	16	18	21	18	92	
20.	1749	Christine Porter	JR	24	19	22	11	17	93
21.	1957	Dave Larsen		21	9	24	17	23	94
22.	1972	Jim Price		17	24	17	DC	20	110
23.	1932	Hendrik Vroege		18	17	23	22	DC	112
24.	1966	David Kickhafer		16	23	14	DC	DC	117
25.	2009	Don Reiland		27	18	21	DC	22	120
26.	1650	Rob Edman		31	DC	25	23	24	135
27.	2081	Stephen Lang		20	26	DC	DC	DC	142
28.	2118	Jon McLain	GM	25	25	DC	DC	DF	146
29.	2114	John Davis	GM	28	DC	DC	DC	DC	156
30.	2182	Don White	GM	29	DC	DC	DC	DC	157
31.	804	Brett Thomas		30	DF	DC	DC	DC	158

2007 ILYA Class C Invitational

Clear Lake Yacht Club

July 20-22, 2007

1.	B-18	Brian Brickler	3	2	3	1	1	9	14	33
2.	M-25	Chris Andert	4	13	1	8	3	5	1	35
3.	M-5	Hans Zinn	8	12	5	7	4	4	2	42
4.	E-1	Mark Prange	1	3	2	16	2	11	9	44
5.	I-42	Sam Rogers	13	1	10	4	6	2	10	46
6.	B-303	Frank Davenport	10	8	7	3	14	1	5	48
7.	C-52	Greg Stauffer	2	4	9	15	17	6	4	57
8.	W-9	Scott Helmes	14	11	4	10	8	15	3	65
9.	Z-100	Steve Swift	15	17	8	2	12	7	11	72
10.	Z-1	Mark Tesar	18	18	16	6	7	3	6	74
11.	E-111	Liz Prange	6	6	12	9	5	18	18	74
12.	M-77	JC Risewick	9	7	6	17	10	10	17	76
13.	B-217	Anne Porter	5	10	13	14	11	13	13	79
14.	P-31	Stu Gerhold	17	14	17	5	13	8	8	82
15.	Z-2	Tom Birdsall	11	5	11	12	15	12	16	82
16.	P-1	Jerry Huse	16	9	14	13	9	17	12	90
17.	M-35	Carl Zinn	12	15	15	18	18	14	7	99
18.	V-137	Bill Allen	7	16	DF	11	16	16	15	100

2007 ILYA Class A Open Invitational

Clear Lake Yacht Club

July 20-22, 2007

1.	M-9	Tom Burton	1	1	1	1	1	5
2.	M-6	Blair Jenness	3	3	4	2	2	14
3.	Z-1	Tom Erickson	4	5	2	3	4	18
4.	W-7	Steve Johnson	5	4	3	4	3	19
5.	M-38	David Chute*	2	2	DF	DS	DS	22

* A Open Scow M-38 is experimental and ineligible for trophies