

PENTWATER LIGHTNING FLEET (340)**Michigan District****Sailing on Lake Pentwater at Pentwater, Michigan**

Fleet Captain	Allen Graettinger
Regatta Chairman	Gail & Bill Bluhm Dan & Pat Fawkes
Fleet Champion	Doug Basler, George Graettinger & Debbie Roth
First Runner-Up	Milford Miller
Second Runner-Up	Don Lambrix

Boat No.	Boat Name	Skipper
6889	Dave Anderson
9259	Took	Mary Ann Bates
9412	Alethia	Douglas S. Basler
10071	Wiki-Wiki	Peter, Timothy & Martha B. Northrup
10606	Willi Waw II	Don Lambrix
11134	Frantic	Milford M. Miller
12104	James March
12371	Greased	Cliff Dibelka
12372	John Scott
.....	Alan Graettinger

Although many of this year's Pentwater Lightning races were characterized by a noticeable lack of wind, the fleet nevertheless had its usual unusual season. At least one positive result came out of this tame weather — none of the races had to be rescheduled or postponed.

The Club continued with last year's scheduling practice of holding two Sunday-only, back-to-back races and was thereby able to comfortably accommodate both its Lightning and Sunfish fleets. In addition, more diversity in courses to be sailed was accomplished through the setting of a new mark.

Joining in the races as "regulars" this year were Doug Basler and Jim March, as well as many of those from previous years, but Basler definitely emerged at season's end the star, in spite of the stiff competition.

Basler, with his crew of Debbie Roth and George Graettinger, took top honors in the July, August and Club Championship series. Close on their rudder in the July series (for the Herbert Behr Trophy) was the Lambrix boat, crewed by Don, Jeff and Tom Lambrix. Alan Graettinger, Arnie Samuel and Laura Fawkes followed in third place in *Frantic*, last year's championship boat.

Second place honors in the August series (for the Commodore's Trophy) went to the Graettinger-Samuel-Fawkes crew, with owner Tim Miller adding his energies to the total effort. Third place went to the Lambrix family.

In the Championship series, *Frantic* took second place; Lambrix's, third; Chris Cowles and crew, fourth and newcomer Jim March and crew, fifth. Other boats that sailed occasionally, adding to the competition, were sailed by the Northrup's and Ramey Galt.

An enjoyable addition to the races themselves has been, for the past several years, the pot-luck luncheons and the end-of-season Sailors' Dinner. These events, sponsored by the sailors, have become Yacht Club traditions to which all look forward year after year. Next year will be no exception.