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CHESAPEAKE CRUISE COMING TOGETHER

Response has been good toward getting a group of Flying Scots together to cruise the Chesapeake Bay from June 18-23 in the St. Michaels area. Plans are to start from Bob Neff’s Selby Bay Sailing Center in Edgewater, MD and sail for St. Michaels. A mixture of hotel and camping accommodations are available during the week while we explore the Chesapeake’s famed Eastern Shore. St. Michaels offers a great central location from which to cruise as well as local shoreside highlights including the Chesapeake Maritime Museum.

Rooms are at a premium and anyone seriously considering to join the cruise with the intention of getting a room should contact Bob Neff (301) 798-4146 for information immediately. Make plans now to participate and enjoy a week with other Scotters from around the country.

Dear Editor:

My reason for writing is that we hear that Sandy has had a setback, and is not well. This association exists because of Sandy, we all sail his boat. I thought that some of his old friends in the association might want to write to him. His address:

Gordon K. Douglass
P.O. Box 245
Edgewood, NM 87015

We all enjoy the good time we have on the Scot. Right now a word of encouragement would hit the spot.

Erick M. Ammann

BOB VANCE ANNOUNCES ANOTHER FSSA CHARTER CRUISE FOR 1991

Featured in this issue of Scots n’ Water is a report on a charter group of FSSA members who cruised the Whitsunday Islands of Australia. Bob is currently making plans for another FSSA charterboat cruise during 1991 in Turkey. Full details will be in the next issue of Scots n’ Water. Enjoy his report on Australia and New Zealand and be ready to make plans for Turkey in ’91.

HUSBAND WIFE CHAMPIONSHIP

The 1990 Husband-Wife Championship will be held November 10-11, 1990 in Melbourne, Florida. This is a break from the traditional summer date but is an excellent time for the best conditions Florida has to offer. Those dates also coincide with Veterans Day so it will be a three-day weekend for some folks. Make your plans early to attend.

Cal Hudson will be in charge and more details will be available in the next issue of Scots n’ Water. “Real Florida Cooking” is promised for the meals including the best seafood, conch, and Key Lime pie.
MAKE PLANS FOR NEW ORLEANS
THIS SUMMER THERE'S SOMETHING
FOR EVERYONE

By Larry Taggart, FS 4510

As plans progress down here in New Orleans for the 1990 NAC, I have been reflecting back on my first NAC. Coincidentally, it was in New Orleans in 1975, some fifteen NAC's ago. Since my finish that year was something I'd rather forget about, I recall why I sailed the next 14 NAC's (and God willing this summer's NAC).

The reason is the many friendships I developed back in 1975 and the years since then. As with many who sail religiously, my closest friends are sailors. Our Mid-Winters and NAC's as well as many other Scot events provide an opportunity to renew these friendships and make new ones. This is part of the fun of racing as winning isn't everything.

As a Senior USYRU Judge, I have had an opportunity to learn something about some other large classes of sailboats. Each seems to have its own unique characteristics. But I have yet to run across one where such close friendships have developed — and where on the water differences are usually forgotten once ashore. Perhaps this is partially due to the family nature of our boat and our class.

If you do not participate in at least some of our functions throughout the year, you are truly missing out on an opportunity to have fun and make new friends too. This is just one more aspect of a CLASS WITH CLASS!

JUNIORS, MASTERS (?) & LADIES FOR 1990 NAC

The JUNIOR NAC will continue with the same qualifications as in the past two years: the Skipper must be 17 or under and not turn 18 during the year of competition. The crew must meet the same age requirements as that of the Skipper or must be a member of the Skipper's "immediate family". As noted elsewhere in this issue, all races will be held on the Sunday preceding the NAC in order to best accommodate those traveling from distant ports.

Eligible competitors for the MASTERS DIVISION must declare their intention to race in this division when pre-registering or with the Registration Committee upon arrival at the regatta site. To be eligible, the Skipper must be at least 50 years of age at the time of the regatta and the combined ages of Skipper and one crew must equal or exceed 100 years. Masters will race with the Challenger Division during the final five races of the NAC. Masters will not be eligible for the Challenger Cup or other trophies available to the Challenger Division UNLESS Masters compete fairly in all races of the Qualifying Series and FAIL to qualify for the Championship Division. Masters are not required to sail in the Qualifying Series but may do so in order to compete for the William V. Singletary Trophy. The winner of the Masters Division will be determined by scoring each eligible competitor's best three finishes in the final five races. (This format allows competitors to sail in both the Challenger and Master's series.)

SOMETHING NEW (we hope)! The FSSA Executive Committee will be asked to sanction a LADIES' NAC to be held concurrently with the Junior NAC on Sunday. The only qualification is that the Skipper and Crew must be all female. Credit Charlotte Gordon Fisher for this suggestion. Since there are always many gals participating in the NAC, she feels that several of you can join forces to sail together for this event. Check the next issue of SCOTS n' WATER to see if this comes about.

As you can see, NAC participation at all levels is being encouraged. Get your crew together now and make plans to come to New Orleans for the 1990 NAC.
FLEETS IN

FUN 4-SAIL
by Greg Fisher, FS 3961

Have you ever looked for a new exciting place to sail in the middle of winter when the snow is so deep up North you can barely get your boat out of the driveway? Well, Cal Hudson has put together the ideal regatta at the ideal place in early February. The Fun 4-Sail regatta is sailed on the sheltered waters of the Indian River in Melbourne, Florida. With the prevailing breezes and warmer temperatures, it’s the perfect place for a Flying Scot regatta. This year four other classes participated; the Thistle, the Lightning, the Laser, and the MC Scow, but the Scot continued to maintain position with the greatest participation as fifteen boats made the trip. This year also brought some of the top competitors in the class. Steve Bellows of Pensacola, Florida and Charlie Fowler of Miami dueled it out until the end. Bellows dominated with five wins, while Charlie Fowler had a lock on the second place spot until the last race while in the heaviest breezes, Charlie flipped. Charlie did have few enough points to maintain his position over the third place finisher, Dick Slosar.

The breeze was definitely up at this year’s regatta, with the heaviest breezes getting up to twenty-five on Sunday. While there were a couple of capsizes, the Scots managed to keep their boats upright more often than the other classes!

After Saturday’s racing, Melbourne Yacht Club had their usual keg of beer and dinner party followed by a seminar led by yours truly. This has turned out to be a fun event in that it seems like everyone in the regatta gets involved by relating what they’ve learned (both good and bad!) that day. We’ve shown both videos and slides the past couple of years, and hope to have a combination in 1991. Once the seminar is over, the party resumes!

Cal Hudson and the Melbourne Yacht Club are hosts for the 1990 Husband-Wife National Championship, November 10 and 11. Surely, with Cal’s enthusiasm along with the entire Florida District’s, and the MYC’s excellent facilities and the tremendous weather and wind, this year’s regatta will not be one to miss. Follow that up with the 1991 Fun 4-Sail, and it will be one great winter!

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GLIMMERGLASS REGATTA
by Ron Streek, FS 1421

The 22nd Annual Glimmerglass Regatta was held on Ostego Lake on the Weekend of September 16-17. Saturday’s skies were overcast with light to medium, shifty winds. Sunday winds were about 6-12 knots. This is a multi-class regatta, with all classes getting their own start. A total of 46 boats attended, among those were 15 Scots.

Saturday’s races proved more than interesting. The name of the game seemed to be “position and ability to change gears” quickly. In the first race, the lead changed four times before the race was over. Jeff Penfield, Ron Streek and John Clark had all tried the lead at one time or another. Eventually Clark won out with Streek and Penfield following for second and third.

The second race on Saturday, after a lunch break, was sailed in much the same conditions. At the start, most of the fleet favored the pin end of the line. Needless to say some bargers needed to re-start. Jeff Penfield broke from the pack early, followed by Jim Cavanagh and Ralph Riem. They worked their way up the left side of the course, while Ron Streek, after re-starting, hit the right side of the course and a good lift. At the weather mark, it was Penfield, Streek, Cavanagh, Riem and Clark in that order. The reaching leg proved interesting, as the leaders sailed into a hole just before the jibe mark, but Penfield rounded in good shape. Cavanagh, Riem and Streek rounded in a dead heat. At the finish line, Jeff Penfield was out ahead while Cavanagh and Riem fought it out for second and third, followed by Streek and Clark.

The Glimmerglass Regatta is noted for its cocktail party after sailing on Saturday. This year, a chicken barbecue followed the party and for those late-nighters, a bonfire was a good place to swap tales of the sea.

Sunday morning brought steady winds from the Southeast at about 6-12 knots.

The skies looked like there was a good chance of rain, but it held off until we were off the lake. The third, and final race was closely contested all the way, excepting for John Clark and Ralph Riem. They worked out to an easy lead and finished first and second. The third and fourth places were contested right to the finish line, by five boats, with Ron Streek and Richard Fleury leading the pack. These positions were important in determining the final results.

It should be noted that there were five Fleet Captains and three districts represented in the fleet, demonstrating the strong support in the Scot class.

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BLOWOUT AT CAVE RUN
by Rob Summarloft, FS 264

Usually the middle of October in eastern Kentucky is delightful, with chilly mornings, warm afternoons, the leaves in full fall colors and light to moderate air. This year, however, was a bit different. Two days before our Grand Annual Regatta, an early winter storm churned through the area, dumping four inches of snow on southern Ohio. For Saturday’s planned round-the-bouys races the 37 boat fleet (including nine Scots) was greeted by temperatures in the low 40’s and very high winds with sustained gusts well into the 30’s (clocked at 32 in the protected marina cove). Only one race was completed in these extreme conditions with many capsizes and equipment failures (the only Scot casualty was Art Bernstein’s shredded shroud, stretched nearly to the breaking point). After putting the boats back together again we retired to a supply of appropriate beverages and a hearty steak dinner, to swap war stories and complain about the weather.

Sunday, although still unusually cold, was much more like what we had in mind with typically shifty light to moderate air. The traditional Down-the-Lake

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Editor: As a member of the Flying Scot Sailing Association and active participant in local, regional and national regattas for the last ten years, I feel like I know a lot about this class. I am constantly reminded as I receive questions just how little I know about many of the individual fleets.

I figure I have attended regattas at about 20 different fleet locations and considering there are over 100 active fleets, that is a very low percentage. Each fleet has its different characteristics. Some are growing in leaps and bounds while others die as sailing activities change in the area.

I recently encountered a desperate Scot owner who thought because he was transferred would have to sell his Scot. Little did he realize that where he was transferred to there was abundant Scot activity for him to enjoy. For years I have preached to everyone to use the trailer that came with the Flying Scot and enjoy more than just your home waters. As part of educating the entire FSSA, starting with this issue we will take a look at the fleets and sailing locations that make up the FSSA.

I will also make the comment that a letter and survey form was sent to every listed Fleet Captain in the FSSA data base in December for this purpose. If you are currently a Fleet Captain, please take the time to send a letter or post card to the FSSA notifying them so. This helps make mailings requested by Officers, Governors, Fleet Captains and others more accurate. I often hear complaints about the accuracy of the FSSA data base but we only have ourselves to blame if fleets do not notify the office of changes.

I hope that these reports from other fleets will help you to get out and visit some other sailing areas be it for a regatta or part of a vacation trip.

FLEET ONE, COWAN LAKE Wilmington, Ohio

Fleet One, sailing on Lake Cowan near Wilmington, Ohio was organized shortly after the Flying Scot became available. As I recollect, single digit sail numbers were on the first Scots seen on the Lake. For 1990 we now have 60 boats on our fleet roster. Of these, 40 are members of the Cowan Lake Sailing Association, our home club. CLSA is a do-it-yourself club that maintains two shelter houses, one with a kitchen and club room facilities, camp grounds and parking. Our docks are on State property down Cardiac Hill from the club. CLSA organizes one or two races every Sunday and the Holidays from mid-April to the end of October with a separate start for Scots.

All are welcome to race; just show up at the starting line and follow my boat, FS 3808. Fleet 1 members come mostly from Cincinnati and Dayton but we have members from as far away as Lexington, KY and Springfield, OH. The fleet organizes a fun-day regatta, June 23-24 for 1990 and the PIG ROAST REGATTA in the fall, September 22-23 for 1990. The PIG ROAST is our annual Flying Scot event, with 36 boats competing in two divisions the last two years. Makes plans to come and we'll go for fifty boats in 1990. Also fleet 1 hosted the 25th and 30th Anniversary Regattas and is planning for the 35th in 1992.

In 1989 Scots averaged 12 boats for all of the 48 CLSA club races with 24 boats sailing 10 or more races and 10 boats sailing the required 19 races required for the CLSA Fleet Trophy. Lynn Goodwin, FS 3889, is our champion, Jack Rudy, FS 4321, is second and Sandy Eustis, FS 3850, is third. To encourage participation, Fleet 1 has established the Flying Scot Challenger Trophies for each of the Spring, Summer, Fall, Holiday and Season Race series. Scoring is for all Scots that have not won trophies for these races in past seasons.

On the social side, Fleet 1 has never lost a party and stays in practice by having a pot-luck supper after the race once each month during sailing season. Once the boats are in dry-dock we continue to meet for a holiday party in December plus two or three more events just to be certain the cooks maintain their racing edge and the friendship remain active. For 1990 a trip to Fisher Sails in Columbus is planned - everyone is hoping for free samples - plus at least one other party in March to get in shape for the 1990 season.

Our FUN REGATTA has as its primary goal the participation of our non-racing members and involves hands-on help from the hot-shots on boat rigging, handling, tactics (legal and otherwise), boat swapping and, if time permits, a race or two where scoring is questionable and incidental. Of course, we don't forget to party.

Fleet One has continued to grow attracting members from other CLSA classes as well as new sailors. While there is always room for fleet growth, the rather small Cowan Lake is not getting any bigger.

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FLEET 19, BERLIN RESERVOIR Youngstown, OH

Fleet 19 sails out of Berlin Yacht Club at Berlin Reservoir in Northeastern Ohio. The BYC facilities include a clubhouse with large lawn, a camping area and a boat launch, drydock and docking area.

Fleet 19 sails on a three mile expanse of Berlin Reservoir between two bridges. There has been some slow steady growth lately with younger sailors joining the fleet and membership is now up to 33 boats. The club is very informal and the fleet often gets together for pot-lucks after racing.

A spring and summer series is raced on Wednesday evening and Sunday afternoons. Triangular courses are set around permanent marks on the lake. Jack and Rosalie Leipper are the current fleet champions. Fleet 19 is also proud of the number of boats that travel regularly to regattas.

Berlin's Invitational Regatta is run every year in early June (9-10, 1990) and features hors d'oeuvres, whiskey sours and Manhattans, and a home cooked dinner. There is plenty of camping on club grounds for visitors.

There is still room for growth in the fleet but the local job market has created fleet turnaround. Still the strong racing and social program have helped create fleet growth as most of the members live within an hour's drive.

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FLEET 23, WHITE ROCK LAKE Dallas, Texas

Fleet 23 sails at White Rock Lake in Dallas, Texas and is part of the Corinthian Sailing Club. The Clubhouse is built over the water at a city park. The

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race counts double and covers a lot of territory. Rick Baugher, John Clickener and our own Steve Branner fought it out at the front of the pack all the way down and back with a very exciting finish.

For the event, Rick Baugher (3666) placed first, the Clickeners (3930) in second, followed by Steve Branner (4348) who also won the overall trophy for the Cave Run Sailing Association. Hopefully, this year got the bad weather out of the way for a while. We are looking forward to seeing more of you in the future.

SUGAR BOWL REGATTA

The 1989 Sugar Bowl Regatta in New Orleans was well attended despite record setting cold and snow — yes, snow — the week before. Christmas Eve saw something even the “old salts” could not recall ever happening before — Lake Pontchartrain (site of the 1990 NAC) was iced over some 100 yards out. Some daring souls even walked out on it in the shallow waters. The entire yacht harbor was covered with a quarter of an inch thick glaze of ice. Eighteen Flying Scots braved the 44 degree lake waters and mid-50’s air temperature — and even fog — in light to moderate breezes. Some of us even accused FSSA Vice President Bernie Knight of bringing some “Yankee weather” down with him to gain a competitive advantage. But Bernie came out on the other side of things when wife/crew Barbara decided to take a swim and then hit the warm showers leaving hubby skipper to put the boat up by himself!

Thanks to those of you who traveled to New Orleans to race with us. By the way, we are back to “normal” weather here in mid-January as I write this report — today’s high was in the upper 70’s!

RESULTS
OPEN DIVISION
1. Eric Doyle, Pass Christian, MS (1-2-1)
2. Larry Taggart, New Orleans, LA (2-1-2)
3. Bruce Moore, Irvine TX (5-6-3)

GYA RACE OF CHAMPIONS
1. Scotty Sonnier, Southern YC (1-4-1)
2. Rod Stiefel, Bay-Waveland YC (3-1-3)
3. Herb Sumorall, Pontchartrain YC (2-5-7)

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club is very rustic and has about 150 hoist slips. Fleet 23 is one of the largest fleets in the FSSA with 43 active FSSA members.

Fleet 23 sponsors fleet activities 52 weeks a year with the racing program actually running 50 weekends a year. There is a Winter series, Spring/Summer series and a Fall series. Racing is done on an Olympic, Goldcup and windward/leeward course. A large percentage of the fleet participates in the racing program sometime during the year.

Fleet 23 takes great pride in its social participation throughout the year. One unusual event in August is a skipper prepared breakfast on the dock.

The annual Open House regatta is held every September (22-23 in 1990) and attracts many sailors from the GYA. We take great pride in the fact that many of the local boats that do not participate in the regatta make their boats available to out of towners and crews from other classes at White Rock. The regatta is al-

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ways capped by a steak dinner on Saturday night.

The fleet has been very stable for many years but there is still room for some growth. The biggest limiting factor is the club size and limited facilities. Most of the members who live near the club in Dallas enjoy getting together several times a year for fleet parties.

Being out in the big state of Texas, many members have learned to appreciate their trailers and participate in other regattas. A trip to New Orleans is a 500 mile adventure and last fall three boats made a sixteen hour drive to Clinton, IL for the Glow in the Dark. Their chili and Lone Star and Dixie beer helped fuel the regatta.

Richard Wade and Melody Hammer are the reigning fleet champions and the good bunch of the fleet is tightly bunched in competition right behind them.

1990 FLEET SECRETARY
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FLEET 24,
CANDLEWOOD LAKE
New Fairfield, CT

Fleet 24 is located on picturesque Candlewood Lake near New Fairfield, Connecticut. It's Connecticut's largest lake, located in the foothills of the Berkshires. We experience some very challenging wind conditions. The lake consists of four fingers with a race course located in the "H" section where the fingers meet. The courses consist of a typical Olympic, modified triangle, and golf cup.

The race program commences in mid May and ends in late September, with 3 series. Racing is two races back to back on Sunday afternoons. The fleet of 30 boats also has fun races of crew-skipper and a scavenger hunt. The fleet consists of 2 divisions, Red and Blue, with approximately 7 boats in each division. In 1990 an experiment will be made with Saturday racing. The races will be instructional and this we hope will improve the competitiveness of our fleet. The overall fleet champion in 1989 was Jack Orr, the FSSA Secretary.

Candlewood is a man-made lake, built for the purpose of generating hydro-electric power. Contrary to popular belief, there is no "Old New England Town" beneath it's water. On September 29, 1928 the waters reached an elevation of 429 feet, and the lake, the first large scale operation pumped storage facility in the United States was complete. It covers 5420 acres, is 11 miles long, has a shore line of 60 plus miles and is two miles at its widest point. The maximum depth is 85 feet, with an average of 30 feet.

The name Candlewood was derived from New Milford's "Candlewood Mountain", which was named after the Candlewood trees whose saplings were sometimes used as candles by early settlers.

Fleet 24 members at Candlewood Lake in Connecticut gather on the club lawn after racing. (Photo by Forest Rogers)

There is potential growth for the fleet but since there is a lack of club facilities our main concern is getting all the boats on the lake active.

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FLEET 31, SHORE ACRES YC
Barnegat Bay

Fleet 31 sails on the waters of Barnegat Bay, located along the central New Jersey Coast. We enjoy a competitive sailing season that begins the first week of May and ends the last week of October. Throughout our six month racing season, we sail in a variety of wind conditions. During the summer months, we encounter an afternoon seabreeze we lovingly refer to as the "Barnegat Doctor".

The waters are fairly shallow and require close attention to centerboard depth. However, this lean shallow water is excellent for crabbing. Some of the best crabbing always seems to be right in the middle of the race courses. There is nothing like close reaching under spinnaker through a crapping fleet. Sometimes the terror in the crabber's eyes is only matched by the terror in our crew's eyes. All in all we share and enjoy the bay without many unfortunate incidents.

At Shore Acres YC, where 40 of the fleet's Scots are moored, our racing is broken into 3 series. The spring and fall series last five weeks with two races back to back. The summer series is a 10 week 20 race series with a morning and afternoon race. The break for lunch usually allows the "Doctor" to kick in for some exciting afternoon racing. The fleet loves it when it blows and generally spinnakers always go up.

Fleet 31 has maintained a 40 boat Scot fleet for many years. While membership turns over, we have been able to maintain this size. The one problem which we have is that many members must drive over an hour and some as much as two hours to participate. The strength of our social program helps to justify the drive for everyone and makes it a strong close fleet.

We sail a modified triangular course with an extra windward and leeward leg. The modification is designed around our starting line. We start all of our races right off our club's deck. This can be a problem getting good windward starts. But by starting and finishing at the club, it encourages other members, friends, and family to come and watch the racing.

Shore Acres racing is held on Sundays. We share the race course and the committee work with a competitive Hobie 18 fleet also moored at Shore Acres. The Scots and Hobies also find good competition in the Barnegat Bay Yacht Racing Association. The BBYRA races on Saturday, starting over 200 boats in over 20 different classes from Lasers to E Scows.

The many opportunities we have to race sometimes keeps us from traveling to other regattas. On any given Sunday we may find as many as 25 Scots on the starting line. We have found that an "A" and "B" fleet keeps the interest up for the newer skippers. They don't have to worry about going head to head with the old salts. We all start together though so the racing is always competitive.

After a hard days racing we can retire to an informal club bar and talk about the days events. We had in the past a black- (Continued on page 10)
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board summary of each race conducted by the winners. This little seminar reviewed tactics, rules, and boat handling. We will be bringing the blackboard back this year because it was so popular. If you are ever in the neighborhood, stop by for some good wind, good sailing, and a good time.

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Fleet 48, Lake Norman
Charlotte, NC

Fleet 48 is part of the Lake Norman Yacht Club on Lake Norman near Charlotte, NC. Lake Norman is also known as the “Great Inland Sea” as it covers 33,000 acres of water and 500 mile of shoreline.

Located on 27 acres of land around an inlet, LNYC has a club house and pavilion for picnics and to support the camped permitted at the club. Fleet 48 has hosted three NAC’s since the mid 70’s. Lots of docking is available and despite the bustling the club took from Hurricane Hugo last fall, everything should be close to normal this spring.

Fleet 48 consists of approximately 45 Flying Scots and runs a club series over 12 weekends from April to November with racing on Saturday and Sunday. There are also July 4th and Labor Day open class invitationals. The courses set are generally Olympic or modified triangles. Bill Ross, FS 1290, is the reigning 1989 fleet champion.

Other active LNYC fleets include Thistle, Highlander, Laser, Sunfish, San Juan 21 and PHRF.

Besides the racing program, Lake Norman offers a great daysailing opportunity for fleet members. This combined with the camping along the shoreline accounts for many weekends spent at the club by members. Fleet membership is attracting some younger sailors and there is still a lot of potential for fleet growth. The fleet stays busy with fleet meetings, a boat repair day, and weekend seminars on Race Management, Racing Rules and going FAST!

With all the strengths of a great location and large fleet, many members must travel an hour or more to LNYC. Plans for 1990 include more daysail activities and trying to put a stronger contingent on the road to other regattas.

Two annual regattas hosted in the Spring are the Sandy Douglass Regatta with Thistles, Highlanders and Flying Scots gathering as a tribute to Sandy’s great designs. Seventy-one boats participated in this event in 1989. In early May (5-6 in 1990) is the Great 48 regatta. Scots have traditionally been allowed to leave boats over from the Sandy Douglass regatta that participate in both. This regatta has drawn quite a crowd including boats from New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio on a regular basis.

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Fleet 80, Lake Arthur
Pittsburgh, PA

Flying Scot Fleet 80 sails on Lake Arthur in Moraine State Park, 55 miles north of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The total area of Moraine State Park is 16,000 acres, of which 3,225 are water. Fleet 80 is comprised of about 60 members. Roughly a third of the fleet members are actively involved in racing under the auspices of the Moraine Sailing Club with the remainder being daysailors.

Fleet 80 uses the boating and picnic fa-

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LNYC members survey the damage caused by Hurricane Hugo. Repairs are underway and LNYC and Fleet 48 plan a full schedule for 1990. (Photo by Bill Ross)
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Facilities provided by Moraine State Park. A March icebreaker get-together, after-race picnics, and other social activities are organized on an informal basis, most often at Watts Bay, throughout the sailing year.

Flying Scots can compete in the spring, summer, and fall racing series of the Moraine Sailing Club. The spring series typically lasts for three weeks and is a “five race a day” Saturday series. The hotly contested summer Championship series starts in May and runs through September on alternate Saturdays. There are three races a day in May, June, and September, and two races a day in July and August. The fall series generally lasts four weeks and is a “three race a day” Saturday series.

Flying Scots race a triangular or modified triangular course (five different configurations). An average of 15 boats actively compete on a regular basis. Several Fleet 80 members participate in the District Championships, Mid-Winters, and Nationals on a regular basis. Two District Governors have come from Fleet 80. Our 1989 Fleet Champion is Tom Hoehler and Family.

The fleet membership has remained very steady in recent years and growth is limited by the use of State Park facilities. While many boats are stored on the park grounds, some boats must be trailered in for sailing. The state also controls race dates but we make up for this by having more races on those days. While not racing every weekend may cause some irregularities in the schedule, it is also nice not to have to plan to be there every weekend. Since most of the fleet lives in Pittsburgh, members typically drive around an hour to get to Lake Arthur.

The daysailing on Lake Arthur is also quite nice as it winds through the hills with several large branches.

Fleet 80 will sponsor the Whiskey Sour Regatta on September 15-16, 1990. This is a five race series featuring Jim Starr’s infamous whiskey sours on Saturday evening. Everyone is cordially invited.

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FLEET 109,
MASSACHUSETTS BAY
Cohasset, MA

Fleet 109 is an independent organization with close ties to both the Cohasset Yacht Club and Cohasset Sailing Club. Sailing is on Massachusetts Bay. Prevailing winds are SE to SW at 5-15 knots in the afternoon. Winds will usually shift onshore many afternoons and the water temperature peaks at about 65 degrees in the summer. Approximately an 8 foot tide and well marked ledges must be considered while racing on the bay. Public launching ramps are available, but most of the fleet moors in the harbor.

There are 18 members of Fleet 109 and 12-13 boats participate regularly in the race program. The Cohasset Sailing Club has an extensive junior and senior sailing program using Mercuries and Turnabouts. The Club also has an active Junior program. The Junior program also has 420’s. Many of the juniors who attain Sailing Master status are willing crew for the Fleet. These juniors provide a great source of future growth for the fleet.

Racing starts on the last weekend in May and runs through Labor Day. Racing is held on Saturdays only with makeup races made up on Sundays when necessary. Races start at 2:30 on Saturday and visitors are welcome to stop by and participate when they are in the area.

Efforts are made by the race committee to set Olympic courses around permanent marks, but wind conditions and direction do not always allow us to sail Olympic courses. Races are for Flying Scots and 210’s.

Congratulations to George Wey who is the reigning 1989 Fleet Champion.

The N.E. District Championship is planned for Cohasset in 1991.

Fleet 109 has added five boats over the last four years and we have seen the typical fleet age decrease with the new members. All of these new members have become active racers. Future growth will be controlled by the small size of the harbor and competition to acquire new moorings. We are currently working with the Harbor Master and Town to make more Scot mooring available to the fleet.

Most of the Fleet 109 membership lives in the local area.

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FLEET 109, OSTEGO LAKE
Cooperstown, NY

Fleet 109 of the Ostego Sailing Club is located on Beautiful Ostego Lake in historic Cooperstown, NY. We are eleven members strong (out of a total club membership of approximately 55 families), and participate in a competitive racing program of mainly Scots and Thistles.

The club facilities include a club house with a picnic area on a large plot of land. There is also an area for swimming. All boats are launched by ramp with some moorings available. Camping is permitted on the club grounds.

In the past, our strong racing program consisted of two races on Saturdays and two races on Sundays from May to October. This past year we experimented with a new format. We shortened the courses and aimed for three races each day. This new approach seemed to appeal to most of our racing members, and we are planning to continue this program for the coming year. All courses are Olympic triangles. Ron Streek is the reigning 1989 Fleet Champion.

A second change we instituted this year is to start all classes together and compute the scoring by both class and handicap. This allowed us to practice our starts with more boats on the line and make them more interesting and challenging.

Fleet 109 has seen some growth in recent years and there is still potential for growth. The Ostego Sailing Club offers a great sailing atmosphere and good race program and there is good competition between active one-design fleets for members and on the water.

Our annual regatta is the Glimmerglass, held every September (15-16 in 1990). This year we will also be hosting the 1990 New York Lakes District Championship, July 14-15. We hope all area Flying Scots will attend one of these fun events.

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FLEET 124,
DUXBURY YACHT CLUB
Duxbury, MA

Fleet 124 is located at the Duxbury Yacht Club, between Boston and Cape

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Cod. The clubhouse and docks are located adjacent to a public boat ramp. There are about 35 Flying Scots that sail out of Duxbury YC as well as about 10 420s, 30 Marshall 14s, and 20 Beetle Cats.

As part of Plymouth Bay, the waters are very well protected with good breezes, great beaches and historic and scenic locations nearby. The area has a tidal range of about ten feet which restricts racing to two hours either side of high tide. This tide does not restrict day-sailing which is enjoyed by much of the fleet.

The racing schedule goes from mid-June to mid-September with weekend racing. Races typically find 12-15 Scots on the starting line and there is a Mid-Summer regatta.

Fleet 124 has maintained its size but there is still room for growth. Many of the members live very close to the club and take advantage of this great sailing location for more than just the good race program. Social activities are well attended and are an important part of the club.

Congratulations to 1989 Fleet Champion Ned Lawson.

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**FLEET 153, SOUTH CENTRAL LOUISIANA**

Fleet 153 is a collection of Flying Scots at four different sailing areas in Louisiana. It covers a large geographic area with many of the 25 members traveling over an hour to their favorite sailing area.

Lake Arthur is about 1 mile wide by 4 miles long and is formed by the Mermentau River. Lake Charles, in the city of Lake Charles is a small lake convenient to the city. Pelican Sailing Club is on the False River, an oxbow off the Mississippi River, near Baton Rouge. Cypermont YC is on the coast in Vermillion Bay, a large protected bay off the Gulf of Mexico.

While there are a lot of Scots in these areas combined, we must rely on a schedule of racing at different clubs for a fleet series and while each regatta attracts good participation, few boats participate at all clubs. Each club is different but they all have the basic necessities such as bathrooms, showers, camping areas and ramps.

Hopefully articles like this can help us locate some isolated boats in the area to help create a more active program. These are all nice sailing locations and very diverse in appeal. Give a call or drop a line for a complete schedule of 1990 events.

Our big invitational regatta of the year is the Cajun Country Championships every November. Make plans to attend this year.

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**FLEET 165, CAVE RUN LAKE**

Morehead, KY

Fleet 165 is one of the newer Fleets in the FSSA and is located on Cave Run Lake in rural eastern Kentucky. Few

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FSSA AUSTRALIAN CRUISE

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For the seventh time in the last 20 years, members of the Flying Scot Sailing Association experienced a new exotic location for Bareboat Sailing and Sightseeing. Previous trips included the Greek Islands, Prince William Sound, Bay Islands off Honduras, British Virgin Islands and the Grenadines.

On April 1, 1989, 43 excited Flying Scot Sailors set forth to the Whitsunday Islands inside The Great Barrier Reef of Australia. Most of us think of scuba diving when we think of The Great Barrier Reef, but some of the best sailing is also there. Until now, the Whitsundays have been a secret kept by the Aussies. The Whitsundays are a group of 74 islands lying just off the mainland of Australia, halfway up the 1500 Mile Queensland Coast. The Great Barrier Reef protects the group from the heavy seas of the Pacific.

These islands are unique compared to other islands that spot the Reef because they are continental, not coral islands; that is, they are the tops of a submerged range of coastal mountains which rise 1000 feet above sea level. Unlike coral islands, they are covered with rain forests similar to that found on the mainland. Also, they are made closer together, making day sailing among them challenging but achievable for sailors using eye-ball navigation.

Hayman Island in the Whitsundays is the home of one of the most exclusive resorts in the world — rooms start at $1200 per day. Even more exciting to sailors is Hamilton Island Raceweek. It attracts some of the top racing sailors in the world, including America's Cup contestants, and our trip was planned to coincide with Raceweek.

Also visiting the Whitsundays at this time was Cyclone Aïva which delayed our arrival in the Whitsundays by one day. However, every cyclone has a silver lining and the extra day in Brisbane allowed us to find and explore Lone Tree Preserve, a park which is home to more Koalas than any place in the world. We had the chance to hold and play with Koalas and Kangaroos and various animals and birds that roamed freely.

We were lucky that the cyclone passed 60 miles north of Airlie Beach where we were to pick up our boats. The next day, we flew the 800 miles to our boats, got provisioned, briefed and weighed anchor on our Loxton 42's for eight days of the most exciting bareboat sailing among some of the most beautiful islands in the world. These boats were designed by Ben Loxton, who also designed several of Australia's America's Cup contenders. Forty-two feet long, they were built for speed and comfort including three state-rooms, two heads and a full galley.

As an aftermath of the cyclone, we had challenging winds of up to 30 knots. Although we had rain several nights, most days were sunny and bright.

Of the 74 Whitsunday Islands, only eight are inhabited. The islands we visited ranged from islets to those with Aboriginal caves and drawings to those with deluxe resorts. During one of the 30 knot days, sailing to Shaws Island, we watched 130 boats from Hamilton Raceweek round the windward mark and pop $7000 spinnakers, loose them, figure-8 them, flag them and even run them over.

One of the highlights was a day trip out to The Great Barrier Reef on a massive twin engine powered Catamaran wave cutter capable of 25 knots. Some of us scuba dived on the Reef while others snorkled, took rides in a submarine and on glass bottom boats. All of us experienced the beauty of the coral and magnificent variety of fish.

As exciting and well planned as these trips are, you are always subject to the unexpected. Sailors tend to trust their charts completely. One of our boats learned to their dismay that this trust was misplaced. On a falling tide, the CHARLES GREEN passed a charted rock only to end up on the uncharted ledge beside it. It was hairy for a while but all the crew were rescued, although some luggage was lost and egos bruised. The boat floated off on the rising tide and towed for repairs. In all, the sailing was terrific, the views spectacular, comradery heartwarming, and exploring the islands an experience we'll never forget.

From the exotic Whitsundays, we were off to exciting Sydney. That excitement ran the gamut from dinner at the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron to dancing at the nightclubs in the King's Row Red Light District. In between was Sydney Harbor — a breathtaking experience with its thousands of sailboats and the world famous Opera House; The Rocks — the oldest part of Sydney on the waterfront with its shops full of opals, other good buys and great eating and drinking places; and Bondi Beach — one of the premier surfing beaches in the world (protected by a shark net!).

For some, the adventure was now over and it was back to the states; but for the rest of the group, it was off to New Zealand — a land that offers more variety

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to the tourist than any other country in the world. To do justice to New Zealand would take 2 to 3 weeks, but since the primary purpose of the trip was sailing, we chose to do all that we could in 1 week. We thought the best way to accomplish this was a motor coach tour of the South Island — the more scenic of the two.

Our departure point in New Zealand was Christchurch, which was originally founded by English settlers as a model church settlement. The English influence is still very predominant today. Some say Christchurch is more "British" than England.

Few cities of comparable size have more parks and reserves, hence the term "Garden City". The gently flowing Avon River lined with poplars, featuring a Gazebo restaurant, even included punting for your enjoyment. Bordering the river are the Botanic Gardens which are among the best in the world. At the entrance to the gardens is the Canterbury Museum which includes a major exhibit dedicated to the exploration of the South Pole. It is interesting to note that most exploration trips to the South Pole originated in Christchurch and many excellent dioramas show equipment used by Robert F. Scott and others.

From Christchurch we flew to Te Anau in the heart of the Southern Lake District. There we met our bus. Lake Te Anau is the South Island's largest lake with four arms reaching to the west separated by forested mountain ranges. The next day we drove into the rugged grandeur of the Fiordland National Park climbing up to the eastern portals of the Homer Tunnel, cut literally through the New Zealand Alps. From there we wound down to Mitre Peak and the splendor of Milford Sound, reminiscent of the Norwegian Fjords.

Our cruise through the wonderful majesty of Milford Sound was enhanced by hundreds of splendid waterfalls, dozens of dolphins playing along the bow of the craft, and seals leisurely basking on rocks just a few yards away. The photo opportunities were spectacular.

The next day, our coach took us to Queenstown, nestled on the shores of the magnificent Lake Wakatipu. One of the South Island's major ski resorts, Queenstown has gone from a gold boomtown to a place which now stands alone as a base for both winter and summer attractions in the Southern Lakes region.

Of the many attractions in Queenstown, we enjoyed the 40 minute cruise across Lake Wakatipu to Walter Peak, a high country sheep station. We witnessed sheep dogs in action, sheep shearing, and spinning of wool, all culminating in an outstanding countrystyle barbecue lunch.

Mr. Peak had planted specimen trees from all over the world and to our surprise, there were two giant Sequoias from California. Overall, a very memorable experience.

For the more stout hearted, there is the Shotover Jet — a shallow craft, jet powered boat blazing through canyons of the Shotover River; and Bunji Diving — strapping heavy elastic cords to your ankles and diving off of an 80 high bridge with only your hair touching the water. We were told their oldest diver to date was an 80 year old woman.

The next morning we road through the craggy Kawarau Gorge, once the scene of feverish gold activity with a few active mines still visible, on our way to Mount Cook. Aptly named by the Maori people "Aorangi — the Cloud Piercer", the mighty Mount Cook is New Zealand's highest peak and dominates the snowcapped Southern Alps. We flew ski planes to and landed on the Tasman Glacier, one of the longest in the world. The views were breathtaking.

On our way to Fairlie, we entered Mackenzie country, home to a high percentage of New Zealand's 72 million sheep population — there are only 2 million people.

On the drive we observed huge herds of deer grazing in paddocks just like the sheep. Tim, our driver, told us that New Zealand is the major exporter of venison to Germany. Originally packaged as "Black Forest Venison" with "product of New Zealand" in very small print; however, after Chernobyl, with radiation blowing over Europe, the label now features "NEW ZEALAND VENISON".

The area around Fairlie has become noted for Farm House Holidays. Our par (Continued from page 13)
Aussie Australian Cruise
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The cruise split into several groups with 2-
4 people going to each "station". Most
farms raised sheep (2-3 thousand each) but some specialized in deer.

After a wonderful home-cooked dinner,
we settled in for an enjoyable evening of
conversation on farming, New Zealand
and The World. Our host's guest book
showed visitors from dozens of countries
from Asia to Europe.

Our condensed visit to New Zealand
ended with our return to Christchurch
where we boarded our flight home.
Adding a side trip to our sailing adventure
certainly enhanced the vacation. A trip
such as this provides one with memories
and friendships that will be long remem-
bered.

While savoring these memories, we can't
help but look forward to our next ad-
venture. We'll sail the Turkish Island in
the Aegean and visit Ephesus, Istanbul
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sailors that sail Cave Run live close to
the lake. For most, it is over an hour drive
and for some it can be up to three hours.

The fleet activities center around the
Scott Creek Marina, restaurant and docking
facilities. While there is an active racing
program, it is run only on certain
scheduled weekends because most club
members do not make it down every
weekend. Because the club is built
around "race weekends" there is always
social activities for members that spend
the nights.

The lake is a beautiful place to sail be-
cause it is in the midst of Daniel Boone
National Forest and there is limited de-
velopment of a few marinas on the shore-
lines. These limits also restricted some of
the club and fleet growth potential but
most members are very dedicated.

Racing is done on modified Olympic
courses with 4-6 races held on the race
weekends. This year we will host a Scot
Thistle "Shoot-out" regatta (May 5-6) with
all boats being scored on handicap basis.
Our Grand Annual Fall Regatta will be
sailed October 6-7, 1990. While we have
the usual Olympic courses on Saturday,
Sunday features a fun and scenic lake
race which allows for some interesting
sailing in some of the smaller areas of the
8000 acre Cave Run Lake.

While a few Scots have been sailing at
Cave Run since the 70's, with the advent
of Fleet 165, in 1988, we are seeing a lot
more interest in the Flying Scot. We cur-
rently have eight members and we see a
lot of potential growth from both outside
and inside the Cave Run Sailing Associa-
tion. Up to now there has been many
small classes represented and the racing
was based on handicapping. With mem-
bers seeing true one-design sailing there
has been a lot of interest expressed in
the Flying Scot.

No matter what your sailing interests,
Fleet 165 and Cave Run Lake have a lot
to offer so make plans to come visit some
weekend.

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SCOTS N' WATER
LIVING WITH A BRONZE-AGE FLYING SCOT MANAGING AND IMPROVING THE OLDER BOAT

By Bob Summerfeldt, FS 264

In 1984, after many frustrating years of attempting to get a Daysailer II to be competitive, I decided to change boats. Almost simultaneously a Flying Scot became available, an older boat I had been watching for several years. From a distance it was a handsome boat and I knew Scots had an excellent reputation, but a combination of advancing age and indifferent maintenance had taken their toll. It was cosmetically a disaster, but it was fundamentally sound and would occasionally show flashes of impressive speed. The deal was struck and I set out on this voyage of discovery, to answer the simultaneous question, What is a Scot?, and What is THIS Scot?.

I'm sure there are many stories like this out there, and there will likely be many more as there are many older boats changing hands constantly. For those of you who may be considering a Scot with a few years and not very many numbers on it, the following is a review of some of the problems, foibles, idiosyncrasies and other joys (and pains) of owning a bronze-age boat (literally, as these come from the time before the common use of stainless steel). My comments are based on my own experiences and some anecdotes and legends collected during the last few years. Some are the result of manufacturing differences and some are the results of aging. Most are inclined toward performance but all will help the boat last longer, sail faster and be worth more when it's time to get a new one.

First of all let me say that you should thank your lucky stars you are in, or about to be in, a Flying Scot, regardless of age or who manufactured it. The basic concept of the boat, its design and the details of its construction are far superior to vast numbers of boats, most of which don't get to be this old, and very this old are anywhere near competitive. The strict one-design rules of the class are really working in your favor with boats of this age. Where else can a 28 year old boat sailed by a comparative amateur finish a race close behind the two previous national champions?

Potentially the most serious problem that some older boats have is flexibility in the centerboard trunk structure. This is quite a different problem than the one you fix by shimming the opening at the bottom of the trunk. That fixes the direction the board points relative to the centerline of the boat. This problem of trunk flexibility amounts to the top of the trunk "yawning" open half an inch or so while sailing windward in a moderate breeze. It is found most often in boats before #400 and many Customflex products. In bad cases, trunks have been known to open up wide enough to drop a centerboard wheel into. In several cases, the movement and flexing has led to cracks at the joint between the trunk and the floor. This can ultimately lead to water getting into the bottom's sandwich construction, leading to delamination and weight gain problems. Functionally, flexibility at the top of the trunk allows your centerboard to deflect laterally and it is therefore less efficient going to windward than a rigid board or trunk. If your use of the boat is on the light side or if you're going to skip the NAC's for a year or two, a little flexing isn't harmful. But if it's more severe or you are more serious than that, you will want to keep the flexing under control.

Short of a total rebuilding of the trunk, the usual solution is, by one means or another, to hold the two halves of the trunk together without unduly impeding the travel of the centerboard. Trunk stabilizing schemes I am aware of have included these, singly or in combination:

- A U-shaped metal fabrication attached at the top of the hump with enough clearance to let the centerboard pass under it (also used to mount jibsheet cleats).
- A bolt or metal strap between the two halves of the trunk at the front end of the cap.
- Flanged wheels (like railroad wheels) on the centerboard roller axle, with the flanges outboard, engaging the outside faces of the trunk and holding them together no matter what position the board is in.
- A big (4") C-clamp (at the expense of your crew's lower legs!).
- Lengthwise metal straps screwed to each half of the trunk top, acting like little beams in the lateral plane.
- And my favorite, a stout piece of line from an eyestrap on one side of the trunk to a cam cleat on the other side (see photo). Located at the centerboard's upwind position, this is most effective, and it is easily cast off when the board is to be fully retracted.

A lot of logical, easy solutions to this problem, like adding stiffening members to the outside of the trunk are prohibited because they tend to give the crew a toehold for improved hiking. It is wise to talk with the class measurer before you do anything radical.

A separate but related area of concern for the performance-minded is the flexibility, size and shape of the centerboard itself. In comparing notes with owners of newer boats, my board seems to be of chopped glass or mat construction rather than the roving and cloth used now. As a result, the newer boards seem to be significantly more rigid lengthwise. As far as the shape goes, for those of you who discover, as I did, that your board resembles the classic "blunt instrument" complete with frayed edges, the factory can provide you with a profile tracing (and possibly soon an official drawing) of the board's proper shape. With it you can rebuild the edges that were banged and scraped off so long ago on those rocks. This makes a excellent project for those long winter nights. While we're working

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on underwater items, occasionally you will find an older Scot with the originallength rudder blade. If you’ve never seen one, it is an awesome thing, about a foot longer than the modern one. It is so long that it absolutely must be swung up when the boat is on the trailer. The boat sails very nicely with it at this length but it does represent a fair amount of extra wetted surface area and some weight all the way at the back of the boat, both tending to slow you down. To fix it you’ll need a saber saw, some metal-cutting blades, a file or two, some patience, eye protection and a good set of ear plugs. Consult the official drawings for the proper new dimensions.

Another significant item with older boats is the excess weight, mostly coming from absorbed water. Fiberglass itself will absorb some water even when new. Old, chalky gelcoat with hairline cracks running all over will hold and absorb all matter of dirt, moisture, and crud. Even worse, cracks or delaminated areas may be admitting water into the balsa core of the Scot’s sandwich construction. In very rare and extreme cases, many pounds of water can be thus trapped. The cure is neither easy or cheap. On the other hand I know of a three-digit boat in which the front end of the cockpit floor has been worn down, by the feet of the crew, to the point of transparency, and it is obviously delaminated from the core in a small area. So far there is no evidence of water in there or any degradation of performance. Obviously the thing to do is to keep this water absorption under control is limit the boat’s exposure to moisture by drying it whenever you can and keeping it well covered. Winter is an excellent time to really dry one out under a well ventilated cover, garage or carport.

Frequently contributing to excess weight is paint. Be it bottom paint, topsides, decks, wherever and whatever it is, the weight of paint films can add up to a surprising amount. This is particularly true of marine coatings which boast of very high solids content. Certainly there are tradeoffs where the coatings’ benefit far outweighs its own weight disadvantage. Bottom paint for wet-sailed boats is an obvious one, but an overall paint job may have advantages as well by eliminating moisture absorption and of course, improving appearance. In any event, we are fortunate in that the Scot is quite tolerant of weight variations, even at high levels of competition.

Cosmetics are very much a matter of choice, and are highly dependent on the previous owner’s level of maintenance and care. Your personal preferences and the space, time and money you have to devote to the boat. If your gelcoat is in reasonable condition with little or no hairline cracking, and you can accurately match the gelcoat color, then repairing and a good buffing may be all you need. This is one reason why white is a good color choice since it is easily matched. If, however, the repairs are more extensive, the cracking is bad, the gelcoat is terribly chalky and you can’t or don’t want to match the color, then painting the whole boat or part of it may be for you. Many excellent systems are available for either the professional or do-it-yourself application. I chose the latter course and spent about two years doing it in sections. After all the fiberglass repairs were completed (no small job in itself) and a complete fairing and sanding with 60 grit paper, the entire boat received two coats of epoxy primer. This seals the fiberglass surface and provides an inert base for any subsequent coatings. The bottom, deck and cockpit then received a marine high gloss urethane, while the sides were painted with automotive acrylic enamel. This paint has fantastic color and graphic possibilities, but it mars fairly easily. Many of the same colors are available in Imron or other high-tech coating systems but they are not for amateur application.

Next to sails, hardware is the most obvious and expensive aspect of reseating an old boat. I must have removed what seemed like ten pounds of old, worn out, broken, unused or unusable hardware. This included such things as a pair of cam cleats with solid bronze cans; items with some real heft to them! What goes back to make the boat functional is of course up to you, your budget and the class rules of course, but after patching all those holes, you know you have considerable freedom to move fittings around and get them right for you.

In the process of removing and reinstalling fittings for repair and painting sessions and at other times, I have discovered some of the effect age can have on a Scot, as well as a few manufacturing variations:
- Under the deck at the mast step and on top of the wood tabernacle assembly, there is a block of wood. Over the years, rainwater had penetrated through the step fastener holes and rotted out an ice-cream scoop-size void. Replacing that

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1990 NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP and JR NAC
JR NAC, July 21 & 22,
NAC July 23 to 27
Fleet 96, Southern Yacht Club
New Orleans, LA
The 1990 NAC will be sailed out of Southern Yacht Club on Lake Pontchartrain near New Orleans. SYC is a full service club with full restaurant, swimming pool, and plenty of hoists and boat storage. It is conveniently located by New Orleans for social activities for the sailors and non-sailors. Make plans now to enjoy some Southern hospitality and participate in the NAC. Full registration form will appear in the May issue of Scots n Water and other details appear in every issue.
Contact: Larry Taggart, 5809 Memphis St., New Orleans, LA 70124, (504) 482-7358.

1990 HUSBAND-WIFE CHAMPIONSHIP
November 10 - 11
The 1990 Husband-Wife Championship will be held in Melbourne, Florida on November 10 and 11. This weekend will coincide with Veterans Day so many people may have a three day weekend to help ease any travelling. Melbourne is located on the east coast of Florida just south of Cape Canaveral.
Besides the great racing, there are plans for plenty of "real Florida cooking". Make plans to attend now!
Contact: Cal Hudson, 986 Haas Ave., NE, Palm Bay, FL 32907, (407) 725-3008.

1990 REGATTAS (BY DATE)
FLEET 150 REGATTA, April 21 - 22
Fleet 150; Lake Dora
Contact: George Spencer, 16705 E. Shirley Shores Dr., Tavares, FL 32778, (904) 343-2376.

SANDY DOUGLASS REGATTA, April 21 - 22
Lake Norman Yacht Club;
Charlotte, NC
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Contact: Hal Walker, P.O. Box 847, Davidson, NC 28036, (704) 892-1276, Bill Ross, P.O. Box 725, Mooresville, NC 28115, (704) 384-1277.

ATLANTA YACHT CLUB INVITATIONAL, April 28 - 29
Lake Alton; Atlanta, GA
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Contact: Ken Hassel, 7345 Brandon Hill Rd., Atlanta, GA 30328, (404) 395-7343.

LAKE OF THE WOODS INVITATIONAL, April 28
Fleet 160, Lake Of The Woods; Fredericksburg, VA
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Contact: John Beery, Box 305 LOW, Wilderness, VA 22506, (703) 972-7411.

GREAT 48 REGATTA, May 5 - 6
Fleet 48, Lake Norman; Charlotte, NC
Always a great turn out of Scots for this spring classic. Boats come from as far away as Ohio, New York and Florida for one reason, a great regatta.
Contact: Bill Ross, P.O. Box 725, Mooresville, NC 28115, (704) 364-1277.

CAVE RUN SHOOT-OUT, May 5 - 6
Fleet 165, Cave Run Lake; Moorehead, KY
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Contact: Steve Bannister, 1107 Ridge Drive, S. Charleston, WV 25309, (304) 768-9673.

FLORIDA FINALE, MAY 19 - 20
Indian River, Melbourne, FL
Contact: Cal Hudson, 986 Haas Ave., NE, Palm Bay, FL 32907, (407) 725-3008.

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BUCKEYE REGATTA/OHIO
DISTRICTS, May 19 - 20
Fleet 37, Hoover Reservoir;
Columbus, OH
Traditionally the spring kickoff regatta
for the Ohio District, this year it will dou-
ble as the Ohio District Championship.
Contact: John Gottwald, 354 Meadow-
view Dr., Powell, OH 43069, (614) 888-4537.

HOG WILD REGATTA, May 26 - 27
Fleet 133, Grande Maumelle SC;
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EGYPTIAN CUP REGATTA, June 2 - 3
Fleet 30, Crab Orchard Lake;
Carbondale, IL
An early season Midwest District clas-
sic event.
Contact: Clark Ashby, 907 Briarwood
Dr., Carbondale, IL 62901.

DADELION REGATTA, June 2 - 3
Fleet 86, Magothry River;
Pasadena, MD
Fleet 86 was recently resurrected so
come help us celebrate. Our first annual
"Dandelion Regatta" will be held at the
Potapskut Sailing Association.
Contact: Gary Sullivan, 10218 Raleigh
Tavern Lane, Ellicott City, MD 21043,
(301) 461-6443.

BERLIN INVITATIONAL, June 9 - 10
Fleet 19, Berlin Reservoir; Salem, OH
Excellent racing with camping at the
camp. Friday night hot dog social.
Contact: Keith Rober, 631 Angeline Dr.,
Youngstown, OH 44512, (216) 758-5337.

MICHIGAN-Ontario DISTRICT
CHAMPIONSHIP, June 23 - 24
Fleet 41, Crystal Lake; Crystal, MI
Great family weekend on a clean lake
with camping and swimming facilities.
Contact: Chuck Sorrick, 929 Aspen Dr.,
Rochester, MI 48063, (313) 651-2899.

MIDWESTERN DISTRICT
CHAMPIONSHIP, June 23 - 24
Fleet 83, Lake Carlyle; Carlyle, IL
A three race series with plenty of social
activities scheduled. Beautiful camping
and convenient motels.
Contact: Paul Moore, III, P.O. Box 218,
New Melle, MO 63365.

SPRITE ISLAND REGATTA,
June 23 - 24
Fleet 142, Sprite Island YC;
Norwalk, CT
Come enjoy the hospitality of Fleet 142
and the sailing on Long Island Sound.
Contact: Bill Faircloth, 19 Indian Cave
Rd., Ridgefield, CT 06877, (203) 438-
6916.

DUXBURY TUNE-UP REGATTA,
June 23 - 24
Fleet 124, Duxbury YC; Duxbury, MA
Come enjoy sailing on Plymouth Bay.
Contact: Neil Smit, P.O. Box 2021,
Duxbury, MA 02331, (617) 934-2974.

NEW YORK LAKES DISTRICT
CHAMPIONSHIP, July 14 - 15
Fleet 109, Ostego Sailing Club,
Cooperstown, NY
Make plans to sail on beautiful Ostego
Lake in historic Cooperstown for the
1990 District Championship. We are
looking forward to seeing many of our old
friends and making some new ones.
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Box 875, W. Oneonta, NY 13826, (607)
432-0016.

ROCK HALL (MARYLAND) YACHT
CLUB, July 13 - 15
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ta begins on Friday, July 13 at 1:00 PM
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meals are available at the club for a rea-
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Contact: Donald Dunn, (301) 639-7321,
Rock Hall YC, Rock Hall, MD 21661.

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July 14 - 15
Fleet 27, Neuse River at Oriental, NC
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sailing. The seafood social is unbeliev-
able.
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P.O. Box 51265, Durham, NC 27717,
(919) 463-4064.

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DUXBURY MID-SUMMER REGATTA,
August 3 - 5
Fleet 124, Duxbury YC; Duxbury, MA
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August 11 - 12
Fleet 161, Saratoga Lake SC;
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Contact: Peter Seidman, 33 Huckleberry Ln., Balston Lake, NY 12019, (518) 877-8731.

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Contact: Dave Jacobsen, 376 Old Sherman Hill Rd., Woodbury, CT 06798, (203) 263-079, Vincent Sweeney, P.O. Box 118, Rehoboth, NY 11660, (516) 288-5807.

1990 MAYOR'S CUP, September 8 - 9
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September 8 - 9
Fleet 76, Lake Massapoag;
Foxboro, MA
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September 15 - 16
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September 22 - 23
Fleet 1, Cowan Lake SA;
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September 22 - 23
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