

# SCOTS

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### FLYING SCOT REGATTAS

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| July 13-14    | F/S Midwest Districts, Clear Lake, Ray, Indiana                                 |
| July 13-14    | F/S FJ Invitational, Crystal Lake, Michigan                                     |
| July 20-21    | Canadian Border Trophy & Canadian F/S Championship, Trident YC, Gananoque, Ont. |
| July 27-28    | F/S Ohio Districts, Port Clinton, Ohio.   |
| August 1-4    | F/S Northeast Districts, Shore Acres YC, Barnegat Bay, N. J.                    |
| August 25-31  | F/S NORTH AMERICANS, Riverside, Conn.   |
| September 7-8 | Hot Scot Regatta, F/S Fleet 29, Prairie Creek Lake, Ind.                        |

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A FUNNY THING HAPPENED ON OUR WAY TO THE STARTING LINE in our Wednesday evening race series where traditionally there has been a single start for all centerboarders. Possibly the competition has become too keen. At any rate, Thistles and Highlanders have now requested a 5 minute early start hoping thereby to stay ahead of the Scots.

- - - Ernie Legree, Captain F/S Fleet #12.

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SANDY SAYS -

SOME HELPFUL WRINKLES - - - - AND SIMPLE SOLUTIONS TO KNOTTY PROBLEMS!

Let's start off with taking kinks out of a new line. Twisted lines, such as anchor lines when new, are stiff and kinky. To take out the kinks, stream the line astern while you are sailing, and watch it untwist itself. If you are ashore, stretch it out on the ground, full length. Then, as you draw it toward you, forming a coil, it will rotate and rid itself of its kinks. Streaming it is better, however.

To keep from losing the end of the main sheet, and to prevent the boom from hitting the shroud on a run, tie a figure eight stopper knot in it where it will hit the fiddle block just before the boom will hit the shroud.

As an aid in trimming the jib, wrap some black tape around the sheet just forward of the lead block when you are closest hauled on a beat. It will make a good reference point to show you just how your crew has trimmed the jib. (More of this later in LIGHT WIND SAILING.)

Before you leave the mooring on a windy day, drop your sheets overboard to wet them. They then will hold better around winches, cleats and hands.

I don't want to seem to keep whipping a dead horse, but the subject of raising the Scot mast keeps coming up; and depending on how it is done, it can be a simple operation or an ordeal approached with trepidation. I find myself more and more impressed and astounded at the ingenuity of many sailors in finding difficult and complicated ways to accomplish simple results. Having just received my copy of the May issue of SCOTS N' WATER with its illustration of Ed Smith's A-frame for raising the mast, I am almost speechless! It makes me think of the story told by my biology professor about experiments in studying the learning habits of a raccoon which was separated from its dinner by a door held by a hook and eye. As the raccoon became hungrier and more desperate, he tried one means after another to open the door. Finally, while standing on his head and pawing at the bottom of the door, his tail happened to hit and lift the hook. Ergo, thereafter when he wanted his dinner, he stood on his head and pawed at the bottom of the door until his tail lifted the hook!

There is no "easy" way to raise a mast 26 feet tall and weighing 40 pounds, but obviously some methods are better than others, some are surer and safer than others. Having over the years seen many variations on the theme, having done it myself a thousand times - and many times all by myself - and by different methods, I have been able to reach certain conclusions.

The two basic methods of raising the Scot mast are those of stepping in into the tabernacle, and footing it at the mast step,

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with or without a mast pin. There is no magic to the mast pin, the mast does not go up by itself; and I have steadfastly maintained, on the basis of broad experience, that it makes the job more difficult because of the lack of lateral guidance and because of the increased adverse leverage of the top of the mast. Have I been wrong? Recently we decided to find out by actual measurement of forces.

What was the result? Using the mast pin, when the mast was at its most critical angle, I had to push with a force of 55 pounds. With the mast supported in the tabernacle, at this point the force required was less than 35 pounds. Q. E. D.

- - - Gordon K. Douglass (5/31/68).

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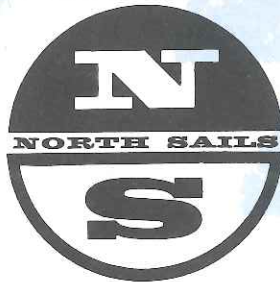
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1968 F/S NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

The host fleet No. 7 of Riverside, Connecticut would like to make spectator boat capacity available to those who desire it. However, until the approximate number of people who wish such accommodations is determined, no specific plans can be made. All skippers who would like to have spectator boat accommodations at Riverside for family and friends should notify Bearns Smith, 36 Wesskum Wood Road, Riverside, Connecticut 06878 as soon as possible. The number of people desiring such space will determine whether private or commercial accommodations will be required.

- - - LEW HOWE.

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HOOSIER HOT SCOT REGATTA - MUNCIE, INDIANA -  
SEPTEMBER 7-8

Last year's Hoosier Hot Scot became one of the major Scot Regattas of 1967, with 27 entries from eleven fleets in five states. This year, we anticipate well over 30 boats. More information will follow. Two months may seem a long way off, but that calendar gets mighty crowded, and we want a spot on it. You will note that we have moved the date back one week to September 7-8 to avoid conflict with activities held by some clubs on Labor Day weekend.

- - - THE COMMITTEE.

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AND FROM F/S FLEET 70 - (Dr. Robert Ulmer, Corr. Sec.)



One of the newest Scot Fleets, No. 70, Cotton Lake, Minnesota, was honored by a visit from Sandy and Mary Douglas, Wednesday, June 12th. A small dinner party was attended by the six Scot owners in the area plus a sizeable contingent of "C" and "D" scow sailors from nearby. Sandy's two hour remarks on sailing were at the graduate-school-level and were greatly appreciated by the families and racing sailors in attendance.

Sandy and Mary stopped in Fargo as part of a semi-vacation trip through the Northwest. To make the trip even more worthwhile, Sandy dropped off a new Scot at Flathead Lake, Montana. Fleet 70 joins the rest of the Scot world with the recommendation - "Sandy ought to write a book."

The photo at the left shows Jack Lester and son Paul enjoying their F/S #824 on Cotton Lake.

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BOAT TRAILER LAWS ACCEPTABLE TO ALL STATES, AS AFFECTING  
A FLYING SCOT IN TRANSIT

(By courtesy of the Outboard Boating Club of America, 333 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60601)

Hitches are almost universally required.

No chains are required in Alabama, Arizona, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, North Carolina, New Mexico, New York, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, West Virginia and Wyoming.

Tail, plate, stop and turn lights are almost universally required. Furthermore, most states require an additional red light on the end of a load extending more than 4-feet beyond the trailer. Use a red flag by day.

Lights may be attached to the boat transom instead of the trailer, except in Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Massachusetts, Michigan, Nevada, New Hampshire, North Carolina, North Dakota and Virginia.

Illinois Tollway Joker - Vehicles with loads extending more than 4-feet beyond rear of body require a \$10 permit, and may not travel on Saturdays, Sundays or Holidays, nor ever between Sunset and Sunup.

- - - Compiled by Henry White, Sec. FSSA.

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NORTHEAST DISTRICTS - Shore Acres Yacht Club - Barnegat Bay, New Jersey - - - F/S Fleet #31 awaits all eligible Scot sailors. To the Winners: Genuinely different, rich looking and appropriate trophies. Regatta dates - August 1, 2, 3 and 4. Five races to be sailed on August 2nd and 3rd (We have what every sailor needs --- wind.) Check past issues of Scots 'N Water, and if additional information is desired, contact: Regatta Chairman, Ralph W. Manee, 71 Jefferson Blvd. Staten Island, N. Y. 10312  
Tel. A/C 212 984-5516  
(In N. J. A/C 201 255-1832).

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For newcomers attending the FLYING SCOT BORDER REGATTA AND CANADIAN F/S CHAMPIONSHIPS, J. W. Wing, Chairman, Sailing Committee, Trident Yacht Club, Gananoque, Ontario, advises that the club is located on the St. Lawrence River approximately 5 miles west of Gananoque, along Highway 2. The most convenient crossing point of the U. S. - Canadian Border is the Thousand Islands International Bridge about 9 miles east of Gananoque. On Highway 2 west of Gananoque the road to the Trident YC is signposted. Meals are available at the clubhouse - make reservations through the House Committee Chairman. Accommodations - hotel, motel, cabin, cottages and camping facilities - contact Gananoque Chamber of Commerce for information. Regatta dates - July 20-21. Boat registration - \$10.

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Ernie Legree also reports this month that CLEVELAND FLEET # 12 now has 27 Scots at Edgewater Yacht Club. To encourage racing by the new members, the Fleet has been divided into two divisions, effective after the July 21st regatta on the basis of performance. Separate trophies and awards will be provided for old hands and for newcomers.

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THE FLYING SCOT OF THE YEAR ON GREEN BAY WATERS will be selected based on the results of three regattas in that area this summer according to John Torinus, DePere, Wisconsin, F/S Fleet #47. The first is the Marinette and Menominee Yacht Club Regatta June 29-30, followed by the Ephraim Yacht Club Regatta August 3-4 and concluding with the Sturgeon Bay Yacht Club Regatta August 10-11. Fleet #47 at Egg Harbor, Wisconsin launches its season of 16 point races on July 4th, with two new boats in the fleet this year.

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Neenah (Wisc.) Nodaway Yacht Club on LAKE WINNEBAGO now has three Scots and, according to John Kumbier, F/S #690, a new Scot fleet may be in the works before the year ends.

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Ted Glass reports on the EGYPTIAN CUP REGATTA held last month at Crab Orchard Lake, Carbondale, Illinois, home of F/S Fleet #30.

VINCE DI MAIO took top honors, Russ Stephens was second, Paul McRoy third and Jack Brown (who once owned F/S #4) fourth for the SCOTS. Vince, after winning the first race, put a tight control on the wind - well, anyway, the other two races were cancelled due to uncooperative weather. The Paul McRoy's home was the scene of an enjoyable party with F/S Fleet #30 as hosts on Saturday evening.



Liz and John Batte from Jackson, Miss. F/S Fleet #45 in foreground; Pat and Sam Shaw - Fleet #30 Captain-reading sails.

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NEW ASSOCIATE MEMBERS - FSSA

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Howard F. Rose, 27-26 168 St., Flushing, N. Y. 11358

NEW SUSTAINING MEMBER

George Schildroth, AFSCF OL-10, APO San Francisco, Calif. 96334

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N. A. Y. R. U. - - - We are in receipt of a letter from Robert N. Bavier, Jr., President of the North American Yacht Racing Union, soliciting additional members for the association. Your President, J. Fred Weintz, Jr., and the Governing Board are in full accord with their aims and heartily recommend that you join.

As a member, you would receive annually the N. A. Y. R. U. yearbook, regularly get copies of decisions on appeals of race committee rulings in sanctioned regattas, valuable interpretations of racing rules, reports on the various championships such as Mallory Cup, Adams Cup, and become eligible to wear their distinctive necktie. Your greatest reward would be the satisfaction of supporting this country's leading yacht racing body and its numerous activities all aimed at promoting the welfare of the sailing fraternity.

To join, write Mrs. Gordon Evans, Corresponding Secretary, at 37 West 44th Street, New York, N. Y. 10036, enclosing a check made payable to "North American Yacht Racing Union" in the amount of \$10 for regular members, \$15 for contributing membership or \$25 for sustaining membership.

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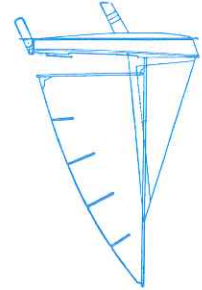
THE LORD READING ANNUAL REGATTA, a three race series, will be sailed on Lake St. Louis, Montreal, On August 3-4. This constitutes the Fleet 36 Championship Series, and according to Orville White - "Come prepared". Orville makes this casual comment based on past experience, mentioning that this race has featured a line squall for each of the last two years. 90 boats turned over in 1966 and 167 flipped in 1967. He suggests that you bring your life preservers - and perhaps a fan. It just could be different this year.

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NEW BOAT NUMBERS

- 1335 Detroit Boat Club, Detroit, Mich.
- 1337 Dr. Arthur L. Schneeberg, 609 E. Gorgas Lane, Philadelphia, Pa.
- 1338 Pontchartrain Yacht Club, Mandeville, Louisiana Also #1339
- 1340 J. Ward Abbott, 33 Homer Ave., Cortland, N. Y.
- 1341 W. Dee Simmons, 209 W. Harrison St., Maumee, Ohio
- 1343 Col. Paul Hansmire (Ret), 1202 E. University, Ann Arbor, Mich.
- 1345 F. V. Wells, 1756 1st Ave., S. E., Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- 1346 R. A. Wehnau, 8 Phyllis Dr., Montvale, New Jersey
- 1347 George S. Cripps, R. D. 5, Chester, Pa.
- 1348 Charles J. Lundgren, New Preston, Conn.
- 1349 K. A. Emerson, 712 S. Arizona, Butte, Montana. Sails on Flathead Lake, Mont.
- 1350 Gordon K. Douglass, Box 28, Oakland, Md., Did own #850, 450, etc.

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BOAT TRANSFERS -

(Former owner and new Scot, if any, in parenthesis)

- 12 - Girard W. Levy, 375 N. Ardmore, Columbus, Ohio (Hobart Cress)
- 42 - Havre de Grace Marina, Havre de Grace, Md. (R. S. Zerkel -1282)
- 101 - Glen M. Ford, 3214 Apperson, Midland, Texas (Kilburn E. Adams)
- 118 - Richard T. Emory, 565 Drexel Ave., Glencoe, Ill. (O. Klinkenberg)
- 160 - Franklin D. Wolffe, 3471 N. Emerson St., Arlington, Va. (Detroit YC)
- 161 - Dr. William Whitehead, 781 E. Church St., Marion, O. (Detroit YC)
- 218 - H. Franklin Bloomer, Jr., 56 Hendrie Ave., Riverside, Conn.  
(Haynes Johnson)
- 223 - Mrs. Robert E. Phelan, 85 Mountain Spring Ave., San Francisco,  
Calif. (John G. Fall)
- 286 - Richard M. Dalton, 2391 Pine Knott, Dayton, O. (John Eggum)
- 293 - Dottie Fisher, Town House East, Apt. E3, Manlius, N. Y. (John Foley)

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Closing date for the August S&W is July 27th. We'll try to include the many pages of NEW ACTIVE MEMBERS and additional lists of BOAT TRANSFERS and NEW BOAT NUMBERS that we have, in the next issue. Gone to Launch - see you in August.

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