

Issue No. 6

National Town Class Association

June, 1979

## Notice of Annual Meeting: Aug. 4 or 5

This will serve as notice of NTCA's annual meeting, which will be held sometime during the Nationals at Marblehead, Aug. 4-5, at the convenience of the Arrangements Committee. Fleets are requested to submit dues (\$1 per boat) to Al Badger, Secretary-Treasurer, 70 Fletcher St., Winchester, MA 01890, before the Nationals or they will not be able to compete. Also, Badger is recommending an increase to \$2, so get them in now. There will be election of officers: president, secretary-treasurer, and chairman of specifications committee. All fleets should elect their representatives on the board of directors (two for fleets of 3-10 boats, four for fleets over 10) and notify Badger before meeting, designating one of these as their rep on the Specs Com.

1979 Nationals at Marblehead August 4-5

Bob Puleston 1964 - 1965 National Champion Stan Levy, National Regatta Chairman, reports plans well Winning the 1965 Nationals at Newbury Port under way for the 1979 Nationals, which will be held at

Marblehead, with two races on Saturday, Aug. 4, at approximately 10 and 2, and two on Sunday, Aug. 5, at 10 and 1:30. Cocktails and dinner will be available at the Corinthian Yacht Club.

Entry forms will be sent to the various fleet representatives as soon as all details have been finalized regarding entry fee and dinner cost. The Sunday races will be run by the Corinthian Race Committee and the Saturday afternoon race will be run as part of the regular Marblehead Racing Association series.

Entrants are requested to fill out pre-registration form at bottom of this page and mail to John Tucker, Race Committee Chairman, at 12 Hewitt St., Marblehead, MA 01945, which will assist the Regatta Committee in its planning. If any questions, call Levy (631-8351), Tucker (631-5114, or John Russel, Race Committee (631-9229) or Bob Foglietta, Social Chairman (631-0559).

NTCA Will Split Hace Week Fee for Out-of-Town Boats

Marblehead Race Week is July 26-29 (Thurday to Sunday), the weekend before the Nationals, so the NTCA will contribute \$10 to the registration fee of \$20 for all out-of-town (non-Marblehead) boats in order to encourage a good turnout for Townies.

Corinthian Yacht Club has assured us they will provide moorings for boats that want to lay over for the Nationals the following weekend. For registration forms, write Corinthian Yacht Club, Corinthian Lane, Marblehead.

Any Townie skipper who has never sailed Race Week should take advantage of this opportunity to participate in one of the great yacht racing events in the world. Also, if he or she is not used to Marblehead waters, it will greatly improve his or her chances in the Nationals.

			PRI	C-RI	GISTR	TION	FORM	FOR	TOWN	CLASS	NATIONALS		
AME						ADRESS						PHONE	
FLEET						SAIL	NO.						
SATURDAY	NIGHT	DINNER	(No.	of	People	)							<u></u>

FLEET REPORTS



MARBLEHEAD: John Tucker repeated as fleet champion, averaging 1.944 in 27 races and adding firsts in both Twilight Series, the Second Sunday Series and Race Week. with a second in the First Sunday Series. Bill Doherty, second over all, bested Tucker in the First Sunday Series and again in the Combined Sunday (by  $\frac{1}{2}$  a point), adding a first in the Fall Series, second in Second Twilight, third in Second Sunday and Race Week. Jane Cooke was third overall, first in MRA races, second in Second Sunday, third in both Twilights and Combined Sunday. Murray McPherson, with David Clemson assisting at the tiller, was honored for Most Improved Boat with fourth over-all and a third in the last Twilight Series. A total of 15 boats competed, up 3 from '77.

MASSAPOAG: Activity was consistent with recent years, with eight boats racing. Bill Heffernan, formerly crew for Greg Lindin, has bought Maine-bound Ted Sylvia's boat from the Nahant fleet and will be racing it at Massapoag, but unfor-Don Stoddard - 1968 National Champion, tunately Jack Canton is selling his boat (if interested, call

784-3163). Results for First Sunday Series were: Bill Smith, in Stormy III first; Greg Lindin, second; and Jack Canton, third. Ed Coombs walked away with the Second Series, closely followed by Jim Orton and Greg Lindin. Elwood Willey, a traditional trophywinner, spent most of the summer running the races, but he and Lindin trailered to Touisset Point, R.I., for the Nationals and took third and fourth. The 1979 MYC Regatta will be held September 15-16 and all Townie skippers are cordially invited. Call Jim Orton, the new fleet captain succeeding Willey, at 784-5583, for further details.

NAHANT: John Cort took firsts in the July and August Series and was crowned fleet champion with a silver razor. Harry Edwards won the July 4 Race and took second in the July Series and third in the August. Wilson Tibbo was second in the August Series and egained his national championship of 1970 at Mt. Hope Bay (see below). Bill Gilday won the Labor Day trophy. Ten boats competed, about the same as '77. Cort and Ed Tarlov sailed up to Marblehead for Race Week, where Cort went down to the last race tied for first but lost out to John Tucker by one point. Tarlov finished seventh. (Al Badger was 3rd in July)

NEWBURYPORT: Chip Wysor, sailing Cort's former national champion, took first in the '78 racing, with Jim Gallagher second and Phil Crowley third. Seven boats competed, but more are expected in '79 with the addition of two beautiful renovated boats sailed by Dave Knight and Arlene Powers, bringing the fleet to 13 boats.

TOUISSET POINT: Winner of over-all honors was Bob McRoberts in Nereid, second going to Jonathan Smith in Mombo and third to John Sheridan in Our Town. Seven boats competed and the big event was, of course, the hosting of a most successful Nationals.

TIBBO REGAINS CHAMPIONSHIP AT TOUISSET POINT

All hands agreed that the '78 Nationals at Touisset Pt., R.I., on Aug. 5-6 were among the best in years from the standpoint of weather, attractive setting, good sailing water, and hospitality. It was just too bad more out-of-towners weren't there to enjoy it. Dick Hallberg and Ray Stafford headed a Regatta Committee that did an excellent job.

Wilson Tibbo of Nahant was the clearcut winner with three firsts and a second, throwing out a sixth in the fifth race. It was his second championship, the first coming in 1970 at Newburyport. John Cort (Nahant) was second with two firsts, a second and a third, and Elwood Willey (Massapoag) third with two seconds and two thirds. In order other contestants (from Touisset Pt. unless otherwise noted): Greg Lindin (Massapoag), Jonathan Smith, Dick Weeks (Maine), John Sheridan, Dave Warren, Dick Hallberg, Bob McRoberts, Bill Blake, and at Healy.

BOATS FOR SALE: Fibre Glass-Lynn Tobin (631-2458) and Larry Murphy (662-8161); Glass on Wood-Jack Canton (784-3163) and Len Meredith (631-5612).

CORRECTION: Disregard recommendation in Newsletter #4 for full main. Flat sails best.