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Note from the Editor: Please keep me advised of any news, and send photographs for next printed edition. Hope you are having a great season. Thanks for your help with this issue. Joan Thacher Tiffany 19 Braddock Park Boston, Mass. 02116 617-267-8612

Schedule for National Championship Regatta: Sept. 5 - 11
hosted by Rush Creek Yacht Club/Dallas, Texas Fleet. Regatta Chairman Jim Craig has sent information to each of the Fleet Secretaries. The following will outline the basic schedule.

Saturday, Sept. 5:	Housing available
Sunday, Sept. 6:	9:00 a.m. Registration, sail measuring, practice in random boats - 2 hr. limit 1:30 p.m. Start - practice race Evening: "Dine Around" - dinner at different host homes.
Monday, Sept. 7:	9:00 a.m. Registration, sail measuring, practice in random boats until 1:00 p.m. 1:30 p.m. Drawing for boats 3:00 p.m. Practice Race 6:30 p.m. Skippers Meeting followed by cocktails and buffet
Tuesday, Sept. 8:	9:30 a.m. Race #1 1:30 p.m. Race #2 Lunch served each day ashore. Mexican Fiesta Dinner
Wednesday, Sept. 9:	9:30 a.m. Race #3 1:30 p.m. Race #4 Country Western Dinner Dance at Ben and Jane Garrett's
Thursday, Sept. 10:	9:30 a.m. Race #5 Evening: Shrimp Dinner
Friday, Sept. 11:	9:30 a.m. Race #6 Following racing: Buffet lunch 2:00 p.m. Annual Meeting and awards Housing through Friday evening.

Housing will be provided for everyone. Registration fee: \$250 covers most expenses. Those who qualify will receive additional information. Pick-up and delivery to and from airport in Dallas provided. All boats to be well prepared. Hauling will not be allowed. One boat per fleet. Any questions contact Regatta Chairman: James R. Craig - 2200 N. Tower, Plaza of the Americas, Lot Box 364, Dallas, Texas 75201 Phone: 214-742-9441 (Office) or 214-722-6520 (Home).

Ralph Thacher Memorial Trophy: This trophy was proposed by Bryan J. McSweeney at the New England Association 1980 Winter Dinner Meeting. It is a very fine old sailing trophy that Bryan found in an antique store. On one side of the trophy is an engraving of a sailboat; on the other - Ralph Thacher Memorial Trophy has been newly engraved. Winners are listed on a silver plaque constructed for the base. The prize made possible by contributions from many friends is awarded annually to that person who has made a special contribution to the New England Shields fleet in the spirit with which Ralph Thacher participated in the past." The first selection committee composed of representatives from the New England fleet were as follows: Dan Hadley (Newport), Newt Clemson (Marblehead), Walter Eberstadt (Edgartown), Joan Thacher Tiffany and Brett Thacher (Marion). The trophy was awarded at the New England Association Winter Meeting to: Cornelius Shields (1980) and Frank Scully (1981). It was felt that these two men had not only contributed to the class on a National level, but also had made the development of the class in New England possible. It was with great appreciation for all of their work and leadership that this award was given to Corny and Frank.

Recommendations for By-law changes: Ed Brainard, National Measurer using his experience as Measurer has developed recommendations for changes in the By-laws. These changes are proposed for discussion at the National meeting. Ed has done a very thorough job. It is urged that you read through this material carefully. The recommendations are being mailed to all members of the Shields fleet.

Membership Roster: Accompanying this issue of the Masthead is the first issue of the Membership Roster intended for insertion in the Class Book. Nick Baker, National Treasurer, is responsible for this fine work, as well as keeping track of all of the different Shields.

The following Shields are still missing and unaccounted for:
12, 34, 37, 42, 43, 56, 102, 109, 115, 117, ~~152~~, 153, 172, 174.

Boat #44 in the Virgin Islands: Many will remember Frank Scully's boat, Aeolus, #44. It is now owned by George Prince who writes; "When in Tortola (British Virgin Islands) I was so dissatisfied with the sailboats I could charter, I decided to have my Shields there. Flashed truck to West Palm Beach and then deck freight to Tortola. I have rechristened her Charade. I was quite overwhelmed with the amount of attention she attracted wherever I went. People would ask what she was and exclaim over her beauty ... an experience that all owners of Shields must experience, though as a one of a kind in the Virgin Islands, I got more than my share."

Neckties: Don't forget - the perfect gift! For those who wish to order contact: Bryan McSweeney, National Secretary - Three Main Street, Marion, Mass. 02738. Four ties for \$50, three for \$39, two for \$27 and one for \$14. Colors: antique gold on brown; white on dark green; light blue on maroon; gold on navy. Order today!

Shields Shirts: Philip Giovannelli, who is an enthusiastic Shields sailing fan, has a company that does monograming. He is developing a design for shirts to include the Shields insignia, your boat name and number. He has LaCoste type 100% cotton shirts in the following colors: white, light blue, royal blue, navy, black, peach, coral, beige, wine, red, kelly green, yellow and others. Sizes for men: Small, Medium, Large and Extra Large. Sizes for Women: Small, Medium and Large. For more information: The Personal Touch Monograming - 17A The Plaza, Locust Valley, New York 11560 Phone: 516-676-8700 He will also monogram oxford button down shirts, bags etc. Mastercharge, Visa accepted!

Offshore, New England's Boating Magazine - June 1981 issue had an article about the Shields.

Fleet #1 Western Long Island Sound: Reported by Fred Werblow and Keith Wilkins. The Class welcomes: #26 Tango - Tom Keogh; #114 Chalet d'ete - Frank Clemens, Vic Ridder, Tom Morris, Basil Lyden, Michael Henry; #158 Carol - Ken Urban, Tom Fadrhone, Rusty Landon; #183 Alice - John Limbach; #221 Cornelia - Gerrard Coleman, Arthur Coleman. The spring series winner was Fred Werblow, the June winner was Arthur Knapp with Van Buren and Ferenesik. On boat maintenance - where your forestay attaches to the deck, there are two through-deck bolts. Ours recently sheared off, so you may want to check yours. Fleet #1 sail purchase for 1982 will be a jib.

Fleet #4 Northern Mass. Bay: Reported by Newt Clemson. Marblehead Race Week results: (best 5 out of 6 races)

1. Lea Pendleton
2. Hank Audet with guest Al Meril from Texas fleet
3. Newt Clemson and James Porath

1st Marblehead Racing Association series won by Tim Jenkins
2nd Marblehead Racing Association series won by John Read and Joan Thayer - The 3rd Series is underway at present.

Qualifiers for the Nationals:

1. Don Felt and George Farnald
2. Newt Clemson and James Porath
3. Hank Audet

It is expected that the Audets will go to represent Fleet #4 at the Nationals.

Fleet #5 Seawanhaka Corinthian: Reported by Vic Onet. A team from Seawanhaka, representing the United States, defended the English Speaking Union Trophy June 22 -26 against four teams of skilled yachtsmen and crew from the British Commonwealth: England, Australia, Bermuda and New Zealand. John Sheffield, helmsman, Duncan Sterling and Mark McDonald represented Seawanhaka and the United States. Australia's team with Dick Mobs at the helm won the closely contested series. The USA was second and

Bermuda third. Unusually fast moving weather systems (south to northwest to south and back to northwest in five days) provided good breezes for every day of racing with winds from 10 to 35 knots. The round robin series culminated with the U.S. winning the last race appearing to have won the series, until Australia pulled ahead of New Zealand after a tacking duel at the finish, thereby, winning the necessary points to wrap up the trophy. In September the "Island Cup Series" team race will be held with the English. The Long Island District Championships were won by Mrs. Katherine (Kitten) Gahagan and her son Lex (who ran foredeck on Freedom) and son Robin.

Fleet #8 Martha's Vineyard: Reported by Jim Cannon.

Fleet #8 started its racing on July 3 with the first of a three day Independence Series. Six boats were on the starting line. Dennis Dixon won the race in #128, Alison, in light air following a modified gold cup course that required much spinnaker work ably carried out by Jeff Randall and crew. Edgartown Regatta had sixteen Shields racing with seven from the Buzzards Bay Fleet. Top results as follows:

1. Mike Deland (Buzzards Bay)
2. Bill Berry " "
3. Tim Bryan (Martha's Vineyard)
4. Bryan McSweeney (Buzzards Bay)

Fleet #9 Narragansett Bay: Reported by Chuck Roberts.
Qualifier for the Nationals: Chris Withers

Fleet #10 Buzzards Bay: Reported by Bryan McSweeney.

Boats from Narragansett Bay, Martha's Vineyard and Buzzards Bay participated in the Buzzards Bay Regatta. The Regatta was also the New England Championship racing for the Salignae Cup and a trophy donated by Corny Shields. Twenty-six boats participated with the top results as follows:

1. Gordon Benjamin (Narragansett Bay)
2. Mike Deland (Buzzards Bay)
3. Chris Withers (Narragansett Bay)
4. Jens Paech (Narragansett Bay)
5. Tim Bryan (Martha's Vineyard)
6. Bill Berry (Buzzards Bay)
7. Bryan McSweeney " "
8. Joan Tiffany " "
9. Dan Hadley (Narragansett Bay)
10. George Gardner (Buzzards Bay)

Winner of the Tiffany Bucket race to Edgartown Regatta: Kelli McSweeney

Winner of Thacher Family Trophy: Mike Deland

Winner of 4th of July Race: Brett Thacher

July Series results (Championship races):

1. Mike Deland
2. Joan Tiffany
3. Bryan McSweeney

Fleet #11 Dallas, Texas: Reported by John Wright.

Results of Rush Creek Invitational Regatta:

1. Jim Craig (Dallas)
2. Marshall Nelson (Dallas)
3. Al Meril (Dallas)
4. Dennis Kleper (Chicago)
5. Chick Hudson (Monterey)
6. John Wright (Dallas)

#152 has been added to the Dallas fleet. It is now owned by Tom Miller and Bill Garrett.

Results of Qualifying races for the Nationals:

1. Bill Nolden (winner of 1981 Fleet Championship
composed of best 38 out of 62 races sailed)
2. Al Meril
3. John Wright/Ben Garrett
4. Marshall Nelson

Winner of Marshall Nelson Series gets 2nd boat (when available).

Marshall Nelson Series:

1. Jim Craig
2. John Wright/Ben Garrett
3. Al Meril

Al Meril Series:

1. Bill Nolden
2. Jim Craig
3. Al Meril