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## Varsity

Catching onto my hopes for vast improvement over the past two years' record, the Sailing team finally began to make its presence felt in N.H.S.A.

After a rather unimpressive eleventh of seventeen in the Denmark International Trophy we used the intervening two weeks to do some serious practicing and showed up at the Ivy League Championships ready to surprise everybody. The rain and wind of that hurricane weekend seemed to dampen everybody's spirits except ours. Fred Boane skippering a division with Cole Letteney as crew started right off with a third, a first, and a third. Steve Blocher with Rich Miller crewing didn't catch the hint until his third race with a third followed by a second. The end of Saturday's racing found us precariously in third place, one point ahead of Princeton and Brown. Harvard and Cornell were safely out ahead of us. The racing seemed to divide the fleet into two groups: Harvard, Cornell, Princeton, and Dartmouth comprising the top four trailed by 75 yards to the second group of Brown, Yale, Columbia, and Penn. Sunday's racing in the Harvard Interclubs was much smokier with Brown tipping over five times! Unfortunately, Fred and Steve began to settle into steady fourth place positions which gave us a fourth for the regatta. Len Finkle of MIT was so amazed at our performance, though, that he told us that it was almost definite that we would be selected to go to the Timmerlangsten in Chicago over Thanksgiving. (The selection was finalized at the club meeting November 2nd.) The Ivy Champs was a truly enjoyable regatta and the series will be continued at Princeton in the Spring of 1964. The trophy for the Ivy Champs was donated by [unclear] a former Dartmouth

## New Fleet

At last we are getting the new fleet project really rolling. Four of the boats are ready to bid on and the Sindle, and we will pick them up over Thanksgiving Vacation. Hopkins Center was dedicated this week, so we will be ready to start construction as soon as we have the boats.

We have spent the last two weeks in getting the decks ready for sale. All eight boats are getting new copper bottoms, the wooden parts are being varnished, and all the run in, rigging repaired or replaced. By the time we ship off the five boats that we are selling, they should be in better work-in order than they have been in for a couple of years. We are selling four boats to Colby College in Maine, and one to MIT. They have served us pretty well over the past years and we hope that these colleges will get many more years of good sailing from them.

However, the big interest in the club is the new fleet. All the members are eagerly awaiting the arrival of the first hull. We have many volunteers for work on the boats, and are instituting a winter program for the construction of the decks and spars and the completion of the boats. We are getting four boats this Fall, which we will work on this Winter, and, if all goes well and finances allow, we hope to perhaps build another in the Spring.

The New Boat Committee, co-chaired by House Committee Chairman Stu Russell and newcomer to the club Dick Bernstein, has already swung into action. Plans are being drawn up, templates made, and work schedules arranged. Almost all of the Club's active membership is involved in the program, and the work is expected to go smoothly. The vastly improved facilities of the new workshop in Hopkins Center will be quite a boon to

## FROM THE STARBOARD BUNK....

With Thanksgiving and Christmas just around the corner and the snow already leaving its traces on the Hanover plain there is much to be thankful for at DCYC. Many thanks to Gil Kruschwitz for his services as Secretary until just recently when the ski patrol called him to the snowy slopes. Filling in for the remainder of the year is Brian Klinger who is doing a marvelous job of organization in the office and has served the club on the team, as House Committee Chairman, and Race Committee Chairman.

From a few of our alumni and friends we have received an enormous amount of help and their support has made many of our plans possible. We would like to continue working with the same close relationship with you and hope you will be able to continue your aid. If your attic or cellar is treated to a cleaning or the boatyard locker gets an overhaul we would certainly appreciate anything usable from old blocks to rusty tools. We have a use for any kind of a donation.

With the next "North Wind" you will be meeting a new staff of officers. Our term expires at the annual meeting on the 31st of January and it will be an evening with much to look back on over the last four years.

It has been an honor and a challenge at the helm of DCYC to work with a variety of men in producing the club as it is today. Our membership has almost doubled in three years, the clubhouse has been improved beyond the point of recognition, our teams have at last started back up the ladder of success, and the spirit of sailing has been strengthened on the campus. Probably the biggest project since the Techs were acquired in 1953 is now underway with our new fleet - affectionately nicknamed the "Dart 14" by our crew.

The Rec program is turning out men who really know something when they get their Red Cross ratings under the able direction of Tad Kiefaber. The "North Wind" has come whistling off the granite of New Hampshire to spread the word of DCYC.

## GIRLS ENJOY DCYC HOSPITALITY....

With snow falling both literally and figuratively on the Hanover plain on Saturday, November 3rd, six teams arrived at Dartmouth for the annual Fall Women's Regatta, renamed the WISA Fall Championships and co-sponsored by DCYC and the newly formed Women's Intercollegiate Sailing Association.

At DCYC that snowy Saturday evening the girls, who came from Boston College, Mount Holyoke, Northeastern, Pembroke, U R I and Wheaton, were feted by a dinner party at the clubhouse where Tim's chopped steak recipe met with acclaim. The Wind whistled outside the door and falling snow boded evil weather for Sunday's racing.

But lo and behold, the gods of winter decided to put away their snowy arrows for a while, and Sunday dawned clear and warm, with northeast breezes ruffling the lake. After a pancake breakfast prepared by the Commodore, a triangular course was set and racing proceeded.

Boston College jumped to an early lead, but by the third race there was a three-way tie for first. Racing was close all through the series, with B.C. holding the lead until the last race, when they surrendered it to Pembroke. Final standings showed Pembroke in first place with a total of 46 points; followed by URI, 43; BC, 42; Mt Holyoke, 36; Northeastern, 35; and Wheaton, 34.

Interest and enthusiasm ran high among the racers, as can be inferred from the closeness of the scores, and the number of DCYC members who braved the early morning departure from Hanover to cheer on their favorite contestants. At the end of the day's sailing the girls left Dartmouth tired and a little cold - but eager to return for more good racing in the spring.

And last but not least, thanks to our Social & Publicity director Tim Bryant, hospitality to visiting teams has gained a warm reputation with every contact.

As I look back and remember the days of Sid Goldman's agenda's on envelopes, the annual meeting at the Keenes, Ron Boss and Ralph Barton who served for only a short while before Tuck School consumed their free time, Mel Converse who

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The New England Intercollegiate Sailing Association held its third meeting of the fall on Friday evening the second of November at the MIT boathouse in Boston. Along with the general business concerning the organization there were several topics which should be of interest to everyone.

Of greatest significance to DCYC was our selection to represent NEISA at the Mark Timme Angsten Memorial Regatta in Chicago over Thanksgiving. The team of Fred Doane, Steve Blecher, Cole Lettney, Rich Miller and Rick Van Mell will travel to Chicago in time to arrive for the Chicago Yacht Club's annual Plymouth Rock Regatta Thursday morning.

Following the successful visit from the British sailing team here this fall it has been put on record that we will send an American team there every four years with the hope that the British will return here during intervening years.

It was also suggested that the NEISA safety rules be reprinted and distributed to provide guidelines for yacht clubs which are considering new acquisitions. Mr. Fowle pointed out after the meeting that only two drownings have occurred in member clubs since the founding of NEISA, both of which could have been avoided if the safety manual had been given consideration.

The Special Projects Committee is undertaking a publication on the member clubs of the association. The topics to be covered include the general organization of each club, its financial situation, how awards are given, means of travel, type of fleet, and historical data of interest. This information will be assembled in booklet form and we hope it will be available next spring.

Finally, the Annual Meeting will be held on the 9th of February (Carnival, no less) and the guest speaker will be Bus Mosbacher '43. rvm

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Team Captain and skipper of Weatherly in the America's Cup defense this year.

The following weekend was the toughest regatta of the year. The Wood Pentagonal pits us against Coast Guard, Harvard, M.I.T., and Brown. Racing under a mandatory co-skipper system, Dartmouth was represented by Fred Doane, Steve Blecher, Bill Gorton, and Gil Kruschwitz. Plagued (continued)

construction, and we all expect to have some fun in building these boats.

Of course, there is a great deal of work to be done before we finally get the fleet into the water. The membership is enthusiastic about the project, however, and we should not have too many troubles. We all look forward to sailing some exciting, challenging boats come Spring, and some of us are even planning to stay around for the Summer Session so that we can enjoy a Summer's sailing in a fleet of new Dart 14's.

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From The Starboard Bunk (continued)

started the ball rolling toward the new fleet two years ago. Bob Osteen who served as Vice-Commodore and Treasurer during the transition, and finally to the time when I became Commodore two years ago; I see there have been many anxious moments, but with lots of help from all sides we have been able to place DCYC in a position of respect on the campus and in NEISA. The future of this club rests with the officers who will take over next February and the support they get from you and others who are interested in making sailing an experience in sportsmanship and the thrill of sparkling water and flying spray. I'd like to say thanks to everyone who has worked with me (and put up with me) during the past four years. I hope in the years to come the winds of fortune will bring DCYC Clear Sailing. . . .

Rick

1962 - 1963	Staff
Rick Van Mell '63	Commodore
Tad Kiefaber '64	Vice Commodore
Brian Klinger '62	Secretary
Rich Miller '65	Treasurer
Steve Blecher '64	Team Captain
Stu Russell '65	House & Boats
Tim Bryant '65	Social & Publicity
Craig Lewis '64	Team Manager

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by a simple inability to beat such top-flite competition, we placed fourth.

October 20 and 21 saw the Team Racing Preliminaries for which the eight man Indian team racing squad went to M I T. Skippers were Bill Gorton, Craig Lewis, Bob Overton and John Poole. Having studied their team tactics thoroughly, the squad did very well. They won six of their eight races for a third place in the preliminaries. This qualified the team for the "B" finals at M I T over Houseparties Nov 10 and 11. The crew just returned from this event with the sad news that they finished fifth out of six.

The crowning glory of the varsity season, to date, came over Harvard weekend when Rick Van Mell with Dick Bernstein and Steve Blecher with Rich Miller went down to Orono, Maine after watching the football team whallop Harvard in Cambridge and did battle in the Northern New England Championships, Hewitt Trophy. Going into a pre-regatta huddle, we decided that the best strategy would be consistant firsts. Rick started the ball rolling by keeping his International 12 well ahead of Bowdoin, Middlebury, and U. of Maine teams. Steve repeated the feat in B division. Rick slipped to a second in the second race and after Steve won his second, he had dreams of being high point skipper. But Rick met the challenge and the commodore won his next two races. Steve's third race looked grim as he was in last place at the last mark but some sneaky tactics enabled him to squeak out a second. He won his last race. Steve and Rick tied for high point skipper, each getting 19 out of a possible 20 points.

November 3 and 4 found us at M I T for the New England Fall Championships, the Schell Trophy Regatta. We qualified by taking the Hewitt trophy, and found ourselves racing the other trophy winners, the best teams in the East. We had let the Hewitt win go to our heads and when we came out of shock Sunday evening we found that, though we had only come in ninth out of twelve, we still had proven superior to Navy, Yale, and U.N.H.

Our noxy assignment will be the Timme Angsten Trophy Regatta in Chicago over Thanksgiving. Rick Van Mell, Steve Blecher, Fred Doane, Cole Lettney, and Rich Miller will try to yank the cup out from under the nose of defender and National Champion Coast Guard. Wish us luck!

RECREATIONAL SAILING PROGRAM.....

DCYC offers a physical education program in sailing, with Red Cross certification for those who qualify, and course credit for all participants.

As dock-pulling day draws near, the men who started out the term not knowing the difference between a tiller and a gooseneck are now a little better versed in the art of sailing - DCYC style -

Although our rec membership has dropped to 36 members, this is still more than we have attempted to teach in the past, and in spite of the deficit of cars the program went quite well.

This term we tried something new by giving fairly rigorous skipper exams to all those who wished the privelege of taking out a boat alone. The exam was given in two parts: sailing and written. A candidate must be able to handle a Tech on all points in all conditions. Here are a few sample questions from the written phase of the exam.

- 1 The part which directly controls the boat's direction is the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2 Name the 3 corners of the main and to what they are attached.
  - 3 The Coast Guard requires one life jacket per person plus one for the boat. (true or false)
  - 4 A Tech or similar dinghy can sail within \_\_\_\_\_ degrees of the TRUE wind.
  - 5 Name all the ropes on a Tech.
- In case you wish to check your answers:
- 1 Rudder
  - 2 Head - halyard, clew - outhaul, tack-gooseneck or tack pin
  - 3 False - no extra preserver required
  - 4 Between 45 and 55 degrees
  - 5 Boltrope (none is acceptable)

The spirit of this years crew was quite high. Little damage was incurred through negligence, and quite a few of these same men have expressed a desire to return for further instruction this spring.

..... DRIFTWOOD .....

This column is for the purpose of advertising boats for sale by alumni and undergraduates. Alumni interest (either buying or selling) is solicited.  
Boats for sale....

Jet 14-wood. Used very rarely. Excellent condition. 4 years old. Dry sailed. Automobile spray paint. Special Hard sails including spinnaker. Wire halyards. Pimm sheets. Cam cleats throughout. All Racelite hardware.(continued)

..... PEA GREEN VICTORIOUS.....

While the varsity managed to pull some good punches this season, they were just miraculous! The '66s showed a lot of hustle and enthusiasm to start racing in a hurry. Led by skippers Park Smith and Pete Griffin they showed that they weren't fooling around. These two went to M I T on October 7th and won the M I T nonagonal beating teams like Harvard and M I T. The frosh proved that it wasn't just luck by winning the Dartmouth Pentagonal the following weekend. Having soundly beaten twelve of New England's top teams at this point, Park and Pete took the next weekend off as the rest of the team made an unsuccessful attempt to defend the Andrade Trophy in the last schools dual in history (Schools went out of business at the end of the Fall season). Park and Pete did spend Harvard weekend at the Freshman Crew Championships at M.I.T. They took second in the preliminaries on Saturday, but couldn't quite catch M.I.T. and the Alan Priddy trophy on Sunday. This second place did confirm that they are one of the best frosh teams in New England, and from the vengeful look on Park Smith's face at the last meeting, it appears a good bet that they will be number one when Spring racing comes to an end.

Projecting the freshman team's fine performance this fall, I look forward to welcoming them to the varsity next fall. The teams will again take advantage of the chalk talk system which we began last winter. This program has proved to be the difference between a mediocre and a respectable team.

About all I can say about this group of '66s as I recover from the shock of their repeated victories is, "Well done!"

....DRIFTWOOD (continued).....

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Duncan Burke  
407 Streeter Hall

Lightning #5390. Skaneateles 1952-53. 2 suits dacron racing sails (Hard and Larson). 2 nylon spinnakers, (Roller and Larson). Many go-fast gadgets - boomvang, downhauls, out-hauls, Tuphnol cam cleats. All important racing rigging. Epoxy paint 1962. Boat has always been dry-sailed. Custom made trailer. Good racing record with Dr. Bob

....ALUMNI CONTINUE AID.....

It is very gratifying to note that our alumni have not forgotten us. We have heard from several past members and friends of DCYC this fall and it is these men who make our work a heck of a lot easier. We would like to hear from all of you soon.

Mr John McDonald '51, former Commodore of DCYC, dropped us a note along with his new address in Atlanta, Georgia.

Mr Robert Thomson '50 sent an encouraging note with his contribution. Such comments criticisms, etc are always valuable to us.

Mr Pete Ryland '60 was a familiar name to the present Exec staff. Pete, former Vice Commodore and team member, is well within our collective memories, and we even seem to recall that he met his wife Gloria at a DCYC Women's Regatta!

It is always a pleasure to hear from Al Snite '32. Mr Snite is one of our regular correspondants, always nearby with valuable suggestions and assistance.

Mr H.T. Van Mell, father of our Commodore has matched his son and is Commodore of the Chicago Yacht Club. He has sailed his 40' "R" class sloop Ardelle to the CYC championship six years running now, and represented Lake Michigan twice in the Richardson Cup Series, the Great Lakes Universal Championships.

We hope to hear from more of you in the months to come. If you send a contribution to the Dart 14 fund, why not send us a note along with it. Any information on your racing, past experiences with DCYC, and comments on any of our plans will be most welcome. We're pretty sure your friends will enjoy reading about you in the Northwind, too.

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Jamison (Newport, N.Y. Yacht Club)-qualified for Internationals twice. Dick Halligan '56, from Great Sodus Bay, N.Y. never finished lower than 5th. The Lewises were Fleet 149 champions in 1961. Reason for selling is that owner has just purchased new Flying Dutchman. Boat is in Auburn, N.Y. Craig K. Lewis '64  
107 Streeter Hall