

1954 INTERNATIONAL PENGUIN CLASS CHAMPIONSHIP  
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND • AUGUST 18-21, 1954

Place	Points	Boat Number	Boat Name	Skipper	Crew	Fleet
1	173.8	1377	OUTSIDER	Rynyon Coatie, Jr.	Mrs. Lois A. Colie	Downer
2	165.9	3159	SMIDGEN	Bill Seeman III	Bob Milling	Lake Pontchartrain
3	165.6	3108		Bob Smith	Niki Richmond	Columbia
4	153.6	3538	HOUND DOG	William H. Myers	Molly Morris	Oxford
5	151.5	3217	FIRE FLY	Alfred W. Hopkin	Taggart Steele	Ocean City
6	142.	3536	TID BIT	Charles Strausburg	Mrs. Evelyn Strausburg	Baltimore
7	127.	1400	CARCIA	Stuart H. Walker, M.D.	Mrs. Frances T. Walker	Linstead
8	127.	1001	SCANTY	John R. Reckord	Mrs. Janet W. Reckord	Baltimore
9	124.8	3065	FANNY DAMPER	Walter E. Lawson, D.D.S.	Bonnie Donaldson	Anne Arundel
10	121.	3360	OLE' PLUG'S FILLY	James C. Johnson III	Mrs. Jo Prishrey	Choptank
11	118.9	3320	SPOOK	John P. Harkrader, Jr.	Dede Brown	Balboa
12	117.6	3759	WEBE RADER	Donald B. Sherwood	Diane Sherwood	Downer
13	116.	3333	DI-DO	Wirt A. Gill	Robert Larsen	Chicago Harbor
14	110.	666	JIGGER	Don L. Adams	John Hegge	Potomac
15	106.7	1881	EL TORO	Leonard E. Penso	Robert B. Matson	Potomac
16	106.	3271	TER-BEE	Ralph V. Bradley	Robert B. Matson	Mission Bay
17	103.	3053	TRINKET	George Marville	Mrs. Peg Bradley	Potomac
18	103.	2983	GLUSCRU-N-CLAMP	Roger K. Brown	G. Wayne Marville	Peoria Ivy
19	97.	22	BEEHIVE	Linda Youngs	Mrs. "Tosh" Brown	Oxford
20	92.	22	REBEL	Adriel "Sparky" Graham	Richard Heintz	Monmouth
21	90.	3347	LIVE ONE	Carl Schwewker III	Margaret T. Sennott	Columbia
22	85.	3135	CHAOUJ	Philip R. Marriner	Louis B. Graham	Columbia
23	76.	2406	AGGIE	Mrs. William H. Myers	Stephen D. Perkins	Lake Pontchartrain
24	73.	2463	PARTY PARTY	Roger Anderson	Charles Dunn	Centerport
25	69.	2451	LITTLE TOT	William H. Moore, Jr.	Nancy Hoon	Oxford
26	67.	3336	PINK LADY	Nicolai Beckmann	Maryon Berz	Oxford
27	54.6	617	WILD GOOSE	James M. Coll	William B. Slocum	Columbia
28	54.	2537	SPILL BOX	Owen H. Ackerman	Jean Beckmann	Choptank
29	39.	2811	PAM	Bruce E. Anderson	Peggy Goodyear	Columbia
30	33.	2556	PACER	Herbert S. Russol	Joyce Grull	Columbia
31	30.	3013	BABY GRAND	Robert C. Purnell	Carol R. Ackerman	Tappan Zee
32	29.	3238	BLOODY BUCKET	Harold Clausen	Mrs. Audrey Anderson	Monmouth
33	28.	3355	BO-BO, JR.	Jane M. Allen	Nancy Fredericks	Monmouth
34	20.	3083	CANDY	Randolph R. Fisher	Norman Thomas	Columbia
35	20.	3369	WEE NIP	Louise P. Worthley, Jr.	Mrs. Anna Clausen	Indian River
36	14.	3367	AUK	Woodrow S. Harrison	Mrs. Anna Clausen	Windjammer
37	—	2753	JOLLY ROGER	Ray W. Hooker	Vance Strausburg	Windjammer
38	—	2746	BUSY BEE IV	Alfred M. Bruce, Sr.	George Worthley, Jr.	Baltimore
39	—	2808	HUMBOLDT III		Jimmy Smith	Monmouth
40	—	2511	ONE TOO MANY		Robert Strausburg	Linstead
41	—	2672	NEXT WEEK		Marion Johnson	Hampton
42	—	3237			Alfred M. Bruce, Sr.	Columbia

\*Penalty for a foul.

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
2	1	6	1	3
8	3	3	5	1
4	8	4	2	2
3	7	1	7	15*
11	5	2	6	10
10	4	8	13	8
12	14	11	15	6
13	9	15	16	5
20*	10	15	19	7
1	25	13	10	12
18	6	22	14	4
21	2	20	4	20*
7	12	19	11	19*
19	13	14	9	14
9	23	10	17	16
15	17	24	3	21*
17	28	12	12	11
24	16	7	18	17
16	18	25	21	9
23	11	9	DNF	13
25	19	21	8	22
5	22	18	26	26
26	21	16	23	23
6	15	17	DNF	DNF
14	20	33	27	24
22	26	32	22	24
31	24	26	24	30*
28	34	29	20	27
32	32	28	25	DNF
36	29	31	28	DNF
41	35	39	26	29
37	36	38	32	28
42*	41	30	31	25
38	38	36	30	DNF
39	37	40	33	31
38	37	40	34	32
27	30	23	DNF	DNF
29	27	37	DNF	DNF
30	33	27	DNF	DNF
33	31	34	DNF	DNF
35	40	35	DNF	DNF
34	DNF	DNF	DNF	DNF

MINUTES OF THE 1954 ANNUAL MEETING  
INTERNATIONAL PENGUIN CLASS DINGHY  
ASSOCIATION

The Annual Meeting of the International Penguin Class Dinghy Association was called to order by the President Ted Leighton-Herrmann, at 9:25 P.M., Thursday, August 19, 1954, at the Baltimore Yacht Club, Sue Island, Maryland.

Roll call of fleets indicated that 20 fleets were represented as follows: in Region I, Centerport No. 57 and Tappan Zee No. 58; in Region II, Downer No. 6, Monmouth No. 50 and Ocean City No. 78; in Region III, Potomac No. 1, Baltimore No. 8, Oxford No. 15, Hampton No. 16, Anne Arundel No. 18, Choptank No. 52, Linstead No. 66 and Indian River No. 67; in Region IV, Balboa No. 26 and Mission Bay No. 28; in Region VI, Columbia No. 49, Peoria Ivy No. 69, Windjammer No. 70 and Chicago Harbor No. 81; and in Region VIII, Lake Pontchartrain No. 60.

The minutes of the 1953 Annual Meeting were called for. As the minutes are printed in the 1954 Penguin Year Book, Ralph Youngs made a motion to dispense with the reading. This was seconded by Wirt Gill, and the motion was carried.

The Treasurer's Report was read by the Treasurer, Charles Strausburg. Cash on hand August 13, 1954—\$4936.45. This report was approved as read.

Executive Vice-President Dannie Bludworth's Report was read by the President. To date this year, seven new fleets have been chartered. These are Southwestern No. 76, Woodlawn No. 77, Ocean City No. 78, San Francisco Bay No. 79, Skokie Lagoons No. 80, Chicago Harbor No. 81 and Illiana No. 82. A number of other fleets are in the process of being chartered—two in foreign countries. The number of Penguins in the fleets continues to increase, which shows the truly healthy growth of the Class. This report was approved as read.

The report of the Secretary, Catherine M. Graf, was given and approved.

The Secretary read the Annual Report from the National Measurer, Monte Clare. During the year, 187 boats received approved certificates, against 147 last year—an increase of a little over 25 per cent.

A call was made for Unfinished Business, with no response.

The Secretary read a letter of thanks received from the Office of the Superintendent, Republic of Korea, Naval Academy, Chinhae, Korea, for plans furnished them at no cost by the Association.

The President informed membership of equipment purchased this past year—one Cardineer card file, one 6-drawer 4x5 card file, two 4-drawer steel filing cabinets, one wooden filing cabinet, one Elliott addressing machine, and one Speedrite Checkwriter (donated to the Association by Fred Bergling and Cathy Graf), all assets of the Class.

A call was made for New Business. Len Penso opened a discussion on who holds the National Championship and why. This covered the system adopted at the last meeting (a pre-determined system for four years) and also a plan with an incentive for the winner to attend. Also a discussion was held

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## 1954 INTERNATIONAL PENGUIN CLASS CHAMPIONSHIP BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

August 18-21, 1954

The Baltimore Penguin Fleet and the Baltimore Yacht Club were hosts to the 1954 International Penguin Class Championship, held this year at "Beautiful Sue Island, Maryland—Where the Sun Always Shines!" Forty-two Penguin skippers have ample reason to repudiate this claim! However, winds were not quite as light as has become almost legend for the Chesapeake Bay in the last few years, so all was not in vain.

Twenty fleets were represented as follows: (Centerport) Centerport, L. I., New York; (Tappan Zee) Nyack, New York; (Downer) Mantoloking, New Jersey; (Monmouth) Red Bank, New Jersey; (Ocean City) Ocean City, New Jersey; (Potomac) Washington, D. C.; (Baltimore) Baltimore, Maryland; (Oxford) Oxford, Maryland; (Hampton) Hampton, Virginia; (Anne Arundel) West River, Maryland; (Choptank) Cambridge, Maryland; (Linstead) Severna Park, Maryland; (Indian River) Oak Orchard, Delaware; (Balboa) Balboa, California; (Mission Bay) Mission Bay, California; (Columbia) Chicago, Illinois; (Peoria Ivy) Peoria, Illinois; (Windjammer) Louisville, Kentucky; (Chicago Harbor) Chicago, Illinois and (Lake Pontchartrain) New Orleans, Louisiana. The oldest fleet represented was Potomac No. 1, and the newest was Chicago Harbor No. 81. The oldest numbered boat participating was No. 22 REBEL, sailed by Linda Youngs (daughter of one of the founders of the Class—Ralph Youngs), and the newest numbered boat was No. 3739 DI-DO, sailed by Donald B. Sherwood. (To date there are 82 fleets chartered, and the highest number issued is No. 3891.)

Many of the challengers arrived early in the week and eagerly tested their boats and the wind. And what a beautiful wind! Wednesday afternoon was a sailor's dream, as far as weather was concerned. For some of the skippers trying to get their boats measured in—it was a nightmare! A quick meeting was necessary to rule on T-booms and boom jaws for this regatta, but further action must be taken by the Executive Committee for the Class.

After all the shavings from masts, etc. had been cleared away, the Baltimore Yacht Club held an informal Cocktail Party for all. Never has the Penguin Perpetual Bowl looked more enticing—nestled in greenery on a long white table on the side porch of the club; frosted on the outside and filled to the brim! As many of the skippers lived, during the regatta, on their bugeyes, Friendship sloops, cutters, and yes, even power boats, the parties continued right on after dinner. Getting in good shape for the morrow . . . .

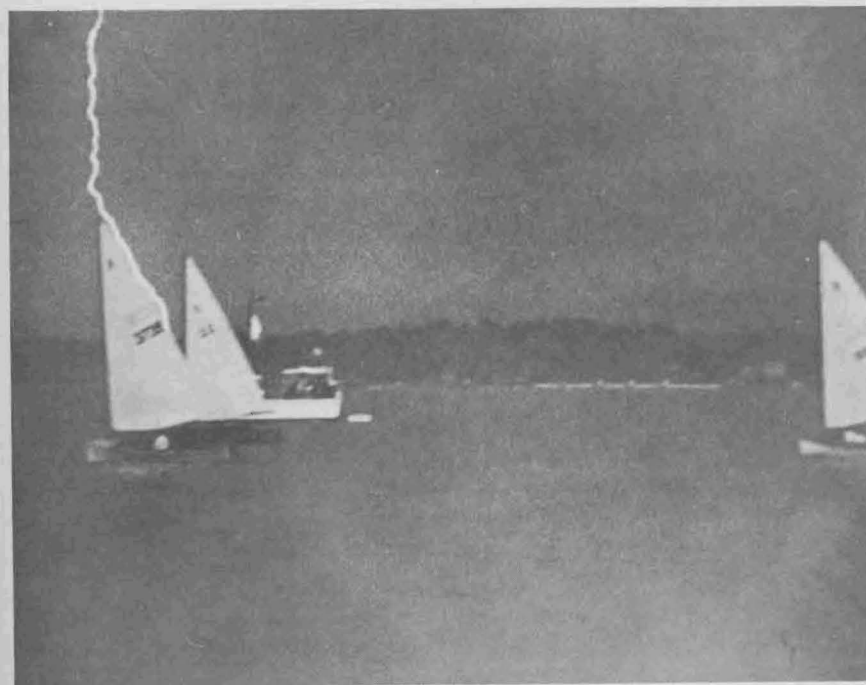
The first race of the Series got off to a "bang-up" start at 11:27 A.M. in a light, fluky, southerly breeze—about 5 to 6 M.P.H. The race was a triangular course, once around, with all marks to port. On the windward leg, it looked as though the youngest entrant in the Championship was leading. She was little 9-year old "Sparky" Graham from New Orleans, sailing her CHAOUI. By the time they reached the windward mark, however, James C. Johnson III from Cambridge, Maryland, sailing OLE' PLUG'S FILLY, rounded first, and was never headed for the rest of the race. Jimmy sailed a



Towing to the Starting Line . . .

beautiful race, with "Sparky" right on his heels until the last mark, when the venerable Runyon Colie, Jr. (Need we say from Mantoloking, New Jersey and sailing his *OUTSIDER*?) cut inside of "Sparky" at the mark and moved up to second place at the finish line—six seconds behind Jimmy. Bill Myers from Oxford, Maryland, better known perhaps for his prowess in the larger Star boats, took third place in his *HOUND DOG*. Bob Smith from Chicago took fourth place. "Sparky" managed to hold to a fifth place, which was quite a big bit of sailing for such a little girl.

The second race went off at 3:30 P.M., after a recall for too many boats over the line. Winds had picked up to about 12 M.P.H., and it was a good race. At the weather mark, John P. Harkrader, Jr. from Bay Head, New Jersey was top man on the totem pole in his *WEE RADER*, but he was close pressed by Colie and Charles Strausburg of the host fleet, sailing his *TID BIT*. These three positions were held around the weather mark, the second and third marks, without change, other than that the three boats widened the gap between themselves and the rest of the fleet. On the last "dog leg" to the finish line, things started to happen to Strausburg. By the time they crossed the finish line, it was Colie first by twenty-four seconds, Harkrader, Bill Seeman III (14-year old junior) from New Orleans, sailing his *SMIDGEN*, Strausburg, and in fifth place, Alfred W. Hopkin from the newly-formed Ocean City, New Jersey fleet, sailing his *FIRE FLY*. Question we have is, "What do they do to these youngsters down on the Gulf?" Here comes Billy in third place, and in the morning race "Sparky" grabbed fifth place away from many a veteran Penguin skipper!



The Black Squall of '54

The aftermath of the race was not so light-hearted, however. From about the half-way mark in the race, the skies were darkening, and you could see a squall forming in the northwest. It held off until just about the last boat had crossed the finish line—and then it broke! The Weather Bureau reports winds of 38 M.P.H. for the day, but as the squall was quite centralized, it undoubtedly was way over this figure. Some of the Penguins had time to tie up to the three or four power boats nearby and some just tied together with one anchor holding maybe six boats. During the storm, the power boats were helpless as you could not see your hand in front of your face, and they were afraid to go looking for the boats for fear they might do more damage running over them! Luckily, for the majority, there was only one boat casualty. That was Charles Drumm's *PAM* which capsized and then got banged up and had her mast split up for kindling trying to get a tow. To the ones closest, it looked for a while as though Charlie was going to be used for kindling, too. After a roll call when we reached the club, we found that happily no one was among the missing. If nothing else, as Fran Byrne put it in a letter right after the Championship, they have talking material for quite a while about the "blow" of '54!

By the time we managed to dry out and "toast" our insides a little around the bar, it was time for the Annual Meeting. Full report elsewhere.

The third race went off Friday morning at 11:42 A.M. after a postponement for no air—and it was no air! Most of the boats were glad to accept a tow out to the starting line. The winds finally picked up, and although they were light, they were steady in contrast to the spotty winds of the previous





The Champs! Betsy and Ronnie Colie with Phil Rhodes



All the Trophy Winners!

## LIST OF WINNERS

1st Place Perpetual Trophy .....	Runyon Colie, Jr.
1st Place Take-Home Trophy .....	Runyon Colie, Jr.
1st Place Crew Trophy .....	Mrs. Lois Colie
2nd Place Trophy .....	Bill Seemann III
2nd Place Crew Trophy .....	Bob Milling
3rd Place Trophy .....	Bob Smith
3rd Place Crew Trophy .....	Niki Richmond
Daily First Place Trophies —1st Race .....	James C. Johnson III
2nd Race .....	Runyon Colie, Jr.
3rd Race .....	William H. Myers
4th Race .....	Runyon Colie, Jr.
5th Race .....	Bill Seemann III
Daily Second Place Trophies—1st Race .....	Runyon Colie, Jr.
2nd Race .....	John P. Harkrader, Jr.
3rd Race .....	Alfred W. Hopkin
4th Race .....	Bob Smith
5th Race .....	Bob Smith
Daily Third Place Trophies —1st Race .....	William H. Myers
2nd Race .....	Bill Seemann III
3rd Race .....	Bill Seemann III
4th Race .....	Leonard E. Penso
5th Race .....	Runyon Colie, Jr.
First Long Distance Trophy .....	Bill Seemann III
President's First Challenge Trophy .....	Alfred W. Hopkin
Woman's Israel Perpetual Trophy .....	Linda Youngs
Woman's Take-Home Trophy .....	Linda Youngs
Woman's Take-Home Trophy (1953 Winner) .....	Catherine M. Graf
Junior Cardi-All Perpetual Trophy .....	Bill Seemann III
Junior Take-Home Trophy .....	Bill Seemann III
Junior Take-Home Trophy (1953 Winner) .....	Bill Seemann III

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