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MC FLEET 14  
LAKE LOTAWANA, MISSOURI

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Dear Peter,

This note is to let you know that our fleet will be hosting our first Invitational Regatta this September. We sincerely hope you will join us in what we plan to schedule as an annual event. Briefly, our program this year will be:

- Friday, Sept. 12 : Registration, launching and tune up Race at 3 PM
- Saturday, Sept. 13: Skippers meeting at Missouri Yacht Club at 9:00 AM  
1st Race at 10:00 AM  
2nd Race at 2:00 PM
- Sunday, Sept. 14 : 3rd Race at 10:00 AM  
Lunch and awards about noon  
Trophies for first five places

So much for the basic racing plan - now we would like to offer some background and details.

MC FLEET 14: We started our fleet with four new boats in 1978. We now have 11 MCs on our lake, 10 of which race and are active fleet members.

LAKE LOTAWANA: A man-made private residential lake with over 600 acres of water located approximately 20 miles East of Kansas City, MO and about 6 miles South of I-70 on Missouri Hwy 7. All of us live on the lake and dry sail our MCs off of lifts on the lake shore.

MISSOURI YACHT CLUB: Listed in Lloyds Register and one of the oldest inland yacht clubs west of the Mississippi. Large club house and grounds, ample parking for cars and boat trailers (sorry - house trailers, campers, tents, etc. are not allowed, but there are campgrounds in the area), concrete sloping launch ramp, launching boom with winch, dining room, self service bar, snack bar, and five large docks. Spectator boats available.

REGATTA SPONSORSHIP: We have four well established active sailing fleets on Lotawana. Snipe Fleet 41 has been competing here since the 1930's, the Class C Scow fleet is very active and they started in the 1940's, and the Butterflys have competed here since the class was first formed. We each reserve the lake for an annual event and the fleets not sailing that weekend provide support in the judging, protest committees, registration, etc. We have been holding regional regattas here for 40 years and have hosted several national regattas also.

HOUSING: One of the reasons sailors like to come to Lotawana is that we welcome visiting skippers and their wives as guests in fleet members and fleet friends homes during the regattas (no pets please). This allows us to get better acquainted and is much more convenient and eliminates the expense of a motel. For those with families and who may prefer it however, there are excellent motels along I-70 within 15 minutes from the Lake.

WEATHER: September is preferred for regattas by most of the fleets. Weather is normally warm with good southerly winds. Note: This cannot be guaranteed by either the Regatta Chairman or the Race Committee.

We hope you are interested in coming in September. Whether you are or not, it would help us a lot if you would let us know by checking the appropriate boxes on the questionnaire enclosed and returning it to us in the self-addressed envelope.

Join Us! We guarantee you will have fun and that you will enjoy the hospitality that Lotawana is famous for.

Regards,

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Regatta Chairman

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