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DEDICATION

This book is dedicated to my fellow Lightning sailors without whom it would not have been possible. It is hoped that skipper, crew, and shoreside supporter will find enjoyment in these pages.

My thanks to those of you who contributed fleet reports, articles, and photos, and to Judy Walker who as Assistant Editor spent many hours reviewing them. Special words of appreciation must go to Donna Foote, who with her staff, did the bulk of the work in putting this publication together.

Since purchasing my first Lightning in 1964, the boat, and the people who sail Lightnings that I've met over the years have provided me with countless good times and fond memories. May this upcoming season find all of you on the water enjoying the camaraderie and competition that's available from the fleet to national level.

The Lightning is a great boat and our class organization second to none. Let's let others know what they're missing. Spread the word!

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "W. Craig Thayer". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

W. Craig Thayer
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This book is the work of a large number of dedicated individuals. People like Editor Craig Thayer, Assistant Editor Judy Walker and Donna Foote, Cherryl May, and Jean Berridge of the ILCA office, as well as, all the people who write the articles and take the pictures.

The Year Book exemplifies what makes this Class the great one that it is. It's a team effort reflecting the diversity of people and events that occur over the year.

I have looked forward to the arrival of the Year Book in the mail every year since I started to sail Lightnings in 1962, I have never failed to read it through, from cover to cover as soon as it arrives. First, to see who I know in the book, and then to discover what's new in the Class, so I can figure out how to go faster and with more fun. I also get to relive some of the regattas I've sailed in and to find out the winners' perspective.

The book then is kept around as a reference to find out what regattas to go to or how to get a hold of some of the fantastic people I have met in the Class.

This is the 46th Year Book the Class has produced and I'm sure you'll find it a great one. If you don't see enough in it about your Fleet, District or people, write something for next years book, as we can always use more help.

This book leads off our 50th year as a Class and it's going to be a great one. I hope to meet as many of you as possible this year and I wish you another good year of sailing.



David Sprague, President
International Lightning Class Association

Officers of the International Lightning Class Association



PRESIDENT — David Sprague

Dave started sailing in 1962 at Royal Lake of the Woods Yacht Club (Fleet 320) in 7509. In 1969, he bought *Janitor*, in 1971, moved east to Montreal (Fleet 215), and then to Toronto Bay (Fleet 146) in 1972. *In Lieu* 13659 was added in 1981. They have since been sold and he is currently the part owner of *Aquaholic* 11275.

Over the years, Dave has served on the Fleet, Lake Erie District, Canadian Class, and International Class executives, as well as, holding offices in the Canadian Yachting Association, the Ontario Sailing Association, and the Boulevard Club.

Dave sails with a variety of crew, including his wife, Cathy Bowman. Their two children have started into sailing and already have their own optimist prams.

Dave is a senior consultant with Canadian Marketing Associates Limited, of Toronto, Ontario, Canada.



CHIEF MEASURER — Robert C. Wardwell

Bob began racing Lightnings actively in 1973 while living in Daphne, Alabama, at the Fairhope Yacht Club. A career change in 1974 took him to New York State, where he was originally from — there he sailed in the Central New York District. Subsequent moves have taken Bob to Chattanooga, Tennessee (Mississippi Valley District), Carlisle, Pennsylvania (Dixie District), and Signal Mountain, Tennessee (Mississippi Valley District), where he currently resides with wife Carol, daughter Christy, his foredeck crew for 5 years, and sons Robby and Charlie, who are about to give up their skateboards for crew positions.

Bob served as Assistant Measurer for three years prior to being Chief Measurer, and recently served as RC Chairman for the 1986 Juniors', Women's and Masters' Regattas.

When not sailing, Bob is a Vice President of Filtration Sciences Corp. in Chattanooga, Tennessee.



TREASURER — Jack Tibbs

Jack has been a member of ILCA since 1967 and during that period has sailed nine Lightnings.

He has served Fleet 31 as both Secretary and Fleet Captain, the Michigan District as Secretary and District Commodore, as Vice President and Yearbook Editor for ILCA. He was Commodore of Devils Lake Yacht Club in 1981 and is currently the Executive Secretary of that club.

The Tibbs family have all been involved in Lightning activity, Joe, Beth and Jane have all crewed and tried their hand skippering. Chris is involved as the Race Committee at DLYC.

Jack is the owner of Tibbs Bros. Inc., a supermarket at Devils Lake.



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Anne has been sailing Lightnings since the mid 40's. She crewed her first North American's (International Championship) in 1949 for her father, Karl Smither. In 1955 she was part of the championship crew for Tom Allen in New Orleans. Since then they have sailed together for many years. Their four children, Jane, Brenda, Tom, and Jim are all active Lightning sailors.

A strong supporter of women sailing, Anne helped to organize the Women's Lightning North Americans. She is active in Fleet 12 and the Lake Erie District, is currently the treasurer, and has served as Class VP of International Affairs.

Anne is a registered pharmacist.



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