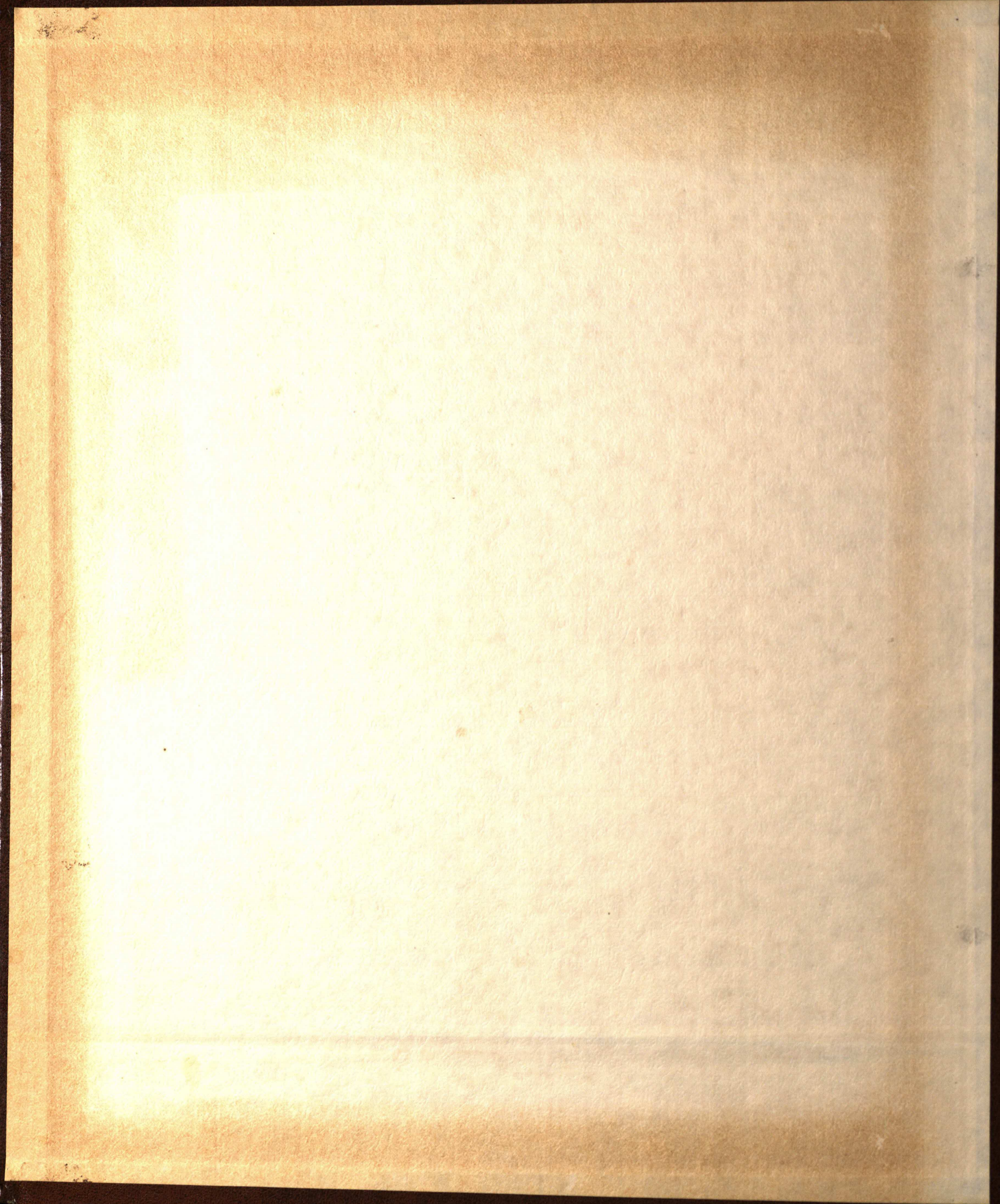


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**Prince of Wales Bowl**  
Cedar Point YC, Westport, CT  
(Atlantic) Sept. 8-13

**Mallory Cup**  
Fort Worth BC, TX (Santana 20)  
Sept. 16-20

**Three-Quarter Ton Championship**  
Shearwater SC, Annapolis, MD  
Sept. 18-27

**National Junior Sailing Symposium**  
St. Louis Marriott Airport Hotel, MO  
Oct. 3-4

**Championship of Champions**  
St. Petersburg YC, FL (J/24)  
Oct. 13-16

**Annual Meeting**  
St. Petersburg YC  
Oct. 16-19

**Team Race Championship**  
Fort Worth BC, TX (Laser II)  
Oct. 28-Nov. 1

**IYRU and ORC Meetings**  
London, England  
Nov. 1-7

**Spring Meeting**  
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The trophy, a handsome silver soup tureen, was originally presented to the family of Admiral Lord Nelson by Sultan Selim, III, as an expression of his appreciation for the victory of the British fleet over the French at the Battle of the Nile.

The club opens on Tuesday, September 15th for early arrivals, registration and the first practice race. Races are scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. each day with three races scheduled for September 17th and 18th and two races on Saturday, the 19th. Any required make-up races will be held on Sunday. Judges for the event are members of the United States Yacht Racing Union.

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### Sailing meet on tap

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# Eight teams preparing for Mallory Cup run

By JOHN STURBIN  
Star-Telegram Writer

A schedule of shakedown cruises for eight skippers and their crews on Wednesday will mark the start of activity surrounding competition for the Mallory Cup, symbolic of the Men's North American Sailing Championship.

The skippers and their crews, champions representing eight geographical sections of the country, will first take a morning tour of the projected racing area on Eagle Mountain Lake. That will be followed by a briefing on the identically prepared Santana 20's being provided by the host Fort Worth Boat Club, and a practice sailing session.

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The racing will be head-to-head with the crews alternating boats after each race. Fewest points at the end of the round-robin series will determine the winners.

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## 24 sailors weigh anchor at FWBC in search of the Mallory Cup

By JOHN STURBIN  
Star-Telegram Writer

Hardly a summer goes by now, it seems, that the Fort Worth Boat Club isn't hosting a major sailing competition.

And appropriately enough during its 50th anniversary, the club will be the site over the next five days of the Men's North American Sailing Championships for the Mallory Cup.

Over the years the club has gained international recognition by hosting a number of local and national regattas — 1969 Adams Cup Finals, 1976 North American Intercollegiate Championships, 1979 North American Laser Midwinter Championships and the International Youth Sailing

Championships in 1980.

Given the U.S. Yacht Racing Union's eight geographical areas from which to choose, that might seem like too much of a good thing. But race judge Downie D. Muir III says it's all a matter of making use of good facilities.

"The purpose of any national event is to be alternated over the eight areas equally," Muir explained Wednesday afternoon. "But first the facilities have to be there, and second is the availability of boats for the event."

The FWBC obviously meets both criteria, specifically with an armada of Santana 20's that will test the eight skippers and their crews when com-

petition gets under way Thursday at 10 a.m.

A schedule of shakedown cruises comprised Wednesday's activity on Eagle Mountain Lake.

The crews, champions representing eight geographical sections of the country, were to start the day with a tour of the projected racing area, followed by a briefing on the identically prepared Santanas.

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And Muir said that's about all one can do short of taking them to the starting line.

"It's a racing boat," he explained. "In most cases they race among themselves, but they can race against boats of other sizes under a handicap racing rule."

This particular group of boats was purchased 2½ years ago, and Muir noted, "Theoretically, if you can have them all coming out of the same mold, measure them fore and aft and then have them rigged alike . . . usually these class boats are not altered, so they are equal."

The skippers and their crews, respectively:

● Scott Ferguson, Jamestown, R.I., with John Alofsin and Ralph Kinder.

● William Ehrhorn, Westport, Conn., with Glenn Bemis and Ched Procter.

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There is no defending champion since the California trio of Dave Ullman, Bill Herrschaft and Paul Murphy are not competing.

Anyone interested in watching the races is invited to do so aboard an official spectator boat. Spectators are requested to sign in at the registration desk at the club.



## Brothers breeze into Mallory Cup sailing

By JOHN STURBIN  
Star-Telegram Writer

They signed the entry blank as Golison, Golison and Golison, like some Philadelphia law firm.

Actually, this trio sporting the Harpo Marx hairdos and Zonker Harris tans consists of Bruce, Mark and Jay Golison of Long Beach, Calif., where they race Formula One cars in the streets and Santana 20s in the Pacific.

With Eagle Mountain Lake subbing for that latter course, the Golisons spent Wednesday at the Fort Worth Boat Club preparing for the North American Sailing Championships leading to the Mallory Cup.

The pace was quintessential Long Beach, which is to say, Laid Back.

Only the weekend and the Michelob were missing.

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"We're very casual," said 22-year-old Mark, designated skipper for this

round-robin affair of eight races. The first three races will hear the starter's gun Thursday at 10 a.m.

"Hey, we're from California," added 19-year-old Jay, showing little remorse over the two classes he would be missing at Long Beach State before this morning was over.

Lest everyone think these three days of racing are little more than a lark, 25-year-old Bruce surfaced as the voice of reason. "When people think of Californians, they think we don't care about anything," he observed. "But the sailors from California will stack up against anybody."

"There are a lot of hyper Californians . . . and there's one," he said, pointing to Jay. "But California's got some of the best sailors in the country. You can always find a good regatta and sail against some good people."

The Golisons will be sailing here against seven other three-member teams, like themselves champions of their respective United States Yacht Racing Union areas.

So with the 30th Mallory Cup and all that mellow on the line, why weren't the Golisons decked out?

"We've all been in major championships before," Bruce said, "and Jay and I have sailed here six or eight times. The way this regatta is set up, they put up these big orange markers and we just sail around in the center

of the course. Each person knows how they have to get psyched up for a regatta. A lot of people get here early and go crazy, but essentially we know the area. After you go to a number of these regattas you're not all hyper."

"We like to do it our own way. Before we go anywhere, I make a few phone calls so I know what to expect. Maybe we're a little more casual, but I don't know what they're going to see out there," he said, pointing to the tour boat as it cruised the course.

"You don't see the guys from Texas (Mark Foster, Chuck Wilk and Scott Young) there either, because they know what to expect. And they're gonna be right in this thing. Basically, the only reason we got here Tuesday night was to adjust to the time difference and get acclimated to the club."

Mark, a collegiate sailing All-American in 1980, turned serious. "Sailing is a lot of preparation, but I feel you've got to be prepared before you get here," he said. "After the jet lag and all, it's good to just rest."

When you've been sailing since the age of 6 or 7, like each of the Golisons, that makes sense. And so did joining forces for this prestigious competition, which has seen the brothers work their way through two qualifying series, a total of 11 races that earned them titles encompassing Southern California and the Pacific

Coast.

"This is the first time that we've really got together in a race as a group in a major championship," Bruce said with some pride.

The Golisons, who regularly race such craft, say they expect to feel right at home not only with the boats but also the round-robin format.

"To make it a little more even, they have the round-robin, which means everybody sails each boat," Jay said. "In the eliminations for the finals we've had to do the round-robin, and it's good practice to get into one boat that's rigged a little bit differently than another because you have to be able to adapt."

A repeat of Wednesday's windy conditions would make the setting Golison-perfect.

"We're a little beefy for a 20-foot boat," Jay said wryly. "But we've had a bit of time in this type boat and learned how it responds and sometimes doesn't respond. And they do capsize. We feel we're experienced enough boat-handlers in this wind, moreso than a lot of other crews."

Mark, the skipper, will have the basic job of steering.

"In a boat with three people in it," Mark said, again turning serious, "everybody has to be good."

"Mark," said Jay, "just shut up and steer."

## Sailing brothers go for the gold

By JOHN STURBIN  
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Just how important is winning the Mallory Cup to a trio of fast-talking, smooth-sailing brothers from Southern California?

It's important enough to wipe smiles off three tanned faces and turn the repartee into serious response. Bruce, Mark and Jay Golison found themselves doing that — albeit ever-so-briefly — Wednesday morning at the Fort Worth Boat Club.

The Mallory Cup, symbolic of the Men's North American Sailing Championship, will be awarded to one of eight three-man teams following a round-robin series of races over Eagle Mountain Lake. First three races of the 8-race series were scheduled to take the starter's gun this morning with another three on Friday and two more on Saturday.

The crew scoring the fewest points has its name inscribed on a silver soup tureen, just below those of 1980 champions Dave Ullman, Paul Murphy and Bill Herrschaft of the Yacht Racing Union of Southern California.

The Golisons, incidentally, are representing that region this year, meaning they shoulder the burden of keeping the title in the hands of West Coast sailors.

"Oh yeah, we want the gold," said 19-year-old Jay, referring to the medals to be awarded the first-place finishers by the United States Yacht Racing Union. "If we

won it, the whole USA would know about it."

"Since there are no financial rewards, a lot of sailing is ego and personal satisfaction," added 22-year-old Mark, teaming with his brothers in a major competition for the first time.

"It would mean putting our name on a trophy with some of the best sailors in history," observed 25-year-old Bruce, "Olympic sailors and some of the legends. We'd be the North American sailing champions."

"Plus," Jay reminded, "we want that gold. We've never gotten a gold medal before."

The Golisons, they of the Harpo Marx hairdos, hail from Long Beach, Calif., where Formula One cars are raced in the streets and Santana 20's bob in the Pacific.

But if the Golisons lust for the gold, it wasn't evident in their pre-race activity Wednesday at Eagle Mountain Lake. They spent the day preparing for this championship Long Beach style — which is to say, laid back.

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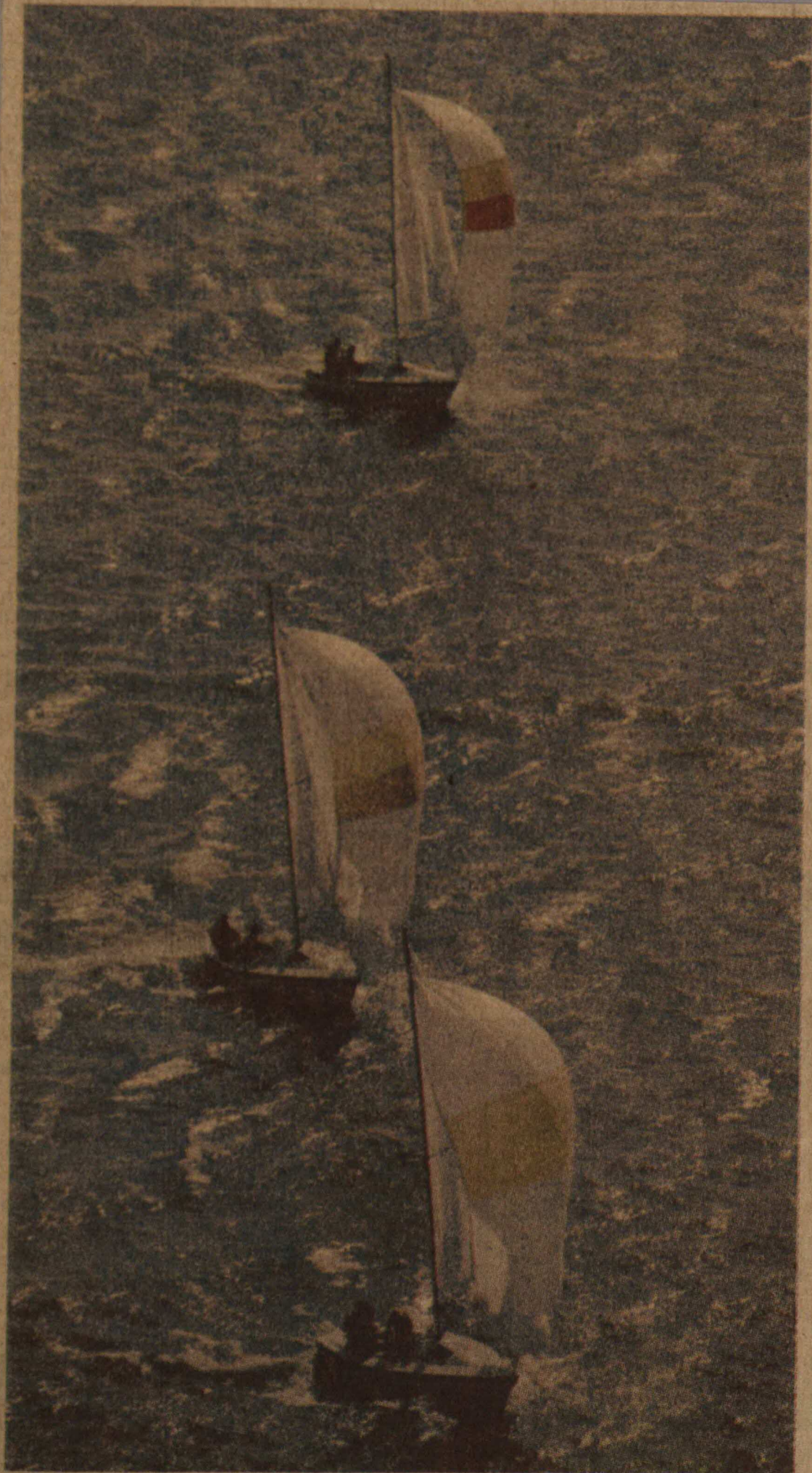
The six-day 1981 men's sailing championship meet will end Sunday at the Fort Worth Boat Club at Eagle Mountain Lake.

The eight contestants are competing for the Mallory Cup. H. Clayton Brants, commodore of the club, said the silver tureen was originally presented to the family of Lord Nelson by Sultan Selim III in appreciation for Nelson's victory over Napoleon's fleet in the Battle of the Nile in 1805.

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**THREE CREWS** jockey their Santana 20s for position Thursday morning in the first race counting toward the Men's North American Sailing Championship for the Mallory Cup. Brisk northerly winds greeted the eight crews at Eagle Mountain Lake, where competition continues Friday and Saturday.

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## Texans leading regatta

The Texas threesome of skipper Mark Foster and crewmen Chuck Wilk and Scott Young adapted to some unseasonably cool weather Thursday to take the lead after the first day of competition for the Men's North American Sailing Championships at Eagle Mountain Lake.

A brisk north wind ranging from 20 to 30 knots made sailing conditions so favorable that the race committee decided to stage four of the eight-race round-robin affair leading to the prestigious Mallory Cup.

Another three races are scheduled for 10 a.m. Friday.

When competition was completed late Thursday, the Foster crew had compiled the low total of 11½ points among the eight-team field. The Texans — Foster and Wilk are from Corpus Christi and Young is from Dallas — had finishes of 1-1-4-6 in four different Santana 20's provided by the host Fort Worth Boat Club.

Second-place was held by Mark, Bruce and Jay Golison of Long Beach, Calif., who had to overcome a first-race over-early infraction — leaving before the starting gun. That cost the brothers eight points, but they regrouped for finishes of 2-2-1 to total 12¼ points.

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The last-place boat was that of Derek Decouteau of Puyallup, Wash., with crewmen Tom Rutter and Lewis Townsend. They had a log of 8-6-6-DNF and 25 points.

## Foster sailing leader

Looking to avoid any fickleness on the part of Mother Nature, the race committee overseeing the Men's North American Sailing Championships for the Mallory Cup altered its first day schedule at Eagle Mountain Lake Thursday.

And they got no complaints from the three-man Texas crew representing America's mid-section.

Thursday's gusts of wind, ranging from 20 to 30 knots, may have created unseasonably cool temperatures for the eight competing teams, but a Friday forecast calling for calmer conditions prompted the committee to up its opening day schedule from three to four races.

That's half of the eight races on tap for this round-robin regatta, which means Texas skipper Mark Foster and crewmen Chuck Wilk and Scott Young are half way home to the gold medals awarded the first place crew.

Depending on conditions, another three races were scheduled today. If they were to come off as planned, Saturday's agenda would conclude with just one race.

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# Texans drilling for Mallory Cup

By JOHN STURBIN  
Star-Telegram Writer

Mark Foster hasn't had much time this summer for sailing a Santana 20 or Coronado 15 or J-24.

Most of Foster's maneuvering has been logged inside an F-100, as in Ford pickup.

It's really not that bad a truck, Foster says, what with an AM radio and power steering. Foster puts anywhere from 4,000-5,000 miles a month on it in his job for an oil field service company based in his hometown of Corpus Christi.

"If you looked at my truck," he was saying Friday afternoon, "you'd see that I could probably live in it for four or five days. I've got food, a sleeping bag and a toothbrush in it."

That's because he's on call 24 hours for 15 days before getting three days off.

On those occasions he sleeps, perchance to dream of capturing the Mallory Cup, symbolic of the Men's North American Sailing Championship. And after seven installments of this eight-race round-robin affair at Eagle Mountain Lake, Foster and crewmen Chuck Wilk and Scott Young stand a half-point ahead of the competition going into Saturday's scheduled 10 a.m. finale.

The leading crew after Thursday's first four races with a low total of 11½ points, Foster's team logged finishes of 1-3-1 Friday for a cumulative score of 21 points.

They are in a cat-and-mouse chase with the crew skippered by Tom Meric Jr. of New Orleans. Meric and crewmen Preston Christman and Greg Sonnier had finishes of 3-1-4 Friday for 21½ points, in fact taking the series lead after the two morning races before the Texans scored their fourth victory in seven events during the afternoon.

Still within shouting distance is the crew skippered by William Ehrhorn of Westport, Conn., with 27 points. In fourth are the Golison brothers of Long Beach, Calif., with 27¾ points.

For his part, Foster is relieved to be at the end of his summer's sailing rainbow.

"That was my goal this year, to go to the Mallory Cup," he said. "That's all I wanted to do and something I decided I could take the time for."

Young, a Dallasite who looks like he just fell off the cover of *Yachting* magazine, saw Saturday's finale as a two-boat race.

"Merik's going to be the guy most in our minds," he said, "but if it's windy and flukey again, it's self-preservation."

That was the case Friday given the on-again, off-again winds. "Today's conditions were nothing like we've sailed in here before," Young said. "You could find yourself leading in one part of the race and in the tank in the next. That's where we were in the second race today. We got caught in a hole and couldn't get out of it. All they had to do was flush us."

"It gets to be like a chess game," Foster said. "As you do things, you can be all over the place. But there's a certain time (at the course markers) that everybody has to come together. So you play a chess game for position, and then it starts all over again."

"It's really evident out there that everybody can pull the chess moves."

And in case one is needed, Foster has an extra board and pieces in his pick-em-up truck.

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## Foster, crew give Texas another win in Mallory Cup

Texan Mark Foster and his crew didn't win the eighth and final race installment counting towards the Men's North American Sailing Championship Saturday morning at Eagle Mountain Lake.

Foster and Co., did, however, keep their wits about them to finish ahead of their only real competition — the crew skippered by Tom Meric Jr. of New Orleans — thus locking up the 30th Mallory Cup and returning it to Texas after a year's absence. The victory by Foster and crewmen Chuck Wilk and Scott Young marked the sixth time that the Cup has been won by representatives of the Texas Yachting Association, who have now garnered four of the last five regattas.

The Foster group took a one-half point lead into Saturday's final race of the round-robin series. Strategy-wise, all the Texans — Foster and Wilk are from Corpus Christi and Young from Dallas — had to do Saturday was finish ahead of Meric and his crew of Preston Christman and Greg Sonnier in a series determined by the low-point cumulative point total.

Foster steered home sixth in the field of eight Santana 20's provided by the host Fort Worth Boat Club, moving inside Meric's boat at the last marker and going onto a 15-second victory over the crew from the Southern Yacht Club. Meric, in fact, finished last when the boat skippered by Alan Ruiter of Red Bank, N.J., slipped into seventh place.

The Foster crew accumulated 27 points, while Meric compiled 29½ to finish third overall.

"It's always nice to win a major regatta," said Foster, who sails out of Corpus Christi Yacht Club. "I just like to win it to represent my club and get it back into things."

Foster's crew found itself pretty much out of things during the finale, placing no higher than fifth. Ap-

propriately it came down to a duel with Meric's crew, and with spinnaker flying, Foster maneuvered inside Meric at the last marker and kept him covered the final 1.5 miles to the finish.

The winners' log for the eight races read 1-1-4-6-1-8-1-6, a consistency Foster was looking for given the race format. "Everybody has to sail every boat once," Foster noted, "so if there's a 'dog' boat, everybody has to sail it. And the same thing if there's a 'star' boat. If you can sail consistently in every boat, you're going to come out on top."

Saturday's final race winners were Mark, Bruce and Jay Golison of Long Beach, Calif. Their second victory of the three-day series produced a cumulative score of 28½ points and second-place overall in the standings.

Following Meric's third-place overall effort was the boat skippered by William Ehrhorn, Westport, Conn., with Glenn Bemis and Ched Procter. They were fifth in Saturday's race and fourth overall at 32 points.

Fifth overall were Scott Ferguson, Jamestown, R.I., with John Alofsin and Ralph Kinder at 37 points after a fourth-place finish in the finale.

In sixth overall was Bill L. Buckles of Lorain, Ohio, and his crew of Nancy and John Mueller Jr. They had a second-place finish Saturday but a total of 43 points.

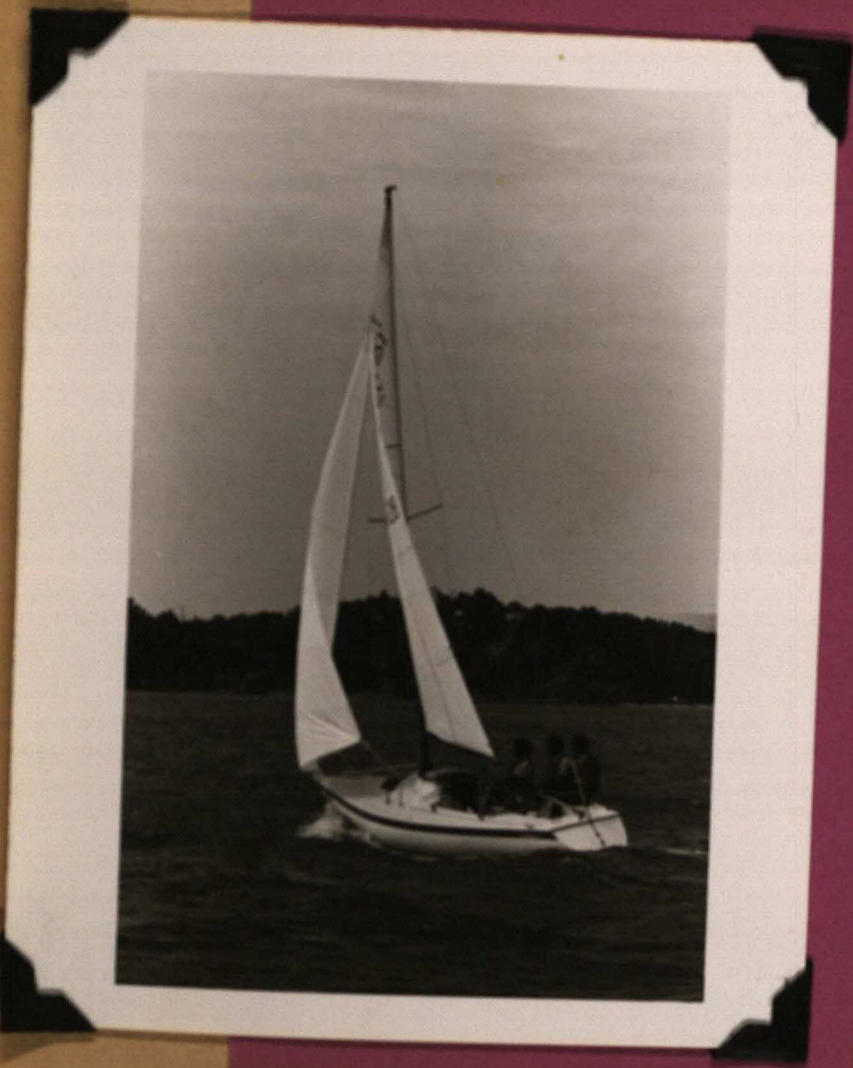
Seventh overall with 44 points after a seventh-place finish Saturday was Ruiter and crewmen James Kipp Heacock and Charles Thrower.

Derek De Couteau of Puyallup, Wash., and his crew of Tom Rutten and Lewis Townsend posted their best effort of the series in the finale, placing third. But they ended last in the series with a cumulative score of 49 points.

Next year's Mallory Cup will be hosted by the Indian Harbor Yacht Club, Greenwich, Conn.

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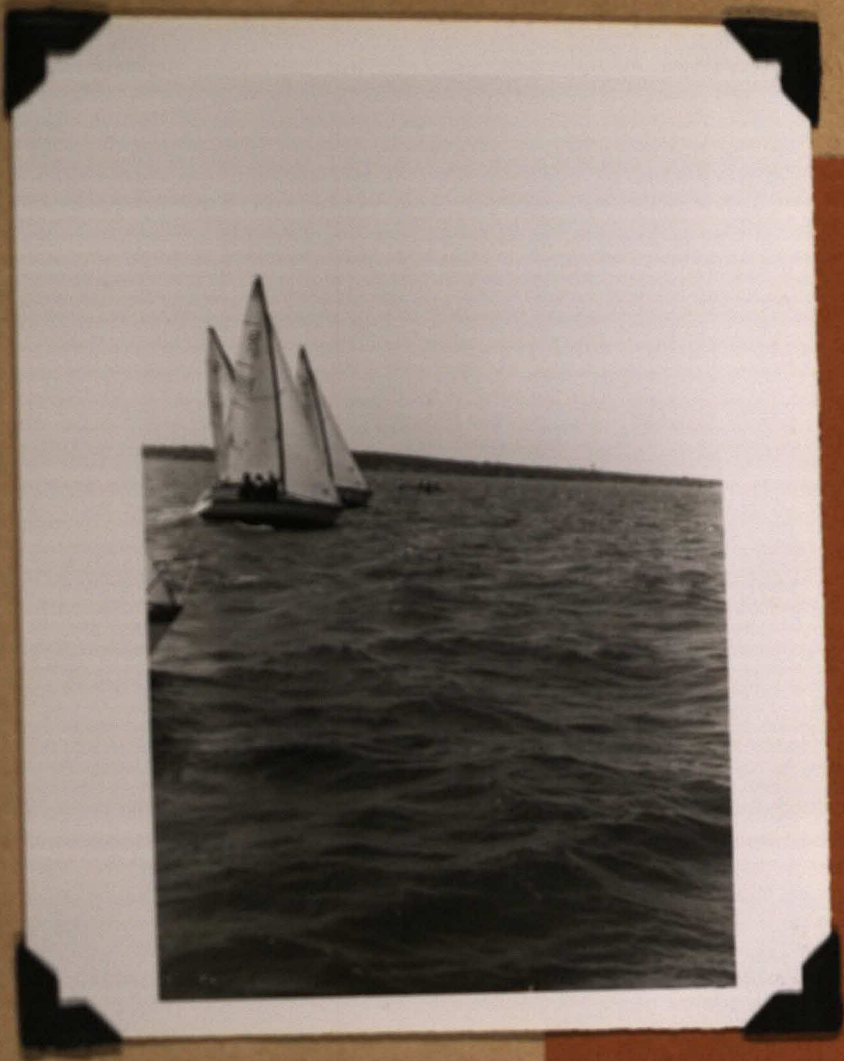


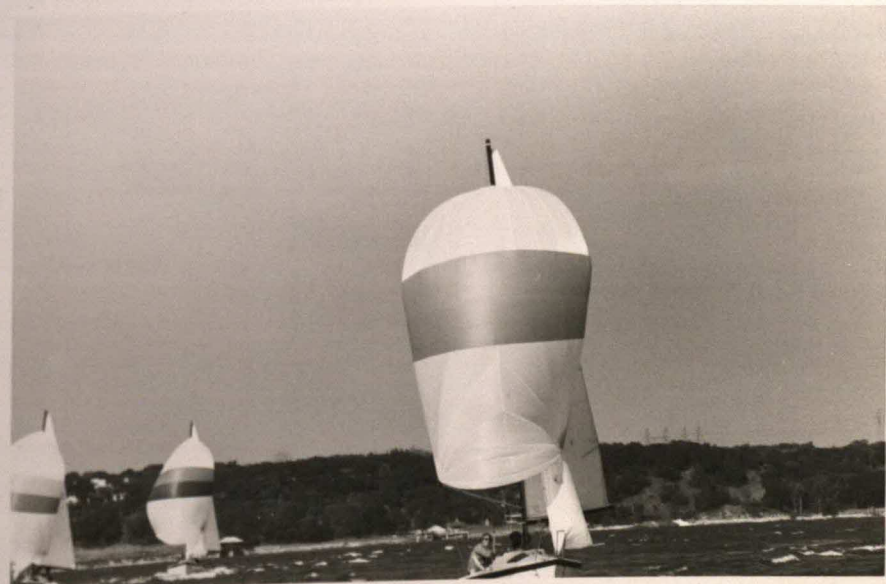


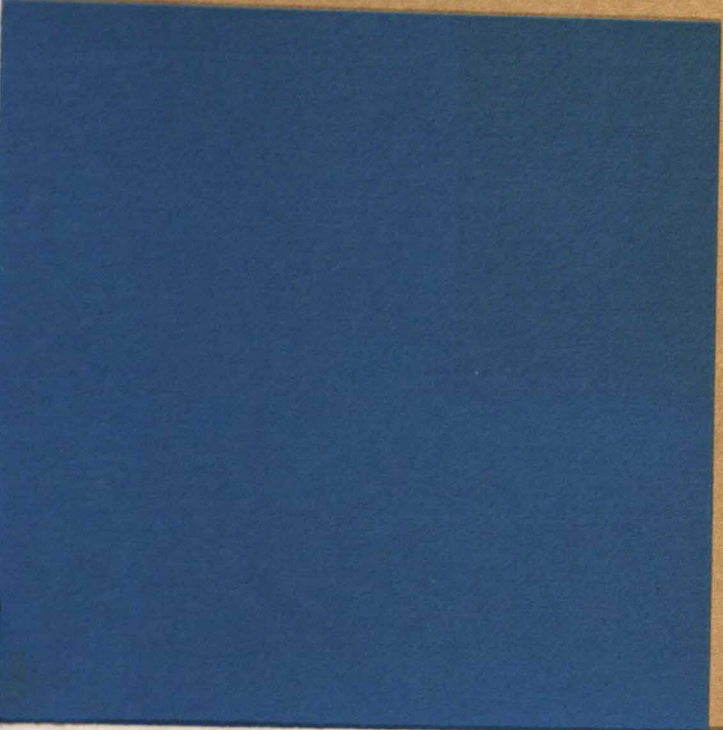


















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## FOSTER/WILK/YOUNG 1981 MALLORY CUP CHAMPIONS

FORT WORTH, TX (September 19, 1981)--Mark Foster and crew Chuck Wilk and Scott Young, of Corpus Christi, TX, won four out of eight races to capture the 1981 U.S. Sailing Championship for USYRU's Mallory Cup. The team from Corpus Christi Yacht Club represented the Texas Yachting Association and USYRU Area F, having earned a berth in the finals by winning elimination rounds at both those levels. Racing for the Cup, in Santana 20s, was hosted by Fort Worth BC on Eagle Mountain Lake.

Competition was stiff, with the top three teams posting overall scores within  $2\frac{1}{2}$  points of one another, and any of the top four could have won going into the finale. The start of the last, Olympic-course race saw the Area D crew of Tom Meric, Preston Christman and Greg Sonnier (New Orleans, LA) ahead of and tightly covering Foster/Wilk/Young, who had only a  $\frac{1}{2}$ -point advantage at that time. Feeling confident of his  $5\frac{1}{2}$ -point margin over the next closest team, Meric maintained a tight cover on Foster, the rest of the fleet notwithstanding. The Texans, needing only to cross the finish line ahead of New Orleans' Southern YC team to ensure the championship, fought back and finally eked out the advantage at the end of the last downwind leg by executing a better spinnaker takedown and gaining an inside overlap at the mark.

On the final, upwind leg Foster, now in seventh place, successfully held Meric off, and managed to pick up one more place for a sixth in race.

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Derek De Couteau  
Tom Rutten  
Lew Townsend  
Corinthian YC of Tacoma  
Pacific International YA

5-6-6-DNF-6-7-8-3

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His team's 1-1-4-6-1-8-1-6 record, for a total of 27 points, clinched the title. Meric's eighth-place finish dropped him back to a series third, one point behind a strong Area G team of Mark Golison and brothers Bruce and Jay, of Alamitos Bay YC, Long Beach, CA.

The success of Foster/Wilk/Young demonstrated the importance of depth within the crew. Wilk sailed on the winning 1981 Prince of Wales Bowl crew, and Young, a three-time collegiate all-American, crewed on the winning 1979 Mallory Cup team and skippered the 1980 third-place entry. The trio proved their competence over the three-day regatta in conditions from 5-10 knot shifty breezes to 15-25 knot winds gusting to 30.

Arlen Wheeler of the host club was general chairman for the event. Race Officer was Bill Shelton. Frank Shumway served as chief judge, along with jury members Willard Davis and Downie Muir. All three are USYRU Senior Certified Judges. Staton Peele is chairman of the U.S. Sailing Championship Committee.

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(complete results attached)

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1981 U.S. SAILING CHAMPIONSHIP (MALLORY CUP)

<u>Place</u>	<u>USYRU Area</u>	<u>Skipper/Crew/ Yacht Club/YRA</u>	<u>Finishing Positions</u>	<u>Points</u>
1	F	Mark Foster Chuck Wilk Scott Young Corpus Christi YC Texas YA	1-1-4-6-1-8-1-6	27
2	G	Mark Golison Bruce Golison Jay Golison Alamitos Bay YC YRU of Southern Calif.	DNS-2-2-1-4-4-7-1	28½
3	D	Tom Meric Preston Christman Greg Sonnier Southern YC Gulf YA	2-4-1-7-3-1-4-8	29½
4	B	Bill Ehrhorn Glenn Bemus Ched Proctor Cedar Point YC YRA of Long Island Sound	3-DNF-8-2-2-2-2-5	32
5	A	Scott Ferguson John Alofsin Ralph Kinder Conanicut YC Narragansett Bay YA	4-3-3-5-8-5-5-4	37
6	E	Bill Buckles Tom Purdy Jack Mueller Cleveland YC Inter-Lake YA	DNS-WD-5-3-5-6-6-2	43
7	C	Alan Ruitter Kipp Heacock Charlie Thrower Metedeconk River YC Barnegat Bay YRA	DNS-5-7-4-7-3-3-7	44
8	H	Derek De Couteau Tom Rutten Lew Townsend Corinthian YC of Tacoma Pacific International YA	5-6-6-DNF-6-7-8-3	49



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3438 Overcreek Road  
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Mr. Arlen Wheeler  
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Dear Arlen,

Hosting a National Sailing Championship Regatta has to be one of the most challenging and demanding events a Yacht Club undertakes, unless of course, a Yacht Club has the wherewithal to conduct a World Championship such as Fort Worth Boat Club did in 1980. In any event, to conduct such a regatta in an exemplar manner has to be one of the most rewarding experiences a Yacht Club can achieve.

The Fort Worth Boat Club in hosting the Mallory Cup Championship in 1981 proved again to yachtsmen everywhere that you have the expertise and the skill to conduct regattas at the highest level of proficiency.

Many things go into making a great regatta. First and foremost is the Race Committee performance. Bill Shelton and his associates did a truly outstanding job in setting courses, adapting to wind and weather conditions, changing marks, and all the other myriad of details, in order to provide the sailors with championship caliber racing with equity to all. Running a close second was the great concern shown for the skippers, crews and guests by the members of Fort Worth Boat Club. The hospitality was genuine, the housing was wonderful, the food was great and the social functions fantastic. Where but at FWBC could you have bar-be-cue on the lawn, a Western Band, dancing, a mechanical bull and a Chinese Junk sailing by in the moonlight as a back-drop!

I shall not even attempt to cite the names of the many, many number of FWBC who helped make the Mallory Finals a great success for fear of an omission, but to each and every one I extend my personal thanks.

On behalf of USYRU, the Mallory Committee, Contestants and Guests, I compliment and thank Fort

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Worth Boat Club for hosting the 1981 Mallory Finals  
and extend a genuine Well Done.

Most Sincerely,



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