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To get you to the podium.



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From the President

By Bridget Ireland, Interlake #952



Greetings Interlake Sailors!

It's hard to believe the 2022 Interlake sailing season has officially come to an end. As we have our boats packed up and tucked away for the winter, we can recap this year with some great sailing memories on and off the water.

While this is the offseason for sailing, behind the scenes there is a lot going on. Grand Traverse Yacht Club is already working hard to prepare for hosting the 2023 nationals. With our Interlake molds now at our new boat builder, Beacon Composites, we can look forward to the launching of new Interlake's and parts. To top off more exciting news, the website committee has been busy building a new class website. We look forward to keeping the class up to speed on all the news in the upcoming Intercoms.



SAVE THE DATES 2023

INTERLAKE MIDWINTERS – MARCH 10-12
FIREBALL AND FRIENDS REGATTA
DAVIS ISLAND YACHT CLUB, FL

INTERLAKE NATIONALS – JULY 29 - AUG 1
WOMEN'S & JUNIORS - JULY 29
CHAMPIONS & CHALLENGERS – JULY 30 - AUG 1
GRAND TRAVERSE YACHT CLUB, MI

One Design Class Committee launches tracking survey



October 2022

In an effort to further serve the US sailing community, US Sailing has released the second-ever One Design Survey. Members of all one design classes are encouraged to give their feedback to help US Sailing support one design sailing. "Our aim is to help the individuals, classes and fleets that make up the fabric of our sport thrive and prosper," said Chris Snow, Chair of the One Design Committee. "We're getting away from anecdotal discussions of what is happening with our sport and trying and measure the amount of participation in more definite terms.

The survey closes on December 6th, and results will be compiled to see trends in the American one design community, with a report released by US Sailing. All answers are 100% confidential. The survey results will be presented at the 2023 US Sailing Leadership Forum in February.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/76W8FDY>

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Interlakers and college sailors from Indiana U and Purdue at Indy

Photo by Lisa Aspery

Class News

Hot-to-Trot Regatta

Portage YC, Pinckney, MI

August 20, 2022

By Clark Chapin, Interlake #1317

Jeff Clark and Tim Cullinen of Hoover Sailing Club in Columbus, OH bested a fleet of nine Interlakers from Ohio and Michigan on August 20, at the annual Hot-to-Trot Regatta on Portage Lake.

Although skies were overcast for the entire day, the rain held off (mostly) until after the boats were back on shore.

Jeff battled Rick and Elliot Lyons all afternoon: neither boat finished worse than third in any of the five races and they finished with a difference of a single point. Bill O'Donnel and Brian Hawkins rounded out the podium finishes.



Jeff Clark #1370 leads Clark Chapin #1317, Tyler Cathey #1341, and Tom Wills #1372 off the starting line during the 2022 Hot-to-Trot Regatta. Photo by Jack White

Interlake newcomer Nicholas Schmitt from Hoover SC in Columbus, sailing with two rookie crewmembers (Ashley and Tammi Stafford) were in the boat formerly owned by Todd and Wendy Willford. It was Nicholas' first traveling regatta and a baptism by fire for Ashley and Tammi, but they enjoyed themselves in the afternoon's racing.

Rank	Skipper / Crew	Club	Sail #	Points	1	2	3	4	5
1	Jeff Clark Tim Cullenen	Hoover SC	1370	5.5	1	(2)	2	1	2
2	Rick Lyons Elliot Lyons	Portage YC	1189	6.5	2	(3)	1	3	1
3	Bill O'Donnel Brian Hawkins	Portage YC	972	9.75	3	1	(4)	2	4
4	Clark Chapin Chuck White	Portage YC	1317	17	5	(7)	3	4	5
5	Tom Marriott Tim Marriott	Jolly Roger SC	909	19	(6)	5	5	6	3
6	Brook Smith Greg Marion	Portage YC	1380	21	4	(6)	6	5	6
7	Tom Wills Sue Wills	Mohican SC	1372	26	7	4	(DNF)	8	7
8	Marc Gleichert Amy Gleichert Bothner	Portage YC	1282	30	8	(9)	7	7	8
9	Nicholas Schmitt Ashley & Tammi Stafford	Hoover SC	1109	36	(DNF)	DNS	8	9	9
10	Tyler Cathey Felicia Cathey	Portage YC	1341	39	9	8	(DNF)	DNC	DNC

Great North Regatta
 Grand Traverse YC, Traverse City, MI
 September 17-18, 2022
 Notes provided by Sue Wills, Interlake #1372



Sailors	Sail #	Club/Org	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	Total
1	Jeff Jones Ryan Clulo	1320 Hoover	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	8
2	Jeff Clark Tim Cullenen Tyler Winowiecki	1370 Hoover	3	1	2	2	5	5	2	20
3	Jon Forton Rob Lovell	1269 GTYC	4	4	7	3	3	2	6	29
4	William Sanderson Ben and Liz Terrien	1433 Mohican	5	6	4	5	2	3	4	29
5	Jeff Bodie	1229 GTYC	2	5	5	4	4	7	5	32
6	Jim Menzies	1363 GTYC	7	3	3	6	6	6	3	34
7	Thomas Wills Sue Wills	1372 Mohican	6	9	6	7	8	8	8	52
8	Bruce Moore Sam Mansfield	1417 GTYC	8	7	DNS	9	7	4	7	53
9	Nicholas Schmitt Kathleen Fast	1109 Hoover	10	10	8	8	9	9	DNS	65
10	Tim Smith	1290 GTYC	9	8	9	10	10	DNF	9	66

We sailed the Hot-to-Trot Regatta, then went to Traverse City and spent the week there and sailed the Great North Regatta before heading home.

The regatta was fun. One neat thing - on the second day, Inland Seas (77' schooner) 'parked' near the windward mark during the 2nd race. She stayed there observing the race until we finished, then she hoisted her sails and headed on her way.

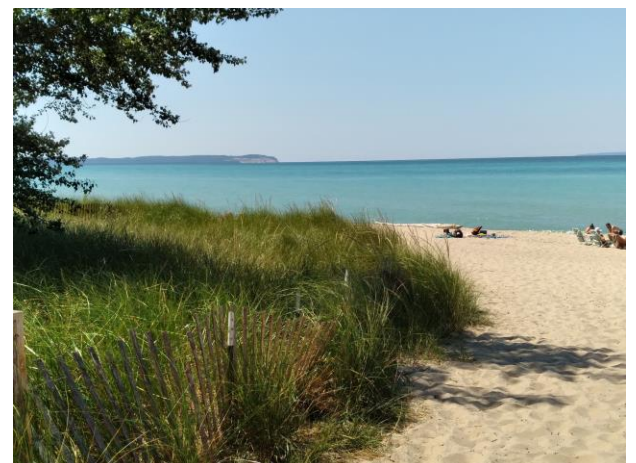
DNS, DNF = 11



2023 Nationals at GTYC

July 29 to August 1, 2023

There are all kinds of things to do in northern Michigan. Plan to come early or stay after Nationals and make a vacation of it!





The SSC One Design Regatta was sailed on September 17 & 18. There were (9) J-24's on the course in the West Bay, (9) Thistles, and (8) Interlakes in the East Bay. Thanks to all the participants and volunteers that made this a great event.

I heard thru the grapevine that we will have a new Interlaker sailing # 1242. RC Jason Huffman and Mike Muhn have come to an agreement. See you on the course in 2023 Jason.

	Sailors	Sail	Club/Org	Net	Total	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6
1	Betsy Bradley	1332	NCYC	6	9	[3]	1	2	1	1	1
	Bob Bradley										
2	James Keane	234	Sandusky	14	19	2	4	[5]	2	4	2
	Charles Vanderhorst										
3	Maddie Grant	1371	Sandusky	17	22	[5]	5	3	3	2	4
	Pete Grant, Paula Grant										
4	Philip Montgomery	1338	Sandusky	18	24	4	[6]	4	4	3	3
	Cassady Montgomery										
5	Brad Huntley	1399	Sandusky	22	31	1	2	1	[DNC - 9]	DNC - 9	DNC - 9
	Denny Butts										
6	Thomas Wills	1372	Mohican	25	32	[7]	3	7	5	5	5
	Sue Wills, Pete Wills										
7	John Schwartz	473	Sandusky	30	37	6	[7]	6	6	6	6
	Carolyn Zettler										
8	James Von Tesmar	360	Redbrook	42	51	8	8	8	[DNF - 9]	DNC - 9	DNC - 9

What Did We Name Our Boats in 2022? BoatUS Top 10 Boat Names List:

Buh bye to 'Social Distancing'

SPRINGFIELD, Va., Nov. 8, 2022 -- Now that recreational boating is coming to a close in much of the country, BoatUS takes a look back at the [Top 10 boat names](#) ordered this season through its online [boat graphics](#) service and provides some commentary.

1. **Andiamo:** Meaning "let's go / we go / come on" in Italian, *Andiamo* remains in the No. 1 spot from last year's list. It's also a happy refrain heard from the person behind the helm as they put the throttle down and head to open waters.
2. **Osprey:** This year marked the premiere of *Osprey*, having never before made the top 10. In a unique twist, *Osprey* bumped last year's No. 2 boat name, *Social Distancing*, completely off the list. 'Nuff said, right?
3. **Serenity:** This No. 3 name is so popular it has made the top 10 seven times since 2010, tying the record with *Second Wind*. Yep, you guessed it – both are popular with sailboat owners.
4. **Encore:** Also a newcomer to the top 10 this year, *Encore* may be the boat name of choice for an entertainer. Or, it could indicate the "next" boat – either satisfying the 3-foot-itis or scaling down, or maybe even coming back to boat owning after a hiatus.

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Place	Skipper	Crew	Club	Hull	R1	R2	R3	R4	Total
1	Steve Aspery	Dave Aspery	Hoover SC	1435	1	1	1	1	4
2	Bill Regan	Drew Regan	Mohican SC	1355	3	4	4	2	13
3	Jeff Clark	Tim Cullenen & Seth Metcalf	Hoover SC	1370	4	2	3	4	13
4	Bill Sanderson	Julie Senff	Mohican SC	1433	2	5	6	3	16
5	Tom Wills	Sue Wills	Mohican SC	1372	7	3	2	6	18
6	David Gall	Julie Gall	Portage Lake YC	1361	6	9	5	7	27
7	Don Bacharowski	Diana Kuiper	Hoover SC	1360	5	7	9	9	30
8	Nick Schmitt	Kathleen Fast	Hoover SC	1109	9	6	7	8	30
9	Stewart FitzGibbon	Mark Gustafson	Mohican SC	1316	8	8	8	7	31

I would like to extend a big thank you to all the sailors who came out to Mohican for this year's Haphazard Regatta. It's always good to get together with our fellow Interlakers and Sue and I enjoy the opportunity to share Mohican hospitality with our fellow sailors as much as we enjoy taking part in the hospitality offered by the clubs at every regatta we've attended in the past several years.

In all we had 9 boats for this year's Haphazard, 4 from Mohican, 4 from Hoover, and one from Portage Lakes in Akron. Mohican was represented by Bill Sanderson, Bill Regan, Stewart Fitzgibbon, and Tom Wills. Hoover was represented by Steve Aspery, Don Bacharowski, Jeff Clark, and Nick Schmitt. Portage was represented by Dave Gall.

Winds were variable from the south and ranged from entertaining (8-10 mph) for the first 3 races to barely a whisper by the second half of the 4th race. Perhaps we should have been content with just 3 races. Wind direction was just variable enough that most every boat was able to ride a stray gust now and then and play it to their advantage. Even a blind squirrel finds a nut once in a while. At the end of the day top honors went to Steve Aspery from Hoover along with his son Dave as crew as they took a first-place finish in each of the 4 races. Best wishes to Dave as he spends the next 6 months in Antarctica.

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5. **Zephyr:** Last appearing on the top 10 in 2010, sailors will welcome this reference to a gentle breeze back to the list.
6. **Second Wind:** Is this boat named for a new chapter in life or achievement? A comeback? A new strength? We'll never know for sure, but gosh is it perennially popular.
7. **Adventure:** A boat with this name is usually out of the slip every weekend putting miles of water under the keel.
8. **Knot on Call:** This boat name serves as a notice that on-the-water time can't be tampered with. Of unique importance, the owner of this boat can silence their cellphone ring in just under two seconds.
9. **Shenanigans:** Quit fooling around. *Shenanigans* are a part of every boating culture.
10. **Grace:** In its fourth appearance on the top 10 boat names list since 2010, *Grace* likely holds deep meaning for vessels with beautiful lines or for those that navigate with finesse. This is the one boat in the marina that also makes docking look easy.

For a look at all of the BoatUS Top 10 Boat Names lists over the years, go to [BoatUS.com/BoatNames](https://www.boat-us.com/BoatNames). The BoatUS Graphics service offers an online design tool that allows you to easily create custom boat graphics with fast turnaround times. BoatUS also offers simple step-by-step video instructions on how to install your new graphics yourself.

2022 Poltergeist Regatta

Indianapolis SC, Indianapolis, IN

October 1-2, 2022

By Joe Novak, Fleet Captain, Interlake #1270



Fleet #28 hosted its annual Poltergeist Regatta on October 1-2. The regatta was attended by only 4 Interlakes with 3 from visiting clubs this year. Strong winds discouraged a couple local skippers.

The weather was dry with temperatures comfortably peaking in the low 70's. The winds were strong both days, sustained 15-20 mph with gusts to 24 mph. The overcast sky and mild temperatures kept away the powerboats and combined with the small lake all still enjoyed relatively flat water. The course was windward / leeward, 2 laps with a windward finish. We completed 4 races on Saturday and 2 races on Sunday.

This year we joined forces with a college rivalry regatta, the Old Oaken Rudder regatta. This traditional rivalry between Purdue and Indiana universities is a spin-off of the nearly 100-year annual event between the respective football teams. It made for some additional fun on the water and in the clubhouse. The college teams used 6 club owned boats and rotated sailors from a separate pontoon from the RC. A shorter course was provided for the college teams to keep the flow of the event smooth.

Saturday night, the competitors enjoyed our traditional smoked Pork Chop dinner, dessert and drinks. Evening weather was ideal for our bonfire.

As the boats were being put away Sunday, a hot chili lunch was being prepared. During lunch, trophies were presented to the top three competitors and their crew. Steve Aspery, Poltergeist defending champion, and crew Don Bacharowski, Nick Staehler/Matt Stahl won the regatta.

The clubhouse, grounds and docks were in great shape and the hospitality warm. We missed all those who could not make it this year and hope to see more attendance next year!



Back: Don, Matt, Thane, Hans, Mark, Roz
Front: Dan, Jeff, Tim, Steve, Joe

Rank	Boat #	Skipper	Crew	Club	R 1	R 2	R 3	R 4	R 5	R 6	Score
1	1435	Steve Aspery	Don Bacharowski, Nick Staehler / Matt Stahl	Hoover	1	1	(2)	2	1	1	6
2	1370	Jeff Clark	Tim Cullenen, Dan Hickman	Hoover	(3)	2	1	1	2	2	8
3	1420	Thane Morgan	Ros Lim, Mark Saalmuller	Indy	2	3	(4)	4	3	3	15
4	1372	Tom Wills	Sue Wills, Kyle Wills	Mohican	4	4	3	3	4	(DNC)	18

56th Annual NCYC Blow-out

North Cape YC, Indianapolis, IN
October 8, 2022

By Craig Koschalk, Fleet Captain

Place	Skipper	Crew	R 1	R 2	Total
1	Tom Marriott	Martin Howell	1	2	3
2	Jeff Clark	Tim Cullenen, Dan Hickman	3	1	4
3	Bob Bradley	Betsey Bradley, Colleen Mooney	2	3	5
4	Dan Synoweic	Dianna and Elliot Synoweic	4	4	8

October is always a challenging month for fall sailing on Lake Erie. Last year we ghosted through three races on a warm sunny day with a building easterly, this year became quite the opposite. While it was still sunny, it was definitely not warm. Temps were lingering in the low to mid 40's as competitors rigged up for the day of sailing. It was the first time in quite a while that I remember hearing people talk about how cold their hands were from just putting the mast up!

12 Thistles and 4 Interlakes hit the water for the 11AM warning. The goal was to attempt at least 2 races before the wind built to the forecasted 15-25 mph by 2:30 pm. The wind was 8-10 from S-SW around 240 and surprisingly volatile - huge shifts and big changes in velocity through race one. My team was on the Thistle for this weekend, but I heard from some of the Interlake competitors the first race shaped up about the same as ours did. The leaders were in position fairly early in the race and competitors pretty much maintained their spots through the entire race. Race one was won by Columbus' very own Jeff Clark and Team R (Tim Cullenen and Dan Hickman), followed by Tom Marriot with Martin Howell, Bob Bradley with Betsy Bradley and Colleen Mooney, and the Synowiec crew of Dan, Dianna and their son Elliot - who also learned how to jump start a car that very morning. The second race saw the

wind shift significantly to the right before the start of the Thistles. It pretty much stayed right of course, with some oscillations each beat. Puffs were really starting to roll in and the median wind speed was increasing as well. From what I am told, the downwind finish for both fleets was borderline photo finishes, with the ability for any of the three lead boats to claim the overall victory within the last few boat lengths to the finish line. Honors for the second race belonged to Tom and Martin, followed by Bob, Betsy, Colleen, Team R, and the Synowiecs.

The third race was actually back to the docks, as by now the breeze was a solid 15-18 with puffs in the low 20's. Everyone landed safely on their trailers and made their way to the famous NCYC bar and Betsy's warm and delicious shredded turkey sandwiches. Overall honors went to Tom Marriott and Martin Howell with a 1-2, Team R 1 point behind with a 1-3, Bob, Betsy, and Colleen 3-2 for third, and the family boat with a 4-4 but stated they won because they had more fun than anyone else on the water.

John and Judy have run this regatta for 56 years. I know he would love to see more boats on the line for both fleets, but as John says at the end of awards every year- "As long as you all keep showing up, I will keep running races."

2022 Snowball Regatta

Buckeye Lake YC,
Buckeye Lake, OH
October 8, 2022

Info provided by Steve Harris and Sue Wills, photo provided by Cara Sanderson Bown

Pos	Sail	Skipper	Crew	Club	R 1	R 2	R 3	R 4	Total
1	1370	Jeff Clark	Dan Hickman, Seth Metcalf	Hoover SC	1	1	1	1	4
2	1372	Thomas Wills	Sue Wills	Mohican SC	2	2	2	2	8
3	1109	Nicholas Schmitt	Kate Harris	Hoover SC	3	3	3	3	12



Cara (had boat issues, didn't sail), Dan, Seth, Jeff, Sue, Tom, Nicholas, Kate

Eight Bells – George Newell

From Mike Mirarchi, Interlake Fleet Captain at Leatherlips YC:

George and Esther were, of course, fixtures at LYC. George ran Race Committee for the very first Chief's Regatta back in 1968 and was an active Interlake sailor well into his 80's. Esther worked the Chief's registration table for decades and could often be found holding down the southeast corner of the LYC porch.

George was a past LYC commodore and served for years as Interlake fleet captain for Fleet 23. Before settling on the Interlake - George's boat was "Ol' Red" - he also sailed OK Dinghys and Comets.

George Newell, age 94, of Columbus, Ohio, died Sept. 5, 2022. He was born February 22, 1928, son of Zenas and Anna Newell. George was raised in Ohio: Magnetic Springs, Richwood, Rockford, Evansport, Higginsport, and St. Marys.

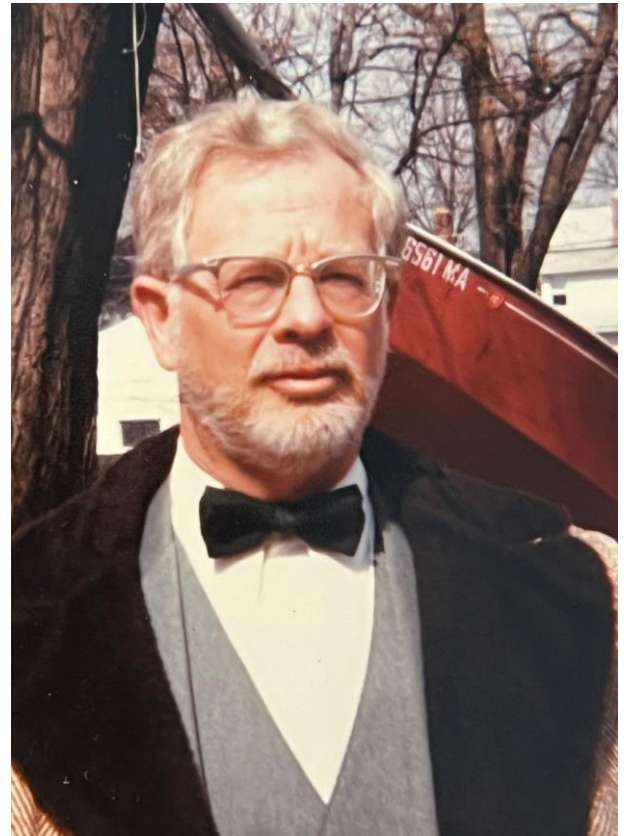
George earned his civil engineering degree from Ohio State University. He monitored stream pollution and industrial waste for the Ohio Department of Health.

At First Community Church, George met and married Esther. They took part in the Couples Circle, Men's Breakfast, Trading Post Resale Shop, and Heart-to-Heart food bank.

George designed Cleveland sewers and Burgess and Niple projects, taught sewage plant operation at Columbus Technical Institute, then managed the Columbus Southerly Sewage Plant. George managed the Columbus Industrial Waste Water Surveillance Laboratory and helped design the Columbus Wastewater Treatment Plant.

His joy was sailboat racing at Leatherlips Yacht Club, always competitive with moderate success. He raced Interlake, Comet, and OK Dinghy class boats, while Esther spectated.

His ashes will join those of Esther at First Community Church. George is survived by daughter Amy (Peter) Huston, and step-grandsons Miles(fiancé Jenna)Huston and Kyle(Aleen)Huston. Memorial contributions may be made to FCC Heart-to-Heart food bank, or the LYC sewer fund.



Civil Engineer George Newell wintering with "Old Red"



Crew Jessikah Kayser, George Newell sitting on Old Red, Son-in-law & Boat Maintenance Assistant Peter Huston, First Mate Esther Newell at Leatherlips.

Photos provided by George's daughter Amy

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Classified Ads: *older ads and some photos on website*

Interlake 1012 – This boat has had only three owners. The original owner purchased the boat new in 1974 and then left it to his son. They sailed it about one week a year in northern Michigan and stored it indoors for the remainder of the time. I purchased the boat in 2021 and have sailed it 4 times.

The boat, trailer and sails (jib and main) are original and in very good condition. There are a few minor scratches on the hull at the center of the boat and the trailer needs to be painted but is in perfectly serviceable condition. Call 419-654-0142 or email ebeale@duketarchitects.com with any offers or questions. Asking \$3500.00. The boat and I are in Maumee, Ohio.

Interlake 933 - stored in a barn for the past 10 years. It is a fine boat, very solid, race rigged, and features the seat design. The rigging can accommodate any of the current sail manufacturers, and modification of the controls to suit the new owner can be easily accomplished. The centerboard trunk has been cut down, sanded, and painted; bailers installed, and a new lifting bridle assembled. It has a pop-up rudder and 3 suits of sails. The sails are in good shape, although they are old. Newer sails could be negotiated. The trailer is galvanized, in excellent shape with a new spare tire. The boat can be seen in Akron or Mohican Sailing Club. Asking \$2900. Bill Sanderson 330 388 9894.

Interlake 671 – 1968, in project condition. Balsa core in floor lamination was wet and rotten. Inside floor skin has been removed, along with the balsa core. Centerboard trunk has been repaired at centerboard pivot. New balsa core material, fiberglass cloth, and epoxy are available. Deck is solid and dry. Standing rigging is complete and in good condition, running rigging is mostly missing. Two sets of older sails are included. Price \$500 o.b.o. Contact andrewhyde83@gmail.com.

Interlake 608 - Cut down centerboard trunk, flotation, and Harken gear. Comes with two rudders, two centerboards, three sets of sails, two sailor tailor covers, furling jib, trailer, and more. Asking \$1,100. Contact Matt Aumann: aumannmr@gmail.com; 513-315-9826.

Interlake 366 - AND sails, \$450. Price includes boat, mast, boom, custom-built traveler, spinnaker pole, sling for launching the boat with a hoist, rudder & tiller, canvas cover, rigging, mainsail, jib and spinnaker. Full height centerboard trunk, floor boards, wide deck, Styrofoam block removable flotation. Harken hardware. Sails are in great condition for day sailing. Located in the Sandusky, Ohio area. Photos available upon request. Contact Nancy Buderer at nancybuderer@gmail.com

Interlake 360 - Good condition. Jib, Main, Spinnaker. 2 Spinnaker Poles. Trailer. New Life Jackets. Running Lights. Anchor. Paddles. Lines. Electric Trolling Motor w/Battery: \$1200 Jim von Tesmar, 440-983-7344, jvont15@hotmail.com

Interlake Classic from 1939 - Looking to sell an 18' wooden Interlake sailboat that has been fully restored to excellent condition, along with the outboard motor and trailer. Marleen Matson ... memknit@hotmail.com

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