

# BUILD THE

# LIGHTNING

# OF CHAMPIONS

This year a Nickels & Holman Lightning made a clean sweep of the two most important regattas sanctioned by the Lightning Class Association by winning both the International and Mid-Winter Championships! In fact, five out of the first seven boats in the Internationals were built by Nickels & Holman.

This is a climax in an outstanding record that began back in 1947 when Nickels & Holman built their first Lightning, No. 1565. She won more than her share of regatta trophies and still is a respected contender in her home fleet. These winning traits have been inherited by her sister boats. Nickels & Holman Lightnings have won four International and four Mid-Winter Championships in the last ten years, as well as innumerable district and fleet regattas.

Such a record is no accident. Nickels & Holman boats are lofted with utmost precision to the strict specifications of the Lightning Class Association. Then master boat-builders, using carefully selected materials, transform these lines into outstanding racing boats that are rugged in construction, yet light in weight.

Building complete boats that are ready to win has been Nickels & Holman's main activity. It will continue to be so. However, in recent years more and more skippers with a yen to win, but with limited funds, have asked for Lightnings in kit form. They, too, want winning boats, but at minimum expense.

**THESE KITS ARE NOW AVAILABLE!** The kits are designed from lofting lines that have made Nickels & Holman Lightnings the standard of fast boats. Frames are cut from templates to insure uniformity and accuracy. All parts are of the same carefully selected materials that have made all Nickels & Holman boats Lightnings of quality. Complete assembling instructions are also included.

Purchase a Nickels & Holman Lightning kit. You save the cost of the labor that goes into the construction of a completed boat and still have a Lightning of Nickels & Holman specifications.

On the following pages are descriptions of the various kits available. Select the one best suited to your needs and order now. By so doing next season can find you at the tiller of a new Nickels & Holman Lightning — over the years the boat of champions!

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## NO. 1 - COMPLETE KIT

This kit contains all the parts necessary to build a Nickels & Holman Lightning that will weigh approximately 700 pounds when finished. Because the parts are pre-cut the need for expensive woodworking tools is eliminated. Common hand tools are all that are required.

Wooden pieces are of mahogany, cedar or spruce, personally selected by Nickels & Holman. All fittings, hardware and fastenings are either of stainless steel, brass, or laminated fiber, especially designed for marine use. Complete instructions are also included to guide you through all steps of construction.

(The contents of this kit is made up of kits No. 2 through No. 6)

PRICE, CRATED FOR SHIPMENT..... \$1,095.00

The following items, although not included in any of the kits, are also available from Nickels & Holman:

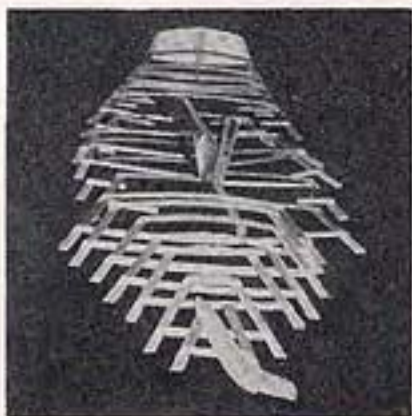
Mainsail and Jib of dacron .....	\$250.00
Spinnaker, nylon .....	\$125.00
Dacron Yacht braid line: .....	1/4"—10c per foot; 5/16"—15c per foot
Boat Trailer, designed especially for Lightnings.....	\$275.00

## NO. 2 - FRAME KIT

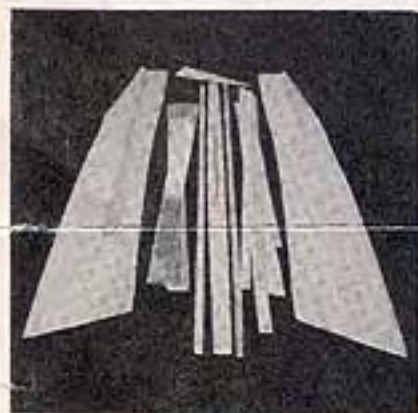
This kit contains the 17 frames needed to build a Lightning. Each is assembled with bottom and side frames, seat braces and deck beams in place. Side frames and deck beams are cedar, bottom frame and seat braces, mahogany. All are cut to the proper fairing angles, with side frames of correct length to fit the building frame. The stem and transom are mahogany. The stem is cut to the approximate fairing angle — the transom cheek-blocked as necessary.

Also included is the unusually rigid Nickels & Holman centerboard trunk. The logs are of mahogany and extend forward of the trunk, forming the mast step. This makes an extremely rugged backbone from frame No. 3 to frame No. 7. Braces extend from the forward end of the trunk to the deck. Brackets for the seat braces are already in place. The centerboard pivot hole is drilled and the trunk primed on the inside with three coats of copper-bronze hard racing finish bottom paint.

PRICE, CRATED FOR SHIPMENT ..... \$235.00



Kit 2



Kit 3

## NO. 3 - PLANKING KIT

We strongly recommend a double planked bottom for the amateur builder. It is easier to assemble since the planks are thinner and will go into place easier. It makes a hull that is dry yet needs no caulking. The boat can be sailed "wet or dry." This kit contains the necessary pieces to plank the sides and double plank bottom. The inner bottom planking is of 5/16" cedar and outer planking of 3/8" cedar. Sides are of 5/8" cedar, hard glued into one panel per side. The keel is of mahogany, shaped, with centerboard slot cut. Chines and skeg are also of mahogany, with chines shaped to the approximate fairing angle.

PRICE, CRATED FOR SHIPMENT ..... \$191.00

## NO. 4 - DECK KIT

This includes deck planks of 7/16" tongue and grooved cedar or 5/16" plywood cut to fit. Other parts are: material for mast partners, breast hook, cockpit stringers and diagonals, and full width, one piece canvas for the deck.

PRICE, CRATED FOR SHIPMENT ..... \$100.00



Kit 4

**TERMS:** Cash with order or 30% with order and balance C.O.D. All prices F.O.B., Fenton, Michigan. Material will be sent shipping charges collect. Prices subject to change without notice.

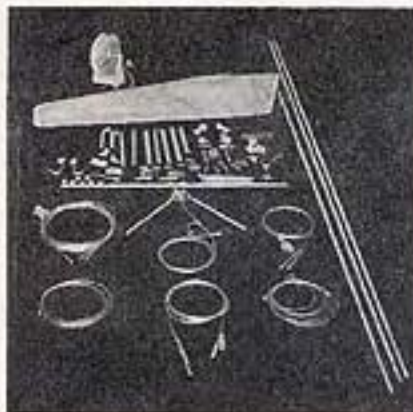
### NO. 5 — SEAT & TRIM KIT

Includes mahogany to make the vee coaming, cockpit trim, seats, rudder and rub-rails. The kit also contains cedar for floorboards, spruce spinnaker pole material and a laminated tiller.

PRICE, CRATED FOR SHIPMENT ..... \$115.00



Kit 5



Kit 6

### NO. 6 — MAST & HARDWARE KIT

Most amateur builders pay the long dollar for screws and hardware because they buy in broken lots. Nickels & Holman, by purchasing these items in large quantities, are able to offer this kit at a price that is less than most people can duplicate locally.

This kit contains a complete, unriggered, Nickels & Holman mast, unplated centerboard, centerboard winch, and all the necessary mast and hull hardware, screws and bolts to assemble the boat and put it in sailing trim.

PRICE OF COMPLETE KIT, CRATED FOR SHIPMENT .....	\$530.00
Mast only .....	\$110.00
Centerboard only .....	\$ 40.00

## OR, IF YOU PREFER . . .

Place your order now for the complete, beautifully finished, Nickels & Holman Lightning. The boat is lofted from the same lines as the 1959 International Champion. To insure exactness, frames are cut to the same templates that were used to build this championship boat. The hull is hard glued and single planked of cedar. Bottom and topsides are painted with five coats of yacht racing finish, deck with three coats of yacht deck paint. Owner's choice of colors. Hull interior, transom, rubrails, spars, coaming and rudder are finished with three coats of marine spar varnish. Running rigging of manila. The fittings are of stainless steel, brass, or laminated fiber, carefully chosen and especially located for ease of handling whether racing or pleasure sailing.

COMPLETE BOAT, LESS SAILS ..... \$1,795.00



# RACING RECORD

1950	Internationals	1st & 2nd	Mardi Gras	1st	Michigan District	1st, 2nd, 3rd
	President's Cup	2nd	Conn. District	3rd & 5th	Higgins Lake Regatta	2nd, 3rd, 5th
	St. Pete. Winter Champ.	1st	Dixie District	1st	White Cap Regatta	2nd, 3rd, 4th
1951	Internationals	4th	Lake Erie District	1st	Lake Erie District	1st, 3rd
	St. Pete. Winter Champ.	2nd & 4th	Michigan District	1st, 2nd, 3rd	Southern District	3rd
1952	Internationals	3rd & 4th	Higgins Lake Regatta	1st, 2nd, 3rd	Conn. District	4th
	President's Cup	1st	White Cap Regatta	1st & 2nd	Snow Flurries Regatta	1st, 2nd
1953	Internationals	4th	Snow Flurries Regatta	2nd	Long Island Sound Champ.	2nd
	President's Cup	3rd	1956 Internationals	3rd & 5th	1958 Internationals	5th
	St. Pete. Winter Champ.	1st	President's Cup	1st & 5th	European Champ.	2nd
1954	Internationals	1st & 5th	St. Pete. Winter Champ.	2nd & 5th	Midwest District	2nd & 5th
	President's Cup	2nd & 3rd	Central N.Y. District	1st	Ohio-Ind. District	2nd
	St. Pete. Winter Champ.	1st, 2nd, 3rd	Conn. District	2nd	Lake Erie District	1st, 5th
	Erie District	1st & 2nd	Michigan District	1st, 3rd, 4th	Central N.Y. District	2nd, 4th
	Conn. District	1st	Lake Erie District	1st	Michigan District	2nd, 4th, 5th
	Dixie District	1st	Great Lakes Champ.	2nd & 3rd	Devils Lake Regatta	2nd
	Michigan District	1st	Port Clinton Regatta	2nd	Higgins Lake Regatta	1st & 2nd
	Central N.Y. District	1st	Port Clint. Snow Flurries	1st, 2nd, 3rd	Leland Regatta	2nd
	Ohio, Ind. District	2nd & 4th	Harvest Moon Regatta	2nd	CRV Italia Regatta	1st
	Midwest District	3rd	Higgins Lake Regatta	1st, 2nd, 3rd	1959 (Incomplete)	
	Snowball Regatta	1st	Devils Lake Regatta	1st & 2nd	Internationals	1st, 2nd, 5th
	Higgins Invitational	1st	White Cap Regatta	1st, 2nd, 3rd	President's Cup	3rd, 5th
	White Cap Regatta	1st	Red Flannel Regatta	1st	St. Pete. Winter Champ.	1st
	Tawas Bay Regatta	1st	1957 President's Cup	2nd	Michigan District	3rd, 5th
	Devils Lake Regatta	1st	St. Pete. Winter Champ.	2nd, 3rd, 5th	Tawas Bay Regatta	2nd
1955	Internationals	1st & 3rd	Midwest District	1st, 2nd	White Cap Regatta	1st, 2nd
	St. Pete. Winter Champ.	2nd & 3rd	Savannah Regatta	1st, 2nd	Devils Lake Regatta	1st, 2nd, 3rd



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