

David Holt and Joel Roemer in their 420 in 1974.

## 420

When the Rhodes Bantam was replaced by the 420 as the "advanced" boat of the Junior Sailing Program, the acceptance and advisability of the change was proved by the boat's immediate acceptance by a group of private owners in Peter Sachs, Bruce Cameron, Kitty Castle, David Holt, Gary Wahl, Bob Stolze, and Bob Forester.

Originating in Europe, where they are one of the most popular classes, the 420 numbers in the tens of thousands. Fleets in the Finger Lakes and along the Atlantic Coast have made the northeast a center of interest in the U.S. and this, together with the fact that many college sailing clubs and programs use the 420, has helped to strengthen the RYC fleet.

The high point of our fleet to date was the National Championships held in 1974. Organized and run by the Junior Yacht Club members, headed by Ross Richards, a most successful regatta was held and again proved, as with the Rhodes Bantam regatta several years earlier, the value of a viable junior club program supported by an enthusiastic senior club and its members.

As the RYC enters it second hundred years, it is encouraging to know that a boat of such excellence is available for the training of our young sailors.

## **TEMPEST**

The Tempest, designed by Ian Proctor, was the winner of IYRU two-man keel boat trails in 1966. It has a 22 foot fiberglass hull, retractive 500 pound keel, and is sailed with skipper and one crew (with trapeze).

In 1967 Helen Ingerson bought the first boat off the floor at Triangle Marine. She was followed by Wes and Joe Dawes, Gene Faust, Bruce Cameron, Denis Farley, and Bob Kerr.

Cameron, Wes Dawes, Doyle, and Faust attended the first Tempest Nationals at Beverly Yacht Club (Massachusetts) in 1967. Dawes went on to the National and Worlds at Grosse Pointe Yacht Club in 1968. The Dawes brothers won the Club Championship in 1967 and 1968; Faust won it in 1969.

Even though selected as an Olympic Class in 1970, the lack of other Tempest fleets on Lake Ontario, the technical sophistication, and the arrival of the more popular Soling caused the "death knell" of the Fleet.

Although it was a small and short-lived fleet, there were many fun times and memories for the RYC skippers who sailed Tempests.

JO-JO, Helen and Jo Ingerson's TEMPEST in 1967.

