

Storm Stops Frostbiters

LARCHMONT—

Larchmont Yacht Club's next-to-last championship frostbite regatta of the season was a casualty of Sunday's White Easter.

"It seemed quite probable that we could race in the stiff east-northeast breeze," said acting Chairman Stan Bell in calling the cancellation, "but when driving, wet snow started falling more heavily there just wasn't any visibility.

"It also would have made the boats awfully slippery and sailing could have become quite dangerous."

The breeze was at 15-20 mph with some gusts as big as 25 when the decision was made.

Corny Shields Jr., who al-

ready has his third straight season title packed away, and Hank Hornidge sailed a few hundred yards into the harbor but turned back when it became almost impossible to see in the thick, driving snow.

Although the title-chase officially ends on Sunday, winter dinghy sailing will continue through April. Larchmont hosts its annual Invitation Frostbite Regatta April 11-12 and stages its dinghy "Ocean Race" to Sands Point April 18, with the following day for "reserve" date.

The Y.R.A. Frostbite Championship, to be held this year at Pequot in Southport, wraps up the winter on April 25.

Snowstorm makes yacht race unsafe and it is cancelled.

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