Sailors win 1st Wick regatta

The MIT women's varsity sailing team concluded their fall racing season in fine style as captain Shelley Bernstein '74, with Joan Pendleton '76 crewing, won the first sailing of the Emily L. Wick Trophy Lark Regatta.

The event was sailed on a cold, blustery Saturday at MIT, and four of the six schools entered dropped out before the competition was finished because of capsizes. The Tech crew was the only entry to conclude the day's racing without a single capsize.

Going into what was scheduled to be the last race of the day, MIT led Radcliffe by one point, but the race had to be resailed because neither boat finished properly. In the recall, Bernstein took the start and, sailed conservatively to defeat the Radcliffe boat and win the trophy by two points.

The results of the regatta were: MIT 11, Radcliffe 13, Jackson 24, Mt. Holyoke 34, Northeastern 42, and Salem 50. Bernstein's record was 4-2-1-2-1-1.

The men's varsity placed fourth in an invitational at Harvard on Saturday. Paul Esh '76, with Barbara Bell '77 crewing, sailed in A-Division, placing second, while George Todd '76, with Nina Gelband '77 as crew, raced in B.

The results of the regatta, which was tightly contested all the way, were: Harvard 26, Rhode Island 27, Tufts 30, MIT 38, Northeastern 49, Coast Guard 66, Bowdoin 67, Maine Maritime 71, and Boston College 84.

The men's varsity squad has made a strong showing in the closing weeks of the season, and will try to extend its winning record tomorrow and Sunday when the sailors travel to the Coast Guard Academy for the Atlantic Coast Championships (Fiske-Harriman-Sleigh Trophy). Last year the MIT team finished second in the event, which was sailed at New York Maritime.

Upper right: The women's sailing team practicing.

Below: Shelley Bernstein '74 at the tiller with crew Joan Pendleton '76 last Saturday in the first Emily L. Wick regatta.