

The

TELLTALE

JUNE 1986

THE COLUMBIA SAILING CLUB

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AT THE HELM

Sailing is for fun. When we start taking our fun too seriously much happens to spoil our sport. Tempers flare, argument abounds, gentlemanliness disappears and sailing camaraderie is destroyed. I sometimes wonder why there is not more participation by new sailors and old sailors alike on Lake Murray. Certainly there are more sailboats each year. Could it be they see how sailors act in collective situations and decide it is not worthwhile? Racing is competition, not combat, and there is a difference. There is not a piece of silver anywhere in sailing worth the loss of a friend or seriously risking injury to a fellow sailor. CSC's stated purpose is to promote sailing. In my opinion, to promote sailing all of us involved must demonstrate that sailing is an activity where novices and less aggressive sailors are welcome and comfortable, that it is safe to go out on the water, that rules and courtesy dominate the action, and that collective activity among sailors is fun. The camaraderie of sailors is the real prize. Don't lose it! Enough said!

The Board after careful consideration has decided not to continue our annual Easter Regatta as a pure E-Scow event. Therefore our next Easter regatta, which will be our twentieth annual, will be an invitational event with boat classes yet to be determined. Your input as to appropriate class or classes is most welcome.

The 27th Annual Midlands Regatta was a great fun event this year under the capable direction of Johnny Helms. Ed

Hood did a fine job on the race committee.

Vickie Bost of the Ladies Auxiliary and those Helms ladies (Jessie and Barbara) are most appreciated; and also Frank Webb on safety. I would also report that the Pam Walker Regatta for Hobies held May 10th and 11th was well run and brought out a good fleet of sixty six boats.

Two club members deserve a big "ya-hoo" for their efforts. Over the past six weeks of drought, Bob Armstrong has repaired the club's old gasoline water pumps and faithfully watered the new shrubs on the property, thereby saving the club's substantial investment. In the same category is Charlie Bruce. You certainly have noticed the new sign at the entrance to the property. That is a fine touch to our grounds improvement.

The ladies have a special seafood dinner coming up on June 21st. Those who have eaten it before say its the best. Pat Freeman asks that you please call your telephone committee person for reservations. Also don't forget the July 4th barbeque. "The Cooks" are going to do it again. This year we are going to eat later in the afternoon with all the fun and games before the meal. Rob Whitley, I know, will have some supprises.

The front gate is working again and better than ever. James, the wizard of electronics, has done it again. Eddie Wilkins keeps working on the club boats to keep them in good shape. He has a couple of repair projects planned for the summer and could use some help.

Good Sailing!

Parks Small
Commodore

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

At its regular monthly meeting, the Board of Stewards took the following membership actions:

Accepted the resignation of:

Renee E. Busdicker

Approved the application of and added to waiting list:

Norma V. Bruce
4321-A Trenholm Road
Columbia, SC

Application for Membership have been received from:

John S. Taylor, Jr. (Pat)
6210 Macon Road
Columbia, SC 29209

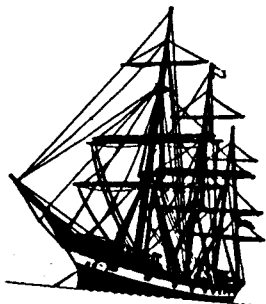
John is an attorney and owns a South Coast 22. He and Pat have two children Mark Andrew (14) and Christopher (11).

John is sponsored by D. Reece Williams.

John P. Freeman (Nancy)
236 N. Stonehenge Drive
Columbia, SC 29210

John is a professor of law at USC Law School in Columbia. He owns two Sunfish. He and Nancy have two daughters, Gretchen (13) and Nora (11).

John is sponsored by Pete Korn.



FOR WOMEN ONLY!

Ladies Auxiliary Sailing Chairman Pam Morgan has scheduled a series of Sunday afternoon Sailing courses for women only. On June 15, 22 and 29 at 2:00 PM at the club beach, Pam and her crew will present basic sailing instructions at no charge to wives and female members over 21. The instruction will be in Sunfish and if you do not have access to one, call Pam at 781-6521.

SEAFOOD BUFFET

The Ladies Auxiliary will present a Seafood Buffet on Saturday, June 21 at the club. Cocktails (BYOB) will begin at 7:00 PM and Dinner will be served at 8:00. Dinner will consist of Shrimp, Oysters and Chicken! Call in your reservations now to the Telephone Committee. Make your reservations by June 15. In case you've forgotten, the telephone committee is listed below. Make your reservations today!

TELEPHONE COMMITTEE

MEMBERS	TELEPHONE COMM. PERSON	TELEPHONE
Abbott-Bruccoli	Martha Blease	782-1563
Busdicker-Davis	Bea Daves	782-7559
DeHamer-Gibbes	Carolyn Elliott	782-3239
Godfrey-Hollingsworth	Diane Bruce	787-7394
Holman-Johnson	Diane Barton	781-7451
Jones-McArthur	Marilyn Knight	799-8711
McCardle-Mungo	Alecia Milling	776-3709
Murdaugh-Priester	Linda Wilkins	772-5593
Propers-Small	Jay Waters	781-0302
Smith-Warner	Mary Belle Smith	794-0777
Webb-Young	Suzanne Wilkins	359-3823
Orangeburg Members	Frank Handel	534-6595
		533-1861

AMOS SCHEDULE

FOR SAIL

SAYRA representative Will Haltiwanger encourages all members to consider participating in the 1986 AMOS Quarter Final Schedule. If you need more information call Will. Here is the AMOS Quarter Final Schedule of events.

MALLORY CUP
June 14-15
Lake Murray Sailing Club
Boat: Thistle
Bill Guess
104 Tennessee Walker Trail
West Columbia, SC 29169
(H) 803/755-2122
(O) 803/254-1500

ADAMS TROPHY
June 14-15
Charleston Yacht Club
Boat: J-24
Sarah Ashton
76 Pitt Street
Charleston, SC 29403
803/722-3596

SEARS/BEMIS/SMYTHE
June 14-15
Carolina Yacht Club (NC)
Boat: Flying Scot/Fireball/Laser
Hank Barden, Jr.
1125 Medical Center Drive
Wilmington, NC 28401
(H) 919/686-9410

O'DAY TROPHY
June 21-22
James Island Yacht Club
Boat: Laser
Ken Grace
P.O. Box 12840
Charleston, SC 29412
(H) 803/795-6227
(O) 803/577-7040

PRINCE OF WALES
June 21-22
Augusta Sailing Club
Boat: Capri 25
Mike Annis
P.O. Box 12035
Augusta, GA 30904
(O) 404/733-7101

HINMAN TEAM TROPHY
June 28-29
College of Charleston SA
Boat: 420
George Wood
Athletic Department
College of Charleston
Charleston, SC 29424
(H) 803/795-5913
(O) 803/792-5549

FOR SALE: 1/5 interest in sailboat trailer partnership. Trailer can carry boats as large as a Helms 30'. \$600. Call Jim Tharp. 799-8100

FOR SALE: Venture 24 Cruiser with Trailer. New Main with tie downs, 4 sails and cover. 6 HP Evinrude motor with 2 tanks. Allen anchor, ship to shore radio, depth meter, 12 V marine battery, sleep 5. For more information and price contact Shirley K. Warner, 782-3022.

SANTANA 20--\$4,500. Fully equipped, excellent condition, 781-0302 or 732-2922.

HOBIE CAT 18'--1979 Orange Crusher, galvanized Highlander Trailer--good condition--\$2,995. Nyle Simons 781-6783.

1982 J-24--Triad Trailer, 3.5 HP Mercury, Laminated Trailer, Rudder & Keel Faired, Kevlar Spinnaker. Always Dry Sailed, \$14,900 firm--Joe Waters, 781-0302/732-2922.



"PIG-PICKIN' TIME!!!"

JULY FOURTH

ALL DAY LONG!



Y'ALL COME

RACING RULES

As was demonstrated in the first race of the 1986 SAYRA Off-shore Regatta, there is considerable confusion about whether a "third-party" yacht can, without having displayed a protest flag, lodge a protest against two other yachts observed making contact. In this case, Yacht C saw yachts A and B make contact; neither of the three yachts put up protest flags then or at any other time. After coming ashore yachts A and B submitted protests which were found to be invalid and were not heard. Yacht C wanted to protest (33.2), claiming that rule 68.3 (a) gives her the right to protest without having displayed a flag since it says that a yacht may do so "when she has no knowledge of the facts justifying a protest until she has finished...." The protest committee disagreed.

Rule 68.3 appeared for the first time in the 1977 Rules, stating that "A yacht which has no knowledge of the facts justifying a protest, including the failure of another yacht to lodge a required protest, until after she has finished or retired, may nevertheless protest without having displayed a protest flag." This was taken to mean that a yacht was not required under any circumstances to fly a protest flag to protest under rule 33.2. This interpretation was confirmed by USYRU Appeal #229 in 1980. The 1981 Rule Book made no change in rule 68.3 but the dissatisfaction with the rule was increasing.

The current Rules have quite a different version of 68.3. There are now 2 paragraphs (a and b) whereas before there was only 1, the "no knowledge of the facts justifying a protest" phrase is still there as paragraph (a); however, the reference to another yacht failing to lodge a required protest is gone and paragraph (b) gives the "third party" the right to protest without a flag (with specific reference to rules 33.2 and 52) if the yacht or yachts fly a

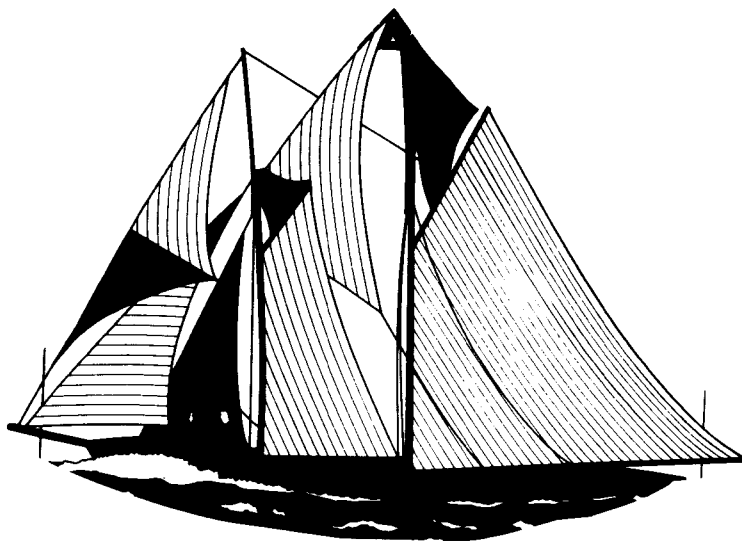
protest flag but don't follow through with valid protests.

The current interpretation of rule 68.3 is that a "third-party" yacht seeing contact between two other yachts must, in order to have a valid protest under rule 33.2, display with reasonable promptness a protest flag unless the other yacht(s) display a protest flag but do not file a valid protest. In other words, a yacht cannot now see a collision and claim "no knowledge of the facts justifying a protest." Evidence that this is the correct interpretation includes:

- 1) Dave Perry--"Understanding the Yacht Racing Rules" p.82--"A ... protest under Rule 33.2 must conform to all the requirements Rule 68, just like any other protest."
- 2) Mary Pera--"The Yacht Racing Rules" p.72--"When a third yacht protests both yachts in accordance with the Rule 68.2 for an infringement of rule 33.2..." (68.2 requires a flag).
- 3) The chairman of the USYRU Appeals Committee told the writer very recently that the Committee has finished its reconciliation of the Appeals with the 1985 Rule book and that Appeal #229 will be withdrawn as no longer being an accurate interpretation of the rules.

Willard Davis

(Ed's. note) All members wanting information on specific rules are encouraged to call or write Willard at 256-8841.



POWER LINE WARNING LAKE MURRAY SC

The opening up of the back cove parking area has opened up the dangerous possibility of contact between a mast and a power line. The line runs parallel to the new fence. Efforts are being made to remove the hazard but meanwhile, be very very careful. Also warn visitors to the club of this danger, too.

SUMMER REMINDERS

1. The swimming beach on the East side of the #5 dock is off limits to boats for obvious safety reasons.
2. Be courteous in the use of picnic and cooking facilities.
3. Lock the clubhouse and turn off the lights if you are the last to leave.
4. Never leave the front gate open for any reason unless authorized.
5. Sunfish are allowed to park on the banks on the North side of the road across from the Summer house. See Bill Freeman for details.
6. No pets.

JULY 4TH BARBEQUE

Plan to come and stay all day. Bring the entire family. New members are reminded that they should plan to serve on the clean-up crew. Bring plenty of iced tea or cold drinks. Call your telephone committee member and let her know how many from your family will be there. Dinner will be served in the late afternoon.

SUNDAY SERIES

Steve Cunningham reminds us that CSC needs more participation in the LMSC Sunday Sailing Series. The series started March 30 (See March issue of the Tell Tale) and will continue through November. All classes from Board Sailors to E-Scows, Sunfish and Cruisers are welcome. If you need more information, the sailing instructions are printed on the club board or call Steve at (H) 254-5604 or (W) 345-5209, ext. 4412.

SUMMER

SUNFISH SERIES

The courses for this year will be windward--leeward with the first gun at 6:30 PM, with no races starting after 8:00 PM. We will try to get in as many races each night as possible.

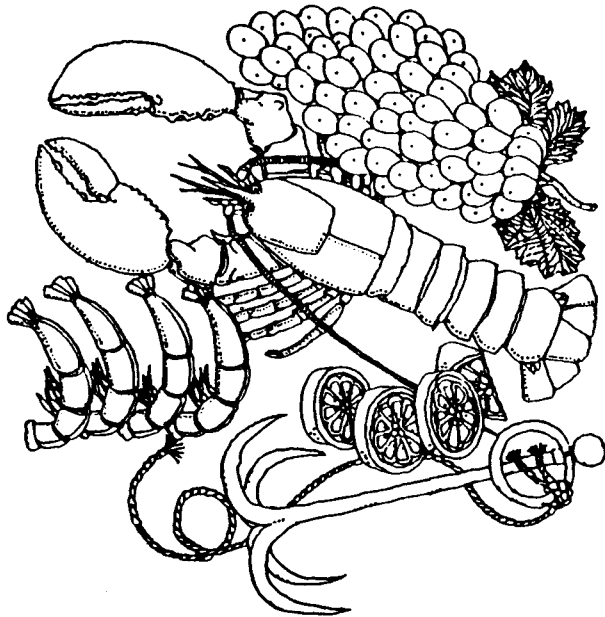
The fleet will be divided into two classes with trophies being awarded in each class. Participation in half the races will be required in order to qualify for a trophy. The division of the fleet will be based solely on each skipper's skill. Participation by everyone is encouraged!

The registration fee for the series will be \$5.00 per family. This can be given to Wayne or Mary Beth Hale before or after your first race.

If anyone wants to help with the series, please call Wayne Hale at: 781-4954 (H) or 771-3162 (W).



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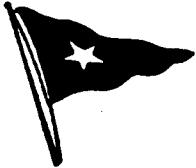


JUNE 21, 1986

7:00 PM CSC

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RSVP BY JUNE 15!



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