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Tell Tales

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Schedule of LTYC Events

Board Meeting	Apr 1 '10	5:45 PM	Greensboro College Campus in Room 226 of Proctor Hall West				
Miss Piggy	Apr 10 '10	10:30 Skippers Mtg Sat	Lake Townsend				
Piedmont Challenge	Apr 11 '10	11:00 AM	Lake Townsend				
Instructors Training / Work day	April 24 '10	9:00 AM	Lake Townsend				
Board Meeting	May 6 '10	5:45 PM	Greensboro College Campus in Room 226 of Proctor Hall West				
(miss) May Day Race	May 11 th & 12 Th	10:30 AM	Lake Townsend				



Mark Your Calendars -

Piedmont Challenge April 11th.

Let's all go out and race!

§ Swap Meet – Don't forget to rummage through your garage and find those things to swap!

Frost Bite turns into Y-Knot Race.

The Winter weather having trumped the Frost Bite series left the opportunity to have a one of a kind race. The one of a kind race became the "Y-Knot" race. Leading to a Y kind of course. The more the merrier we invited CSC as well. 10 Boats, 9 Scots and a Laser. The idea was to cross the starting line, go up around the first mark on port, then come to the center mark and round it on starboard, go to the next Y point back to the center mark and down to the bottom of the y and then back to the start/finish line. The race instructions, said that you had to go back across the finish line, and back up back over the line stern first.

Adam, the PRO, explained these SI rules at the skippers meeting. Talk, began on racing rules of sailing and who had the right of way.

If you took the easy way of backing up (backing your sails), then you had no rights, over anyone else, thanks Eric for explaining this.

There were many boats that picked up a third person to allow for more people on the water.



Rachel at the tiller on the Bob & Tom boat.

Winds were cooperative, (or maybe I should say they were blowing.) 3 Races were scheduled and three races were run.

The backing up bit was a bit of a trick. The first race, we got to the finish line, ducked under a boat and ducked across the line, come up across the line, back winded the jib and came back across the line. Voilá! Joleen was calling out the numbers of the sails as they were observed by the committee boat. We listened eagerly for our sail number. nothing. There were a large number of boats on the line at this time. Amanda and Eric were on the scat boat on the line watching. Amanda, a recent participant of race management had her camera recording the finish. (more on the last pg)

I hear Eric on the video "this is going to be a hard race to score"

Since they didn't call us over, after some debate, we went round again. This time, we went WAY past the finish line to back a LONG way back, so there would be no doubt. In my eagerness to get back over the line, again, I managed to get the boat turning rather than backing, and I apparently wasn't understanding the skipper. Scott Cesar who had finished ahead of us, yelled out to us to cross the sheets, and after getting that explained to me, we were backing straight again.

The last race was modified and shortened. The race committee had been watching the weather and the rain that had been threatening all day appeared to be making it's appearance soon. The last race was shortened at the mark that was headed to the marina. All of the boats were on a run toward the marina. Since it was a run and since there might be beer, there were several Scots with their spinnakers up.

So, picture this, 9 Scots screaming (the wind having picked up prior to the rain) into the marina in a pack, several 4-6 abreast.

There 2 rowboats sitting in the area by the mouth of the marina. Uwe thought they should be impressed at the beauty of the sailboats, me, I thought of Pumba, the wart hog, in the *Lion King* when confronted by the lioness "SHE'S GONNA EAT ME!" (Sheer panic)

This day they were also having a fishing tournament. The fishing tournament was supposed to end at 3:00, and all of the fishermen were to be racing in at 3:00. There were cars all over the parking lot, there was a table of judges with scales right by the ramp, with lots of people standing around waiting. Setting the stage to see a flock of 9 Scots, minutes prior to the end of the tournament race into the docks with 1 or 2 wildly careening around from a wind puff all before the crowd of people.



We did manage to get out of the way of the fishing tournament.

The rain did come, but everyone was back on land and in the process of derigging. Foul weather gear appeared everywhere. In the middle of the rain, Starling and Hudson appeared. Starling had volunteered to do fiberglass work on one of the capris. Soon several people were busy taking the mast off the Capri with the duct tape. As soon as it was pulled around and loaded on to a trailor, the rain naturally slacked off.

Back at the social, Joleen announced the winners. There were many ties.

The overall winner of the day was Phil Andrews on the Laser. There were prizes from Little River Crafts that the top 4 and their crew received.

(Joleen Rasmussen) 12 Members from Lake Townsend Yacht Club attended the US Sailing Race Management

Race Management Seminar

Seminar hosted by Lake Norman Yacht Club on Feb 27. Several arrived Friday evening and after a wonderful dinner at Joe Fish, met in the lobby to review the Study Questions.

Saturday morning, with all participants in their seats ready to go, Gracia Slater, the assistant instructor, whistled the class start promptly at 8:15. The next 8 hours passed quickly John Slater and Gracia covered all aspects of Race Management, with lots of interaction and Questions/Answers from the participants. As expected, the ever popular "You Make the Call" generated lively discussion. The Seminar ended with the 30 minute multiple choice certification exam. Though not everyone passed the exam, (*note – there were perhaps some who's brain had a subliminal work avoidance mechanism.*) everyone left the class knowing a lot more about how to provide Fun, Safe, Fair racing, Racing in our region will be better because of this seminar and what each participants takes back to their home club.

With the topic fresh on their minds, the LTYC participants met after the seminar to review the Club Series Sailing Instructions. (*figuring that anyone having been stuck in the chair 8 hours would quickly agree with whatever was suggested so they could make the 2 hour car ride back.*)

Our Marina Gets a Face Lift.

(Joleen) For the first time in many months, I made it out to the Marina and was pleasantly surprised at all the work that is being done to freshen up the facilities. The city has rebuilt the fishing dock. The dock is located off the jetty from the Martin House, with handicap access. It goes out 59' and has a T at the end. If the wind is hitting us on the nose to leave the Marina, it could add to the challenge of the exit. But as we are all very used to not going inside the buoys as we leave the Marina, it will surely be no different.

The city is planning to remove the observation deck and build the beach to go past were the observation deck was located. (Time to get the catamarans back on the lake!!)

The office has been remodeled as have the restrooms to be ADA compliant. The classroom is next. Repairing the sidewalk along the floating dock is on the task list as is repainting the equipment sheds. Much of the work is being done by the wardens themselves. Please remember to compliment and thank our wardens when you see them! Maybe there is something that LTYC can do to lend a hand. Stay tuned.

The annual LTYC Powerboat Class



had another successful year as four more members have now demonstrated their skills at operating the club's powerboats. Hudson Barker, Bill Young, Amanda Reppel, and Rachel Skvarch all completed the course with flying colors, showing aptitude for basic boat handling and advanced maneuvering and rescue. Thanks to Bill Byrd, Steve Raper, Keith Smoot, and David Young for helping with the class.

<u>Saleboats for Sail -</u>

1981 Isotope - \$2500 with sails and a galvanized trailer. Crossbar, dolphin striker, and trampoline have been replaced and an extension added to the righting bar. Good boat for a beginning racer or someone looking to get back into racing. She won the 2005 Governor's Cup and continues to give challenge to the fleet leaders. Eric and I have owned this boat since 1998. She's gotten us hooked on Isotopes, so much so that we are upgrading to a 2006 model.

Boat specifications at <u>http://www.intl-</u> <u>fiberglass.com/isotope.html</u>. Fleet Activities -<u>http://www.intl-</u> <u>fiberglass.com/Isotope%20Nationals%202006.html</u> Call or

email if interested: 919-732-5410; joleen.rasmussen@bowebellhowell.com

12'2 ft. Howmar day sailer/racer for sale in Greensboro. (don't know year) Designed by Sparkman and Stephens. A great boat for kids, very fast and tippy.90 sq. ft. of sail with jib. Beam 4'10". 86 long trailer. \$1500 for both, includes both sails, etc. Appraisal done in 2004. Call Carole Drexel - (336) 274-4789 or <u>cdrexel@triad.rr.com</u>

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Call People. Go Sailing

**** REACH OUT AND CALL SOMEONE ****

In an effort to involve more sailors in the Club's Sailing Events and Racing Programs, this "Available to Crew" list is published in each newsletter. The people listed have taken our Learn to Sail class or have other previous sailing experience and are looking to get more time on the water. So, if you have a boat and would like to participate in the Summer or Frostbite Race Series, why don't you call one of these folks for your crew? Alternatively,

if you need a cruising partner on your boat or would like to team with someone on one of the city sailboats for a day sail or a race, contact someone on this list. If you would like to add your name to the list, contact Nancy Heine, Newsletter Editor (See the Help Lines box located in this newsletter).

Available To Crew

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** Attention** - Can't remember the password for the login required for the Members Cove area on the website??There is now a (Need password?) link. Click on this & it will bring up an email form addressed to our WebMaster with the subject line 'LTYC Members Cove login: - Send me your name and email address to receive login name and passwd

2010 Sailing Class Schedule

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Sailing Class	Date	Instructor	Instructor
Learn to Sail 1	May 10-18	George Bageant	Adam Zahand
Learn to Sail 2	May 24-June 1	Bill Byrd	Hudson Barker
Learn to Sail 3	June 14-22	David Smoot	Dan Shaw
Learn to Sail 4	June 28-July 6	Uwe Heine	Nancy Collins
Learn to Sail 5	July 12-July 20	Steve Raper	Wayne Jones
			Steve Morris
Learn to Sail 6	July 26-August 3	Bob Moates	Wayne Jones

Here is the list of summer sailing classes. If you would like to volunteer to be an assistant, you are always welcome, & highly encouraged. If you haven't taken the class here are the times.

10 boats

Here are the finishing positions - Trophies - were for the first 4.

2 Phil Andrews Laser

3 Scott Cesar - FS

8 Jack Griffin - FS

9 Team Gundlach - FS

9 John Hemphill

9 Benson Bowling

- 10 Uwe Heine
- 10 Tom Bews
- 12 Steve Morris
- 12 Mark Evans

Amanda pictures – (photobucket) <u>http://s276.photobucket.com/albums/kk28/srvyingchick</u>

As a slide show -

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