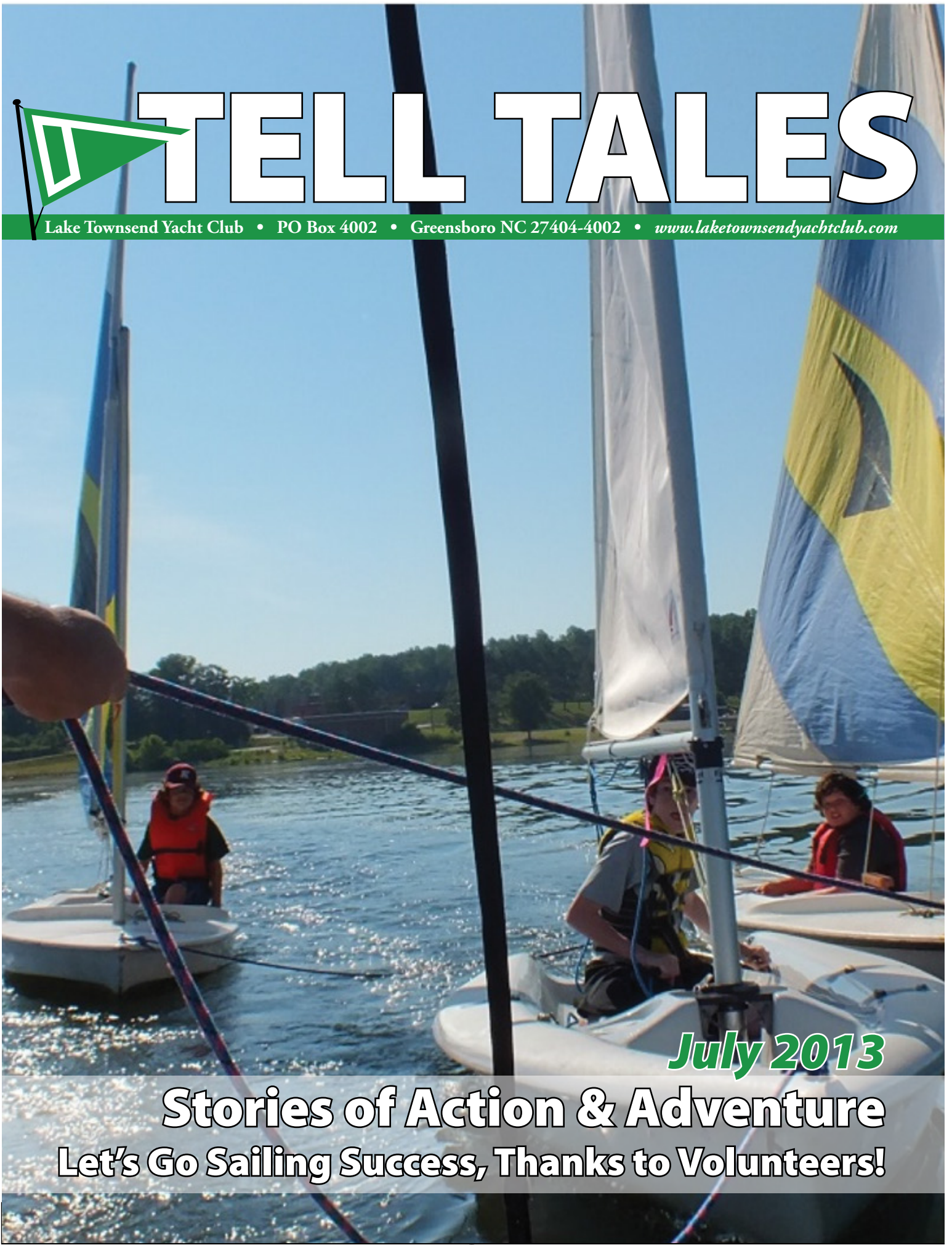




# TELL TALES

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*July 2013*

**Stories of Action & Adventure**  
**Let's Go Sailing Success, Thanks to Volunteers!**

## Instructors Needed This Summer

Junior sailing classes - contact David Craft  
Adult classes - contact Susan Cole  
or sign up online

**Your support makes our sailing education  
program successful**

**Many thanks to Stephen Bass, Otto Afanador,  
& Lacey Joyce for articles in this issue!**

Have ideas, articles, photos or contributions for  
inclusion in the newsletter?

Send them to

*newsletter@laketownsendyachtclub.com.*

## Lake Townsend's Schedule\*

November to February: 8 am to 5 pm (closed Thursdays)

March and October: 7 am to 7 pm

April and August: 7 am to 8 pm

May to July: 7 am to 8:30 pm

September: 7 am to 7:30 pm

\*Lake Townsend is always closed on Wednesdays and is  
open at 8 am on Sundays year round.

All city lakes will maintain normal operating hours during  
all holidays with the exception of Thanksgiving Day,  
Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Day; the  
lakes will be closed on those days.

*http://www.greensboro-nc.gov/index.aspx?page=1319*



**All members are encouraged to update their CPR and First Aid training.**

**Local courses are available from the American Red Cross:**

**<http://gso.redcross.org/get-trained/schedule>**

*ON THE COVER: Hauling the Junior Sailing Class out onto the lake, June 15, 2013. Photo by Steve Raper*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Board Meeting	July 11	5:45 p.m.	Greensboro Christian Church
'USA Days' Race Series	July 13 & 14	11 a.m.	Lake Townsend
Saturday's social menu: sloppy joes, pasta salad, chips and desserts • sign up at the scratch sheet online •			
'Dog Days' Race Series	Aug. 10 & 11	11 a.m.	Lake Townsend
• sign up at the scratch sheet online •			
'Harvest Moon' Race Series	Sept. 14 & 15	11 a.m.	Lake Townsend
• sign up at the scratch sheet online •			
LTYC & USPS Open Boating & Social	Sept. 28	2-5 p.m. boating; 5-8 p.m. social	Lake Townsend
'Harvest Moon' Race Series	Oct. 12 & 13	11 a.m.	Lake Townsend
• sign up at the scratch sheet online •			
<b>Halloween on the Townsend 2</b>	<b>Oct. 25, 26 &amp; 27</b>	<b>Details TBA</b>	<b>Lake Townsend</b>

***Calendar and participation scratch sheets are posted on the website.***

Board meetings: first Thursday each month, 5:45 pm, at Greensboro Christian Church, 3232 Yanceyville Street, 27405

## What's a Scratch Sheet?

A few years back, big regattas started posting scratch sheets on the internet to drum up interest and promote participation. As there is typically no cost to signing up, Scratch Sheets give a good indication of who is thinking about going to an event. It helps the organizers plan and prepare for the event. LTYC has set up a Scratch Sheet in Google documents for its events. If you expect to be at some of our upcoming events, take a few moments to step through the different Scratch Sheets and let us know to expect you. Don't worry about last minute change of plans, Scratch Sheets are only an indication of your intentions. If you need crew, want to crew, would like to help with the social, or have some other creative idea, just list it in the Scratch Sheet. The Scratch Sheet is available from the home page or the LTYC Website.



# Let's Go Sailing Recap

Thanks to all who came out for Let's Go Sailing 2013, our third annual community outreach effort. Near-perfect sailing weather and many hands made for an enjoyable day for visitors and volunteers alike. The success of the day wouldn't be possible without the outstanding volunteer effort. Volunteers consisted of members, guests, visiting family members, which boosted numbers to make for a very social event. We gave rides to about 60 people if you count the students from the sailing class who stayed to sample a boat or two. If you were there, you had a good time.

Some highlights: I heard several mom-daughter groups talk about how excited they were to have 'girl' skipper, Holly Deuterma took the club Scott out for her first solo, Steve Morris took my parents on the first sailboat ride of their lives (thanks so much, they had a blast), Linda Hefernan entertained families with knots and sailing stories, Steve Raper took some of his enthusiastic class members out on his Scott, Ann Marie Harris' trimaran took lots of people out for a second ride of the day (her boat was a hit), there was a steady stream of customers at Wanda Wil-

liam's lunch counter, and we even had Kris Von Friken's live acoustic music at one point. As always, thanks to the Scat crew! Set up and take down was a breeze, again due to many hands making light work.

I know a few volunteers got away without signing the volunteer sheet. *If you do not see your name here, please let me know* so we can maintain accurate records. **Many thanks (in no particular order) to:** Alan Taylor, Keith Smoot, Jim Irvin, Bob, Sharon, and Steven Bass, Tom and Aubrey Bews, Jim and Linda Hefernan, Ann Marie Harris, Steve and Avery Morris, Holly Duterma, Lacy Joyce, Bob Hoffman, Starling Gunn, Nancy Collins, Uwe Heine, Tad and Donna Jarzyna, Dan Shuee, Orin Sadler, David Craft, Alexis and Wanda Williams, Hudson Barker, Mike Stachman, Bill Byrd, Julian and Helen Wheeler, Steve Raper, Bob Moates, David Duff, Jeanne Allamby, Hailey Bullis, Miya Littleton, Jonathan King, Kris Von Fricken, and the City of Greensboro for lending us Jennifer Phelps, Kevin Pell and JC Shepherd as pontoon drivers for part off the day.

- Michael Crouch

## LTYC and USPS

### Joint Event

September 28, 2013



2- 5 pm open boating  
5-8 pm social

Join us for the first Lake Townsend Yacht Club and Greensboro Power Squadron joint boating event and social. The Power Squadron chapter is part of the U. S. Power Squadron, a boating organization that promotes safety and camaraderie amongst boaters.

We'll boat together using member and city boats followed by a cookout and social at Lake Townsend.

There is no charge for this event. Please sign up using the scratch sheet. For more information on the Power Squadron check out the Greensboro website at <http://www.onlinegreensboro.com/~power/>



Bob Bass and Stephen prepping their new Catalina 22.

## LTYC Burgees available for purchase



Sturdy Nylon Burgees by Prestige Flag.

Approximate size is 12.5" tall by 19" wide. \$20 each.  
Contact Steve Morris at: [samorris@triad.rr.com](mailto:samorris@triad.rr.com)

# Halloween On The Townsend II

for *Earlier.org*

**October 25 -27, 2013**

**Lake Townsend, Greensboro, N.C.**

*Racing, great food, better drinks, and  
silent auctions to benefit EARLIER.ORG*

All proceeds from the HOT Regatta go directly to Earlier.org, a Greensboro based charity founded in 1995 with the mission of directing funds to finding an earlier biological test for breast cancer.

Every crew is encouraged to obtain sponsors for their boat; with prizes awarded for the highest amount collected and the highest number of individuals donating.

All classes of sailboats with active US Sailing Portsmouth numbers are invited to compete.

Check [www.laketownsendyachtclub.com](http://www.laketownsendyachtclub.com) for additional details





# FIRST SOLO TRIP

*New club member, Otto Afanador, was a student in my June 17 Learn to Sail class. I encouraged the class to keep in touch, continue to sail with each other and to share their experiences. In that spirit Otto sent the class a write up of his first solo sail. He had several setbacks on this first outing but instead of quitting he kept a positive attitude, made things work out and learned a lot so the day was a success.*

Otto writes:

To celebrate July 4th, I got to the Marina early in the morning to test my new skills. As you recalled due to the weather we could not sail the last two classes; thus, I was really itching to test the Capri.

After signing up at the marina office, I picked the sails and went to rig up the Capri. I recalled your advice about testing it only with the main

sail, no jib sail. Then, 15 minutes later I thought the boat was ready. Well, watching rigging the sails and launching the boat with two people on it, and others observing, I thought, I got it.

1st. Getting the boat from the floating dock to the water, it is a task!!! I pushed, puff, pick, hum, and after sweating like a mule, 20 minutes later, I got it out of the dock into the water.

2nd. I also recalled the lesson about don't raise the sail until you are in the boat, so my sail was secure and ready to get up. So, I got in the boat ... and with the light breeze, the boat move!!! In the blink of an eye, I was against the rocks, I tried to steer away but it kept going closer to the rocks, finally it stopped at the rocks. By then, I realized that I never put the center board down, and so the boat was just pushed by the light breeze. So, at that point I was trying to push away from the rocks and paddle with my hands back to the floating dock ... after 20 minutes.. I see the two Marina officers, approaching with a smile on their faces:

"Is this your first time with a Capri?" Yes sir.

"Do you have a paddle?" No sir.

"When you picked up the sail, were paddles there?" Yes sir.

"Well, I am going to get you a paddle and I would like

to suggest that you sail the smaller boats first."

So, 30 minutes later, I got the Capri ready to get back in the floating dock. Remember point No 1 ? That boat is heavy!!! I pulled, pick, hum, wrap the line around my back, pulled more...and after another 30 the boat was in place.

Sails stored, boat secure. Time to go where I belong!!

I set up an Aqua Finn and proudly launched it, with the center board in place, and off I went to venture out on my first solo trip.

Well, the wind was decent, so pretty soon I was testing the Figure 8 course we did in class, tacking, all within the limits of the area that we trained in. Soon, I felt confident and it was

time to expand my horizons. I noticed the golf course on the left, straight ahead the open lake, and to the right a cove area. I didn't feel that I was ready for the open lake. The clouds were getting darker, although no signs or sounds of lighting so I decided to explore the cove. Remember the lesson about how the topography of the lake influences the behavior of the wind? Well, if you want to test your skills with wind changes get in the cove!!

I was flying the Aqua Finn, then I try to turn, it was making a nice turn and then whoosh, the wind changed direction, the sail swing for my head, I duck, the boat start heeling, I try to release the sheets, the boat heels I grab the edge with my left hand and my fingers wrap under the edge of the boat ... fiberglass is very sharp ... I feel the cut ... the boat capsized. Man overboard!!

Fortunately, I got experience with capsizing, one in class, and a second on the first day of sailing. I tried Rick's leverage lesson ... it didn't move it. So, I have to lean my body weight on the center board then climb on it, grab the top round side of the boat, and pull it ... lucky it didn't capsize on top of me. Got on it ... lower the sail ... get closer to the end of the cove and rest!!

Two of the cuts were deep, so I keep licking it, moving the skin over the cut, after a while, *Continued on page 6*



# Call People. Go Sailing

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. If you have a boat and would like to participate in the Summer or Frostbite Race Series, 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 are interested in crewing and would like to add your name to the list, please let Joleen know. Joleen has the best intentions of calling each new member if she doesn't hear from them to encourage them to sign up on the Crew or Race Committee List. (See the Help Lines located in this newsletter).

## Available To Crew

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Martin Sinozich	336-455-9445	msinozich@vennpartners.com
Keith Smoot	336 996-6734	gwaihir23@triad.rr.com
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Also,  
check the  
participation  
scratch sheet  
on the web

I felt it was time to go back. Uh ... where is the paddle? Oh ... it is floating and it is like 30 feet away so after hand paddling I got closer to it. The crazy wind was turning the boat so I pulled the center board and paddled closer to the paddle. Got it!!

Now about going back ... well allow me to tell you that getting out of the cove with the wind playing turbulence moves on the sail, it is fun...I almost capsized two more times, but by then I was an expert on shifting my weight so the boat will remain with a 15 degree heeling and is moving out of the cove.

One hour later I was at the entrance of the marina. At that point I lowered the sail and paddled all the way in. Un-rigged the Aqua Finn, got something to eat ... my first solo experience has been accomplished.

*My reply: Great job Otto! Thank you for sharing so others may learn from your experience. We've all forgotten the paddle and left with the board up!*

*The Capri weighs about 340 pounds and, as you found out, takes*

*two to launch and retrieve. Do not get hurt trying to do that solo. Sailors are a helpful bunch so if anyone else is on the docks you might ask them to help. The best way to retrieve is to first pull part of the bow up on the dock then with another person on opposite side pull up and forward a few feet at a time. Once you get it past the side shrouds you can probably pull it all the way. Helps to have a third person on the bow line pulling as well. Absolutely critical thing for launch or retrieve is that the centerboard must be all the way up. I mean all the way – top of board must be parallel to the floor. If it's down even a little the board snags on part of the ramp and may damage the board.*

*I'll check the Aqua Finns and see if I can find and fix what cut your fingers. I would suggest getting some sailing gloves. The type you'd want are 3/4-finger (fingertips open) – go to westmarine.com and search on 'sailing gloves' to see an example. I use the West Marine gloves.*

*The wind really does bend and swirl especially close to the sides where the cove begins.*

*Congratulations on a very successful solo sail – you learned a lot. Starts to really be fun when you get the boat heeled over and sailing fast doesn't it!*

- Steve Raper

## Be a Fan on Facebook

LTYC has a Facebook page.

If you want to keep up with what is happening at LTYC, what other club members think or LTYC Trivia, become a Fan.

Help promote our club in the region.





# DIY Netting

It's A 23ft Paceship built by AMF in 1978, Starling Gunn named it Amazing Pace when he owned it. I've had it about 2 years and done little to it. I refinished the wood on outside. Painted the Bilge. Sealed leaks, replaced all new water hoses, it's ready to launch anytime. I plan to do more cruising than anything. I hope to launch as soon as possible...

Some basic facts: I learned how to weave netting by watching YouTube. Carved a needle from scrap wood. And the mesh gauge I used from left over aluminum I had from re reinforcing my engine mount. And bought 4 or 5 spools of braided masonry twine from Lowe's home improvement. It took about two weeks. I estimated probably at least 40 hours or more to do a 23ft boat. very tedious, time consuming, and way more patience than most people have. There are no sections really. One side is one big continuous string ... so it's there to stay. I left the bow and stern railing empty. For access to deploy anchor and lines and engine and rudder access etc., but may try to eventually weave something removable or slidable for stern area, great for keeping equipment and small animals from falling over board ... I'd be glad to do this to anyone's boat for food, a place to shower, and letting me stay on their boat for a couple weeks....lol.

*-Lacy Joyce*

P.S. My gates are still unhookable for stepping in and out of cockpit also. Any additional questions you might be curious about just send an email.



*June Learn To Sail class,  
photo by Steve Raper*



# North Carolina Offshore Regatta Experience

By: Stephen C. Bass

For most people Memorial weekend is the official start of summer vacation. For me it was going to be an opportunity to do something I would have never dreamed of. I

had been invited to be on the race committee for the NYRA's (Neuse Yacht Racing Association) annual offshore regatta by the PRO Joleen Rasmussen. I was excited because this was going to be my first time participating in an ocean race.

Joleen introduced me to John Hood - the captain of *BLUEPRINT* (a Beneteau First 36.7). John had lost some of his crew for the weekend and was looking for recruits, so Joleen recommended me. After the BBQ social and skipper's meeting,

I went with John and his crew to *BLUEPRINT* where they showed me around the boat and how to raise and lower the headsail, genoa, and the mainsail since I was going to be working foredeck and lookout in the bow sprit. AWESOME! Then we discussed the tactics and strategies for the races. There was a lot more to keep up with on the Beneteau than on my Isotope, but I was up to the challenge. I had gone from race committee to crew!

The wind for the two days could not have been more opposite. On Saturday we ran three races with winds averaging eight knots gusting to seventeen. In the first race we started to get a feel for the waters and our range in the point of sail. During the second race we stayed keeled over

most of the time, so those of us who weren't working in the cockpit were on the rail. The third race was the closest and most exciting race of the day with strong winds and tight maneuvering. This being my first time on an ocean sail and with such strong winds, I was grateful I didn't go overboard or get seasick.

On Sunday however, there was no wind at all. We went over the light wind tactics in case we did race. After about an hour of trolling around, the race committee boat flew "AP over A" - which is what none of us wanted to see - signaling that all races were to be abandoned for the day. On our return to the dock, John let me take the helm of

*BLUEPRINT* and sail/motor us in. It was a little difficult because of the choppy seas, but I did get to sail alongside dolphins which was pretty cool. At the awards ceremony we were informed that *BLUEPRINT* had placed second in their class. Since that weekend, I have been asked by John to crew with him on *BLUEPRINT* during some of the summer regattas.

I learned a lot from this experience, some of which has transferred to my dad's new Catalina 22. I learned that working together and talking with your crew is very important. Wind or no wind, this was still a great adventure in my sailing life! If you have a chance of a lifetime, don't be afraid to accept it. I'm really glad I did.



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Stephen on board  
the Blueprints



# SAILBOATS FOR SAIL



**El Toro Sailboat w/ Trailer** - \$900. Dingy style sailboat great for young person. My son is now 6'2" and cannot fit in the boat. Entire bottom fiber glassed due to aging wood. Does need sanding and painting however boat is in great shape otherwise. Comes with 2 wooden masts, rudder, centerboard, sails, rigging, and flotation. Trailer was especially designed to transport this sailboat. [wkawilliams@juno.com](mailto:wkawilliams@juno.com). (518)339-0431.

**Buccaneer 18'** for sale. Craig Huey 303-884-4682 [chueygman@yahoo.com](mailto:chueygman@yahoo.com) Asking price is \$1325 with trailer, paddle, 2 hp Johnson outboard, and manuals, rigging guides.

**Great Scot for Sale.** Near minimum weight, new mast and centerboard. 2011 suite of MAD main and jib that have been sailed sparingly plus a suite of North's and 3 spinnakers, tapered spinnaker pole. Low aluminum trailer and North trailering/ mooring cover that comes down to the waterline has been used only when traveling. Race ready Scot \$10,500; excellent price with upgrades and extras. Dave "Sailordave" Batchelor, 919-467-3512 Home 919-414-6809 cell.

**Very nice Flying Scot # 4004** with excellent trailer. Hull is in excellent condition with green hull stripe. Some minor repair under front deck needed (little delamination), will probably be fixed this weekend. Boat is a 1984 and rigged as such. Was seen at the last race Saturday. If you want a Scot-this is a good one. Have \$4600 in it and am asking that much to recoup my cost. Come on people, let's grow the fleet. You can waste a whole sailing season looking for the "right" boat, when a good one is right under your nose!! - Tom Bews 540-588-5794

**1969 Douglas and McCloud** - Hull number 509. This original Highlander classic w/complete restoration is in mint condition. Trailer sanded and painted white w/red fenders; new tires and wheels. Aluminum mast, mahogany boom and rudder. Ship set includes 3 main sails, 2 jibs, 1 spinnaker, plus all rigging for racing. Boat hull and deck have 2 coats marine primer and 3 coats marine paint. Hull is the original black with red water stripe, deck is semi-gloss white. All deck rails and rub rails have been sanded and varnished. Teak seats and interior running teak have been sanded and teak oiled. Inside is the original gray and white splatter paint. W/sailors tailor-skirted mooring cover. *The Black Pearl* is in a Greensboro garage on trailer ready to go for \$4,500. David J. Schlosser, Sr., [djschlosser@aol.com](mailto:djschlosser@aol.com) or (336) 316-0804.

**14' Vagabond** is a good day sailor that is light weight (only 265 lbs), but very stable. This particular boat is one of the original Vagabonds with mahogany dagger board and kick-up rudder. The original teak splash boards are freshly stained and varnished.



I replaced the jib and main sheets this year. It has an 8 foot cockpit and can sail with three adults or two adults and two children easily or can be single-handed. It has a Portsmouth rating of 111.7 for you racers out there.

It even handled the brisk winds at the Mayor's cup this year. Boat and sails are in good shape. The trailer is in good shape and has two spares; the lights need a little work. Asking \$800 - call Bob Bass if interested at 336-674-3617 or email [robertsharon@bellsouth.net](mailto:robertsharon@bellsouth.net)

Back issues: *Cruising World*, *Good Old Boat*, & *Practical Sailor* magazines, free! Contact Bill Young - [woyoung@triad.rr.com](mailto:woyoung@triad.rr.com).

## TEST DRIVE A WINNER

### Lasers available for racing

Uwe Heine has a couple of Lasers available, if someone would like to race them during an upcoming LTYC event. Give Uwe a call - with a few days' advance notice - 336 585-0951 [heineu@bellsouth.net](mailto:heineu@bellsouth.net)

### Windmills available for racing

Alan Taylor has a couple of Windmills available, if someone would like to race them during an upcoming LTYC event. Give Alan a call - with a few days' advance notice - 530 263-3009 [alan@lakelevel.com](mailto:alan@lakelevel.com)