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Tell Tales

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Schedule of LTYC Events

Board Meeting	3 Sep '09	6:45	Greensboro College.
Harvest Moon	12-13 Sep '09	10:30 Skippers Mtg Sat 10:00 Skippers Mtg Sun	
Great Pumpkin	Oct '09	10:30 Skippers Mtg Sat 10:00 Skippers Mtg Sun	Lake Townsend



Dog Days Of Sailing - August Race - Uwe Heine

(There weren't really any dogs present, though she might have been if we had told her there were catfish.)

It was my turn to be RC and I had volunteered to be PRO – my second time ever. This time I

did not have Joleen there to coach me”so you’ll do better” says Eric! All kidding aside we ran three races without a hitch. Bad choice of words – the anchor on the signal boat started to drag during the first race – we tried our best to correct for this and it didn’t seem to affect the outcome of the race. I had excellent assistance From Bob Moates, Steve Morris, and a volunteer girl scout, Victoria Novotny on the signal boat. Assisting on the scat boat were Wayne Jones and Ken Warren.

The forecast was for a warm day with at least some wind – 5-6 knots. The wind proved better than forecast with an amazingly steady 8-10 knots for all three races. You really couldn’t ask for a better day in August on Lake Townsend. I was jealous – there were 13 boats racing including 4 Flying Scots. We also had three recent graduates from the junior sailing class competing in two Picos.

The day started off with a literal bang when Tom Bews’ Flying Scot had a line failure causing a premature launch onto the concrete of the boat ramp. We all cringed at the sound and

were surprised that virtually no damage was done other than some scuffed paint! The racing was fun and competitive. The juniors finished the course demonstrating their new boat-handling skills. Not a bad feat with the fresh breeze challenging them!

Sunday also proved to be windier than forecast, with winds at 6 knots and gusting up to 12. Winds were less steady and shifting more than Saturday, but still great sailing weather. Five boats participated – three Scots and two Isotopes. Since I had already been on Sunday RC this season, David Young stepped in and I was able to race. The first race was very competitive with the three Scots finishing within one minute of each other. There were several lead changes during the race so the strategizing was intense!

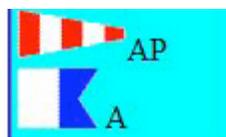
The second race started with an incident – I had come up below John Hemphill and squeezed him pretty tight against the committee boat as we were about to start. Just then a sudden puff comes up and out of nowhere David’s Isotope comes flying in on port accelerating across my bow. David easily cleared me but didn’t see John in time. With me there David was unable to duck John and BAM!!! He “T-boned” him hard! It shook me up just seeing it so close in front of me! Luckily there were no injuries and the damage to the boats will be fairly simple to repair. John had a neat triangular 2 inch hole about a foot above the waterline and David had a broken a fitting that holds the front crossbar to the hull. Unfortunately David was not able to race with this damage. Those slender Isotope bows are apparently very sturdy as there was no fiberglass damage to David’s boat at all. John was able to sail on and completed the race. In the chaos of a start it is amazing that this sort of thing doesn’t happen more often.



John has bragging rights to a new battle scar!

Mayor’s Cup Flag Lessons:

At a pre-race meeting not too long ago, Joleen, our commodore, took the opportunity to expand our knowledge of the meaning of the various race flags. Now, there was good reason for this. At the Mayor’s cup they had raised 2 flags and sounded the horn. Since it was a race with not a lot of wind, there was confusion as to what the race committee was trying to tell the race boats.



+ 2 horns.

Race Committee had blown the horn with what sounded like 3 but could have easily been really 2 and a misfire.

http://www.autohoot.com/race_signals.htm

Races not started are postponed. No more racing today.

Lake Townsend uses the US Sailing Racing Rules. US Sailing very nicely sends you a set of the racing rules if you are a member.

The race sequence for starting is this:

Signal	Flag	Sound	Minutes to start
Warning	Class flag	1 sound	5
Prep	P	1 sound	4
1-min.	Prep flag removed	1 long sound	1
Starting	Class flag down	1 sound	0 - start

Lessons learned in sailing class:

Send in your thoughts on lessons that you learned in sailing class you don't have to be the student to have learned something. In teaching we learn as well.

I learned this year that there are good reasons to cinch that PFD down! I had the opportunity to jump in the water during our time of instruction. My pfd I got on sale and it is a vest for kayaking. It is (or should be) tight around the waist and chest. When I jumped in the pfd was on the loose and probably cooler side. But as soon as I was in the water it floated up and was in the way as I worked with the Capri mast. Next time, before a planned jump in, I will tighten my pfd down.

But it never hurts to be prepared.

Having sailed with my in-law's I got the impression from that you should have everything in it's place. So I always clean up the deck, put lines in place, make sure there isn't anything to get tripped up on the deck or that the lines don't get tangled up.

Saleboats for Sail -

Live out your inter Pirate - Buc Opportunity!

Unfortunately the time has come when we must part with our Buccaneer. She is hull number

CBC285470774, one of the Chrysler vintage boats, listed as a 1974 model. We have done a few modifications, such as raising the mast step and replacing the old centerboard gasket with the new version, but she is basically as she was designed. She comes with a trailer and is ready to sail. We have found that we simply do not have enough time to devote to sailing her, as we also have a 31-footer and not enough time to spend with her. We bought "Blue Ayes" when we moved from Florida to North Carolina as we knew that we would not be able to race the big boat here and we wanted to be able to race. There is a limit, however... We are asking \$1750 for boat and trailer. I can forward pictures to anyone who is interested. Thanks. **Arrr!**
bombaystar@embarqmail.com

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 <http://www.intl-fiberglass.com/isotope.html>.

Fleet Activities -

<http://www.intl-fiberglass.com/Isotope%20Nationals%202006.html> 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 cdrexel@triad.rr.com

14 Force 5 sailboat with trailer - \$550. Ready to sail. Excellent boat for single-handed daysailing and racing. Contact David Layton at 336-643-0282

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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 password.'

Summer Series - Race Results - Race Results also available via
<http://www.laketownsendyachtclub.com/Documents-temp/raceresults.pdf>

