

Lake Townsend Yacht Club

Tell Tales



October 2017



Crew Leisa Morgan and skipper Evan Trudeau check in with Race Committee at the October race.

Annual Meeting November 9!

October Race Day

Skipper Tips

Let's Go Sailing!

HOT VI	Oct. 27, 28 & 29	Lake Townsend
	Please register early at: earlier.org	
Annual Meeting	Nov. 9	Northeast Park
Interclub w/OHSC	Nov. 11	Lake Townsend
Last Social Sail of 2017	Nov. 18	Lake Townsend

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Remember that the lake is closed Wednesday AND Thursday from November 1 to February 28.

2017 LTYC Calendar



Anniversary

Blue=Racing

Peach=Social Sailing

Classes: Green=Adult; Pink=Junior

Gray=Meeting/Seminar/Other

Board Meeting 1st Thurs each month

Yellow=Holiday

October						
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7-8 VISA Invitational (Smith Mtn)
27-29 Hot Charity Regatta

November						
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5 Daylight Saving Time
9 Annual Meeting
11 Interclub (LTYC)

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Park closed Wed all year long
Nov-Feb 8am-5pm & closed Thurs

Detailed Calendar on our website:

www.laketownsendyachtclub.com



Lake Townsend Yacht Club Annual Dinner Meeting

You are Cordially Invited

And we would love for you to join us...

- When: Thursday, November 9th, 2017 6pm-9pm
- Where: Northeast Park Event Center (3441 Northeast Park Drive, Gibsonville, NC 27249-
(GPS: 4010 High Rock Road)
- How: Please bring a Covered Dish (Sign up on Scratch Sheet)
- Cost: None (Tips for bartender appreciated)
- Why: To review a fabulous year and get excited and involved in the upcoming Year.

Please RSVP on the Scratch Sheet to be included by:

Wednesday November, 1, 2017





Virginia Inland Sailing Association (VISA)

October 7-8, 2017 The JOHN BERNARD INVITATIONAL REGATTA

Light winds kept the fleet close to home, waiting for the start of the first race.

The annual VISA John Bernard Invitational Regatta has seen its share of weather. This year, Saturday started clear, with pleasant temperatures, but the wind was so light that racing was repeatedly delayed. After lunch, the fleet again went out, the course having been moved further out into the lake to take advantage of what wind there was. About mid-afternoon the wind picked up, the sky turned dark, and a wall of wind-driven rain drove down from the mountains and across the course. Some racers called it quits, while others stuck it out until the rain passed over.

Sunday's weather was predicted to be 100% chance of rain, but the rain held off and racing continued, with the regatta's races 1 and 5 being cancelled due to lack of wind.



A wall of wind and rain drove down from the mountains.

FLYING SCOTS

- 1st Ray Merrill
- 2nd Baxter Gordon
- 3rd Ted Wagstaff
- 4th Tom Bews
- 5th Bob Suydam
- 6th Don Smith
- 7th Steven Jones
- 8th Jimmy Lee

WAYFARERS

- 1st Ann Marie Covington
- 2nd Phil Leonard
- 3rd Evan Trudeau
- 4th Ken Butler

(L-R) Steve Jones, Trish McDermott, Evan Trudeau, Ken Butler, AnnMarie Covington, Tom Bews, and Andy Forman take a break.



Captain John's **Skipper Tips**

Which knot or bend or splice should you choose for the sailing application at hand? There might not be a perfect answer here, and all skippers have their "go to" knots. Use these sailing tips to help you make the best choice to get the job done.

Any knot, bend, hitch or splice should be easy to tie and untie. And, it should be easy to remember. That's a vital point often overlooked. Practical sailing means repeatable sailing. And that includes knots. On a tossing foredeck when you need to lash a sail to the rail, you need something that will pop into your head without thinking.

Straight, unknotted line starts with 100% strength. As you tie a knot, bend, or hitch, the line begins to weaken. A round turn and two half-hitches reduce strength by 30%.

The more complex bowline saps about 35% from a line. Knots, bends and hitches are part of sailing. You shoot for a knot that's easy to tie and untie, but that's often easier said than done.

Splice an eye into line used for applications where the line will experience shock loads, such as docking or anchoring. An eye splice retains over 90% of the original strength.

I'll choose three-stand nylon line over double braid any day of the week. It's easy to splice (eye, short, or long splice), requires no fancy tools, nor do you need a graduate degree to get it right!

Line Strength Reduction	
Type of Knot	Loss
Anchor Hitch	25%
Round Turn and Two Half-Hitches	30%
Bowline Knot	35%
Clove Hitch	40%
Becket (Sheet) Bend	45%
Square (Reef) Knot	55%

Fairleads and Pennies-on-the-Dollar Line Insurance

Clean decks and fairleads make sailing safer for all hands. Boats with cleaner decks--whether day sailing, racing or cruising--will often have fewer injuries aboard than those with cluttered decks. So does a clean layout for cockpit led control lines. Keep line leads straighter to reduce wear and friction.

Use chafing gear at all locations where the line rubs against a chock, rail, track, pier or seawall. Sand down sharp chock edges with fine grit sandpaper. Cover the line contact points with split fire hose or canvas material. Hold it in place with nylon wire ties or whipping twine.

Chafing gear stands alongside your anchor ground tackle as the cheapest boat insurance on the market. As long as you use it, check it, and change it out when it wears out. Chafing gear could help save your boat one day.

Put these simple practical sailing tips into play aboard your sailboat today, for safer sailing--wherever in the world you choose to sail or cruise!

Warm Regards,

Captain John

October Race Day



In spite of light winds, PRO Linda Heffernan managed to string together three good races to close out the Saturday Series for 2017. Visitors Jeanie and Daniel Samson, sister and brother-in-law of Trish McDermott, lent a capable pair of hands aboard the signal boat along with guest (and potential new sailor) Barb Schwartz.



New Flying Scot owner Hudson Barker crews for John Russell aboard John's Scot.



Elizabeth Duffy skippers JC Aller's Flying Scot, with JC and his Little Brother Josh as crew.



Bibi Gnango (L), Tom Bews, and Aubrey Bews make the most of the light winds



Anderson Jones (at the helm), Steve Jones, and Wendell Gundlach head for the finish line.



Phil and Cathy Leonard induce a bit of heel.



Jim Heffernan's grandson Nathan checks out the Wayfarer's sleeping accommodations.



The fleet gets a good clean start.

IT'S NOT OVER YET!



As October comes to a close, it's easy to think that for sailors, the fun is over until spring. Not so!

- * There's racing in the Frostbite Series, followed by fun, food, and drink at the shelter.
- * On race days when the weather doesn't cooperate, come to a seminar at the Classroom at the lake.
- * Not a racer? Come serve on Race Committee. It's fun, and you get to hang out with other sailors.
- * There's time to read over the Rules of Racing, or perhaps one of several good books on sailing, whether it's racing or cruising.
- * You can tend to those repairs and upfits you couldn't get to before.
- * And don't miss the annual meeting and the Change of Watch!

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 - Tag us
- Write an endorsement for LTYC
- Like LTYC on the “Like” page
- Post a review of LTYC on FB
- If you need help to post pictures or a video on our page, please contact JC Aller at aller.jc@gmail.com

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The best way to get a crew spot is to sign up on the racing scratch sheet under “Available to Crew.” Go to www.laketownsendyachtclub.com, click on Scratch Sheet: Participation Signup. Scroll down to the bottom of the page and select the tab for your chosen race day (you may have to use the left and right arrows). You can also come out to the lake on race day; many times skippers will be looking for crew.

Want to be added to this list? Email membership@laketownsendyachtclub.com

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*** You don't have to be a board member to help out. Everything this club does is done by volunteers. Please contact the individual board member to see how you can contribute.**

Thanks for making LTYC the best!

Board meetings are open to all members. They are held the first Thursday of each month at 5:45. Greensboro Christian Church, 3232 Yanceyville St., Greensboro, NC. Share your thoughts and ideas! Then join us for dinner at a restaurant after the meeting.



Did you know? . . . You can now find a link to sailing instruction videos on our website in the top yellow box that has the Scratch Sheet sign-up.

Classified Ads

Buy – Sell – Want to Buy

Boats-Equipment-Accessories — Ads run for 3 months if not renewed.

newsletter@laketownsendyachtclub.com

Sails from Flying Scot - (3801) - Main and Jib hardly used. They were purchased in 2013.

Used for two races, one club race and the FS Districts at LTYC. FS Main - RHC Radial with a vision window and reef points. FS Jib - Snug Rig with vision window. \$1300.

Flying Scot - Spinnaker - From FS 5861 bought in Feb. 2009 (very light material MAD AirX?) - used one or two seasons, bought by me but not used. Was reported to me that it was cut for best going straight down wind. \$250.

1995 Laser - White with teal trim. Standard rig, complete with all parts and includes a foil bag. Good shape. Sails well. Comes with untitled trailer. \$2000.

Contact Nancy Collins snaggleteeth@gmail.com.

Let's Go Sailing!

Next Newsletter deadline: December 11

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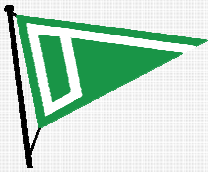
LTYC Is Going Green!

Our goal is no more plastic water bottles or Styro-foam cups in the landfill. Did you know that only about 9% of what we recycle is actually recycled?

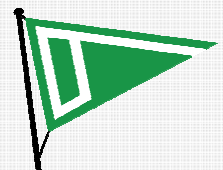
We encourage everyone to bring a reusable water bottle and coffee cup to events at the lake. If you have extra reusable coffee mugs or water bottles, please bring them to our races and social events. Thanks!



A Quick Look at Some of the Benefits of Your Membership:



- * Make new friends
- * Great food and adult beverages after sailing
 - * Mentors available to help you
 - * Continuing education programs
- * Free use of city sailboats during LTYC events
 - * Free use of club sailboats
- * Free launching during club events
 - * Yacht club reciprocity
- * Monthly newsletter



Etc. -----

Sunday night, November 5...

Don't forget to set your clocks back! *



*Or check to be sure they are set to change automatically.