



TELL TALES

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January 2013

CHANGE OF WATCH
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The Feather

While trying to decide what to call this article I considered titles I've seen in club newsletters in the past: From the Masthead, From the Helm, From the Poop Deck. Nah. So I did a random search of past LTYC newsletters – seems there hasn't been a regular article from the Commodore. Then occurred to me, the newsletter is *Tell-Tales*. In our sailing classes we give the students a little feather to help them detect changes in the light winds on Lake T and the feather gives them guidance. It is my hope that I can provide some guidance through the shifty winds of this coming year as our club continues to grow.

2013 promises to be full of sailing opportunities. We already have scheduled our regular racing days and our Learn To Sail classes, both for Juniors and Adults. We have Seminars and work days. There is the *Let's Go Sailing* event where we share our sport with the general community. There's talk of a *Sail A Small Boat* day, possibly in conjunction with *Let's Go Sailing*, where you can swap rides on other boats that you don't normally get to sail. We are planning a cruise or two. Belews Lake has been mentioned as has Smith Mountain Lake. We have the fourth Saturdays that are open for activities yet to be determined. And of course there is the Mayor's Cup and the Second Annual HOT Charity Regatta.

This is where you come in. Lake Townsend Yacht Club is a DIY (Do It Yourself) club. One of the keys to a successful Sailing Club or Yacht Club is the participation of the membership. This article appeared earlier this year in the US Sailing News: http://media.ussailing.org/Latest_News/2012/LMSS.htm. It expresses how a small Club can host a first class sailing event by working together.

- Race Committee – including:
 - Signal Boat
 - SCAT Boats
 - Scoring
- Help with the Social activities
- Instructors and Assistant Instructors (volunteers) to teach the Sailing Classes
- Work Days
- Ongoing boat maintenance (adopt a boat) on:
 - The Flying Scot
 - The SCAT boats
 - The Signal boat
 - The City boats that we use for lessons
- Planning and running the special events and Fourth Saturday events

By volunteering you help the club become the best it can be. You get to know your fellow club members better, and usually you will learn something new. At least that has been my experience. Watch for the Scratch Sheets and sign up to help out. If you have ideas for activities or process improvement, talk to a board member.

Our Winter Frostbite Series continues on January 12. Our Change of Watch Awards Banquet is January 19. Information about both can be found in this edition of *Tell-Tales*. I look forward to seeing you at both events.

Fair Winds,
Alan Taylor, Commodore, LTYC

UPCOMING EVENTS

| | | | |
|--|------------|-------------|--|
| Frostbite Race Series | January 12 | 11 a.m. | Lake Townsend |
| <i>Social Menu includes Italian chicken, garlic bread and dessert - sign up on the scratch sheet now</i> | | | |
| Change of Watch Banquet | January 19 | 6-9:30 p.m. | Bur-Mil Clubhouse |
| Board Meeting | February 7 | 5:45 p.m. | Greensboro College; Proctor Hall West, 226 |
| Frostbite Race Series | February 9 | 11 a.m. | Lake Townsend |

Full Calendar is posted on the website, both a one page version and a month by month.

Have ideas, articles, photos or contributions for inclusion in the newsletter?
Send them to newsletter@laketownsendyachtclub.com.

ON THE COVER: Saturday, Dec. 8, 2012 Frostbite Series; Photo © 2012 Christopher Maginnis, published with permission.

ON THE LINE

By Chris Maginnis, LTYC Winter Series 12/2012

December 8, 2012 was a lovely day for sailing in North Carolina. Not a single member of Race Committee would complain later about beautiful conditions in the 60's. The competitors enjoyed winds from the southwest ranging from 1.6 to 9 mps, with a pretty consistent average of around 6 mph.



Figure 1: Race committee (l to r) Ken Butler, Jim Irvin, JC Aller, Susan Cole, Mark Hayes, Linda Heffernan, author

But, when I rolled out at 0800, Earl Grey steam in an old cup brushed the whiskers of an early North Carolina fog that misted the soot from my old Urban Runner. The dirt rolled off PullsBot's silver hard body under a blistering 80 MPH highway apparent wind as I drove 40 miles to Lake Townsend. Steven Stills' *Southern Cross* was blowing out my speakers when I hit the entrance to the marina 30 minutes later, and my bladder was about to bust. My 1980 Catalina 22 *Magoodness* was still hunkered down at home undergoing repairs to the rudder, compass, and trailer. So, I was PRO. After a quick hello to our wonderful marina warden, and a closely located porcelain idol, I grabbed the RC boats radios and bolted to the committee boat.

Community yacht clubs like ours struggle to deliver community services for urban youths and citizens. Limited resources are always a challenge. But, the city of Greensboro, NC has been a blessing to our club. They provide us equipment storage, rental boats for training, and docks for races.

Still, we struggle for resources. LTYC manages to float an 18' pontoon boat for race committee (RC) and two SCAT boats. (By the way, does anybody know the sailing regatta meaning of the acronym SCAT? After a two hour online search, I give up.) Still that morning, I found a leaky gas line in the fuel oil soaked pontoon boat's engine area. So, Bill Byrd leaped into action and found duct tape to repair the leak. After other required safety checks, I towed

one SCAT and one RC boat to the launch. My smart blue ski suit soiled, we met before the competitor meeting to review safety procedures and ensure a prompt race start. Alan Taylor, LTYC Acting Commodore and Race Committee Director kicked off the competitor's meeting following filling, delicious breakfast delights provided by Wanda Williams.



Figure 2: Wanda Williams' breakfast food is sustaining and delicious!

The race committee performed superbly. The course was set for 16 competitors including 12 Flying Scots, 2 Wayfarers, a Lightning, and a Windmill, and the races began promptly at 1231 EST under average winds off the golf course averaging 4.9 MPH under glorious Carolina blue skies:



Figure 3: Only one boat was over early and returned to the line for a clean start.

We were able to sail three races and return to the docks by 1530 EST ensuring plenty of time for social festivities before the lake gates closed at 1700. RC ran a quick first one lap race that lasted 22 minutes. The second race under very light conditions was conducted on a quickly (and expertly) shortened track for two laps that went from 1307 to 1336 despite winds that dropped to a low of 1.2 MPH. But, the racers were rewarded with *Continued on page 4*

an afternoon sun and breeze on a fresh course at 1345 for three laps, with gusts up over 9 MPH that took us to nearly 1500, our targeted exit time for the day. The skies were never more blue and we all had to shed winter clothing for vitamin D and dryness. Air temps approached mid 60's making even San Diego sailors jealous of the LTYC regatta. The races at the end were particularly close, providing excellent photo opportunities for RC.



Figure 4: Many photo finishes for the blustery final race.

If you are new to racing, like I was just two years ago, please join us the second Saturday of most months for exciting sailing opportunities. You can crew for free, or join me on Race Committee on the line.

If you would like to download pictures of your boat, please go to this website: http://www.snapfish.com/snapfish/share/p=27631357270736112/l=23375410018/g=9619594018/cobrandOid=1000/campaignName=ShareeNewReg_30FreePrints_2010Feb/otsc=SHR/otsi=SALBlink/retusr=true/pns/snapfish/share/p=27631357270736112/l=23375410018/g=9619594018/cobrandOid=1000/campaignName=ShareeNewReg_30FreePrints_2010Feb/otsc=SHR/otsi=SALBlink/retusr=true

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Instructors Needed This Summer

Junior sailing classes - contact Bill Young

Adult classes - contact Susan Cole

or sign up online

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

Lake Townsend Winter Hours



Nov. 1 through

Feb. 28 hours are 8am-5pm; the
lake will be closed Weds. & Thurs.

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE ...

LAKE TOWNSEND YACHT CLUB CHANGE OF WATCH

AWARD PRESENTATIONS & BANQUET



6 p.m., January 19, 2013
Bur-Mil Club

5834 Bur-Mil Club Rd. Greensboro, NC 27410

Program Includes

Buffet Dinner

Wine and Beer Cash Bar

Awards & Trophies

\$10 per person

Reserve your spot on the scratch sheet at the club website

Photo by Mark Hayes

NOTICES

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

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

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Four volunteers are requested to serve on the "3410 Committee" (the committee responsible for the maintenance and repairs of the club Flying Scot #3410 (see page 7). Tom Bews is now the committee chair for FS-3410

There will be 4 members, one for each of the following responsibilities: (A) Standing rigging and deck hardware; (B) Running rigging; (C) Deck, hull, rudder and centerboard; (D) trailer.

Rick Connelly will be available for training and or advice as needed. Please email Rick (crickconnelly@embarqmail.com) if you will serve on the committee and copy to Uwe (heineu@bellsouth.net).

Lake Townsend Yacht Club Help Lines

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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. Last year, LTYC set up a Scratch Sheet in Google documents for its events. It was a good move. 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.

RACE RESULTS

| Date: | 12/5/2012 | Place | Skipper | Sail Number | Fleet | Race 1 | Race 2 | Race 3 | Total |
|----------------------|-----------------|-------|------------------|-------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| Series | Winter Series | 1 | John Hemphill | 4043 | FS | 15 | 16 | 16 | 47 |
| Primary Race Officer | Chris Maginnis | 2 | Bob Huffman | 5861 | FS | 17 | 15 | 14 | 46 |
| Signal | | 3 | Jack Griffin | 5818 | FS | 13 | 14 | 15 | 42 |
| Scorer | Susan Cole | 4 | Wendell Gundlach | 5980 | FS | 7 | 17 | 18 | 42 |
| Other | Linda Heffernan | 5 | Uwe Heine | 3801 | FS | 16 | 12 | 10 | 38 |
| Other | | 6 | Steve Jones | 2048 | FS | 11 | 9 | 11 | 31 |
| Scat 1 | | 7 | Alan Taylor | 4051 | WM | 12 | 13 | 5 | 30 |
| Pilot | Mark Hayes | 8 | Steve Norris | 3500 | FS | 10 | 11 | 9 | 30 |
| Crew | JC | 9 | Steve Raper | 4051 | FS | 9 | 8 | 13 | 30 |
| Scat 2 | | 10 | Tad Jarzyna | 5989 | FS | 8 | 6 | 12 | 26 |
| Pilot | Jim Irvin | 11 | Jim Heffernan | 2458 | WF | 14 | 4 | 6 | 24 |
| Crew | Ken Butler | 12 | David Duff | 1939 | FS | 6 | 10 | 7 | 23 |
| | | 13 | AnnMarie Harris | 276 | WF | 4 | 7 | 8 | 19 |
| | | 14 | Corky Gray | 14126 | LI | 0 | 0 | 17 | 17 |
| | | 15 | Bill Fallington | 2203 | FS | 5 | 3 | 4 | 12 |
| | | 16 | Luke Hayes | 200622 | LASE | 3 | 5 | 3 | 11 |

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.



District 27 proudly announces a program for the building and safe operation of a basic sailboat (Optimist Pram) for youngsters between the ages of 10 - 15.

This is a pilot program intended to serve as a model for a national USPS-supported program in the future.

Instructors will come from D/27. The North Carolina Maritime Museum has trained these instructors in the fundamentals of Optimist boat building, who now will supervise student participants in the construction and testing of their own sailing pram.



Three youth candidates from District 27 will be selected from a pool of applications received. Each candidate must be 10 - 15 years of age; able to swim; agree to participate in the entire program; complete and return the liability release form; have a parent, grandparent or guardian agree to participate in the program with the candidate; and provide means to transport the finished boat home. The boat becomes the property of the student participant upon successful completion of the program. There will be fundamental instruction on sailing the Optimist pram.

In addition, participants must agree to meet over four consecutive weekends for the construction, testing, classroom and training, supervised by instructors in Raleigh. Initially, there will be three groups in the program. The first group will meet from mid-March until mid-April; the second from mid-April until mid-May and the third from mid-May until mid-June.

During each session, the student and accompanying adult must successfully complete the ABC3 safe boating course if not previously completed. Upon successful completion the candidate will be given a free six-month membership in USPS.

A \$500 deposit is required for each participant team, which will be returned upon successful completion of the program. If the program is not completed, the deposit will not be returned.

Interested participants should prepare an application that can be submitted by mail or electronically. Applications must meet the previously listed criteria along with your name, address, telephone number, and email address. This application must be received not later than January 31, 2013 to the address or email listed below. Please include any boating experience for the student and/or the adult partner and any comments on why or how this program is important.

The qualifying participant groups will be selected at random and notified on or about mid-February, 2013.

Construction for the first team will begin on Friday, March 15, 2013. A liability release form will be required after the final selections are made.

An Optimist Pram is a flat-bottomed dinghy with a single sail, seven and one-half feet long and three feet eight inches wide. It is safe and simple to sail but exciting enough for a 15 year old.

Questions should be addressed to George Malindzak at 919-818-2511 or polaris6@nc.rr.com for further information. Mailed applications should be sent to Sailing for Kids, 10009 Bushveld Lane, Raleigh, NC 27613.

SAILBOATS FOR SAIL

Buccaneer 18' for sale due to relocation. Craig Huey 303-884-4682 chueygman@yahoo.com Asking price is \$1325 with trailer, paddle, 2 hp Johnson outboard, and manuals, rigging guides.

Great Scot for Sale. Fleet 27's Joe Price has moved to Southport and with a marina less than a quarter of a mile from his new home he has decided a keel boat is the way to go. As you know Joe has sailed this boat very competitively and winning a few trophies along the way without benefit of a regular crew. The boat is near minimum weight and has a new mast and centerboard that have been sailed only a few times. There is a 2011 suite of MAD main and jib that have been sailed sparingly plus a suite of North's good for club racing. There are 3 spinnakers and a tapered spinnaker pole. Low style aluminum trailer and the North trailering/mooring cover that comes down to the waterline has been used only when traveling. He has used an older cover for storage. This is an excellent opportunity at a truly race ready Scot at the club and district level at \$10,500 which is an excellent price with all the upgrades and extras. Call me directly as I am brokering the boat for Joe. Dave "Sailordave" Batchelor, 919-467-3512 Home • 919-414-6809 cell



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



Buccaneer 18' - I am selling my 1980 Chrysler BumbleBee model. It has new North Sails worth \$1700, and Schaefer and Harken fittings. The galvanized Cox trailer is in very good condition. There are also a good set of working sails; the original Bumble black and yellow sails, and a new 60% size main, which is outstanding for single-hand sailing. There is no spinnaker. I am selling for \$3000 OBO. Chris Munson, 703-895-8006 or kayschrism2008@verizon.net.

Many back issues of *Cruising World*, *Good Old Boat*, and *Practical Sailor* magazines—free to a good home. Contact Bill Young at woyoung@triad.rr.com.

FS3410 Usage Policy

Flying Scot 3410 is owned and maintained by the Lake Townsend Yacht Club. It is intended to be used for Sailing Instruction, Training and Mentoring.

- FS-3410 is to be used by LTYC Lead Instructors while giving lessons
- Assistant Instructors may use the boat for lessons with approval from the board or a Lead Instructor
- Qualifying lessons include:

Private lessons as prescribed by the LTYC Learn To Sail program.

Follow-up lessons for students of previous LTS classes that have joined LTYC as members

Mentoring for all LTYC Members

On course racing coaching for all LTYC Members polices are also in effect

Additionally, any LTYC Club member who is on the FS-3410 Maintenance Team has Right of Use.

Unless being used during a club event, the sailors need to register with the Office. *Launching fee policies are also in effect.*

Please direct any questions or feedback to ltycboard@laketownsendyachtclub.com

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. 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 List. (See the Help Lines box located in this newsletter).

Available To Crew

| Name | Phone | E-mail |
|----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Jeanne Allamby | | jallamby@yahoo.com |
| Bill Byrd | 336-635-1926 | |
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| John Kuzmier | 336-282-0411/336-580-5766 | <i>ckuzmier@infolinktele.com</i> |
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Also, check the participation scratch sheet on the web

Renew Your Membership Now Online

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January Races

Bill Young's New Sailing Simulator

Portsmouth Numbers Explained