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Tell Tales

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Schedule of LTYC Events

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Sailing Instructor Orientation	30 April 2005	0900-1100 hrs	Lake Townsend Marina
Powerboat Workshop	30 April 2005	1100-1630 hrs	Lake Townsend Marina
Learn to Race Class	2-6 May 2005	<i>See related article</i>	Smith Senior Center, Lake Townsend
B.O.D. Meeting	5 May 2005	1745 hrs	Cooper Ale House, Market Street
Saturday Summer Series	7 May 2005	Skippers Meeting 1100 hrs	Lake Townsend Marina
Sailing Social	7 May 2005	Following the Races	Lake Townsend Marina Shelter #10
Sunday Summer Series	8 May 2005	Skippers Meeting 1030 hrs	Lake Townsend Marina
Open House and Sailing Student Re-Union	14 May 2005	1100 hrs <i>See related article</i>	Lake Townsend Marina
Cruise Seminar Trailer Maintenance	14 May 2005	0900-1100 hrs	Lake Townsend Marina
Learn to Sail Class	16-24 May 2005	<i>See related article</i>	Smith Senior Center, Lake Townsend
Pamlico Cruise	20-22 May 2005	(Check with the Cruise Director)	Oriental, NC

Please make note of the coming events.

Sailing Instructors (Leads and Assistants) will meet on April 30 to discuss the Learn to Sail syllabus and class schedule. At 1100 we will change focus and work on powerboat skills. This class is important must for those of us whose primary boating experience is sailing. For sailing instructors and race committee members, safe powerboat operation and successful sailor and sailboat recovery are critical skills.

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The Learn to Race class will be May 2nd through 8th. This class is led by Jere Woltz with the assistance of Joleen and Eric Rasmussen and Lew Johnson and will cover racing rules and tactics. On Monday, May 2nd and Wednesday, May 4th the class will meet at

the Smith Senior Center from 6:45 pm to 8:30 pm. On Tuesday, May 3rd, Thursday, May 5th and Friday, May 6th, the class will be on the Lake 5:30 pm to closing.

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Open House and Tack and Jibe Re-Union

The 2005 Open House and Sailing Student Reunion is scheduled for Saturday May 14, 2005 beginning at 11 am. An afternoon of sailing will follow a Hotdog and Hamburger lunch at Shelter #10. Lake Townsend Yacht Club welcomes back past years sailing students for an afternoon of sailing, sun, fun and refreshments.

Sailing Instructors, those seeking crew for the sailing season and, anyone interested in sharing

their love of our sport with these new sailors should plan to attend. Volunteers are needed. Anyone willing to give their time please contact me.

All Club members are encouraged to participate as we welcome back our sailing students from the past two years.

Randy Crum
Membership Committee

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April Race Report

For the first day of the Summer Series sailors were greeted with Northwest winds of 10-13 knots with puffs up to 16 that created abundant white caps and areas of black water. The Isotope fleet skippers formed the race committee for the day, under the direction of PRO Eric Rasmussen. Five boats took to the water for the first race to sail a triangular course. Johnson in his O'Day 19 suffered minor damage when his port shroud pulled a little too hard and cracked the inside of the cabin. Consequently, he retired from the race. For the rest of the fleet, Starling Gunn with Wendell Gundlach and Bill Grossie as crew finished first in the first race, followed closely by the John Hemphill-Paul Leslie team, and David Young with crewmembers Kim Kirsh and John Russell. With the boats finishing within 2 minutes of each other in a 40 minute race, it is clear that these sailors are very competitive and closely matched in skills.

John Fragakis, who arrived too late for the first race, sailed away from the Scots in the second race. Gunn was second, then Hemphill and Young followed within a minute of one another.

Periods of clouds, gusty winds, and waves of dark clouds and sunshine marked the first day of the summer series. Despite the weather that ended in a cold front passing through with strong winds and a downpour, the day ended with the first social of the season.

Sunday's races were cancelled due to high winds and the PRO's good judgment.

Thank you to the members served on the race committee: Eric Rasmussen, PRO, Joleen Rasmussen, Ellen Duff, Davis Duff, Alan Wolf, Gene Moore and Tom Clark.

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Meet the Lake Townsend Yacht Club Board!

This Month: *Jeff Taylor*

I have been a member of the Yacht Club for over 5 years. One day our current Commodore, Rudy Cordon, asked if I wanted to go sailing on his Catalina and from that point on I was hooked. I raced with Rudy for a season and bought my first sailboat, a Tanzer 16, from the Yacht Club. Rudy and I raced my boat that season and won 3rd place in the Saturday Series. I purchased a 24ft Yankee Seahorse in South Carolina and spent the next 3 years restoring her. I now have my boat at Belews Creek and continue to enjoy sailing when I'm able. I enjoy woodworking and biking also. I look forward to becoming more involved within the Club and the fellowship that it brings.

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SAILBOATS FOR SALE!

Mirage 5.5

1984 Cabin Cruiser \$2,900. (Lots of Extras) Mirage 5.5 on Magictilt Trailer, (new wheels, hubs & bearings, w/ bearing buddies) 4.5 HP 2stroke Mercury Motor, with new spring assist Popup motor mount. Call Bill Snider at 336/349-6755.

American 14.6 Sailboat

Fiberglass construction with anodized spars, Harkin blocks, fiberglass-weighted centerboard, kick up rudder, and Dacron sails, and galvanized trailer with mast stanchion can seat four adults. \$1000.00 View it at

www.sailingsource.com/americansail/default.htm

Call Rande Drake, 336 586-0181 or e-mail him at kb4qqj@mindspring.com

16' Mistral & Trailer

North Sails, Swing keel & rudder, Compass. Easy to Sail \$1,500.00 Call: Dave Varsik 336-712-9668

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US Sailing Web site: www.ussailing.org

Taking the strain out of towing

In the latest issue of Scots n' Water (the official publication of the Flying Scot Sailing Association) is an article concerning being towed in a long line of boats. If you've ever had a number of boats hanging off a piece of hardware on your boat and wondered how many boats it will take to disengage that piece from your boat then here is an idea on how to completely unload the strain.



The BBYRA (Barnegat Bay Yacht Racing Association) typically tows most boats to the race-course. This has become a ritual (and party) unto itself. Here is a piece from Peter's 'Towing at the BBYRA' article describing how they handle it.

"Now to the fine art of tying up four or five Scots for a tow. Each boat has its' own towline. The unique thing is that, when done properly, individual boats do not bear the weight of either the boat in front or the boat behind. First, a bowline is tied to the bolt holding the lifting bridle by the mast. This attachment point is considered stronger and better for the boat than either the mast or bowplate. The line is then passed through the bow plate (to keep the boat centered) and then through the next boats' inverted

U on the rudder head (again to keep the boat from wandering on the tow). Then the line is tied to this boat's bowline at his bolt; it is not tied to the bolt itself but to the loop in the bowline. Done this way, when the line is pulled taught, the "pull" is straight from towline to towline and no one boat drags another."

I think this is a great idea and could most likely be adapted for use by other classes. Thanks to Peter Sayia, FS 5508, for the great article

Steve Raper, Flying Scot 4051 (Baby)

Outboard Motor Comparison

Many of us are getting into the cruising sailboats and as we all know, we need to have a reliable little outboard to get us in and out of the marina or to find the ideal overnight cove especially when we run out of wind. Let us be honest, we use the outboard when the wind blows below 1mph!

If you plan to buy a brand new outboard your price will range from about \$1300 to \$1600 for a 4 to 6 hp outboard, depending on the extras you may need. One important factor for me (as I get older) is the weight of the motor as the need to pull it up from the water or to take it out of the boat for the winter months and having to carry the motor around. Below you will find a very basic comparative chart on some popular models.

Make	Engine	Weight	Gear Shift	Fuel Type	Price
Tohatsu	6 hp/ 4 stroke	55 lbs	F- N-R	Not mixed	\$ 1400
Honda	5 hp/ 4 stroke	60 lbs	F-N -R	Not mixed	\$1195
Mercury	5 hp/ 2 stroke	45 lbs	F-N -R	Pre mixed	\$1395

Enjoy your cruising this year. See you around....
Rudy Cordon

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. 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? Or, if you need a cruising partner on your boat or would like to team with someone on one of the city sailboats for a daysail or a race, contact someone on this list. If you'd like to add your name to the list, contact John Hemphill, Treasurer or Bill Grossie, Newsletter Committee (See the Help Lines box located in this newsletter).

Available To Crew

Name	Home Phone	Work Phone	E-mail
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SATURDAY SUMMER RACE SERIES

April 2005

Skipper	Boat	Race 1	Race 2	Cumulative
Gunn, S	FS 1104	7	5	12
Hemphill, J	FS 4043	6	4	10
Fragakis, J	LS 166847	2	6	8
Young, D	FS 2252	5	3	8
Johnson, L	O Day 19	2	0	2
Clark, T	Force5 2947	3*	3*	6
Duff, D		3*	3*	6
Moore, G		3*	3*	6
Rasmussen, E	TNZ 232	3*	3*	6
Rasmussen, J	ISO 1027	3*	3*	6
Wolf, A		3*	3*	6

No races were held on Sunday, April 3rd.

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SAYRA Web Site: www.sayra-sailing.org