

# The Marks of the Course

March 2006



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# COMMODORE'S CORNER



by  
Dan Haile

If you have not yet renewed your CSA Membership, this will be the last Marks of the Course you will receive. The list used to make mailing labels and get email addresses will be updated to only include those who have already renewed. Please send in your renewals now to continue to receive your Marks uninterrupted and to get your name into the CSA Roster that will be created off of the same database.

I have been told that some of you are not clear on the CSA Workhour Credits system to properly get them credited to your membership. There are numerous opportunities to get in work hours at CSA. Right now, there are dock sections being rebuilt by the Docks Committee Chair, Larry Willson. There will be a big workparty to put docks in and get the club ready for the season. There will be another in early November to take them out again and winterize the club. There are numerous other workparties throughout the year that you can become a part of. Check the calendar to see when the big workparties are happening. Call the Committee Chairs to see if they need help anytime. If you want to get in your work hours, you can.

To get credit for your work hours, you will need to have the Committee Chair you are working for fill out a Work Chit. These Work chits are available at the Harbormaster's office. The Committee Chair should then turn in a copy of that Work Chit to the Commodore, Me, who will make that available to the next Vice Commodore who will credit the proper amount to your bill. I will accept an email from a Committee Chair giving all the same information as is needed on the Work Chit. Save your copy of the Work Chit in case it does not show up on your membership renewal next year.

I have heard that at least one fleet is starting a Recognition Program to show an outstanding Fleet member that they are appreciated. This is a great idea. There are so many people in CSA doing so much for their Fleet, their Club, and Sailing in general that we really need to be thanking those people for their efforts. I'm sure all of our Fleets could put this kind of program in place. A Fleet Member of the Month can easily be given a Certificate of Appreciation and a write-up in the Fleet's article in the Marks including a picture of the honored member. Great Job.

Who have YOU talked to about joining CSA this month?

## **Rules Quiz** (by Ted Beier) *See Page 7 for the answers.*

Oops! I suffered a slip of the keyboard last month. I could claim I wanted to see who was paying attention, but it was really just a bf. Obviously, YYYY is the boat that should be penalized, and not XXXX. On to a new situation!

An inside boat (IN) and an outside boat (OU) are rounding a mark from a reach onto a beat in a relative "bow even" position, both on port tack, and about ½ boat length apart laterally. IN had established the right to room to round in the proper time. As they leave the mark astern, IN does not trim in her boom and assume a close hauled course for several boat lengths. OU, who began heading up immediately after rounding, bears away again when she sees that IN is not altering course to windward, but OU's boom, still in reaching trim, contacts IN's sidestay. Both boats protest. IN claims that since she was entitled to room, OU cannot luff to a close hauled course until she does. OU claims that IN must assume a close hauled course as soon as possible without hitting the mark. Who is right?

# SPLINTERS FROM THE BOARD

by

by Ted Beier (Subbing for Bob Arnzen)

The Board met on 17 February at the home of Director Moore. Director Arnzen and Director Bernstein were granted excused absences for travel. There was some question about charging Director Bernstein a fun fee since he has missed the last two meetings campaigning a J-105 in the Southeast.

Commodore Haile reported that membership renewals are running about the same as this time in 2005. The 2006 Commodore's staff is defined except for a chair for the Luau. The Y Flyer Fleet has volunteered to run the Whale-of-a-Sail Regatta. As part of the Commodore's report, the Board was presented with plans by CSAs recently designated Public Relations and Membership Development Chair, Janis Wilson. She outlined some exciting initiatives that are being undertaken in 2006 covering CSA visibility, media relations, community involvement, and member

recruitment/recognition/retention. You will be hearing much more about these, and likely will be asked to participate in some of them. The Board approved update and printing of the CSA brochure to occur immediately as one of the first actions. Improvement of the signage from Hwy 127 to the harbor vicinity will follow soon, as will numerous media contacts about 2006 activities.

The improvement to the CSA launching ramp was discussed. The concrete portion was completed just after Christmas, and the design for the movable ramp portion is nearing completion. We will remove one dock section from the current floating system, and use the frame

as the basis for this ramp. This will save us the cost of building a frame.

The main topic of the meeting, as is usual in February, was about CSA finances for the coming year. Expenses for the past year and Commodore Haile's draft budget for 2006 were reviewed. As might be expected from various articles in recent Marks', expenditures during 2006 will be guarded closely. No activities will be bud-

geted as loss items, instead most activities that were so budgeted in former years will be expected to pay for themselves in 2006. This includes the Luau, Banquet, and CSA sponsored regattas.

In reviewing 2005 expenses, it was suspected that some of them were not collected in the proper categories because persons purchasing items were not careful enough in specifying their purpose. Director Sepanski will lead an audit committee to examine 2005, and make recommendations for better

fiscal management by all in 2006. One suggestion being considered is to limit the number of individuals that can purchase items to be charged to CSA, and require prior approval of the cognizant committee chair. All individuals that purchase materiel for CSA are reminded to sign the invoice legibly and write the account/activity to which it should be recorded.

Director Beier reported on a number of meetings that he attended in his capacity as overseer of governmental relations. They are discussed elsewhere in this issue of the Marks.

The next BOD meeting will occur on 16 March.

## **\*\* NOMINATIONS \*\***

### **CSA Board of Directors**

NOMINATIONS FROM MEMBERSHIP AT  
LARGE TO THE CSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THE DEADLINE IS MARCH 15, 2006

#### **Mail nominations to:**

Dan Claggett  
16 Hillard Rd  
Kirkwood, MO 63122

Enclose a photo and brief biography of experience  
within CSA



# FLEET OF THE YEAR

## CABIN BOAT FLEET



by  
Ann Lacker



Thanks Bob and Libby for hosting that delicious Seafood Supper last month!

On Saturday, March 18th, the Annual Fleet Meeting will be held prior to the St. Pat's Party at Huhn's home. The meeting will begin at 6:00 P.M. Partying starts at 7:00 P.M. Contact Linda Cherry if you have suggestions, ideas or concerns that should be added to the agenda. Linda will provide an agenda before the meeting to those who are unable to attend. She plans to bring a chart of the boat parking spaces so that those who are inconvenienced by the current space assignments can discuss other options. Because nobody has stepped forward as our new Fleet Social Chairperson, how about if different individuals agree to plan specific events? Does anyone have a Gin Bucket recipe? We've been tossing around the idea of serving them at our Gyn Pole Erection Party.

Linda is in the process of nursing her sick computer back to health. You will know that she does not have your correct email address if you do not get an email from her by February 26th. If that happens, please send her an email so that she can update her records.

Mark you calendars! The Hare and Hounds racing schedule is as follows: June 3rd and 17th, July 1st, August 5th and 26th, and September 23rd. Sailors who have winning flags from last season should bring them to pass along to winners of the June 3rd race.

And finally.....NEXT MONTH WE'LL BE BACK ON THE WATER!







# PUBLIC RELATIONS & MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT



by  
Jan Wilson

When I accepted this role on the commodore's staff I wasn't really sure what I was getting in to, but I'm happy to report that it is developing into quite an exciting role for me and I'm "lovin" every minute of it! My marketing background and previous experience with three other sailing clubs and large non-profits and volunteer organizations certainly provided all the needed qualifications, but understanding how the role would be defined at CSA would prove to be an adventure.

I was honored to be invited to give a presentation to our Board of Directors outlining my ideas and recommendations. My report was well received and I was delighted that so many items have been acted upon so quickly. We will have a new CSA brochure available prior to opening day and copies will be available at the Harbor Master's Office along with all current flyers for events this year. Our membership application is now available on our website and can be easily downloaded. Our web site is now linked to many more sites and we can offer online registration for the F-18 Nationals.

Our Visitors' Day event is already well organized, the flyers are out and volunteer recruitment is underway. The Leukemia Cup staff is busy planning their "best ever" regatta and we should have good media coverage for both of these activities as well as for the F-18 National Championships in September. I am available as the media contact for all fleets and

event directors this year so please don't hesitate to call me for help. We are establishing a standard PMS color number for our blue CSA burgee and guidelines for the use of our logo. Our CSA Handbook is being updated and will be available online this year. Our signs are being re-painted and we are exploring some new ones. Also we have some banners for use at all events so be sure to contact me to get them for you.



I'm visiting the various fleets to review membership development plans and explore new projects. Remember, the requirements for growing our membership involve more than just recruitment. Retention and Recognition are also vitally important. So, if you have a new boat let me know so we can acknowledge it properly. And be sure to help us give a very warm welcome to all new members whenever you see them. I'm encouraging each fleet to acknowledge a "Sailor of the Month" by providing them with a small certificate honoring their contribution to the fleet.

Carlyle Sailing Association is one of the finest sailing clubs in the country and I consider it a privilege to be a member and I hope you feel that way too. Our club has many outstanding members who help in so many ways and if you have not yet found the particular spot where you would like to serve this club please contact me and maybe I can help you find something you would really enjoy.

Our club truly has something for everyone!



# SCOWNDRELS



by  
David Crosby

## INLAND 20

## E GO

Regatta time is right around the corner. Several Inland 20s will be making the long trek south to Sarasota, Florida to race on beautiful Sarasota Bay over the weekend of March 24-26.

On a more local level, the Leukemia Cup at CSA is the first regatta on the class agenda that is located in the mid-west. Several Inland 20s will be sure to attend this regatta. This would be a great opportunity to test drive an I-20.

Other sanctioned regattas in 2006 will be held at:

- *Green Lake, WI*     *June 25-26*
- *Lake Geneva, WI*     *August 13-15*
- *Madison, WI*     *September 15 -17*

Green Lake is a large, extremely deep spring fed lake. If the I-20 does not offer enough excitement, the A-Scows will certainly create quite a show. Green Lake will be hosting the A-Scow Nationals at the same time.

Lake Geneva is hosting the 2006 ILYA championship Regattas. All of the scow classes will be competing at this regatta. The E-Scows, Inland 20s and MCs will all compete at the same time. The A-Scows, M-16s and C-Scows compete later in the week.

The Inland 20 Nationals will be held on Lake Mendota in Madison, WI. This is the home of the I-20 and the Nationals to boot. There should be 30+ boats competing for the Championship.

If you are interested in chartering a boat or crewing at one of these regattas please contact David Crosby at [davidcrosby@charter.net](mailto:davidcrosby@charter.net) and I will do what I can to have a boat available.

The E Fleet gathered at Gerry Paoli's house on Sunday, February 26th. The agenda centered around a "Feeding Frenzy" and some serious RC sailboat racing outback.

It was determined that a fleet meeting to elect new officers was not necessary. Enough people were absent that all positions were able to be filled by default. Those absent now hold positions of responsibility for 2006. Jeff Melly was elected Fleet Captain. Mike Rigden will be Regatta Chairman for the Silver Cup. Bob Gill will be Regatta Chairman for the MESA Championship. Congratulations to all!

Seriously, a meeting was held and Preston Haiglin volunteered to be Fleet Captain. CSA has been requested to host the 2006 MESA Championship. A decision was made to sail this in conjunction with either the Whale of a Sail or Leukemia Cup. The Leukemia Cup seems to be the logical choice. Ray Bunse will be contacting the sailors from Indiana and Ohio to see which weekend they would prefer. As far as planning for the two E-Scow regattas, everyone was in agreement that some last minute planning would suffice and the regattas would be a success.

There were some discussions regarding the results of the asymmetrical spinnaker vote. This initiative failed to achieve a 2/3 majority vote. 161 skippers voted in favor of the a-sail and 118 voted against.





# CAT TALES



*By  
Jan Wilson*

Although it is still winter, the catamaran sailors are busy preparing for many new and exciting events for the coming season. The recent Fleet meeting, held at the home of Sue Dudek, co-captain of the Fleet and hostess extraordinaire, was a very productive meeting as well as a fun-filled Mardi-Gras Party. Amy's boat with the banana hulls was a big hit, although the mast was considered somewhat similar to Mike Hill's. (You had to see it to believe it). And, speaking of Mike Hill, the Fleet voted to nominate **Mike Hill to run for a seat on the CSA Board of Directors** again and Mike accepted. So be sure to remember to vote for him when it's time for the ballots!

Denny Taylor led some lively discussion regarding more fun times and suggestions for events in conjunction with the Hare and Hound races where we could invite visiting sailors or "wanna be" sailors to join us for a potluck after the race.

Membership is a high priority for us this year and CSA Public Relations/Membership Development Chairperson, Jan Wilson presented a number of ideas for growing our fleet as well as the club, and joined Visitors' Day Chairperson, Pat O'Donnell in soliciting volunteers to help with registration, boat rides, docks hands and tour guides for June 10th. Much help is needed for this event and it is hoped that everyone will participate in some way.

The Fleet has a need currently for someone to assume responsibility for writing the article for the "Marks" each month, as Joe Kasparek is unable to do it now. We certainly appreciate the good job Joe has done for us and we thank you Joe.

Dave Leimbach is the chairman for the other major catamaran event this year to be held in September, which will be the F-18 National Championships. At the meeting about fourteen volunteers were identified for various jobs but about 40 more are needed to help with everything from registration, race committee, sail measurement to Meals. This is a weeklong event but you may volunteer to help for one day or as many as you want. It is hoped that everyone will find some time to help with this event.

The Fleet also decided that beginning with February, we will select a Catamaran "sailor of the month" for recognition of their outstanding contributions to the fleet. The **February "Sailor of the Month" is Pat O'Donnell**, who has served so faithfully to ensure good communications in the Cat Fleet with both email and the Web site.

***Congratulations Pat, you do great work!***

The next Fleet meeting will be at the home of Tom and Mary Paoli on Sunday afternoon, March 19th... more details will be sent soon.

## **Rules Quiz Answer**

Room is defined as the space needed to maneuver promptly and in a seamanlike manner. This does not allow time or sailing distance that a boat may want to correct fouled gear or enhance crew comfort after leaving the mark. As soon as IN can trim in her boom and head up to a close hauled course without hitting the mark, and doing so in a seamanlike manner, she must. A seamanlike manner would be defined as maneuvering and trimming as quickly as possible without losing speed from luffing sails or too abrupt tiller movements. OU attempted to avoid contact with IN, but was unable to because of the lack of the proper response from IN, and therefore, complied with Rule 14(a). Because the allowed room for IN is no longer applicable, she should be penalized for breaking Rule 11.

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# **GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS ACTIVITIES**

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by  
*Ted Beier*

CSA works closely with numerous governmental entities for the benefit of our organization, both directly and through the Carlyle Lake Association (CLA). Jim Harris and I are your representatives for these activities (and are officers of CLA plus the larger organization KWA).

**ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS (ACOE) WATER CONTROL MEETINGS** - The water control plan which governs the levels and discharge rates for the lake is being reviewed for possible update by the ACOE. The content of this document is vital to CSA for many reasons. ACOE's stated goal is to incorporate small changes that they must now ask ACOE District Headquarters in Vicksburg permission to do, and which they do almost every year, as tolerances to the allowable actions. This will allow them to manage the water in a more responsive manner in times of heavy rains and droughts. At two January meetings that we attended, public comment was solicited for desired changes to the plan. Several requests were made, which, if incorporated, could be detrimental to boating interests on the lake including CSA. We are working these issues through CLA, whose task it is to coordinate all interests involving the lake, thus it is essential that CLA remain a strong voice by having as large a membership of lake users as possible. Further meetings where the Corps will present their draft changes will occur beginning on 20 March in Germantown. We will be there.

**CARLYLE LAKE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** - CSA is a member of this organization, and our goal in so being is to maintain good relations with the local community and its businesses. The reasons for this are many, and should be obvious. One of our objective in attending their meetings is to encourage more participation by the local community in CSA activities. The Carlyle Girl Scouts and the local radio station, WCXO, are both interested in doing so. Also, the C of C has adopted our Visitor's Day, Leukemia Cup, and Whale-of-a-Sail as some of their calendar activities.

**ACOE LAKE MASTER PLAN MEETING** - Jim and I attended this meeting in Carlyle on 16 February. Periodically the ACOE updates their master plan for major upgrades to the lake environment and facilities, and this meeting was to obtain public comment for incorporating further desired improvements. Gary Tatham, the Hazlet Park superintendent, was in attendance, and we were able to meet with him and with the ACOE plan authors before the meeting. Since CSA leases from the State as part of the park, any upgrades we achieve might be funded by the ACOE, the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (State Park), or CSA. We are pushing four items for CSA which all agreed will be in the plan. These are: (1) completing the rock flood barrier behind the harbor (ACOE funding), (2) installing a high water ramp on the far side of the cat field and providing additional semi-paved boat/car parking up the hill from the pole barn (state funding), and (3) increasing the slope of the cat field to enhance its high water usability (shared state and CSA funding). This document indicates the priority projects to be undertaken, but funding must come separately. The ACOE agreed to pay more attention to the economic impact of CSA in their documentation.

**KASKASKIA WATERSHED SUMMIT CONFERENCE** - This annual event occurs on 27 February at Mariner's Village in Carlyle. The meeting allows delegates from various "stakeholders" (interest groups) from all along the Kaskaskia watershed an opportunity to network with representatives of various cognizant government entities. These include Col. Setliff the ACOE St. Louis District Commander, the Director of IDNR, Representative John Shimkus (the lake is in his district), and other officials from ACOE and state government. We will be there to promote the interests of CLA and CSA.

It should be obvious that our lines of communication with all of these entities are complicated and quite political. Therefore, CSAers who have questions, requests or complaints should convey them through Jim or I instead of going to the agencies directly. We are most effective when we speak with a coordinated voice.



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# MID-WINTER SAILING ACTIVITIES

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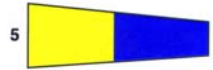
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CSA's boys and girl of winter shine through at St. Pete NOOD regatta. After a fine showing at boat's inaugural regatta in Key West last month, 15th out of 30th, Vindicator's headed South for another event. On their new J-105 and in only their second regatta, Vindicator took on the 15 boat fleet last weekend and finished 2nd. The team consists of all CSA present or past members and they include Skipper Rick Bernstein; Marcus Raichle, halyards; Ralph Godkin, main/tactics; Tommy Paoli, Jib; Chris "Smitty" Smith and Karen McKinley, bow. In light air conditions, the team sailed very consistent ending up with finishes of 5, 5 & 4. Team Vindicator is a project spear headed by Rick and Marcus and it's goal is to get the team and boat up and running and then attend 6 Leukemia Cup Regattas this summer in St. Louis, New York, New Jersey, Seattle, Chicago and Savannah. At each event they'll be bringing sponsorship funds and Marcus's newly created "Vindicator Challenge;" details of this forthcoming soon. The team's next stop is Miami Florida and the SORC/Miami Race Week in Mid-March.





# VISITOR'S DAY



So you don't know a tack from a jibe?

COME TO  
Carlyle Sailing Association's

# VISITORS DAY

SATURDAY JUNE 10th 2006

TIME: 12:00 NOON TO 6:00 PM

Carlyle Sailing Association (CSA) is a not for profit sailing club  
located on Carlyle Lake, 55 minutes from the downtown Arch.

We are a low cost family sailing and sailboat racing facility.

To help promote the wonderful sport of sailing and our facility, we are inviting any area sailors or  
persons interested in sailing to experience a free day of sailing followed by other activities.

Sail on various types of boats with some of the best sailors in the Midwest.

Attendance is Limited - you must Pre-Register before June 2nd.

Call the following

Norm Karl (314-842-0782) or Shirley Allen (618-622-9813)

Email: [nkarl1@prodigy.net](mailto:nkarl1@prodigy.net)

Visit our web page at: <http://www.csa-sailing.org>

Note: You are not pre-registered until you receive a response from us!





# 2006 CSA CALENDAR



NEXT MARK MOVED

Month	Day	Event	Chairperson
<b>January</b>	14	CSA Commodore's Banquet	Sheila Hobson
	25	"Marks" Deadline	Dave Crosby
<b>February</b>	15	CSA Membership Dues Deadline	Linda Cherry
	25	"Marks" Deadline	Dave Crosby
<b>March</b>	11	Commodore's Staff and Fleet Captain's Meeting	Dan Haile
	25	"Marks" Deadline	Dave Crosby
<b>April</b>	8	Big Work Party (Lunch Provided)	Committee Heads
	?*	Leukemia Cup Kick Off	Rick Bernstein
	25	"Marks" Deadline	Dave Crosby
	28-29	Lightning Mid Continent Regatta	James Chapin
<b>May</b>	29	Planned Harbor Opening	All
	7	First Club Race	
	13	New Members Orientation Day	Dan Haile
	25	"Marks" Deadline	Dave Crosby
<b>June</b>	27-28	Leukemia Cup Regatta/Cabin Classic	Rick Bernstein/ Stacey Zerban
	3-4	Flying Scot Egyptian Cup Regatta	Pat Swan
	10	Visitor's Day	N. Karl/P. O'Donnell
	12-17	Junior Sailing Camp	Nancy Eastman
	17	Firecracker Regatta (Juniors)	Felicia Bamer
	25	"Marks" Deadline	Dave Crosby
	28-30*	Adult Sailing Seminar	Felicia Bamer
<b>July</b>	1	Luau	TBD
	8-9	San Juan Regatta	Cal Guthrie
	25	"Marks" Deadline	Dave Crosby
<b>August</b>	12-13	Y-Flyer Beer & Boats Regatta	Jack Klug
	19	CSA Championship Regatta	Felicia Bamer
	25	"Marks" Deadline	Dave Crosby
<b>September</b>	2	Strawberry Daquiri Regatta	Felicia Bamer
	3-4	Laser Regatta	Paul Hanson
	9-10	Muddy Waters Regatta	Dave Leimbach
	16-17	Whale-of-a-Sail Regatta	
	18-22	F-18 National Championship	Dave Leimbach
	23-24	Snipe Silver Cup Regatta	Andrea Sepanski
	25	"Marks" Deadline	Dave Crosby
30-1	E-Scow Silver Cup Regatta	Gerry Paoli	
<b>October</b>	25	"Marks" Deadline	Dave Crosby
	30	Harbor Closing (All Boats MUST Leave)	All
<b>November</b>	11*	Big Work Party (Lunch Provided)	Committee Heads
	15	Work Chits Due	Dan Haile
	17	CSA Membership Meeting & Election	Dan Haile
	25	"Marks" Deadline	Dave Crosby
<b>January</b>	13*	CSA Commodore's Banquet	

\* Denotes a tentative date.