

The Marks of the Course

November 2007



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Maryland Heights Community Center



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COMMODORE'S CORNER



by
Linda Cherry

Arrrrgh, Mateys,
Arrrrgh, all the leaves be fallin' and we be "leafin'" too!!! It be a saaaaaad day!

Leafin' CSA with our boats, that is.

As you know, all our boats are required to be removed from the grounds of CSA by Sunday, October 28th. Any and all boats left of the premises shall be auctioned off on eBay and the proceeds will go to sending the Commodore far, far away...where it's warm and sunny all winter! Soooooo, don't let that happen and be sure to get your hulls outta there! ;o)

We've had some great wind this season, at times when we usually don't...some winds were even too much! But, alas, we must put our boats away! Sigh...sniff, sniff....

We hosted our first **Inland 20's Nationals** at the very end of September...We can all be very proud and happy knowing that Ian Schillebeeckx claimed the 2007 Inland 20 National Championship **AND** the 2007 Inland 20 Junior National Championship!!! *Way to go, Ian!!!! Congratulations!*

Several of our CSA Junior sailors also raced...Bryan Burke, Caleb Leonard, Megan Crosby, Melina Crosby... Bryan Burke took 2nd place and Caleb Leonard finished close behind winning third place! *Yahooooooo!!!!* You can check out more info at <http://www.destinationonedesign.com>.

Our E-Scows had their day in the sun with their Silver Cup Regatta in early October. Check out their column in this month's Marks of the Course.

Well, the leaves are falling and our Fleet Meetings will start...that's good stuff to look forward to for these loooong winter months ahead of us. If you're not part of a fleet or fleets, I strongly suggest you join in on all the great stuff all year long. You don't even need to own a boat to join a particular fleet! The fleet meetings help with those sailing withdrawal symptoms....

Coming up this month:

FALL BIG WORK PARTY, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH, 2007.

This is the BIIIG work party where we have 90+ people coming out to work at putting away the docks, picnic tables, whalers, whaler shelters, committee boats, hoses, clearing out the Pole Barn for storing some of these things, trimming tree limbs, cleaning the OB and lots more to put CSA asleep for the winter and move everything to where it will stay high and dry in case of a winter flood.

By the time you're reading this you should have received an email from me for you to sign up for work committees on that day. Be sure to sign up fast to get your choice of work area.

Note: If you are unable to commit earlier and it's the last minute, please call me on my cell, 309-4172-1199, even if it's that morning. This "organized but open" procedure of signing up was instituted in 2006 as a way of preventing having people standing around with nothing to do, costing us work hours. (We also need a head count for lunches.) It is also hoped that it would encourage people to vol-

unteer for the jobs that come up during the season.

All workers will get a fantastic lunch being prepared by Don Crohn and his Galley Crew!! I promise!!!

WORK CHITS are all due to be turned in to me by November 15th. If you've worked on a project this year and have not received your work chit but sure to contact the Committee Chair involved with the work and get your chit. The Chairs will turn in the CSA copies to me by the 15th. You hold onto yours in case of recording mistakes.

Please report ALL your hours even if you have put in more than 10 work hours. This helps us know how many hours it takes to run CSA and how much each fleet contributes to the work.

Thank you to all of you who have pitched in on all our projects this year!

OUR CSA ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16th.

The one meeting a year when all CSA members gather to hear about changes and new plans for the upcoming year, give input, ask questions, present ideas, gather with our sailing buds in normal clothing and not sailing gear...

We'll be meeting at the Maryland Heights Community Center again...

Mark your calendars and watch for more info to follow via email.

Be sure to come out and let your voice be heard!!! I hope that you'll all be there for this important meeting! It's important that Every-One of us be there!

COMMODORE'S BANQUET, SATURDAY, JANUARY 12TH.

Plans are well underway for our Commodore's Banquet. We're changing the venue this year in hopes of enabling more families to join us. It's a great place and will cost quite a bit less than in the past. We'll be celebrating and remembering the year of 2007...

Barb Huhn is Chair for the Banquet. See the flyer later in this edition of the Marks... If you have ideas/suggestions for the event, please let us know.

2007 Photo Album: If you have photos from the year, if it's one or 101, please send them in so that we can include them in our evening...We're looking for photos of both on and off the water, fleet meetings, work parties, etc., etc...any and everything about the life of CSA!!! Please contact Dave Waugh at waughd1@sbcglobal.net. He'll be compiling the pics for us. You won't want to miss it! You can bring your pics on a CD to the Annual Meeting and Dave can get them there.

We're having a Fleet Table Decorating Contest, an old Commodore's Banquet Tradition... So start putting your head together and make your plans! Prizes to be awarded!

I'll be seeing you at the lake for the Big Work Party and the Annual Meeting!

Red skies at night,
Linda Cherry
Commodore 2007

SPLINTERS FROM THE BOARD

A few significant policy decisions were made at the October board meeting which lead to a very long, yet highly constructive meeting. First, congratulations to the board for work well done on these important issues that with so many perspectives, can be difficult to compromise on. In the end, with unanimous votes, the following changes will occur at CSA effective immediately.

1. The basic CSA membership once referred to a “Season Space Renter,” is now called “Primary Membership.” The most significant change within the definition of this membership is both SPOUSES are now eligible to hold positions on CSA’s board, Commodore’s Staff, and hold Flag Officer positions which basically means either spouse in this boat owning Standard Membership can be Commodore. Again, I commend the Board for their understanding, their vision, and their passion for doing what was the right thing to do.
2. In addition, second, third and/or fourth boats have a new and simplified pay structure. \$100 per boat under 15 feet, \$200 per boat 15-17 feet and \$300 per boat longer than 17 feet. There are other variables that apply here that are too long to write about now; please attend the annual meeting in November or stay tuned to your 2008 mailings.
3. The Mailing, now called Friend Membership, as well as Racing and Junior Associate Memberships all have been modified. Attend the Annual Meeting on Friday November 16th and you’ll learn more of the details.
4. For 26 weeks each season, the seven racing fleets perform significant coordination getting their personnel to run races. The way it’s always been at CSA, the more boats in a fleet, the more race committee weekends fleets get. In order to lessen the burden, Director Sepanski came up with a great plan that was unanimously approved; we are now eliminating from the race program, the second Sunday of each month and an additional HOT/ probably no wind Sunday in August. Now, on these weekends you can day fun sail, have a family BBQ at the club, stay home, or, quite possibly, maybe someone will come up with an alternative program for those Sundays. This change lessens the burden of race fleets plus it allows downtime for our equipment and our staffs.

I have mentioned the Annual Meeting several times in this article. If you have a say, if you have a beef, if you need clarification on any CSA matter, if you have an opinion you would like to share, this is the best place and platform to be heard. The meeting is Friday night, November 16th; check this Marks for location and start time. Please, please, please...encourage members old and new to attend.

Rick Bernstein
Chairman of the Board
Carlyle Sailing Association

Lost & Found ????

My blue jacket was left on a hook in the ladies room a couple of weeks ago on a Sunday night. It is nylon with a white cotton flannel lining, and it is old-looking and worn, but I love it because my friend, Kay Kane, gave it to me, and it is very comfortable. It also has some faded blue lettering on the front of it. If anyone found the jacket, please call me and let me know. 636-532-4225. Thanks. Maryanna Coad



CAT TALES



by
Holly Conklin

Good news, Catsters! The lost sandals and hat are found! Turns out Craig Lincoln was being extra careful about cleaning up his part of the world, and managed to pick up two extra pairs of sandals and a hat. Now, why he didn't stop and say to himself, "I wonder where these came from," I really don't know. But more importantly, we can no longer blame unknown pranksters for the disappearance. Yay! Thank you for their return, Craig! Our beach is (hopefully) safe again! But do guard your footwear around Craig. You just never know.

I was looking forward to telling you all about the Shegatta down on Lake Ray Roberts in north Texas but was told by more than one attendee, "What happens in Texas stays in Texas." Therefore, the Cat Tales were going to be a bit sketchy this month. So I managed to get Shirley and Kitsy alone, separately, in order to get their stories and have something to pass on to you. I think it was Shirley that confided, "Yeah, but nothing happened to leave in Texas!"

Here is the scoop: the Shegatta raised \$5,000 for breast cancer research with 10 boats attending. The venue was laid back and lovely, the attendees were well fed with a boiled shrimp dinner. There were plenty of leftovers and all went home with baggies full of shrimp ("there was so much garlic in it that we stunk up the whole place!"). Saturday night's band was good and Shirley apparently spent the evening on the dance floor with Sue ("Shirley's got the rhythm of a white girl.") ("You danced all night, too!"). This would be the logical series of events, considering there was only one shower but the margarita and strawberry daiquiri machines were next to the queue for it! ("I really didn't mind waiting in line" says Shirley, "but there was some concern that by the time I got in the shower I might drown.") ("She started with beer, and she never drinks beer, then she found the margarita machine.") That night the four ladies shared a vampire-safe tent. ("Is it coming out of our pores?!")



The raffle was exciting for Shirley and Sue. Imagine our crew of 4 lady sailors traipsing through the airport lugging several fold up lawn chairs, rudder covers, mugs and T-shirts. Sue won the Grand Prize: a Hobie Kayak worth \$1700 with all the accessories! Pat and Kitsy didn't win a thing. There was a neighbor-dog that crashed the party and spent the entire day luring people into games of fetch. He partied with the crowd all day. Kitsy showed him where the birdfeeder was and he managed to get stuck in it, standing on his back legs. The next day someone found him, crashed out cold from playing so hard. They didn't tell me if they found him snoozing in the bird feeder.

It rained for a while on Saturday morning, then the weather cleared nicely. The wind was fair, Shirley and Pat took 1st on an 18 with all bullets. Kitsy and Sue took 2nd on a 16. Apparently, the race committee announced each boat as it finished by launching a water balloon at it. Nothing like finishing through a gauntlet!

Up and coming out of town regattas: Randy Harr and Daniel Paoli will be joining Mike and myself down in Pensacola, Florida for I-20 Nationals the week of October 22nd through 26th. Of course, by the time you get this, we will likely be back, but wish for good wind anyway! I'll tell you all about it next month. See you on our Workday!

CABIN FEVER

by
Shara Taylor

We started October with the Boulder Commodore's Cup or better known by CSAers as the Boulder Chili Cook-off. We got in two races with the help of thousands of squishy bugs who did their part to add to the fun(?) of light-air racing. The race committee did a great job under less than ideal conditions. The party afterward was fun; the chili and deserts were delicious; and, as always, the Boulder folks were wonderful hosts. CSA sailed away with four of the six trophies.

It was good to see Linda Cherry back on the water after her boat suffered damage in the Big Storm. And she's sailing even better than ever. Look out, Chuck!

And speaking of our Commode-ore – She and Pat O'Donnell witnessed an astronomical phenomenon while sailing near Lightning Hill on a recent Sunday afternoon. Several moons suddenly appeared. Numerous astronomers and astrophysicists were contacted about the extraordinary occurrence but couldn't come up with a logical explanation for the event. The scientists were quite emphatic, however, that while these moons may have been celestial in origin, they definitely didn't belong to any heavenly bodies!

Three and a half spooky CSA beings participated in Carlyle's Haunted Trail on Oct. 19. This is a yearly event that raises money for the July 4 fireworks display. The apparitions were kept busy scaring those daring to walk through an area filled with inhabitants from another realm. Do you recognize the creatures in the photo? If not, they are from left: Dave (Likes to Scare People) Leimbach; the specter next to Dave is his latest heartthrob (he was mesmerized by her eyes); yours truly wearing basic black; and Denny (the Pirate) Taylor, who recently emerged from Davy Jones' Locker.



The Lackers haven't been seen around "D" dock lately, not because they haven't been at CSA but because they've been racing on other boats -- a Melges and Lightnings.

I'm happy to report that Karen DeWille is recovering from her recent serious illness and surgery and that Jerry is on the mend following his surgery. Also, Pat Jones is recovering from her recent ankle surgery.

Well, the Great Race and its party will be the last fun event of the official sailing season. The last "unfun" events will be taking down masts, putting boats in storage for the winter, and Docks Day. It's a bummer that the season has to end so soon! I feel as if we just got the boat in the water! Now for the Big Question: What the heck do we do after the official season ends. The answer is: Take part in the unofficial season: Wine Tour, Christmas Party, Commode-ore's Banquet, etc., etc., etc.

That's all for now. See you at the next Cabin Fleet event.

FLYING SCOTTLEBUTT

by
Betty Struckhoff

Years ago there was a book called the Sailor's Dictionary. The cartoons illustrating definitions were priceless. Remember wind conditions? No wind, too little wind, too much wind, much too much wind, much, much.... There was no happy medium.

The fall series has had its no wind and much, much too much wind days. But there were beautiful days too; as of this writing, we have eked out 9 of 13 possible club races, with just about every wind condition imaginable – even some just right wind.

Sunday, October 21 was one for the books. I think Jim needed to get out of the house. Else why use half a tank of gas just to watch the waves build with the wind in the mid 20's and gusting higher. The lake was certainly a sight to see. We took a walk in the woods, came back to CSA for lunch and headed for home. The only brave soul in the club to venture out was Jean Bordes on his Laser. He said it was great but he didn't stay out very long.

Sadly, I won't be seeing you at the lake for a while. But it's party time. Let's relive the 2007 sailing season at the annual meeting, on the bus to Branson, at the Commodore's Banquet, the Fleet 83 Valentine Party, etc.!!!

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CSA's COMMODORE'S BANQUET

*It's a party
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Saturday, January 12, 2008
6:30 pm

ORLANDO's GARDEN
8352 WATSON RD.,
ST. LOUIS, 63119

There are old traditions to be restored, Table decorations Contest:
each fleet create a decoration for one of your tables. Prizes!

Be sure to join us, Awards to be given, recognition to many folks,
and it may be you, and a party's going on for everyone!

Cost: Adults- \$34.00 per person, includes open bar
Jr. Sailors: \$15.00 (no open bar, except for soda for you!)

Reservations to Barb Huhn, 810 Dutch Mill Dr., Manchester, MO 63011

Reservation deadline, January 5th, 2008.

Name: (s) _____

Number of Adults _____ @ \$34.00 each = \$ _____

Number of Jr. Sailors _____ @ \$15.00 each = \$ _____

Reservations due by Jan. 5th, 2008. Absolute deadline!

Pre paid reservations are required.

OUR SHIP'S BELL

*"A ship's bell is used to keep track of time on a ship and to announce changing conditions.
At CSA Our Ship's Bell announces times and events of club activities."*

Month	Day	Event	Chair
NOVEMBER	10	Big Fall Work Party (lunch provided)	Work Committee Chairpersons
	15	Work Chits Due	Linda Cherry
	16	CSA Annual Membership Meeting & Election	ALL/Linda Cherry
	25	Marks' Deadline	David Crosby
DECEMBER	25	Merry Christmas (No Marks' for January '08)	
JANUARY	12	Commodore's Banquet	Barb Huhn

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