

From the Commodore



A Message from the Helm

Spring is here, in spite of what the weather thinks. I was out on the lake on 3/31 and it was delightful. The lake is at or near full pool which means that you can still find the bottom but you will have to look a little harder for it.

April is upon us and the month looks to be event filled. On the 7th we will be having the Blessing of the Fleet. It will begin at 9:00 am this year and will be followed by a lunch at the club. Following the lunch at 2:00 pm there will be a Club Meeting. I would like to encourage all who can attend to please do. There are several possible club improvements that will be discussed and we need your input so please join us.

Also on the 7th we will be having our annual White Elephant sale. In addition to this the club will be auctioning off 3 boats. Their descriptions are as follows:

Boat 1: Macgregor 26 with trailer and a 9.9 HP Kingfisher Motor

Boat 2: 22 Ft. Chrysler, no trailer and no motor

Boat 3: 26 Ft. Hunter, no trailer, no motor. The boat is in the water in slip B-01

There will be a minimum bid set for each boat. Club members will have the first choice to bid on any of these boats. If no club member bids on a boat the bidding will be open to anyone in attendance.

Also Tom and Cindy will be celebrating their 5 year anniversary with a party that evening and have invited all of us to join them. The party starts at 7:00pm; it is a BYOB affair and will feature Live Music. It sounds like fun to me.

On the weekend of April 21st we will hold our first regatta. This will be kicked off with a pot luck dinner on Friday evening, April 20 th , beginning at 6:00pm. You are of course invited to join us even if you do not plan to race on Saturday and/or Sunday. However, it will be great fun if you do join in the race. As I have said before I'm pretty

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sure there will be at least one boat out there that you can beat, everyone else does which goes to shows that you don't have to be a great sailor to be the commodore you just have to love sailing and maybe not be present at the nominating meeting. Join in on the fun. Racing is really just a great opportunity to go sailing with a whole bunch of other boats.

One last note, as an ASA certified instructor I have volunteered to give free sailing lessons to anyone who would like them. I am offering this as another perk when you are a member of Alabama's best sailing club. Smooth sailing and I look forward to seeing you at the blessing of the fleet as well as all of the rest of the activities on April 7 and throughout the rest of April.

Your Commodore,
Buzz Cole

From the Vice Commodore



No Article Submitted this month.
Your Vice Commodore,
John Garner

From the Dockmaster



No Article Submitted this month.
Dockmaster,
Tom Long

From the Race Comm. Chair



No Article Submitted this month.
Committee Chair,
Robert George

From the Purser



No Article Submitted this month.
Purser,
Norbert Falk

From the Parliamentarian



No Article Submitted this month.
Parliamentarian,
Marvin Czentnar

From the Member at Large



As winter winds down, the days get longer, spring gets sprung, and the weather gets warmer.....I said, "the weather gets warmer!!!" It makes for a perfect time to enjoy Lake Weiss and our wonderful club house. There are many events that are scheduled, so we can catch up with old friends and meet some of our new members, and make new friends.

Thanks for all who attended last

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month's Saint Patrick's Day Pot Luck and singing around the bonfire, a good time was had by all.

Here are this Month's Events:

April 7

- 9AM Blessing of the Fleet.
- Noon Club Lunch.
- 1PM White Elephant Sale/Auction.
- 7PM Tom & Cindy's 5-year Anniversary.

April 20

- 6PM Spring Regatta Pot Luck.

April 21

- 9AM Spring Regatta Skippers Meeting.
- 10AM Spring Regatta Start of Race.
- 6PM Spring Regatta Pot Luck.

April 22

- 8:30AM Spring Regatta Start of Race.

We will be in need of several volunteers to help with set up and clean up for the meals, as well as volunteers to help with the race committee.

Wondering how the clubs text messaging is working out?? If you would like to be added to the group text or removed, please do so on the signup sheet on the dry erase board.

Keep the wind in your sails.

Member at Large,
Malcolm Newbold

From the Yeoman



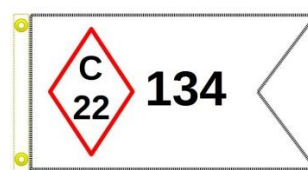
We have new locks on the door next to the ice machine. The code is on your membership card. Please be sure to pass that code along too your family members. This code works for both this door and the outside front door to the new regatta room. The new lock requires one new step, after entering in the code, press the quickset button to open the lock. To lock the door, close the door making sure the lock lines up to the door, and simply hit the quickset button.

A huge thanks to Malcolm for helping me with the communications at the club. His efforts on the text messaging will go a long way towards keeping us all informed on the happenings there at the club.

Yeoman,
Glenn Segrest

From the C-22 fleet

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Clubhouse Scuttlebutt

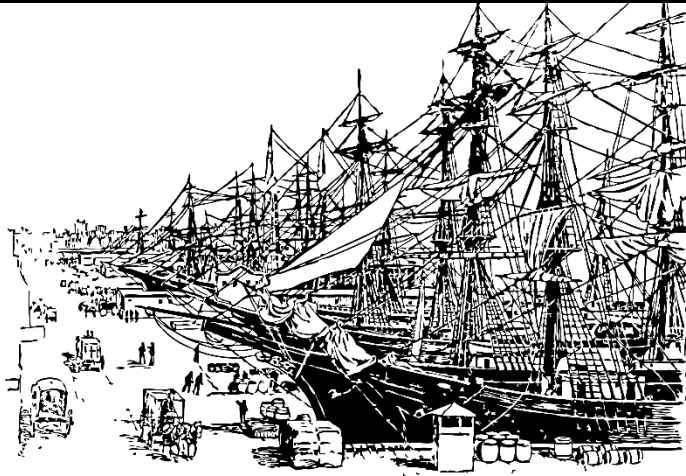


We enjoyed a wonderful pot luck and St Patrick's Day gathering at the clubhouse where many enjoyed the thrill of watching Malcolm pressure-wash his newly acquired sailboat. Rumor has it, it once belonged to a former member at the club. So if you see an new boat there in the boatyard area, it may just be Malcolm's new joy. Also we have a few new members who have joined recently. If you see a new face, introduce yourself and make a new acquaintance.

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Calendar



April

- 04/07/18 (Sat) 9:00 am Blessing of the Fleet
12:00 am Lunch at the club
2:00 pm Club Meeting
7:00 pm 5 Year Anniversary (Tom) Live music BYOB
- 04/20/18 (Fri) 6:00 pm Race Regatta Pot Luck dinner
- 04/21/18 (Sat) SPRING REGATTA
9:00 am Skippers' Meeting
10:00 am Start of Race
6:00 pm Dinner - Pot Luck
- 4/21/18-4/22/18 C-22 Region 3 Championship (Lake Martin, AL)
- 04/22/18 (Sun) 9:30 am Start for Final Race
Trophy Presentations to Follow
- 4/28/18-4/29/18 Dauphin Island Race, Mobile Bay, AL
Hosted by Fairhope Yatch Club
Contact Randy Rutledge if interested.

May

- 05/05/18 (Sat) 9:00 am Work Party
1:00 pm Board Meeting
2:00 pm Cinco de Mayo or Derby day celebration
- 05/19/18 (Sat) Long Distance Race #1
9:00 am Skippers' Meeting
10:00 am Start of Race
- 05/27/18 (Sun) 11:00 am Dinghy race (18' and under)
18:00 pm Club Bon Fire
- 05/28/18 (Mon) Long Distance Race #2 (Memorial Day)
9:00 am Skippers' Meeting
10:00 am Start of Race

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Classifieds

↳ **Want to replace your old dock lines?**

I have old life safety rope for sale. \$2 for 10 meter / 33 foot length. This rope has reached the end of its lifespan as a life safety rope, but still has life left. Two types available, 11mm (7/16") Nylon and Polyester. Not good for a line, sheet, or halyard on a boat, but would make a great dockline.

Contact: Glenn 423-838-4377

↳ **Many boats are for sale at the marina, take a walk down the docks to see which ones are available**

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The Bitter End



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