

CLSC Light & Variable

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Commodore's Cockpit by Mike Gibson



CLSC Members,

As you know, with the tropical storm and then Helene, our area has been devastated by the flooding. Some of us were affected

by the flooding and many were not. I ask that all members be considerate of those dealing with the aftermath of the storms.

Kindly refrain from abusing the keyboard/Facebook to express dislikes or problems, as this often does not come across as intended.

A phone call is always a great way to communicate on any concerns that may need attention or corrections.

As we near the end of the year, the club will be awarding two trophies at the Christmas/Awards Dinner. Kindly submit those nominations as requested.

The fall racing series has one last race, and it's the Schrader Cup. The regatta is a great time with short races. I hope to see everyone on the water.

**Fair Winds,
Mike Gibson, Commodore**



Our Thanksgiving Wishes to All of our Members!!

Racing Reflections and Remarks

Cherokee Lake Sailing Club

2024 Current Fall Series Standings

Sail	Boat	Skipper	PHRF	Type	Division	Fleet
S279	Sierra Hotel	Gibson,Mike	42	S2 7.9	Spinnaker	Spinnaker
223	Lucy	Dail,Bernard	6	J24	Spinnaker	Spinnaker
L22	Hired Gun	Boggs,Greg	24	Lindenberg 22	Spinnaker	Spinnaker
USA3636	Cat's Pajamas	McLernan,Brian	0	J 24	Spinnaker	Spinnaker
CD30	Polonaise	Masengill,Mike	312	Cape Dory 30	Non-Spinnaker	
512	Axios	Moody,Isaac	126	Catalina 27	Non-Spinnaker	Non-Spinnaker
B235	Whiskey Thief	Collins,Doug	102	Beneteau 235	Spinnaker	Spinnaker
C24	Beets Me	Bowers,Chuck	42	Cal 24	Non-Spinnaker	Non-Spinnaker
S169	Momentum	Krammes,Ron	240	Santana 525	Non-Spinnaker	Non-Spinnaker
C25	Nutmeg	Rhea,Bob	114	Catalina 25	Non-Spinnaker	Non-Spinnaker
123	Skye Boat	Osborne,Luke	96	Erickson 25	Non-Spinnaker	Non-Spinnaker
C22	Eileen	Hickey,Carey	90	Catalina 22	Non-Spinnaker	Non-Spinnaker

Above are the overall standings for the Fall Series. This Saturday we will complete the series with the rescheduled two-day Schrader Cup Regatta.

Due to the weather during our Fall Series, the schedule was somewhat scrambled to accommodate the conditions at the time. We appreciate your understanding and we hope to return to a regular racing series in the spring.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Big News regarding the Cherokee Lake Sailing Club Annual Christmas Party. This year the annual gathering will be held at 6:00 p.m. on December 6th at Holston's in Morristown. Menu and other details to follow.

Please make plans to join us for this yearly tradition of sharing a good time with fellow sailors, in addition to the presentation of our annual awards for 2023.

TOP FINISHERS IN HARRY ROSS MEMORIAL ISLAND HOPPER RACE

Congratulations to All!



“Sierra Hotel”



“Lucy”



“Polonaise”

Programs and Events

by Isaac Moody



Review of the Annapolis Boat Show

The Latitudes and Attitudes booth offered us free beer, and that's when it all went down hill. The Axios crew rented the perfect air B&B house in the perfect part of Annapolis. We were the perfect distance from the city dock and had the perfect walk to the boat show.

While we were at the boat show, we met the perfect sailing celebrities: Sam Holmes, Lin Pardey, Lauren Landers, Raff and Sacha from Spear It Animal, and SV Delos. We are subscribers to the perfect sailing magazine, Latitudes and Attitudes. They were throwing a subscriber's only roof top party after the show. We went to their tent to get our credentials for the party. We got our credentials. We also got free beer. They showed us the keg, and said we could refill our cup any time we wanted. We did.

Maybe we couldn't afford a new Halberg Rassy or Lagoon Catamaran, but Latts and Atts had our backs. That night we walked past brand-new Ferraris in the parking lot of the hotel to find the rooftop party. The hotel was nice. We were drunk. Would they even let us in? They did. The party started. We were given two drink tickets. We used them.

The editor for Latts and Atts is apparently a good person, because he gave us a whole roll of drink tickets. It was on. It was about that time that the Spear It Animal crew walked in. Spear It Animal is to the Bahamas what

Axios is to Cherokee Lake, so I had to have a beer with them. We did. Got a picture. My memory is kinda hazy. I think we had a good time!!



Note: Since it seems that the Annapolis Boat Show is becoming a tradition for the Moody family, perhaps we should think about making it a sailing club tradition. How fun it would be to have a number of Cherokee Lake Sailors enjoying the festivities of the Boat Show next year!

Education and Rules

by Greg Boggs



Boat Preparation for Winter

As of this publishing time, we have one more race to finish before the end of the Fall Series. The easy thing to do is to park it and leave it to the spring to accomplish what needs to be done then. In my opinion, that would be a mistake. Leaving it until before the next Spring Series is a prescription for failure. Start getting it ready now.

Obviously, the first thing to consider is ***whether or not to pull the boat***. If the bottom paint is still good, perhaps you only want to pull it up on the ramp and check everything below water. Now would be a good time to pressure wash the hull for the winter (*algae growth is much less in the winter cold water*). Much easier to do a quick brush before the first Spring Series race. If you have ***a knot meter***, now would be a good time to check and clean it. Also a good time to check ***rudder connections*** and look for any damage or dings.

If you want to pull your boat for the winter and do a ***bottom paint***, now would be the time. Most bottom paint manufacturers stipulate to paint when temperatures are above 50 degrees. You will want to watch the weather and wait for a day with good temps. While you are waiting, you can do all the prep work. If there is a long period between the prep work and painting all you have to do is a light pressure wash and wait for it to completely dry before painting.

During the winter is an excellent time to ***go over all of the rigging*** (*standing and running*), **blocks, winches, cars, etc.** Lubricate winches and anything else that needs lubing. Check for leaks and seal them. Check for anything that might be loose or things that might snag sails when tacking. ***Check sails for tears or chaffing*** and repair them. Also, a good time to order new sails since the lead time to get them may be months.

If you pay attention to your boat's needs during the winter, getting ready for the first race of the Spring Series will be a breeze. The new US Sailing Rules will be out this winter and it will be a good time to get a copy and get up to speed on those new rules. I hope this will help you get your boat ready for the next season and hit the lake with a smile.



Telltales by Bettye Boggs

2023 Trophy Presentations

The following two trophies are recognition trophies that are presented annually by Cherokee Lake Sailing Club.

Nominations are open during the time periods listed below. These presentations will take place at the Annual Christmas Party in December.

Jerome Beauchamp Trophy

This trophy has been awarded for Outstanding Service to CLSC since 2014. Any member can nominate another member for this award by sending a letter to the Vice Commodore, between November 1st and November 15th. The nomination should explain specifically what the nominee has done in 2023, to advance the accomplishments detailed in the Club's Mission Statement.

Claudenice "Cleo" McLernan Outstanding Crew Member Trophy

This will be the first year we will award the Cleo, and any boat owner, in good standing, can nominate one crew member, from their boat or any other boat, for this award. Nominees must be members in good standing and must have crewed in a minimum of three CLSC events. Members can only receive the award once. Letters of nominations for this trophy detailing the crew member's contributions must be submitted to the Club Secretary between November 1st and November 15th.

Please submit your nominations to the appropriate persons as listed above.



Racing Opportunities



Boats Looking for Crew:

Beets Me – Chuck Bowers, 860-961-4560
Catalina 22 – Carey Hickey, 865-385-3709
Hired Gun – Greg Boggs, 985-788-5623
Lucy – Bernie Dail, 865-312-4147

Sailors Interested in Crewing:

Ryan Finney, rafincorporated@yahoo.com
Nick Shoemaker, nick@fiddleharpa.com



Off Season Sailing Opportunities



Now that our regular racing season is completed, there will be great days for sailing on the lake in the coming months.

A number of our seasoned sailors are offering an opportunity for you to have them come aboard your boat to provide coaching and help with fine-tuning your boats for optimum performance.

Please let me know if you are interested, and we will arrange a time and someone to come aboard with you for a fun and educational day of sailing.

Bettye – bettyeboggs@bellsouth.net – 985-789-0744



- BOATS FOR SALE -

J24 Sailboat - "Cat's Pajamas" - Well Equipped \$4200

Contact Brian McLernan @ 645-214-1305 / brian@saildandridge.com

Boston Whaler Harpoon 5.2 / 17-foot day sailer with a big enough cockpit and ample storage space to also be a day cruiser. The 5.2 has a self-bailing cockpit that works whether the boat is moving or not, no fill ups when on a mooring. 4hp Mariner outboard motor included rattlesnakeblake@bellsouth.net

PLEASE NOTE THE THE BOGGS' SUNTRACKER W,HICH IS CURRENTLY ON THE HOUSEBOAT DOCK, IS NOW "FOR SALE."

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE GIVE GREG A CALL AT 985-788-5623.



