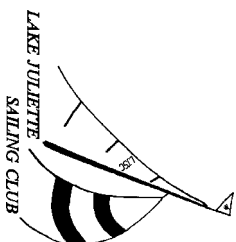


LAKE JULIETTE SAILING CLUB
Please Return Undeliverable Items to:
Editor, 220 Windsor Drive, Warner Robins, GA. 31088

JULIETTE



RUDDER

Volume 4 No. 11

Nov 1995



JULIETTE RUDDER

OFFICERS

COMMODORE.....George Lilley
301 Sunshine Way. Warner Robins GA. 31093 - 953-2771

VICE COMMODORE.....David Duarte
111 Thorndale Dr. Warner Robins GA. 31093 - 929-8418

TREASURER & MEMBERSHIPFred Veator
201 Stanley St. Bonaire, GA. 31005 - 922-5277

RACE COMMITTEE.....George (Boston) Sollows
546 Morland Ave. Macon GA. 31206 - 784-0848

SOCIAL COMMITTEE..... Janis Dillard
4643 Lattimore Dr. Macon Ga. 31210 - 477-8408

HISTORIAN.....Patty Jester
138 Wrights Mill Cr. Warner Robins GA. 31088 - 922-9510

NEWSLETTER EDITOR.....Bob Horan
220 Windsor Dr. Warner Robins GA. 31088 - 929-1377

The RUDDER is the official publication of the Lake Juliette Sailing Club. Statements and opinions appearing herein are those of the authors and do not necessarily represent the group position of the Lake Juliette Sailing Club. The editor reserves the right to edit all material for publication and to publish only that material which is felt to be in the best interest of the Lake Juliette Sailing Club.

1996

LAKE JULIETTE SAILING CLUB MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION

NAME_____

ADDRESS_____

CITY & ST._____

PHONE_____

BOAT 1_____

BOAT 2_____3_____

SPONSOR_____

Dues are **\$20** - Payable to: **Fred Veator**

Send to: Fred Veator
201 Stanley St.
Bonaire, GA. 31005

WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO DO (Pick one or more)

- RACE COMMITTEE ASSISTANCE
- SPECIAL COMMITTEES AS REQUIRED FOR EVENTS
- NEWSLETTER
- CLUB ADMINISTRATION
- OTHER_____

EVENTS AND ITEMS I WOULD BE INTERESTED IN:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> FUN RACES | <input type="checkbox"/> COOKOUTS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> HANDICAP RACES | <input type="checkbox"/> RAFTUPS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CLASS RACES | <input type="checkbox"/> BEACH PARTIES |
| <input type="checkbox"/> EXCURSIONS | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL DINNERS |

GREAT PUMPKIN RACE - 22 Oct 95

CRUISERS

Skipper	Boat	Corrected time	Finish#1	Corrected time	Finish #2
Drawe	Precision 18	54.90	1	26.32	1
Horan	SouthCoast 22	61.06	2	27.94	2
Smith	Lancer 25	65.14	3		
LaBeause	Merit 22	67.51	4		
Witherington	T-Craft 18	68.41	5		

DAYSAILORS

Cole	Puffer	63.99	1	22.40	1
Milani	GulfCoast 20	63.99	2	29.80	2

LUCKY LADY COMES HOME

by Garland Corbin

Since LJSC's Memorial Day Cruise, Lucky Lady, our "trailerable" Buccaneer 27' has resided at Tyndall Yacht Club. After surviving one near miss (hurricane), she and all the other boats at Tyndall Yacht Club had a most difficult experience at the hands of Opal! However, as the name implies, Lucky Lady remains Lucky with only a broken mast and one major abrasion above the waterline. She also suffered numerous cosmetic dings and gouges. Many other boats did not fare as well- although we do not have an official count, approximately ten were sunk! One still lies on the bottom, impaled on a concrete piling. All the docks in the outer cove were floated off the pilings (Boats included) and scattered at random in the parking lot, wetlands and "Dry" storage area. Some docks and canned drinks even made it to the Pelican Point Gulf Course! All T.Y.C. buildings were water damaged and condemned. Lucky Lady came to rest on the East side of the T.Y.C. Tool storage building with mast and jib in pieces wrapped all around her. Several boats in dry storage were severely damaged. (Some totaled out) A MacGregor 25' "Marys' Mink" (George and Mary Greenhour of Huntsville, Ala.) was laid over, trailer and all, and suffered a broken mast and extensive hull damage, both inside and out. Two batteries dumped acid below decks.

We had made a last ditch effort to get on site and remove Lucky Lady just before Opal hit. Wednesday morning as I heard she (Opal) was heading NW, We (Miriam, I, Phillip and Laura) headed south at unsafe speeds. We hit a roadblock on 231 S., but the deputy was kind enough to direct us to "We-Wah". After around-about journey we finally arrived at Tyndall gates

at approx. 3:30PM. The wind was already blowing over half-a-gale from the SE Base evacuation had taken place early in the morning and the gate guard informed us that the gate would be barricaded within 15-30 minutes. He gave us fifteen minutes to get a quick look and attempt to tighten the mooring lines. The scene greeting us as we entered T.Y.C. area was already beyond storm conditions. Most of the parking lot was underwater including all docks. It was impossible to even get close to Lucky Lady, however she was riding high and proud with none of the accompanying rolls that the other boats had. Later we found out why! She took the entire dock with her on her jaunt through the parking lot!!

The next two weeks were pure frustration. The Sunday after Opal, we (Miriam, I, Teresa and David) arrived at T.Y.C. amid chaos, armed guards, barricades and assorted debris piled high. Lucky Lady had been moved by crane (they couldn't find the trailer!!) half-way across a drainage ditch, bow turned toward the wet lands. This muddy surface had considerable rip-rap and gravel so I backed the van with trailer to within 5 or 6ft of the bow. With David on both sheet winches we attempted to level and winch Lucky Lady on the trailer. It was impossible to jack and shore up the hull because of the water and mud. All went well until I broke the large winch cable, alas-a long trip back home, boat-less!

Amid all the confusion facing T.Y.C., they were unable to get the crane back as expected for further clean-up and loading. It looked like another long weekend, knowing Lucky Lady was on her side in a most uncomfortable setting. Then Teresa called early Saturday morning on Oct. 22nd. and Made My Day. Smoky Russell the T.Y.C. had reached her and reported Lucky Lady was on the trailer!!

The rest of the story was almost routine. Another

RACING CORNER

by Bob Horan

The day for the Great Pumpkin Race was a day of light and shifty winds. George and Janice Lilley set up a short course near the dam and started the count-down for the first start. Almost everyone had up a jib larger than 100%. Greg Milani had even attached a masthead jib on his fractional rig Gulf Coast 20. Joe and Boston on the Merit 22 was the only boat out with a small jib. This was the first race for Stan Witherington in his newly acquired T-Craft. It is an 18ft cruiser, flush-decked, with about a 400lb centerboard. He had his two young children on board and he chose to fly his 150 genoa to be competitive.

Just before the start the wind picked up and the start was quick and the race was on. By the time the boats reached the first mark the wind had slacked and this was the norm for this first race. George had called for a twice around with the start line being a gate to begin the second round. This added some excitement because it forced the boats to come together midway up the upwind leg. Because of the fickleness of the wind direction many of the boats had trouble with their genoas being backwinded on the upwind legs. With a steady wind the results would have been somewhat different.

The second race was started with a little more wind and provided some spirited sailing for those who chose to continue with their large jibs. Because of the time of the start many of the boats chose to head in to get their boats on their trailers. The wind died out on the second half of the race and Greg and I had a hard time finishing.

brakes she stopped so quickly. The centerboard cable had broke and the board had hit the dirt just before hitting the fiberglass stop hard. I needed to check it out while I was still close to land. Motoring off to deep water I quickly decided to sail up the intercoastal waterway to the trailer to see if I could get her back on without breaking anything else. With the trailer a little deeper than usual (High Tide) I motored up and with the trailer winch she came on the trailer quite easy. With her high and dry now I could see no damage but I could not get her off the trailer until I replaced the cable. Time to head home. Next year I will try again to explore SouthWestern Florida.

So if you think you are going to wait till spring to fix every thing before you sail out think again. Now it the time to check out those trailer bearings, old tires, centerboard cables, leaky hatch fittings, and any other repairs you will need to have your sweetheart ready for the '96 sailing season. If you wait to do it in '96 you will miss some great sailing time, or you will put it off and trouble will stalk you.

Bob Horan

P.S. I almost forgot something. There has been some interest in putting together a group of us and sailing in the SailFest Regatta in Florida on the 1st thru 3rd of December. It is a race that has a very large turnout.(Around 700) It has been billed in the past as the best regatta of the year. I believe last year it had 9 separate courses. Something for everyone. If this sounds at all interesting to you contact George Lilley or John Drawe. Even if you just want to crew for someone.

hurried trip to T.Y.C. accompanied by David, Teresa and Mrs. Kathleen Johnson (My Mother-in-law) she makes many trips with us, but we're still unable to get her on board a boat.[she has agreed to celebrate her 100th birthday by sailing!!] The weather was great. Panama City Bay areas were beautiful as ever. We properly tied Lucky Lady to the trailer Sat evening- had a great dinner at Hamiltons (Miriam chose lobster") then returned to T.Y.C. Sunday morning to inflate tires, hook up and depart.————

Mexico Beach is still digging out. Many waterfront homes had up to four feet of sand on the bottom floor and water marks at 15 to 25 feet above ground level. Shell Island has changed in appearance. It is now narrower directly across from T.Y.C. with white beaches everywhere. Until T.Y.C. is rebuilt we'll have to launch at Bonita Bay (Just across the bridge on HWY. 98 on the right, or at the Panama City Marina. St. Andrews State Park is still closed from severe damage.

See you on the water soon! (I hope)!!

Garland Corbin, Past Commodore

WATERS SAILS

PERFORMANCE RACING AND CRUISING SAILS

REPAIRS, COVERS & ACESSORIES

COMPARE OUR PERFORMANCE, PRICES AND SERVICE.

WINTER IS THE BEST TIME FOR THE LOWEST COST
AND GUARANTEED EARLY SPRING DELIVERY FOR NEW
SAILS AND REPAIRS.

YOUR NEW SAILS WILL BE CUSTOM BUILT FOR YOUR BOAT.

912-035-8208 GA. JOHN DRAWE 803-957-5638 S.C.
FAX 957-5040

Notices

The November meeting is to be held on the 21st. at 7PM at Harbor Point Restaurant on Lake Tobesofskee on Mosley Dixin Rd. This will be our final meeting for the year and will be the time for awarding trophies for the 95 racing series. There will be some discussion for events for 1996. It is a very nice restaurant with a private meeting room and the food is priced between \$8 and \$14.

Again this year Garland and Miriam are planning to have a Christmas Party. It is scheduled for the 9th of December. They plan to allow the members of the Club bring a covered dish but they are going to provide the meats. Call Jan LaBeause to coordinate what dish to bring. If you have not been to their home yet or cannot remember where they live, here are some brief instructions. Turn west off I-475 on exit 2 or Hwy. 74. Drive west a quite a few miles until you pass mile marker #12, about 1/2 mile past the marker on the right is a paved road, turn right and follow it about 3/4 miles and Garland's home is on the left.

In January on the 20th., we are planning on having our annual After Christmas Party/Election of Officers Meeting. The Executive Committee has been looking at various locations for this event. If you know of a good place we could hold it which will handle 50 to 70 people, let any of them know. The Executive Committee has selected a nominating committee composed of Miriam Corbin, Teresa Duarte, & Jean Horan to assist with nominations for the Jan. meeting. If you are interested in running for any office please call one of them.

From The Editor

Since this is the last issue of the year, there is no calender centerfold and it seems that there are an awful lot of short announcements that take up just a little bit of space. So if this edition seems to get a little jumpy then hang on tight because it does have a lot of information about what is in store for y'all in '96, and you really do not want to put it down till you have read the whole thing. I had thought I was going to write the cover story but when Garland Corbin handed me the article on Lucky Lady and Opal, I decided that this issue of the RUDDER should have Lucky Lady grace the cover.

On the 22nd of Sept. I hitched up the trailer for PUFF, my SouthCoast 22, and headed south for Charlotte Harbor. I had a week and planned to spend it cruising Charlotte Harbor and the barrier Islands nearby. I had charts of the area, a Western Florida Cruising Guide by Claiborne Young, and a sister who lived in the area if I ran into trouble. Trouble started about 2AM after being on the road about 6 hours, with tires coming appart and loose lug nuts. After resting at Lois's comfortable home for a day and 1/2, I eased PUFF into the bay and set out. The first day took me to Cayo Casta State Park, with it's, end of the season deserted beaches and wildernes trails teaming with little wildlife just out of sight. Back on the boat that night after supper, the no-see-ems arived and taught me just how tough a little critter can be. They gave me no peace until the wind picked up and the rain started falling. Ahh sleep at last. No that Skin-So-Soft didn't work for me.

Wind the next morning was great, so heading out the inlet seemed the thing to do. Bang, the keel dropped even before I hit deep water. PUFF could have had ABS

For Sale:

San Juan 23, 1979 - Very good condition, 3 sails (1 Main, 2 Jibs), 4 HP Mercury outboard, No trailer. Aqualand, Lake Lanier slip E33. \$4000 OBO. Julian Creamer, H-404-228-2917, W912-788-7467

Prindle 16 - catamaran - excellent condition - trailer - \$1300 - Stan Witherington - 404-867-9857

Precision 18 1987 Very little use until 1994. Always kept under cover. Fast pocket cruiser with all the extras. Genoa, 3 HP outboard and galvanized trailer. Less than half replacement cost. \$3800.00 John Drawe - 935-8208

Cyclone 13 Daysailor, New sail, lots of gadgets. Fun, fast and easy to sail. Trailer included. \$700.00 John Drawe - 935-8208

SouthCoast 22 - 1973, good condition, 3 sails, 6hp Johnson ob, bimini, new mainsheet blocks, good trailer w/3 new tires, & a good race record. \$2,500 Bob Horan - (912) 929-1377

Quite a few of the members have expressed an interest in acquiring new club burgees. John Drawe has volunteered to put together an order. The plan is to have these made up and at the Jan '96 meeting these will be given to each person who pays for his 96 membership on or before that time. All others will have to buy them for a reasonable fee later on. An added note to the above, The membership registration form in this issue has been updated for 1996 and can be sent in any time. If you want to get a jump on this, cut it out and send it in with your check payable to Fred Veator.

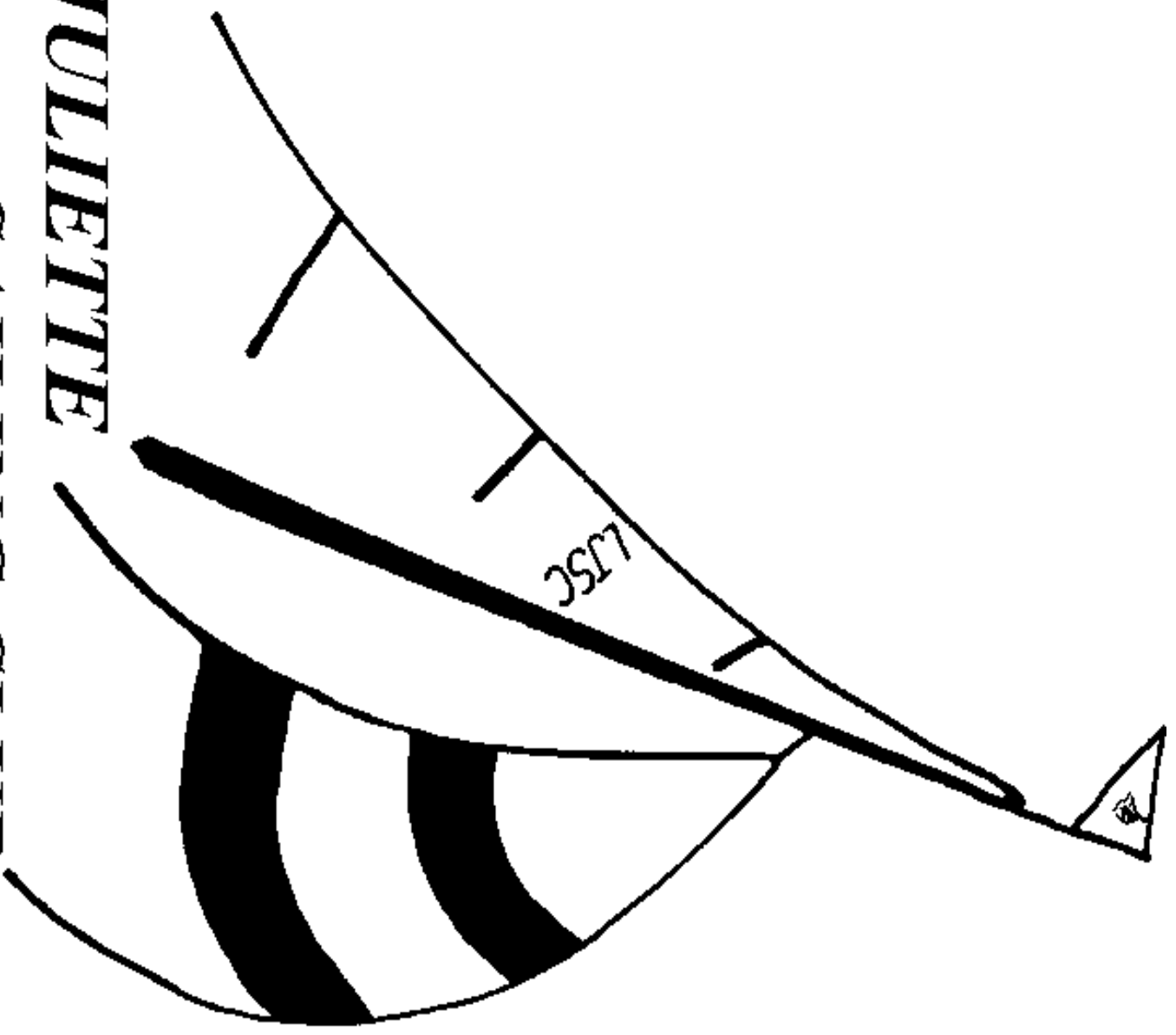
Some of the suggestions for events for next year have been:

- Weekend at Cumberland Island
- Weekend at Lanier Islands
- Panama City Memorial Weekend
- An Olympic event in Savannah
- Cape San Blas or Cape St George Weekend

If you have someplace special you would like to visit, bring the idea to the Jan 96 meeting. We will be trying to put together a calender of events for the year at that time.

Boat Shows

St Petersburg FL.	Nov. 16-19
Berlin Germany	Nov. 18-26
Barcelona Spain	Nov. 25-Dec. 3
Chicago, Il.	Jan. 3-7
Philadelphia, PA.	Jan. 3-7
SanDiego, CA.	Jan. 4-7
New York, NY.	Jan 6-14
Baltimore, MD	Jan. 13-21
Seattle, WA.	Jan. 19-28
Cleveland, OH.	Jan 19-28
Minneapolis, MN.	Jan 24-28



**LAKE JULIETTE
SAILING CLUB**