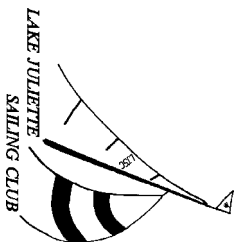


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the 26' Clipper Marine seemed like an ocean liner. "Hey, this one already has a name," I said, "Can we change it?"

"No," answered George, "I like Windbay and besides it's bad luck to change a boat's name." Aha, another bit of sea lore of which I was ignorant. In spite of the boat's 20 year age and the need for a little rework, we bought it. Windbay had all the amenities, a place for a port-a-pottie, a place to stow a stove, a sink, a large water storage tank, a marine radio, a jib, a mainsail, a spinnaker, a storm jib and most tempting of all, a barbeque grill. Besides the price was right. Needless to say, we bought the boat. I told George since he had owned the last boat this one was mine. He could be the captain but I was the owner.

Another year sailing on Windbay got me hooked. I am now a Coast Guard Auxiliary Certified Seaman (woman?). I dream of the day when we can buy a brand new big boat and name it ourselves. George suggested Pegasus. Hmmmm, that sounds pretty good. I still don't want to sail around the world or even to the Bahamas but now maybe, just maybe, you can call me Olive Oyle.

#### New Members and New Addresses

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**On the Cover:** Race Committee Report - On our turn as R.C. in Oct 95 we took our camera along. We caught a glimpse of why John Drawe always wins the Cruiser Class. On his next time around we managed to photograph John's secret Weapon;

----**Julie - The Lake Juliette Monster**----

By George & Janice Lilley

## MAINSHEET

By David Duarte

I appreciate the honor of being elected Commodore for the 1996 season of The Lake Juliette Sailing Club. I will strive to make this year an interesting and enjoyable season as Commodores of the past seasons have brought us.

I hope to bring forth some new and interesting ideas to the Sailing Club that all hands, seasoned and neophytes, can enjoy through their participation. One of the ideas I wish to bring to the club is the "Knot of the Month" In each news letter will be published the designated "Knot of the Month". The captains of each vessel may assist his mate learn how to tie the "Knot of the Month". During each monthly meeting the mates will have the opportunity to demonstrate their expertise by tying the "Knot of the Month". The thought behind this is to help the mates to become proficient in tying standard knots and they can say to their captain and anyone "else, "Yes, I tied that bowline, square knot, Clove hitch, etc.

Captains, this is the time of the year to do that maintenance you have been putting off since last fall, those little items you keep telling yourself, "I'll fix that later. "How about your trailer? Sit that loose bolt get tightened, maybe replaced if it is worn? Don't forget those lights and wheel bearings.

I am open for suggestions and ideas, Call me - 929-8418

D. E. Duarte

**The Clove Hitch**, Two loops side by side, is used to make a docking line fast to a post (bollard) on a pier or to tie a fender to a lifeline. It can be tied in two ways. One is to loop the bitter end around the object twice, each time with the end on the same side of the standing part. If the clove hitch is properly tied, the two ends of the line should end up going in opposite directions. The other way is to "throw a clove hitch" by forming the loops first in your hands and then dropping them over the post (bollard). While simple to tie and untie, the clove hitch can loosen itself. The best prevention is to secure it with a half hitch (Overhand Knot) tied around the standing part and pulled down hard against the object.

Trailer Sailors. The members of the club invited us to join their organization. It seemed like a lot of fun so the next week we joined in the annual Treasure Hunt and the club. Even I had a blast. No ski boats were allowed on this lake and the wind was nice. Hey, I might really get to enjoy this stuff! We went sailing every weekend that it was windy and some when it was not. We participated in most of the races and club events. By the end of a year I was making a pretty good first mate who was no longer bothered with lake sickness. Our nameless boat now had a name, the J Marie.

The second year in the club someone, his initials are George, and a few of his friends started talking about a three day weekend trip to the Gulf of Mexico. (SALT water!!!!!! Waves!!!!!!! I hate the beach!!!!!!!) A trip was planned for Memorial Day weekend and about 6 boats headed for Panama City. I loaded the boat with food, clothes, water, toilet paper, blankets and a lot of Dramamine. We spent three lovely days on the water. No land, just water. I was nervous the first day but quickly settled in.

On the way back from Florida, my captain and I had a serious discussion. We both agreed that if we were going to do any more three day trips we definitely needed, you guessed it..... a BIGGER BOAT. That summer the J Marie went up for sale. It sold so quickly that we were not prepared to buy that bigger boat. So we got our interim vessel, a Vanguard 470. Believe it or not (I couldn't), I really enjoyed hiking out over the side to balance the boat. It certainly tested our seamanship. We finally had a spinnaker to play with. We raced and we just pattered around in the 470, enjoying ourselves immensely. However after a summer in it our 40 year old bodies said, "We can't work so hard any more just to have fun!" Goodbye 470.

It took us about 6 months to locate another boat. It was located in Eustus, Florida, so George and I loaded up the car and took a 6 hour drive. I noticed that we were going on longer and longer trips to buy our boats now, but I was almost as enthusiastic as my husband. We located the address of the boat's owner and drove into the yard. The boat was sitting prettily on its trailer. My first reaction when I saw it was "That thing's a monster!" Well compared to a 470 and a 20' Hunter,

started to conquer my sea sickness, or should I say lake sickness. Yes, lake sickness. Have you ever been stuck in the middle of a lake after the wind died surrounded by ski boats making waves and the temperature is about 98 degrees? It'll do it every time.

Well circumstances a few years later required us to sell the boat. Lake Tobo wasn't a good sailing lake anyway, bad wind and too many motorboats and Skidoos. It was another 10 years before the sail bug bit again. The first symptom appeared...."I found a 20 foot cruising sailboat in Marietta for a very resonable price!" (Oh no, here we go again.)

This time we left the kids, neighbors and dogs at home. We headed north to check out the boat. I had no doubt in my mind that we would buy it because George had a cashiers' check in his hot little wallet. The boat looked pretty good but naturally we had to see how it sailed. The owner called his brother over, they hitched the boat to the Blazer, we loaded up and headed for Lake Lanier, one hour away. The boat was rigged in no time and we were on the water. It was a repeat of Lake Tobosofkee. Motor boats were making waves everywhere. I hadn't had anything to eat for quite a few hours so the inevitable happened, **LAKE SICKNESS**. The men could have stayed on the lake for hours but after a 45 minute sail, I had had enough. We headed for the dock. George put the boat on the trailer like he had been born to it. It was so easy anyone could do it. The guys unrigged the boat, George handed over the check and we were boat owners again.

On the first time out with our "new" 20' Hunter, it took us an hour to figure out the rigging. I couldn't help but wonder why it was so easy at Lake Sinclair. The sailing that day was nice but lo and behold, the boat would not go on the trailer. I knew it was because there was no one around to help us. The boat had gotten it in its pea brain to play games. It didn't seem to want to go home. George had to jump into the water and literally man-handle the boat on the trailer. "The trailer needs a few modifications" was the only intellegible words I could hear coming from the water. Within two weeks the trailer had been modified. Now it would be a breeze to trail.

We soon discovered Lake Juliette and the Lake Juliette

## Notices

The February meeting will be held at Quincy's Family Steakhouse, at 511 N. Davis Dr. in Warner Robins. The meeting will start at 7PM and should be finished about 9PM. This will be our first monthly meeting under the direction of our new Commodore and there will be a lot of discussion about racing and cruising events for 1996. A proposed cal-ender will be made available and additional ideas for events will be added at that time.

For all those interested in Olympic events, if you learn something about the schedules of events which might be tele-vised please call or send me a note so I can publish it in the newsletter. I expect that this information will be come available soon and if there is enough interest, maybe we could put to-gether some evenings of watching an event together.

Once again this year we will charge a fee for our racing series. It will be \$10.00 for the season or \$3.00 per race-day if you have not paid the \$10.00 before the beginning of the first race on 21 April. The Race Committee Chairman this year, Boston, has suggested we run the racing this year much like we did last year. We will be publishing this information in the next couple of newsletters.

The January meeting held at OSYC turned out to be quite nice even though it was cold outside it was warm inside. The steaks were done on the grill and there were lots of dishes of food to go along with them. The election of officers was held and as you may have read from previous pages, David Duarte is now our new Commodore and Joe LaBeause was elected Vice-Commodore. Fred Veator was re-elected Trea-surer and Bob Horan (that's me) was elected as secretary.

# UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY

**The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, Macon Flotilla 28 will offer a Sailing and Seamanship Course for Sail Boaters and other interested persons beginning 20 February 1996 through 14 March 1996; to be taught on tuesday and thursday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. This will be six lessons and an examination.**

Subjects covered will be: Navigation Rules, Charts, Basic Maneuvering, Rigging, Piloting, Trailing and Boat Handling.

The only cost is a nominal sum of \$30.<sup>00</sup> which covers college custodial fees, textbook, workbook, literature, examination, Coast Guard Certificate and shoulder patch.

For further details call Macon College, Continuing Education Department at (912) 471-2770. Space will be limited to the first 50 to register.

For information about the U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary contact

Charles Gregorie  
Public Affairs Officer - Flotilla 28  
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Sunday we loaded up; food, clothes, water, life vests, boat, sail, mast, Jessica and the dog. We drove to Big Lake. I had never been there before. It was a two hour drive, which in Alaska is just a short jaunt. Well the lake was aptly named. It **WAS** big. You couldn't see the other shore and it was dotted with islands sporting homes. George rigged the boat and in we went, including the dog. I had fun, that is until the wind picked up and we started to heel a little. "George, what are we doing!?" I cried.

"Relax and enjoy it. We won't tip over." He answered.

I thought, "Oh sure. Where did he learn to sail, anyway, the Boy Scouts?"

George looked at me and said dreamily, "You know, I've loved sailing ever since I learned it at Boy Scout camp when I was a kid." (Oh-oh).

As it turned out, I did have a pretty good time that day, even though I constantly worried about loosing the dog overboard. **HE** didn't have a life vest! We sailed a few more times with the Sea Snark. I never truly got comfortable with it but for George's sake I went. We left Alaska the next year so we sold our little boat.

About ten years and 2 motor boats later, we arrived in Warner Robins, Georgia. It only took a year for George to get bitten by the sail bug again. Off we went to Macon; George, Jessica, our youngest daughter Rachael, our neighbors, my mother-in-law and I. George found a 16' foot sailboat with a cutty cabin.

"Hey Janice, look. We have a place to store things and the kids can go inside if they get tired," he tried to convince me.

I thought, "Oh-oh, it has **TWO** sails!" Well needless to say we bought the boat plus all the needed safety equipment required for lake sailing; life vests and a paddle. We sailed Lake Tobosofkee several times. I got better at rigging the boat and relaxed a little more. As a matter of fact I felt really cool rigging the boat; attaching stays, pulling rigging and tying stuff. I still refused to actually steer the thing but I was coming along. I even

## Aughhhhh, I Married Popeye!

by Janice Lilley

Twenty three years ago I met the man of my dreams. He was tall, good looking, intelligent and athletic. When I married him I knew he skiiied(I tried it but couldn't do it), hunted (yech), and camped (wonderful adventure, I still love it). It wasn't until our third year of marriage that I found out he had this yen to go to sea. It all started when we lived in Anchorage, Alaska. I got a phone call one Saturday afternoon that went something like this.

George," Hi honey, I found a great buy on a sailboat."

Me,"Oh, really."

(translation: Oh-oh)

George,"Yeah, its a Sea Snark. It's small enough to carry on top of the car. What do you think?"

Me,"To tell you the truth, I'm not all that interested."

(translation: No way, I'm scared of the water.)

George, "Its only \$200."

Me, "No, we can't afford it."

(translation: No way, I'm scared of the water.)

George, "Ok then, see ya soon."

An hour later, our car pulled into the driveway and you guessed it. It sported a new chapeau, the Sea Snark. George jumped out of the car and said, "Isn't it great!"

I replied "Ah Huh." (translation: Aughhhh, I married Popeye!)

"We'll try it out tommorow." grinned George. "See...I got life vests for you, me and Jessica." Now, our daughter Jessica was only two and I wondered where he found a vest small enough for her but I was thankful that he had. Jessica couldn't swim either.

## Sailing Instructions Lake Juliette Sailing Club 1996

- It shall be the sole responsibility of each Skipper to decide whether or not to start or to continue to race.
- All racing rules commence at the five minute starting signal. this includes the use of motors and paddles. Rules of the road are always in effect.
- Early starts will require recrossing the starting line. Going around the pin or committee boat and recrossing the line will do but you may not cause another boat to alter course in doing so. The committee boat may inform you as to an early start infraction but is not always able to do so.
- Boats on Starboard tack have the right of way.
- Any intentional collision will disqualify the offending boat from the race and possibly the day or series. If unintended the offending skipper could be disqualified pending a mandatory protest evaluation.
- Any action justifying a protest against a competitor must be remedied by the offending skipper doing a 360 degree turn as soon as possible without causing other boats to alter course.
- Yachts shall clear the finish area upon completion of racing and the first boat over on the last race of the day helps to pick up race markers.

**Time Limit:** 45 minutes to the first mark; 2 hours for the race  
Subject to the discretion of the RC Boat

**Flags:** White flag (Up)..... 10 Min. with single Horn blast  
(Down)..... 6 Min.  
Blue Flag (Up)..... 5 Min. with single Horn blast  
(Down)..... 1 Min.  
Red Flag (Up)..... start with single Horn blast

\* Note for additional class starts, red flag goes down after 4 Min. and back up in one minute for the second and subsequent starts.

Each boat shall have an approved P.F.D. for each person and a throwable flotation device if crew is used. All boats will comply with all safety rules of the Dept. of Natural Resources, Game and Fish Div. of the State of Georgia.

# 95 Schedule

## May

6-7 Mug Race

6-7 Keowee Cup Open

16 - Meeting - Macon at Olive Garden on Mercer University Blve

20 - OSYC Work Day - Remove old dock

21 - Mid May Race ('95 Series)

26-29 - Memorial Weekend at Panama City

## Jun

10 - OSYC "Lake Sinclair Regatta" (Formerly the 'Pastrami Cup')

18 - Father's Day Race ('95 Series)

20 - Meeting - PoMo's on Watson Blvd, Centerville

## Jul

1-2 - 4th of July Regatta - Augusta Sailing Club

9- Independence Race ('95 Series)

18 - Meeting

## Aug

15 - Meeting

22 - Doldrums Race(Or Raftup) ('95 Series)

## Sept

1-4 - Labor Day Weekend Regatta/Cruise Augusta Sailing Club

17 - Treasure Hunt

19 - Meeting

30 - 1 Sep - Portsmouth Challenge Keowee Sailing Club, SC.

## Oct

14 - 15 - Halloween Regatta - Augusta Sailing Club

- Great Pumpkin Race ('95 Series)

17 - Meeting

## Nov

30 Oct - 1 Nov - Portsmouth Challenge

4-5 - OSYC Golden Open

21 - Meeting, Awards for '95 Series