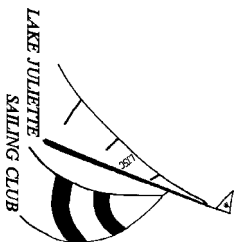


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Sailing under the Golden Gate Bridge

NOTICES

The June meeting will be held on the 18th of June at Quincy's Steakhouse on Davis Drive in Warner Robins. The meeting will start at 7PM and should be finished about 9PM. At this meeting there should be a lot of discussion of what happened at the Father's Day Race and talk about the Memorial Day Weekend Cruise and of course news and information of upcoming events. Please tell the cashier that you are with the Lake Juliette Sailing Club so they can ring everyone up to be in the party area.

Since our Club was formed in the spring of 1987 It seems we have been unhappy with the racing marks we have had. They are either too small, too hard to see, too big, take too long to inflate, too fragile, too heavy, or any number of things. Boston, Joe LaBeause and myself (Bob Horan) are trying to put together a new set of marks that are easy to see, set out, inflate, and store. I know this seems to some to be impossible, but we hope to be able to put this project together in the very near future. For those who have to work with the old marks, be patient. Something better is coming.

Binnacle List:

Miriam Corbin was in the hospital for a week after surgery and is back home now but will need a lot of rest.

Dave Duarte is home after a 5 day hospital stay for a bladder infection that came on suddenly.

Bob Horan is recovering from a cervical fusion operation in May.

Joyce Stewart is recovering from a cracked sternum.

The Father's Day Race is scheduled for the 16th of June. As most of you know by now, Lake Juliette is scheduled to have Olympic rowing practice lanes set up on it. Until the lanes are set-up and in use we should have no problem setting up our course and holding our series racing events. I think it might be interesting to be on the lake and rafted up watching the rowing practice from a very comfortable position. We might want to set a Club event to do just that. In the Saturday, Jun 8th issue of the Macon Telegraph there was an article on the front page about setting up the rowing course. It was to be about 300 ft wide and about 1.25 miles long and was be installed by the evening of the 8th. When you come out for the Father's Day Race, you will see what it looks like. George Lilley has the race committee for that race and it will be up to him to set up the first race around this new course. The 6 lanes will be 14.5 meters wide each and there will be markers every 5 meters for the 1.25 miles. The cables for these markers will be 6 feet deep and anchored to the bottom to hold them in place. The actual practice will not begin until 7 July and will end on the 17th.

Fred Veator is now stationed in the Panama City area and will be there for the next 4 months or so. For any of you who plan to sail or visit in that area in the near future, give him a call. His boat is in a slip at Bay Point and his address is:

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From the Editor

by Bob Horan

Well, this is the first edition of the RUDDER that I have published since my surgery. It is a little more difficult to get it done. The stiff neck brace is always in the way, the movie selection is always an inviting choice, and just going back to bed at anytime of the day can slow down progress a lot. On the flip side is the support I have received to help me. Thanks to all who have contributed with articles, including; Fred Veator, Janice Lilley, and Greg Milani.

Fred contributed the article on the Panama City Memorial Weekend Cruise. After having been down there a couple of times myself, I could picture myself sailing with them as they sailed behind shell Island, out the inlet, down the coast and into St. Andrew Sound, and yet I wish I could have seen it in person, just to see how much it has changed since the hurricane last fall.

Janice sent in the crossword puzzle which is on the back of the Club calendar for June. Very nice!! What I would like to do with this is to have every one work on it and bring it to the meeting on the 18th of June. A sort of a contest to see how many of us can fill in all the blanks with the correct word, phrase or number. What do you say, can you accept this challenge? The answer sheet will be available for all who come to the meeting.

I mentioned that Greg had contributed and because I had enough material for this edition I have chosen to hold his until next month. It is another of his literary masterpieces and should be something for everyone to look forward to. He also sent a picture and it should be great for the cover of the July issue of the RUDDER.

The cover picture for this month was a tough choice. It is provided by Fred Veator and was taken during the Memorial Weekend Cruise. My second choice is on the next page. It was provided by John Drawe on a get well card he had sent. Sailing under the Golden Gate Bridge sounds like a dream but with enough work and some help from friends most dreams are possible. Don't ever quit dreaming.

Around the Marks

by Bob Horan

Well, the May Race did not happen. Our race committee for that day was sick, there were for some reason, only a few boats out, so at 12:30 with only one boat on the dock and a couple on the lake, the race was called off and we headed out for an afternoon sail. We leisurely sailed to Taylors Point, had lunch on one of the big rocks, went for a cool swim and then sailed to Plant Scherer to give John Watkins his first time view of the plant up close from the water. The wind picked up as we left Taylor's Point so we had some spirited sailing up the lake and back.

As we headed up the lake we came up on Dave Potts in his Highlander 20 coming back. He turned around and tried to slow down enough to stay beside us. A short time later a he had drifted back a little and had sheeted in to catch up some when a puff hit us. My SouthCoast 20 just heeled over a little more but when it hit Dave's sails, the Highlander accelerated with a rush, created a bow wave that sounded like the ocean surf, and caught us in a matter of a few seconds. I'm glad we were not racing because he had all he could do to go slow enough to stay beside us. It turned out to be a another great day to be sailing on Lake Juliette.

Our Annual Father's Day Race is scheduled for the 16th of June. The way the weather has been, it is sure to be warm so bring your water pistols and swim gear. George Lilley, the Race Committee for this race has promised to have 10 knots of wind coming out of the SouthWest so we can have a great course set up for all of you Fathers, expecting Fathers and future Fathers. Come out and have a great time racing and rafting up afterward.

From the log of Zephyr

Memorial Day Weekend 96

24 May 96 - 0930 slipped the dock lines and sailed single handed across St. Andrews Bay in ideal sailing conditions 10-15 knots wind, broad reach.

The crews of EBB Tide & Impulse were already at City Marina, after some rigging in hot sun got a lively sail across the bay with reefed main and jib, dropped anchor at middle dock behind shell Island. After a swim watched a thunder storm on shore. This cooled things off nicely but also killed the wind. Left EBB Tide and Impulse at anchor to pick up Capt. George J. of Calypso at the Navy Base.

Slipped the lines again at 1900 with Capt. George and crew. The rest of the Lake Juliette sailing club had arrived and were rafted up in Bay Point Harbor. With a boat load we made a tour of bay Point Harbor to see how people who win the lottery live. After a meal ashore most club members spent the night under the fan in Bay Point Harbor

25 may 96 - this morning at different times 6 Lake Juliette Sailing Club sail boats headed for crooked island. The wind was light for about 30 minutes then at 11:45 the off shore wind came, with the boats farthest off shore heeling over. 10 minutes later Zephyr heeled over and sailed away in perfect wind, sailing on auto pilot at 5.5 knots. at 13:15 wind not so perfect as a shore thunder storm could be seen building , but no need to worry Capt. told crew these storms rarely come off the shore at this time of day. Thirty minutes later the Capt. is hurriedly taking down sails and listening to a lot of "I thought you said.". Strong wind, rain and waves had everyone going in different directions. The bravery Award goes to Capt. and Crew of Serenity who lowered sails, closed hatch, went below and rode

out the storm with off shore wind.

We all ate evening dinner, rafted up safely behind Crooked Island (6 Boats rafted on Capt. George's ski rope anchor line). The waves and wind from the day's storm got bigger as the night wore on. Right at dark, lightning and thunder was seen on shore, in a matter of seconds everyone was unrafted and heading for their over night anchor site.

26 may 96 - Excellent breeze all night in good anchorage is one of the things that makes sailing so much fun. Not much wind this morning and I don't want to take the time to wait for off shore breeze, as I write, I am motor sailing back to St. Andrews Bay. 09:30 at lat N30 04.39 Lon W85 39.98 a bottle was dropped over the side that was found the day before at Crooked Island with names of all boats and crew from Lake Juliette Sailing Club on this trip. Motored all the way back as did the rest of the group except for Capt. George who waited at Crooked Island for sea breeze and sailed back.

Stopped for lunch at baby pool as the rest of the group anchored outside Shell Island, swam and snorkeled for an hour then sailed on the sea breeze up the coast for several miles.

Not all good news; as EBB Tide was motoring to Bay Point Harbor, Capt. Walt hit a channel mark head on. Not much damage to boat but crew (Joyce) continued forward as boat stopped, and hit chest on hatch rail. After a trip to Gulf Coast Hospital for x-rays, had a cracked sternum and several bruises, much pain pills and excellent treatment at hospital, spent night ashore, and pulled out EBB-Tide and headed north next day.

The rest of group, Serenity & Impulse rafted to EBB-Tide and spent night in Bay Point Harbor, pulling out the next at City Marina, having had a very enjoyable trip.

Capt. Fred Veator (Zephyr)

PS. Just got a call from a power boater who found our bottle already, I told him to toss it back in next time he went back out.

Knot of the Month

This month I have selected the surgeon's knot. It is a variation of the square knot. The usual form of this knot consists of a half knot on top of a double half knot. This knot is very useful when you need to have more friction in the first half of the knot you are tying because there is some tension on the line you are using. A second form of this knot consists of two double half knots. It is more symmetrical and perhaps more secure.

