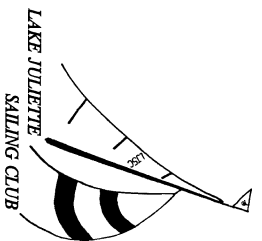


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From the Editor

by Bob Horan

Last month's issue of the JULIETE RUDDER was printed up with the cover of my computer off and a fan blowing on the motherboard to keep things cool. I replaced the motherboard and reloaded my disk from scratch. All clean and working smooth. With all the March articles written and ready to put into the publishing package my computer locked up. Upon reboot WIN95 was not able to come up and kept going into shut down before I could get into anything. After multipule attempts to rebuild WIN95, I wiped out the windows boot data files and reloaded WIN95 from scratch. This was on Tuesday, the 10th already past my normal publish schedule. With just an hour left to work on the newsletter that night, I was able to come up and start composing the issue, the fan is blowing on the motherboard again and it looks like the printer will busy soon. Got out 15 pages and printer out of ink!! Darn Darn!!

Cherry Blossom Festival

This year we plan to participate much more in the Cherry Blossom Festival. This festival takes place between the 19th of March and the 29th of March. The first event we will be participating in will be the Parade, which is to be held on Sunday the 22nd at 3PM. For this event we will be towing a decorated daysailer. The tow truck will be Walton Stewart's and the boat will belong to John Drawe. The next thing will be the Club display at Central City Park. Not all the details have been firmed up yet but we hope to display one or more boats and have a table set up to have materials available for visitors which will include, T-shirts, Club charters, Club newsletters, Club member applications, old sailing magazines, etc. This is scheduled for Friday and Saturday the 27th & 28th. Contact Teresa Duarte to sign up to help on this.

The Cherry Blossom Regatta will be held on the 29th of March and will be on Lake Juliette. The race will be starting at 13:00. We will have the Lake Juliette Campgrounds open for spectators so they can see most of the race. If you need specific details, come to the 17 March meeting or call Teresa Duarte at 929-8418 or John Drawe at 935-8208.

Commodore's Corner...



We're in full swing in our club's endeavor to have a presence in the 1998 Cherry Blossom Festival. We will have John Drawe's dinghy in the Cherry Blossom Parade, March 22nd at 3pm. All members are invited, and encouraged, to join the "boat float" in the parade. On March 27 and 28, the LJSC will have an exhibit in Central City Park near the bandstand, where, we will promote the club, sell some t-shirts, display some sailboats (hopefully), and talk small boat sailing.

Sunday, March 29, is the 1998 Cherry Blossom Regatta at Lake Juliette. We hope to have a large fleet for this race, and for those of you who will be sailing... come early! Parking will be scarce, I'm sure. March is great for sailors, but it is also the favorite time of year for the bass fishermen. So, in anticipation of a crowd at the ramp and dock, please clear the ramp and dock area as soon as you can. Raft up whenever possible, leaving room for others to approach the dock. After the final race, we will compute the race results as soon as possible, and award the class prizes in the launch ramp picnic area.

In order to make these and other events a success, we need the suggestions, participation, and help of everyone. I hope to see you all at our LSJC meeting, March 17 at the Player's Grille. It's located next to Kroger at the Hartley Bridge exit off I-75. The Player's Grill has salads, sandwiches, ribs, stir-fry, steaks, and seafood. See you there! _____Walton

Notices:

The March meeting will be held at Players Grille on Hartley Bridge Road just east of I-75 at Exit 47. It will be at 7PM and the topics to be discussed after dinner will be final plans for the Cherry Blossom Festival events & the LJSC Calendar for 1998. Bring your ideas with you and if possible bring a friend to introduce to everyone.

Walter Cronkite has been interested and involved in sailing for a very long time. He has thru time developed quite a long list of stories that will make you laugh at his and of course your own mistakes while sailing. He is presently looking for another boat in the range of 40-45ft. He indicated that he had found one that had all he was looking for but it was 60ft. long and drew to much water. So if any of you hear of something he might be interested in, see page 2 for the **rest** of the story.

SPECIAL NOTICE!

Our 1998 LJSC Cherry Blossom T-shirts are here, and they look great. Don't miss the opportunity to get your very own limited edition, collectable, top quality shirts now! We will have the shirts for sale at the March meeting for \$12 each to club members. Our order was for six dozen (1 dz. med.; 2 dz. lg.; & 3 dz. xlg.), so, don't miss out... be the first on your block to outfit your crew!

There will be a crew sign-up list at the March meeting for those of you who want to be a part of the Regatta but do not have a boat. There will also be a sign-up sheet for helping at the information display at Central City Park.

Notice to Mariners Cont't

buoy has been established 150 yards east of the daybeacon. (Ref NOAA chart 11411)

Charleston Harbor dredging: Should continue until July 31. Dredging is underway in Hog Island Reach, Town Creek Reach, Tidewater Reach, Wando River, Turning Basin, Drum Island Reach, Daniel Island Reach, Shipyard River, Port Terminal and Ordnance Reaches and should be completed by October.

Tybee Island: During April the structure of Tybee Light will be changed to an octagonal brick tower with the lower 50 feet black, mid section white and upper section black. A temporary, fixed white light with a 13 mile range will replace the main light for the duration of the project.

Right Whale warning: From December to march, the coastal waters between Altamaha Sound in Georgia and Sebastian Inlet in Florida are calving grounds for the severely endangered North Atlantic right whale. These whales are protected from disturbance or injury by law. The females and calves often lie at the surface making them vulnerable to collisions. Mariners should take suitable precautions to avoid these right whales. Report any sightings to the Coast Guard Group Mayport via VHF, or to the Georgia Department of Natural Resources at 800- 272-8363

Cruising Charts

Have you looked for charts and found them to be expensive? Want an affordable chart you can print from your computer but can't find a source? Mr J. A. Rogers has a solution for you.

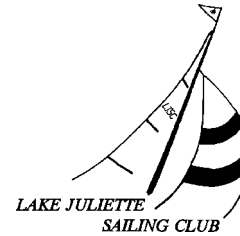
About 18 months ago he started a web site that had sample charts and when people started using it they asked for others. He now provides a number of charts which you can get via e-mail or through the mail on a floppy disk for the price of 4 for \$10. They print out on a standard 8.5 X 11 sheet of paper. Complete information is included such as compass variation, soundings, latitude and longitude, and scale.

According to Mr. Rogers, these charts are not intended for navigation without additional information, since they have not been updated since their printing dates. They are not complete charts, but bitmap scans of large scale NOAA, NOS and DMA Nautical charts. Several of these will fit on a floppy drive. For more information, contact: J. A. Rogers, P.O. Box 351073, Miami Fl. 33135-1073 or contact the Sailaway Cruising Club at its' Web site via "<http://www.10mb.com/sailaway>"

Notice to Mariners

The following are a couple of items I found in the March issue of Soundings Magazine. A complete list can be found at "<http://www.navcen.uscg.mil>", or write to Commander, Seventh Coast Guard District (OAN), Bricell Plaza, Federal Building, 909 S.E. First Ave. Miami, FL. 33131-3050

Tarpon Springs Anclote Anchorage South Entrance, FL. Moderate shoaling has been reported on the northeast side of Anclote Anchorage South Entrance daybeacon 5X (LL 26085). Temporary buoy 5X (green) has been established 75 yards southeast of daybeacon 5X to mark the best water, and a shoal marker



Lake Juliette Sailing Club 6 Th. Annual Cherry Blossom Regatta

Lake Juliette, located just 14 miles north of down town Macon will be the site of the Lake Juliette Sailing Club's Sixth Annual CHERRY BLOSSOM REGATTA. The regatta will be on Sunday March 29th and will start at 1:00PM. Sailboats, catamarans, and sailing dinghies will all be competing in this amateur regatta to see who will be the first to cross the finish line. The race is open to all sailors and there will be classes for the non-experienced skippers. Excellent spectator viewing will be available from the beaches at the park on the lake, so if you are coming out to watch, bring you lawn chairs, binoculars, and camera.

With the spring winds blowing, we should see a turnout of about twenty boats sailing across the starting line, some with colorful sails and spinnakers flying. The race will be about four miles in length and take an hour to complete. Georgia Power Co., our Cherry Blossom Regatta sponsor, is waving the normal park entrance fee for spectators.

To get to Lake Juliette, take I 75 north to Exit 55, then turn right on hiway 87 and drive north for about 9.5 miles. The Dames Ferry entrance should be on your left. For more information contact Teresa Duarte at 929-8418 or John Drawe at 935-8208

Lake Juliette Sailing Club 1998 Proposed Schedule

Mar	17	Meeting 7:00PM, Players Restaurant
	22	Cherry Blossom Parade
	29	Cherry Blossom Regatta
Apr.	17-19	Lake Lanier Cruise
	21	Meeting, location - Macon
May	16	Sinclair Regatta - sponsored by OSYC
	19	Meeting, Location - WR/Byron
	24	Memorial Weekend Cruise
Jun	16	Meeting, Location - Macon
	21	Father's Day Race
Aug	8/9	Moonlight Cruise/Race
Sept	5-7	Labor Day Cruise
	13	Treasure Hunt
Oct	2-4	Cumberland Island Cruise
	17	Golden Open - sponsored by OSYC

Items to be added if enough interest, If any of you have items you would like to see added contact your commodore, or come to the meeting. This is your club

Cruise to Dog Island/Carrabelle
Cruise to Tarpon Springs/Anclote Key

Lake Juliette Sailing Club 1998 Race Instructions

- 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 restriction on the use of motors and paddles. Rules of the road are always in effect.
- Early starts will require recrossing the starting line. This may be accomplished by rounding either the starting pin or committee boat and then recrossing the line, But in doing so, you must not cause another boat to alter course. The committee boat may inform you of 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)

Race Flags

White flag (Up, single Horn blast)..... 10 Minutes (to start of race/ first class)
(Down)..... 6 Minutes
Blue Flag (Up, single Horn blast)..... 5 Minutes
(Down)..... 1 Minutes
Red Flag (Up, single Horn blast)..... Start of Race/first Class*

* Note for additional class starts, the Red Flag goes down after 4 Minutes and is raised again in 1 minute for the second, and subsequent class starts.

Safety Equipment

Each boat shall have an USCG approved P.F.D. for each person on board and a throwable flotation device if crew is used. All boats will comply with all safety rules and regulations of the Department of Natural Resources.

