

Carter Lake

Sailing Club



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Sailing into our 54th year

June 2007

Commodore's Report

From Duane Chaloupka

As you know by now there were wind gusts of 100 mph at the lake Wednesday and Thursday. The slips and boats came through with only minor damage. Many people helped to keep a bad situation from becoming a disaster. Everyone deserves thanks, but I want to give special thanks to Mike Morgan who didn't hesitate to go in the water and attach a chain from the boom truck as the slips began to drag. His quick action and courage saved us all a lot of grief.

The regatta is over and was a lot of fun. Even though participation was light again this year, our regatta is still one of the best managed in the region. The sponsorships that Mary Homan arranged gave a "big event" look, and Tom Ruwich and everyone on the race committee did a very professional job of race management.

Summer Sailstice is June 23, and we are holding an open house. See Mike and Jan Morgan's report for more details. We need volunteers to take people for a short sail. Contact Mike if you can help. Be sure to have all required safety equipment aboard, including a VHF radio, boarding ladder, and first aid kit. There are some flyers at the club house you can pick up and post at your work, health club, wherever.

The Youth Program will use a weekend format this year. It begins July 28. Let's all support Marilyn Miller in revitalizing the program.



Vice Commodore Report

From Mary Homan

Thanks. The regatta was a success, judging by comments from sailors who traveled to participate. Like this one: "This is one of the best-run regattas I have been to." The regatta was a success because of club member participation before (all of you who prepped the clubhouse!) and during the event.



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It takes dedication to the ideals of the club to arrive very early in the morning to start the coffee, launch the committee boats, place marks, pound fence posts into the rocky soil for the signs, then off to the water to monitor racing and insure the safety of our guests. And then to stay late to insure scores are posted, people are fed and made welcome to the Carter Lake Sailing Club. Thanks to everyone for making this a successful event. Stay tuned to your e-mail for a wrap up of the regatta particulars (numbers of participants, merchandise sales, etc).

Social Report

From Mike and Jan Morgan

The next potluck will be a grill your own on this coming Saturday (June 9th). Members should bring their favorite item to grill and those whose last names starting with the letters A-M should bring side dishes and N-Z should bring deserts. The June 30th potluck will be hosted by the Locks and the theme is yet to be determined. Check the web site for updates on the last potluck of the month.

The club will be hosting an open house for the "Summer Sailstice" nationwide event. We will be inviting the public to come view the clubs facilities. In addition for those who want to experience sailing we will be taking them out for a short sail with a club member. Please contact Mike or Jan if you would be available to take public quests out for a sail. We will also be having refreshments for the public at the club house, if you could bring something and/or help at the clubhouse let us know. Later that evening we will be going out for a raft-up if the weather permits. Those members who want to participate in the raft-up should bring something to share with the other boats. Last years raft-up was one of the special moments of our membership in the club and I know most of the other families who participated felt the same way.

I highly encourage as many members as possible to help us host the Summer Sailstice event. The main purpose of this event is to get new people interested in the sport of sailing. I also think it is important to give the community a better idea of what our club is about.

Docks and Slips Report

From Rafe Ropek

A great big thanks to all the hearty souls who headed the call to save the slips.

Once again, we bested the storms efforts with our own.

I would like to extend a special thanks to the two men from the moorings near the slips, who gave us needed assistance in our hour of need. Chuck, Rod, thanks.



Junior Sailing Report

From Marilyn Miller



Junior Sailing at Carter Lake

For 3 successive weekends beginning July 28th, CLSC will offer an introductory sailing program for youth 10 to 15.

Ahoy, kids or parents:

The program will cover introduction to sailing on Sunfish, including rigging, sailing technique, capsizing and recovery, knot tying, and other boating skills. This will take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday and Sunday. Kids must be good swimmers and will need to pass a swim test the first day.

Registration information will appear on www.sailcarter.org shortly. The cost of the course is \$105 plus \$20 for materials. The course is open to the public do let your friends and family know about this wonderful opportunity.

Ahoy, CLSC Members:

We need help on the following volunteer jobs:

- A registrar.
- Adults willing to assist during the program, not instructing on the water but aiding in land instruction and assisting staff as needed.
- Drinks and snack providers.
- Boats & Equipment manager.
- Program marketer.

Call Marilyn Miller @303-765-0368 or email her at mmm133@aol.com if you are interested in helping.

Race Committee Report

From:

Tom Ruwitch

Nancy VanDeMark

Brian Jones

Don and John Waldburger

Mike Wilson

Tracy Ireland

Chair

RC scheduling

Scoring

Marks

Trophies

Rookie training

The club racing schedule for rest of the season is:

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| June 9 | Summer Series races 7,8,9 |
| June 10 | Summer Series races 10,11,12 |
| June 23 | Rookie Series training and racing 2 |
| June 30 | Fall Series races 1,2,3 |
| July 1 | Fall Series races 4,5,6 |
| July 7 | Commodore's Cup |
| July 8 | Lady Victory |
| July 14 | Rookie Series training and racing 3 |
| July 21 | Fall Series races 7,8,9 |
| July 21 | Night Race |
| July 22 | Fall Series races 10,11,12 |
| July 28-29 | McGann Cup |

Start times for the Summer Series, Fall Series and the McGann Cup will be, Saturday and Sunday first warning at 15:00. Start times for the Commodore's Cup and Lady Victory will be posted.

We have tried to pack a lot of racing into the shortened season. The turnout has been good for the races so far with 15 boats doing at least one race for the Spring Series, and 11 boats sailing in the Columbia Cup. The results are posted on the web site.

Thanks to Don and John Waldburger we now have permanent race marks for 5 and 7 and a new replacement for mark 3 which was presumably sunk earlier in the season.

Come on out and have some fun.

Membership Report

From John and Lynda McGinley

Wow what a great membership we have to rally around an emergency. The membership committee would like to remind those who helped to be sure



and record your hours! We have setup a crewing email list. In order to send email to it you will have to subscribe. Go to <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/clsc-crew/> to subscribe.

As I write this we are at Lake Mac in Nebraska enjoying a breezy day!

Slip Best Practices

From Tracy Ireland

After last weeks big blow this is a good time to discuss slip practices.

Dock Lines:

Purpose:

Bow and stern lines keep the boat centered in the slip.
Spring lines prevent surging during storms and waves.

Size:

Bow and stern lines:

20-25' 7/16"

26-30' 1/2"

(Properly sized snubbers are recommended)

Spring lines:

20-25' 3/8"

26-30' 7/16"

Line Material:

Braided Nylon is best. It has the right combination of strength and stretch. It also chafes less because it is less abrasive.

Triple braid is acceptable lower cost alternative. The disadvantage is chafing and abrasion.

High technology low stretch lines should be avoided because they do not stretch and absorb shock.

Double braid should be avoided because if it breaks it will fail quickly.

Securing:

Use the proper cleat knot – see illustration.

Adjust bow and stern lines to keep boat centered in slip.

Adjust fore spring lines so bow will not surge forward into dock. There should be at least 12" between bow and dock.

Adjust aft spring lines to keep boat from pulling on bow and stern lines when surging back

