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COMMODORE'S LETTER

Greta Mittman

Spring is here. The temperatures are wonderful and the entertainment machine is revving up for another season of wonderful social events and great regattas. April brings the Juniors' Rock the Rock and Leukemia Cup regattas to CSC. Come enjoy the club before marvelous springtime weather turns into the hot days of summer.

Flood Follow-up

A big "Thank You" to all the members who cleaned the club after the March 19th flood. A large number of members showed up on Saturday to finish the cleanup. The water level was approximately 2' inside the club house. I am happy to report that both club house and the VIP refrigerators survived the ordeal, but the Juniors' gazebo refrigerator succumbed to the flood waters. Several members spent hours retrieving board boats, dollies or repositioning boats in davits. To make recovery of boats easier and minimize potential damage to your property, the Board of Directors recommends members who lock their davit wheel use a brass shackle resettable combination lock with four digit dialing and set the combination to the last four digits of your sail or boat number.

Late last year the CSC Board passed a motion which requires all boats kept on the board boat pads to display the owner's last name either on the cover or the stern of the boat. Personal dollies must be labeled with the owner's name. Board boats must be identifiable by May 1st of this year.

Spruce Up Day

Spruce Up Day followed by Splash Day is this weekend. The club will provide breakfast, lunch and beverages in exchange for free labor. Remember that Spruce Up Day is intended for work on club-related projects and not personal boat or davit projects. On

Sunday, the Lightning fleet will host a cookout after races.

Prior Projects Status

The board boat pad is nearing completion. By the end of Spruce Up Day, it and its T-dock will be finish. The V15s, Butterflies and other board boats will be moved to their pads, so things will look a little less cluttered around the club. Thanks to all of the members that lent a hand in getting the decking installed. You may have noticed that the new Race Committee boat is in it's davit. Last Saturday the superstructure with an aluminum roof was installed. A few more items need to be added before it will be finished but progress is being made, so volunteer for a committee. With effort from both the Board and the membership, our club will continue to improve and grow.

ANOTHER FLOOD

On March 18-19th heavy rain brought the water level in the CSC clubhouse to above knee height, scattered debris around the docks and walkways, and placed some boats cockeyed in their davits. The water was high enough to float the mark locker by the committee boat onto the adjacent walkway. Boat dollies were scattered, with some ending up in the water. Some board boats worked themselves loose. The cable modem that provides the webcam's Internet connection died (it's now working again). And we lost our wheelbarrow.

A bunch of people on Saturday, March 22nd spent much of the day cleaning up. In the clubhouse, water-logged supplies were trashed, the roll-

Spruce Up Day

Spruce Up Day is this Saturday, March 29th starting at 8:30 am. If you are planning to participate, please send an email to <u>commodore@cscsailing.org</u> with the project, if any, which you prefer to help with. Below is the list of scheduled projects and the number of volunteers needed for each. Each project will be assigned a project lead. If you have tools, such as cordless or corded drills, circular saw, miter saw, please bring them.

- Build out Entertainment Committee Secure Storage in tack room addition (4)
- Clean clubhouse windows/remove spider webs (4) Kathy Harrington - Director
- Replace decking as needed around clubhouse area (3)
- Install decking on 4' T-dock walkway at end of 10' walkway by new board boat pad (4)
- * Finish install of decking on new board pad (6)
- Install decking on South sail folding area (8)
- ◆ Install attic fan in clubhouse copula (4)
- ◆ Buildout gas locker area by North Gate (4)
- ◆ Put siding Opti Rack at North Gate (3)
- Build laser spar holder (4)
- ✤ Replace Broken Light Fixtures (4)
- ✤ Laser Spare Storage Rack (4)

out cabinets were cleared out and repainted and food surfaces were scrubbed and sanitized. The fridges, which both still work in spite of their immersion, were cleaned. The mud on the deck inside and around the clubhouse, and the sailfolding spot in the juniors area was pressure-washed. The tackroom and heads were extensively cleaned.

Now that everything is more-or-less clean, Spruce Up Day can concentrate on fixup.

PARTY TIME

Reneé Pinkston

Longer days... Warmer nights... Warm Southerly breezes ...

This can only mean one thing: it is time to get out and **go sailing**! Mark and I are very excited about hosting this year's slate of club events. Please check out this list of upcoming events and mark your calendars, because no event is complete without <u>you</u>.

As you can see, we have several fun events planned, but to really pull this off, we will need creative and hard working volunteers. Please let us know if you are interested in volunteering to help with any of these activities. We would really **love** your **help**!

Happy Sailing!

Saturday	Mar 29, 2008	Spruce up Day
Sunday	Mar 30, 2008	Splash Day Dinner
Friday	May 2, 2008	First Friday: Festival de Dose de Mayo
Sunday	May 27, 2008	Memorial Day Celebration
Friday	Jun 1, 2008	First Friday: White Rock Fish Fry
Wednesday	Jul 4, 2008	Independence Day Celebration



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LEUKEMIA CUP REGATTA

Renee Comen

Join us April 25-27 as we once again host the North Texas Leukemia Cup Regatta. This is the largest regatta of the year at CSC —we expect over seventy boats to participate in six or more fleets. In addition to great racing, the weekend is packed with exciting social events, including music and great food. All proceeds benefit the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (LLS).

The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society supports research in finding cures for leukemia, lymphoma, and myeloma. Additionally, a portion of the funds collected stay here in North Texas funding patient support and education.

Plans for the regatta are well under way with a great committee in place.

How can you help?

- First, you can SAIL! Your entry fees go directly to the LLS. Invite other fleet members and even out-of-town guests to join in the fun and great racing.
- Not a racer? Then JOIN US each evening for dinner and the auction on Saturday night (meal tickets will be available).
- You can do more than raise a sail to fight these blood diseases, you can RAISE FUNDS! Ask family, friends, neighbors, even co-workers to sponsor you. The LLS will help you set up a web page on <u>active.com</u> where people can donate online. To get to the LLS website simply click on the Leukemia Cup Logo on the CSC website, <u>www.cscsailing.org</u>.
- You can also donate or solicit items for our auction. Fundraisers are eligible to win great prizes including gift certificates to West Marine and North Sails. If you raise \$8,500 or more you will win the Fantasy Sail Trip with Gary Jobson this fall (airfare, hotel, and meals included).
- Can't make the regatta? Consider DONATING; make a tax deductible personal donation to the regatta.

If you have any questions contact Renee and Steve Comen at <u>renee.comen@gmail.com</u> or 972-712-4280. Auction donations and questions can also be directed to Diane Van Buren by e-mail at <u>vanburen4@sbcglobal.net</u> or at 214-827-0204

Join us as we raise a sail to save a life!

SNIPE FLEET NEWS

Ken Culver

Snipe fleet 1 will be hosting its 72nd Southwestern Regatta combined with the District 2 Championship on May 24-25. John Diggins has volunteered to be our PRO - thank you John. We are looking for an additional six race committee members to assist with the regatta. If you are interested, please contact Ken Culver at (214) 668-6308 or *kculver@mo2inc.com*.



CLUBHOUSE WALKWAY

Work on the walkway from the South entry to the clubhouse should be completed by April 1st. The new galvanized steel structure, with beams on 16" centers, will provide a firmer foundation for the boardwalk, and reduce the warping and bowing that bedeviled the old structure. These boards will run North-South, instead of East-West.

LASER NEWS

Michael Rist

Most of the Laser Fleet has taken the winter off from sailing. However, we have recently geared up for spring sailing. The first District 15 Laser Circuit regatta was held in Austin over Easter weekend. Several CSC Laser sailors, including Gavin Rudolph (defending 2007 winner of the Easter Regatta), Doug Peckover and Bruce Moore attended. Out of the forty-boat fleet, Doug placed 4th, Gavin placed 6th and Bruce placed 15th. Not a bad start for the season.

Locally, we begin spring sailing on Saturdays at White Rock Lake starting on Saturday, April 5. From April 5 through the end of the year we will resume our sailing clinic type of sailing (which will include races that are not scored, practice sessions and off the water discussions, depending on the desires of those who attend). All ages and abilities are welcome. Sailing will start at 10:30 am each Saturday. Please plan to be rigged and ready to sail at that time so we can get our sailing in and still have enough time to handle personal Saturday chores to the extent necessary.

Also, in late April (date yet to be determined), we will begin Wednesday evening races at White Rock Lake. Wednesday evening races at CSC don't officially start until mid May. However, we will most likely start our version of Wednesday races a few weeks earlier than the scheduled club races. The races are generally short courses, with the goal of running multiple races. Scores are not kept.

All ages and abilities are welcome. We will provide more information regarding starting date and time at a later date.

Finally, if you are interested in borrowing a Laser to sail with us, with advance notice, we can usually track down a boat for you to borrow. So, don't hesitate to contact us if you are interested in joining us and trying your hand in a Laser.



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SAILING EDUCATION

Steve Comen

Adult Sailing Classes

There will be two sessions of adult sailing classes, led by Red Dog Jones. The classes run for 3 weeks on Mondays and Thursdays from 6pm until dark. The first class starts May 6, and the second class starts June 2. The classes are free for club members. If you would like to sign up, please contact me at *adulteducation@cscsailing.org*.

Junior Sailing Classes

Registration is now open for the summer junior sailing classes. The classes will run for two weeks Monday through Friday from 9am to 2pm. The classes are 6/9-6/20, 6/23-7/4, and 7/21-8/1. More information and registration forms are on the club web site.

Rock the Rock Regatta

CSC will host the TSA "Rock the Rock" junior regatta April 12-13. We will have two race courses, one for Optis and one for Lasers (4.7/Radial/Full Rig) and possibly 420s. If you would like to help with the regatta, please contact Steve Comen at *ed@cscsailing.org* or 214-417-3864.

Special Olympics

This year's Special Olympics program will consist of practices on Thursday evenings starting April 3 and running through May 8. We will then have our annual regatta on Wednesday, May 14th. We are always looking for more skippers to help out with the program; contact Steve if you are interested. CSC will also host the Special Olympics State Championship as part of the State Fair Regatta in October.

CLUB WIRELESS LOCAL AREA NETWORK

A wireless router in the clubhouse provides Internet access for suitably configured laptops and other WiFiequipped devices. Coverage extends beyond the South gate. Access is restricted, so in addition to the network name (the SSID) you will need to select the security type on your device and enter the shared key as a password, (not a hex number)

Wireless LAN Settings

Network Name: Security: Shared Key: CSC-Wireless PSK2 Personal CSC080702007

MIND THE GAP

Jim O'Connor

The new board boat pad is almost complete. Work parties over several Saturdays have completed installing the ten-foot wide walkway, and most of the Ipe boards are installed, except for the small gap visible in the picture. The Ipe board ends will be trimmed off and used for davit walkways. On Spruce Up Day volunteers will labor to close the gap and install the remaining fasteners in the boards already in place.



The new board boat pad, on March 15

FLYING SCOT FLEET 23 NEWS

Bowman O'Connor

Winter Series

The Flying Scot winter racing series ends March 29, 2008. With several Sundays with high winds and White Rock rollers, fifteen races have been sailed. Forty two different boats participated in the series. Thirteen skippers sailed seven or more races to qualify for scoring. With one more race to go the results as of March 24th:

Gough Mauney Wade Rist Jones Fetter Grisham Richards Szaboky Manicchia Dukeminier Shepard Adrian



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Change in By-laws

At the Mid-Winters Regatta, the FSSA Board of Governors is reviewing several proposed changes in the Constitution and the Bylaws. You can look on the FSSA website for more information. One of the proposed changes to the Bylaws is to shorten the National Regatta to less than a week. The idea behind this change is that it will allow more sailors to participate.

Fleet Meetings

Notices of fleet meetings, usually held the third Friday of every other month, will be posted in the Forum/General Discussion section on the CSC website. The March 2008 meeting will be held Friday, March 28th, 7pm, at the clubhouse.

Fleet Dues

Fleet dues for 2008 should be turned in by April 1, 2008. If you have not received a notice, please contact Bowman O'Connor at *bowman99@swbell.net* or 214.369.9037.

V15 FLEET

Anderson Jones

V15ers have had a busy month with construction work. We have completed our part in the construction of the new flat pad and look forward to moving on to it. We have been practicing for our first circuit stop in New Orleans on April 5-6 and we are looking forward to the Dallas Leukemia Cup April 26-27 — I think we will have 15-20 V15s on the water. We are also looking forward to Wednesday night races for the summer season.

MARCH BOARD MEETING

- The board voted to allow online payment of dues via Paypal, as an alternative payment option.
- The disposition of various davits that are not in compliance with by-laws was discussed, as was the situation with moored keelboats.
- Membership applications were approved.
- The Pier rear commodore has three big projects this year: the board boat pad, the south walkway and race committee davits.
- * The year's race calendar was finalized.
- We received an email from the executive officer of the Sail & Power Squadron, which seeks to promote water safety; they want to establish a relationship with us.
- On sailing education, this year's Special Olympics, the Juniors program and sailing committees to help with these, were discussed. Customization of the new RC boat for race duty was discussed.

THE MAIN SHEET - YOUR NEWSLETTER

The Main Sheet belongs to each member of the club. This is an invitation to all members to submit articles about the club, regattas, meetings, fleets, awards, members, family and community. The deadline for submission is the 15th of the month. Please submit articles to *secretary@cscsailing.org.* If you prefer, call Jim O'Connor at 214-369-9037 and simply leave your thoughts in a voice mail message. An article draft will shortly waft its way to you for proof-reading. Any suggestions concerning improvements to the newsletter are welcome. If you have experienced problems with the newsletter, please contact me at *secretary@cscsailing.org*.

Membership in the Corinthian Sailing Club is open to anyone with an interest in sailing. Club facilities are located at 441 E. Lawther Drive on the East side of beautiful White Rock Lake. Phone 214-320-0841. Our web address is <u>http://www.cscsailing.org</u>; a general email address is <u>info@cscsailing.org</u>. Our mailing address is Corinthian Sailing Club, PO Box 180087, Dallas, TX 75218.

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