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Independence Day Celebration

Friday July 4th 5pm

Sailing For Rhinos

Wednesday July 23rd

Flying Scot North American Championship

July 20-23rd at Toms River, NJ

COMMODORE'S LETTER

Greta Mittman

Rescue Boat Usage

Over the past several years, White Rock Lake has become a popular venue for kayaking, sculling and fishing. When operating a CSC rescue boat or the race committee boat, members must be conscious of other lake users. The CSC Board of Directors would like to remind our members that the CSC rescue boats and race committee boat are to be used only for race management, the rescue of a boat or individual in distress, or as a junior sailor safety chase boat. Nighttime use of the CSC rescue boats or the race committee boat is prohibited except for the following: use of the CSC rescue boats during the night is limited to operation in the IMMEDIATE CSC FACILITY AREA and at LOW SPEED. A light must be carried onboard.

If a true on-the-lake emergency exists, a rescue boat may be operated outside these restrictions.

Update on the Spillway Project

The Dallas City Council has not approved the Dallas Water Utility Spillway Project. Approval of the project is anticipated to happen in August 2008, if everything works smoothly. Then we will have more information to distribute, because we can begin working with the contractor to develop the schedule and plan of action.

Davit Wheel Wins Again

A rematch between a CSC member and a davit wheel took place recently and once again the davit wheel was victorious. As in previous matches, the davit wheel tag-teamed with the laws of physics to defeat the CSC member. REMINDER: If you are taunted by a free-wheeling davit wheel, just walk away. This approach does not end with a trip to the hospital and your boat should float when it hits the water. (Cont'd)

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Ongoing Club Improvements

During the last two weeks you may have felt something was missing from the CSC facility. If you have not quite put your finger on it yet, the

reconstruction of the Race Committee davits area has started. The area will be rebuilt using steel. Construction will last for a few more weeks, so please be careful when you are in the area.



CSC RESCUE BOAT INCIDENT

On Sunday morning, June 22, at approximately 12:30 am, one of the CSC rescue boats zoomed by two kayakers much too close for safety – 15-20 feet, according to the kayakers. The kayakers had lights. They followed the boat to CSC and asked the driver of the rescue boat if he had seen them. He had not. One of the kayakers wanted to file a complaint and was talking to the police, but the other kayaker suggested contacting a club member they knew before doing so.

The Commodore has since spoken to both kayakers. They were concerned about the incident, especially about the fact that they could not see or hear the CSC boat until it was close to them. It was disturbing not knowing the CSC boat was on the lake until it passed so near at high speed.

CSC members are not the only ones that use the water on White Rock Lake. Nighttime use of the CSC rescue boats or the race committee boat is prohibited, except under the conditions described on page 1 of this newsletter.

Wednesday Night Fun Races

Dudley Bayne, Vice-Commodore, Race

Wednesday Night Races are on! We have had eight or so Lasers out for Wednesday evening racing, along with the occasional Flying Scot or Lightning. The rest of you are missing out on some pleasant sailing weather that has been missing on Sundays. Come on out, particularly those who want to start racing in a gentle environment.

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CSC MEMBERS RESCUE SAILBOAT CREW

While a CSC member was sailing near the Arboretum to hear the Thursday night concert on June 26th, a significant puff came through in the cove near the concert venue – probably 20 + mph.

The CSC member decided to head for home, and was glad he did: windspeed built to over 30mph by the time he got back to CSC. Along the way he saw a hapless LS13 (a 13-foot sailboat) floundering up ahead – obviously in

dire straits as it had swamped and all but sunk. The CSC member sailed by and saw two heads floating and hanging on to the boat. He hollered to them that he'd return.

Another CSC member helped him land when he got to CSC – at this point the puffs were well above 30mph. The two of them went out in a rescue boat and picked up the two guys on the LS13 and brought them back to the club.

Their LS13 had all but sunk – just the transom was above water.

V15 FLEET NEWS

Anderson Jones

The V15s have been racing 2-3 Sundays out of the month at CSC. There are two stops left on the 2008 V15 Southwest Circuit: Houston on the 13th-14th September and Wursthfest in New Braunfels on November 1st-2nd.

We are using Cool Thursdays at the Arboretum as a backdrop to collegiate-style racing. We invite other fleets to come out and enjoy music and racing on Thursday nights, drifting off the Arboretum. Here's the lineup for Cool Thursdays in July. Performances begin at 7:30pm.

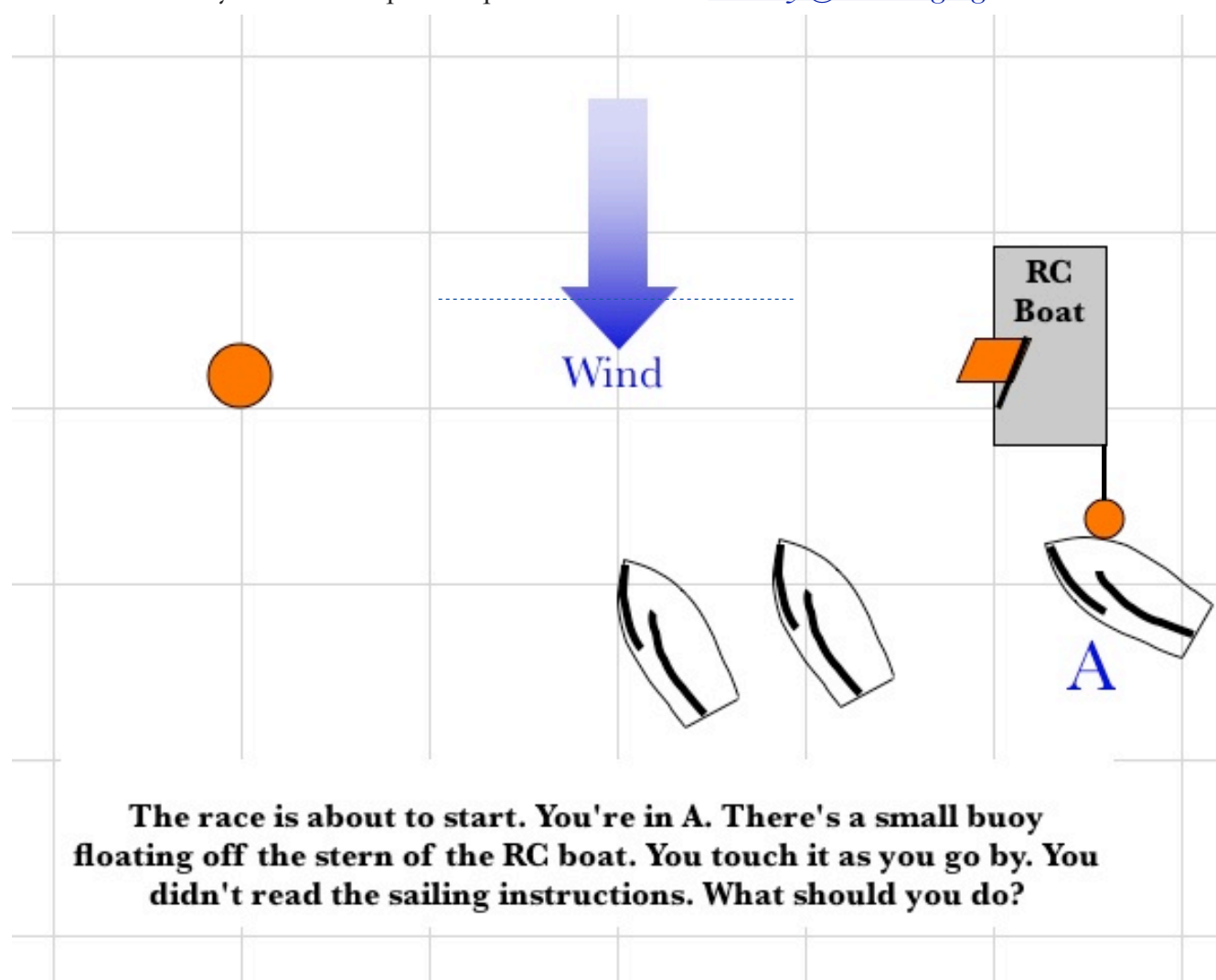
COOL THURSDAY	PERFORMER
Jul 3, 2008	Kenny & the Kasuals - Classic Rock
Jul 10, 2008	Christies Ex - Billy Joel Tribute
Jul 17, 2008	The Texas Gypsies - Swing & Jazz mix
Jul 24, 2008	The Grass Roots
Jul 31, 2008	Fast Lane - Eagles tribute band

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RACING RULES OF SAILING QUIZ

Bob Gough

This is the second in a series of articles on practical implications of the racing rules of sailing. If you have a scenario you'd like explored please send it to secretary@cscsailing.org.

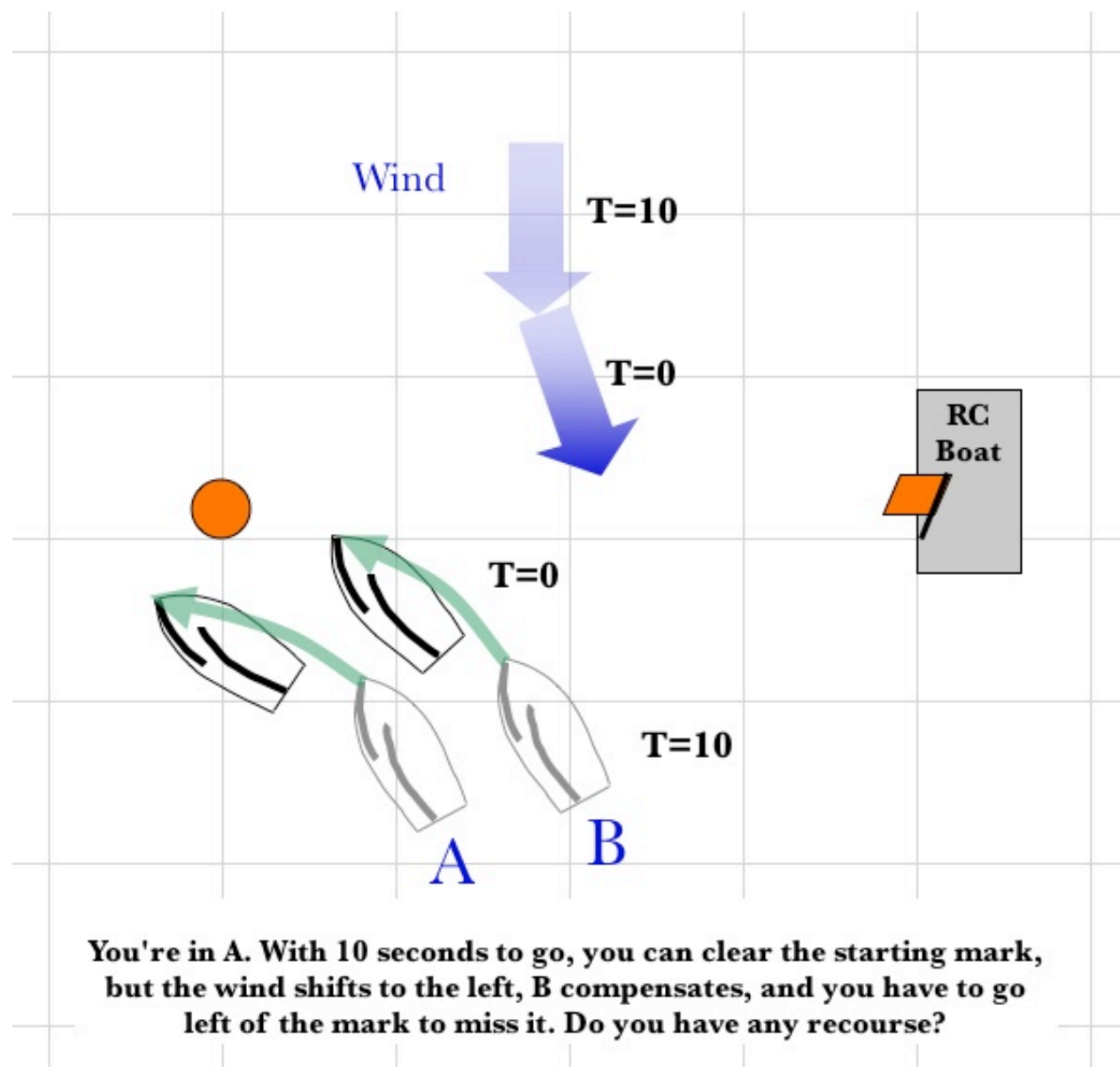


The small buoy you touched is called a trailing mark. After the start, do a 360. Then, after the race, read the SIs and find out if you needed to take the penalty.

Many SIs state that when a buoy is trailed aft of the committee boat the buoy is to be considered part of the committee boat. If you touch the committee boat you have violated RRS 31.1 and RRS 31.2 allows you to do a turn including one tack and one jibe as a penalty and continue in the race.

If the SIs do not address it, you did the 360 needlessly.

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You need to find another way to get around the mark such as a jibe to port and duck the starboard boats.

As a leeward boat overlapped approaching the starting line, you can luff up to head to wind. B is required to stay clear. See RRS 11 and the definition of a proper course. (There is no proper course prior to the starting signal). You might hold B up high enough to make it around the mark, but it looks pretty iffy. Maybe if you had a 42,000 pound keel boat with a lot of speed you might pull it off. You risk hitting the mark, and you risk going past head to wind. Passing head to wind you are now under RRS 13 and have no rights until you are back on a close hauled course. "Room at the mark" is not available because RRS 18.1(a) excludes starting marks.

Sorry, It was just bad luck.

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SNIFE FLEET NEWS

Ken Culver

Over the weekend of May 24-25, CSC Snipe Fleet #1 hosted its 72nd Annual Southwestern Championship combined with the Snipe Class District 2 Championship. Our own Gene Soltero with crew Catherine Holt won the combined regatta held at CSC. Gene and Catherine's score of three firsts and two thirds was enough to hold off John and Mary Buckley from Lincoln, Nebraska. Ten boats participated, with boats coming from Nebraska, Austin, Colorado and Oklahoma. After six races in fabulous conditions, a barbecue dinner and pool party was graciously hosted by Gene and Beth Soltero at their home nearby.

The Southwestern Championship dates back to the 1930's. It is one of the oldest – if not the oldest – one-design regatta currently being held. The Snipe fleet would like to thank John Diggins for volunteering his time as our PRO, as well as to thank all of the CSC race committee volunteers for supporting our fleet and this regatta.

The Snipe fleet has seen some modest growth over the last year. Our active fleet has grown from a couple of boats to seven. We are racing on Saturday mornings about twice a month. Our typical race morning consists of setting a short windward-leeward course with a jibe mark below the starting line. We set our own buoys and use the honor system at the starting line. We use a three minute starting sequence. Over the course of two hours, we typically get in 5-6 races. This format seems to have contributed to our fleet growth as the two hours we are on the water are used very efficiently.

If you're interested in checking out a Snipe, give me a shout at kculver@mo2inc.com.



PHOTO: KEN CULVER

Gene Soltero and Catherine Holt

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BUTTERFLY FLEET NEWS

Tom Charland

The Butterfly Fleet continues to grow. Our ranks are building and more people are looking for Butterflies to buy. There is a lot of activity on both the WRBC and CSC docks each Saturday morning. The Lasers race with us, as well, making it even livelier. At this point, approximately 40% of our fleet are CSC members.

Catherine Holt has refurbished her boat and raced in the Wrangle Regatta with us. Mike Seay is still working on his boat, but has raced with us as well. Sandy Denison made some repairs to his boat and he was re-born, going on to win the Wrangle. Paul Denison is back from college, and the long cold winter does not seem to have affected his sailing abilities. He is winning a lot of our races.

We just completed our annual Wrangle Regatta. This year we were joined by Sun Fish and Lasers, giving us 30 boats on the line. Some came from Rush Creek, one came from the Arlington Yacht Club and, of course, many came from CSC.

WRANGLE REGATTA RESULTS		
Laser	Sunfish	Butterfly*
1. Doug Peckover	1. Tony Collins	1. Sandy Denison
2. Mark Babb	2. Devry Garrett	2. Bruce Faust
3. Mike Rist	3. Pam Newton	3. Burton Shepherd
* Bowman O'Connor was the top woman participant.		

Scott Mauney and his committee put on some good races under some very windy conditions. In the first race we were hit by a sudden squall and instantly had 5-6 boats over - it reminded one of last year's Open House when five Flying Scotts went over. We had two very windy races after lunch. Sunday was beautiful and Scott ran three great races.

Everyone seemed to have a good time, and we owe that to Pam Newton, Shaun Hoffmann, Laurie Berger and Bowman O'Connor for all of their planning and hard work. A very special thank you to Barbara Seymore for taking care of all the food while the rest of us were out on the lake.

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Although still under construction, the WRBC held the festivities at their clubhouse. There were a few stacks of lumber around, but no one seemed to care, and the new digs served us well. (*cont'd*)

We registered most of our skippers on-line, which worked out well. Pam and Shaun worked with Chris Rousseau at www.regattatech.com. He took care of

Club Wireless LAN Settings

Network Name:	CSC-Wireless
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Shared Key:	CSC080702007

SAILING EDUCATION

Renee Comen

Junior Sailing Classes

Summer sailing class is in full swing. We are lucky to have five great coaches. Our head coach, Michael Gent, rejoins us after a year off. He will be a senior at OSU next year where he is the captain of the sailing team. Paul Denison, his first assistant, is home from his first year at Oberlin University in Ohio where he is majoring in physics. Nichole Grant is also assisting after completing her freshman year at the University of Colorado. Junior assistants are Masie Comen and Chris McGee.

The first session ran June 9 to June 20 with over twenty kids. During their first week they experienced righting the boat in all conditions due to a week of high winds. The second week brought a couple of days of storms and a couple of perfect sailing days. Students had a great time and learned a lot about sailing in all conditions.

We are currently half-way through the second session, which is full with 25 students. The week started off slow but rapidly built to a blow-out on Friday. We're hoping for a little less wind next week. The session ends July 4th.

It's off to Texas Youth Race Week on July 10-16. We currently have four sailors attending with a couple more considering.

The third session of classes begins on July 21. There are a few slots still open. Contact Renee Comen at renee.comen@gmail.com or call 972-712-4280 if you're interested.

Adult Sailing Classes

Red Dog Jones led two sessions of adult sailing classes. We have 25 new sailors in the club thanks to his efforts with his team of volunteers. If you're looking for crew, this would be a great place to start.

Special Olympics Sailing

On June 25th CSC hosted the Dallas Area Special Olympics Regatta. 10 sailors competed on 5 boats. Athletes had been practicing when the weather cooperated since April. On the 25th the sailors competed in near perfect conditions getting in just in time before the high winds returned with some lightning. Thanks to Mike Rist, Mark Babb, and Masie Comen for serving as race committee. Results and pictures will be posted on the [CSC website](#) soon.

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THE 2008 FLYING SCOT SOUTHWEST DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP

Melissa Miller

The Oklahoma City Boat Club is a wonderful setting for a regatta. Quite picturesque on the banks of Lake Hefner, it is perfectly laid out for sailing and fun. The race committee is top notch, always giving careful consideration to wind conditions. The people are friendly, and there is always plenty of food and beer, key essentials to a successful regatta.

What looked to be a disappointing weekend with the winds dying off after just one race on Saturday, turned into some pretty intense racing on Sunday morning. The first gun sounded at 8:30 am on Sunday with a W-2 to follow, and a Miller victory, but it was the second and third races that proved to be the most exciting. The second race was a longer W-2½ with 5 to 10 degree wind shifts. The lead changed about five times on the last windward leg, with the race being determined within the last 10 feet of the race with family Mittman crossing in 1st place ... and the second place boat, the Millers, crossing literally a nose in front of Robert Cummings and crew Brenda Berry at the pin end, and OCBC sailors Scott and Donna Law, not far behind. Talk about a “nail biter”! (There was, of course, no yelling on our boat.)

The third race proved just as nerve racking with the finishes just as close ... family Mittman crossing first again, while the Millers fended off Cummings by half a boat length with Richard Wade and crew Jennifer Judkins not far behind. The top five finishes were within five seconds of each other. It was Flying Scot racing at it's finest!



PHOTO: FRANK RICHARDS

Tom and Melissa Miller, winners of the 2008 FS Southwest District Championship

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LIGHTNING FLEET 35 NEWS

Bill Biermann

Wow! The season is half over already and there was so much practice and racing we were going to do this year. Oh well, at least I have steady crew and we are making progress even if we still bring up the rear of the fleet. On the up side, I and my crew were pleased to provide so much entertainment to the RC during the Texas Districts. Do you know how to tell you are sailing a creative and exciting race? The rescue boats stay within 50 yards of you the whole race – and I do mean plural as in *both* rescue boats.

We made our spinnaker drops some of the most interesting, challenging, and death-defying events to occur on Whiterock in quite a while. The highlight had to be dropping the chute on top of the crew as we headed for the rocks while passing the leeward mark on the wrong side; or maybe it was the near swamping of *All Flash / No Dash* on the finish line of the last race of the regatta. I have cash available to keep all film evidence of either event hidden from public view.



PHOTO: BILL BIERMANN

Clarke Newman has the Texas District regatta report on the Lightning class site <http://www.lightningclass.org/Results/results08/RegattaReportTexas.htm> with more details and humorous insights. Our illustrious leader had his share of dignifying moments which are worth the read. The Districts were sailed with strong winds all weekend and we thank the Flying Scotts for conducting a great regatta. Steve Davis, our class president, was in town and he was impressed with the racing, weather, and improvements at CSC since he had last been to the club, a number of years ago. Ian Edwards brought his brand new Lightning up from Houston and Tommy Meric came up from New Orleans. Health, family events, work, and high fuel prices cut the expected number of participants in half, but it was a great weekend of sailing. (*cont'd*)

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Congratulations to Clarke Newman, Tommy Meric, and John Womble for their respective first, second, and third place finishes. Next time you see him, give a pat on the back to John Womble - he has qualified for his first North American Championship. Texas will be well represented at the North Americans this year. Clarke, John, and Ian will all have boats in Rhode Island in August.

Beth Richards has put the spit and polish on 10275 and taken off for Skaneateles, New York. She will be sailing in the Lightning 75th Anniversary Regatta. We wish her well. Beth, just one reminder as you drool over those pretty wooden boats - when upgrading boats the hull numbers are supposed to get bigger, not smaller. Take lots of pictures for us and drive safely.

MAY BOARD MEETING

- ❖ The Board voted to proceed with the sale of davit 68, following expulsion of its owner, who did not respond to repeated attempts to contact him.
- ❖ The Board is working on recommended guidelines for moored keelboats for publication in the Main Sheet.
- ❖ A Level II Sailing Instructor course is being organized for a future weekend. CPR re-certification is being organized for CSC Juniors instructors.
- ❖ Estimates for the replacement of the davits containing the RC boat and adjoining rescue boat are being solicited. The replacement davits will be all steel.
- ❖ Les Lacs Yacht Club have given CSC a donation of \$160 for their use of our facilities for the 2008 Victoria White Rock Cup. This was an International One Meter design RC boat regatta held earlier this year.
- ❖ We've received over \$6k in member renewals through Pay Pal. This is the first year where online payment via Pay Pal is an option.
- ❖ 218 membership packages are at the printer getting mail-merged and sent out. About 100 members have not sent in their dues. A final notice will be sent to them shortly. Course boards will now be sent out only on request.
- ❖ Getting the board boat pad complete was a great help for the Junior regatta as there was space to store all the incoming boats safely and conveniently.
- ❖ A member addressed the board concerning his boat, which has not been sailed in some considerable time. Board decided to continue to hold his renewal pending further action by the member.
- ❖ Special Olympians have not been able to sail because of unsuitable weather. Their regatta has been moved back to June 11.
- ❖ Both adult sailing classes are full. The Junior camps are not full - camp 1 has room for a few opti sailors, and quite a few laser sailors. We will not take more than 15 opti sailors in a camp. You're assigned an opti when you arrived, which you have to maintain for the duration of the class. The two week class ending on July 4 already has 21 kids in it - its almost full.
- ❖ We had 68 boats at CSC for the Leukemia Cup. We raised \$151k+ for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society over both weekends

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of the Leukemia Cup. We raised \$12k from the live and silent auction at CSC. The regatta at Lake Fest supporting LLS probably did not hurt our regatta - they sail mostly PHRF at LakeFest.

- ❖ Harbor Cam is down.
- ❖ Sent April Main Sheet to 320 primary email addresses and 42 secondary email addresses and snail-mailed 39 hardcopies to those without email access.

JUNE BOARD MEETING

- ❖ Davit 68 has been sold by the Club for \$3861. It takes the Davit Registrar 5-6 months to go through the whole process of suspension/expulsion letters, waiting period for auction, etc. before the davit is disposed of.
- ❖ Davits 123 and 158 are not in working order. We are working with their owners to get them in compliance.
- ❖ CPR and Level II Sailing Instructor classes for Juniors instructors have taken place.
- ❖ A contractor for replacing the RC boat and rescue 3 davits has been selected. The project will take 6 weeks. During construction, the walkway by the RC davits will remain walkable and the restrooms will remain usable. This walkway will be made 2-3' wider so the swinging tackroom and restroom door hitting passers-by will be less of an issue. We will swap committee boat and rescue 3 locations in the new arrangement, putting signs up identifying which davit is for which boat. Note that the new roof will be four feet above the existing roofline.
- ❖ The reimbursement for pilings that support a public walkway as well as a private davit is

\$200/piling to cover both labor and materials.

- ❖ Discussed the options available to open some more boat pad space by better utilizing the area allocated to the Youth Program and SMU. Perhaps racks, two 420s tall and no taller, are the answer. Could put six 420s on such a system and swap them for the Lasers when required.
- ❖ DR is almost done making labels for all the boat pads and davits and is working on getting plexiglass cut to frame and protect the labels.
- ❖ Membership packets have gone out to everyone who has paid their membership dues — about 380 packets. We will suspend the regular members who have not renewed. Two reminders have already been sent out.
- ❖ Sailing camp is underway. The roster had been close to full, but four students have dropped out, two because they found out they had to go to summer school.
- ❖ An eagle scout, Bruno Harvey, will be building our Opti racks, using mostly wood, as part of the requirements for his eagle scout badge.
- ❖ For the June First Friday, we had a big influx of unexpected guests — at least 45 college students. This led to our supplies being quickly exhausted, depriving some club members of the food and drink the club had advertised. Guests in reasonable numbers are very welcome but we need to know of situations like this ahead of time, so we can plan appropriately.

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PHOTO: GRETA MITTMAN

*E. Lockey Senior and E. Lockey Junior, during
Sunday races on 29 June 2008*

Harbor Cam

In case you were wondering why the harbor cam has been offline for a while, here's the reason - it's on its Summer Vacation, in Cameroon. It'll be back soon, sitting atop its column like [Simeon Stylites](#).

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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.

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