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## MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Norm Grail

The 2010 membership renewal season is concluding without too many hiccups. Thank you to all the members who paid their dues on time and did the math correctly. You are my new best friends.

We have many new members and I encourage all you "old-timers" to take a moment to welcome our newest members when you pass them on the docks.

Carrie & Adrian Agape (Associate members who are taking the adult education classes);

Kristine & Jimmy Benedette (Associate members who want their kids in the junior program);

Susan & Stephen Barnicoat (Associate members who are taking the adult education classes);

Julie & Brad Broberg (Associate members who are taking the adult education classes);

Susan Carlton (New Laser sailor);

Lynn Granello (Associate member);

Claire & "Cooter" Hale (Associate members);

Shari & Mike Krasner (Regular members with new Scot in the davit next to Kelly Gough)

Victoria & Michael Martin (Associate members who are taking the adult education classes);

Adrienne & John Montgomery (Regular members who purchased John Diggins Scot and davit);

Elizabeth & Roy Whitehead (Regular members who are partnering with Louis Rodencal).

Welcome aboard!

I encourage all the new members and all existing members for that matter to become involved in CSC by volunteering for one or more of the many activities going on year around. CSC provides its members many opportunities to get involved. As you know, CSC has a minimum annual service expectation of 8 hours for all of its members encouraging participation in the ongoing management and maintenance of the club's facilities and program and providing you an opportunity to make new friends and become a part of the fabric of CSC.

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## MEMBERSHIP UPDATE (CONT'D)

Every CSC member has talents—some more hidden that others—that can be put to use to benefit and promote the club and I encourage you to become involved. You will be helping the club while having fun and meeting other members—I think you'll be glad you did.

Volunteer opportunities are available for everyone. The numerous regattas throughout the year require volunteers for on-the-water race management, food preparation and service, regatta registration, and clean-up. If you have a knack for the mechanical, the CSC boats and facilities could use your help. If you have some great ideas for the First Friday parties or simply want to help running one of these events, contact the entertainment director. Would you like to help teach sailing or support and assist those that do teach sailing? All are great ways to get to know you fellow members and give a little something back to the club at the same time.

Race duty

Jim O'Connor

Equipment maintenance

Bob Harrington

Facilities maintenance

Tommy Miller

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Entertainment Cindy Hanifen <u>entertainment@cscsailing.org</u>

Sailing Education Renee Comen <u>ed@cscsailing.org</u>

If none of the above *rocks your boat*, contact me at <u>membership@cscsailing.org</u> and I will get you plugged in somewhere doing something fun. Again, you will be glad you did. Someone once said that 90% of life is just showing up! I encourage you to show up this summer and beyond.

Finally, I hope you have a great sailing season. If you have any thoughts or ideas on how CSC can improve your experience at the club, please take the time to let me know.

#### APRIL BOARD MEETING

The April 2010 meeting was on Tuesday, the 6th at the CSC Clubhouse:

- \* A discussion was held regarding the condition of moored boats. Letters will be sent out to members that are not maintaining boats in proper condition.
- \* Suspension letters will be sent out to members that have not responded regarding the condition of their davits.
- \* Requests for additional time were granted for members to do work on their boat or davit.
- \* Several new member applications were accepted.
- \* Past Commodore dinner will be October 22, 2010.
- \* CSC is continuing to look into the purchase of a marine automatic defibrillator.
- \* A report was presented regarding the club's budget and expenses.
- \* A report was presented regarding membership renewals.
- \* A motion was passed that associate members cannot reserve the clubhouse for events within the first year of membership.

#### SAILING EDUCATION UPDATE

Renee Comen

## Junior Race Team News Rock the Rock Regatta

CSC hosted the "Rock the Rock" regatta April 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> and 35 boats from across the state, Oklahoma and Louisiana participated. The weather was warm and the breeze was good. CSC had 8 sailors participating! Jamie Weston sailed in the Opti Green Fleet for his first regatta of '10 and placed 7<sup>th</sup>. Rachel Mittman moved up to the White Fleet for the first time and was in the mix with all the Red, White and Blue sailors placing 3<sup>rd</sup> in the White Fleet. Cole Draper also moved up to the tough Blue Fleet, he did an excellent job finishing 7<sup>th</sup> in the Blue Fleet. Tyler Killion continued doing well, finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Red Fleet. Clinton Trammell's allergies got the best of him and he had to drop out of the Laser 4.7 fleet. Congratulations to Sam Strong who registered his first, first in a race! Sam finished second in the Laser 4.7 fleet. Masie Comen crewed for Lindsay Hopper from RCYC in the 420 and finished 6<sup>th</sup>. Also in the 420, Aaron Comen crewed for Christian Meyer of GSC and finished 7<sup>th</sup>.

Big thanks to Michael & Greta Mittman, Mo & Jennifer Killion, John, Barb, & Maggie Weston, Alanna Strong, and Norm Grail for all their help during the regatta. Thanks also to David Butler for the T-shirt design.

## Leukemia Cup Regatta

4 CSC Juniors competed in the Leukemia Cup Regatta and all did very well. The winds were heavy steady 18-22 with gusts in the 30's.

Masie Comen crewed on a V-15. They had some great finishes (2 seconds out of 15 boats), and her skipper learned that when she says it's going to be heavy wind, trust her, it's going to be heavy and don't set up for light air. Overall they finished 6<sup>th</sup>.

Jamie and Maggie Weston crewed for their Dad on a Flying Scot. They did an awesome job of getting the jib in and hiking out, and they won the Challenger Fleet of the Flying Scots.

Miles Gladen and his dad, Kent, crewed for his uncle, Jeff Perna, on Sunday. I'm sure it was his hard hiking out that made the difference and they won the Flying Scot Championship Fleet!

#### San Jacinto Regatta

CSC had 2 Opti sailors travel to Houston April 23 and 24 to compete in the San Jacinto Regatta at Lakewood Yacht Club. Winds were heavy (25+). Tyler Killion did very well, once again winning the Red Fleet and placing 4th overall. He also successfully navigated his first request for redress.

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## SAILING EDUCATION UPDATE (CONT'D)

## San Jacinto Regatta (cont'd)

Cole Draper sailed in the blue fleet, and had great practice sailing in the waves and high wind. He swamped the boat a couple of times but still sailed very well. Additionally Cole showed great sportsmanship! During the starting sequence of the 3<sup>rd</sup> race he noticed a green fleeter that had capsized and couldn't get her boat up. Cole jumped in the water, helped her get upright and in the boat, and got back in his boat and made his start. Way to go Cole!!!

## Youth Summer Sailing Classes

We are pleased to announce the instructors for the CSC Youth Summer Sailing Classes. Gavin Rudolph, CSC alumni, returns from Old Dominion University as a lead instructor. Joining him will be Chelsea Bethancourt. Chelsea currently attends Texas A&M University where she is captain of the A&M Women's Sailing Team. She grew up in La Porte, TX where she was captain of the La Porte HS sailing team and sailed Opti's, Lasers, 420's and J22's out of Houston Yacht Club.

Masie Comen and Clinton Trammell will be Junior Instructors and are currently completing their US Sailing Certification course. Tyler Killion will be our "Instructor in Training".

Registration for the classes continues. Our classes are in the Opti's for smaller/younger sailors and in Lasers (single handed) and 420's (double-handed) for the older sailors. The first session (June 7-18) is completely full for Opti's in the morning (several Laser/420 spaces available) and we only have 3 spaces left in the teen camp in the afternoon. The second session (June 21-July 2) has space for 3 Opti's and several Laser/420's and the final session (July 19-30) has 6 Opti slots open as well as Laser/420 slots. Registration information can be found on the club website or by contacting Renee Comen at <a href="mailto:renee.comen@gmail.com">renee.comen@gmail.com</a>.

#### **Adult Sailing Classes**

CSC is offering 2 free adult "learn to sail" class sessions on Monday and Thursday evenings. The first session starts May 10<sup>th</sup> and runs for 3 weeks through May 27<sup>th</sup>. The second session runs from June 7 -24. The first session if full, but if you are interested in the second session contact Steve Comen at ed@cscsailing.org.

Greta Mittman will be organizing the instructional portion of the classes, volunteers are need to provide their boats and as on the water instruction. This is a great way to introduce newcomers to your fleet! Interested volunteers should contact Greta at <a href="mailto:greta:greatway">great way to introduce newcomers to your fleet! Interested volunteers should contact Greta at <a href="mailto:greta:greatway">greatway</a> to introduce newcomers to your fleet! Interested volunteers should contact Greta at <a href="mailto:greatway">greatway</a> to introduce newcomers to your fleet! Interested volunteers should contact Greta at <a href="mailto:greatway">greatway</a> to introduce newcomers to your fleet! Interested volunteers should contact Greta at <a href="mailto:greatway">greatway</a> to introduce newcomers to your fleet! Interested volunteers should contact Greta at <a href="mailto:greatway">greatway</a> to introduce newcomers to your fleet! Interested volunteers should contact Greta at <a href="mailto:greatway">greatway</a> to greatway for the greatway for the

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## Thank you CSC for RECYCLING ~ We Can All Make A Difference!

If you'd like to volunteer - please let us know. Shelley Roberts: <a href="mailto:srob2007@yahoo.com">srob2007@yahoo.com</a> or Alvin Skelton: 214.564.0104.



## SAILING EDUCATION UPDATE (CONT'D)

## **Adult Racing Clinics**

Interested in improving your racing skills? Do you wish you could get coached like the juniors? Here's your chance! CSC will assist your fleet in hosting an adult racing clinic for 3 or more boats. Clinics would consist of both classroom and on the water instruction. People would use their own boats or fleet supplied boats. Fees would be reasonable and on a per person basis to cover the cost of the instructors. If you are interested please have a fleet representative contact Renee Comen at renee.comen@gmail.com.

#### **CPR/ First Aid Classes**

Thanks to Renee Pinkston for teaching our first CPR/First Aid class for CSC members. 7 members took advantage of the class. We will be offering the class again on June 5th at 9 am at St. Thomas Aquinas school. We have room for 8 more people. If you are interested let Renee Comen know at <a href="mailto:renee.comen@gmail.com">renee.comen@gmail.com</a>.

May Upcoming Calendar			
15th	Corinthian Hired Gun Regatta		
22nd & 23rd	74th Snipe Southwestern		
29th & 30th	Flying Scot Southwest District Championship		
30th	Pre-Memorial Post Race Party		



# CSC Pre-Memorial Day Celebration

Sunday, May 30th @5:00

<u>Live Music!</u> With *Nina Katrina* 

Cool Hors d'oeuvres, Ice Cold Beer, Wine, and Soft Drinks

It's not a party with out <u>you</u>, So come on down and enjoy

\$5.00 Members-\$10.00 Guests

#### **BUTTERFLY FLEET NEWS**

Tom Charland

It has been a very active spring for the Butterfly fleet. The wind, being the main factor, has provided us with some very exciting Saturday races.

We had strong winds, swirly winds, gusty winds and shifty winds, sometimes all in the same race. We have had almost no days of light wind.

There were several skippers, both newer ones and veterans, that went over. Those strong winds will test your equipment, and we had some breakdowns during the races, as well.

We averaged about 8 boats on the line every week. On some Saturdays, we had a big group on the dock, but several wisely stayed on the dock due to the winds.

Sandy Denison, who races well in the high winds has been winning most of our races, followed by Frank Richards and Burton Shepherd.

As many of you know, the Butterfly Fleet has 2 boats that we loan out to skippers that want to race with us. They have been very important to our fleet, and have helped us to build our fleet. Many of our members have joined our fleet after spending time in one of our fleet boats.

Unfortunately, a car with all of the fleet boat gear was stolen. That, of course, put the fleet boats out of commission. Our fleet members dug through all of the gear that they have accumulated over the years and generously donated many needed things to the fleet. That, with an insurance reimbursement to buy the rest of what was needed, has put us back in position to loan boats, again.

On a sad note, one of our members, Nancy Graham, passed away last month, after a long battle with cancer. She had not been a member too long, but raced with us for several months. She also raced a Sunfish. She was a delight to have in our fleet and we will all miss her.



# CSC Adopt-A-Shoreline

When: Second Saturday of every month Where: North parking lot in front of the CSC

Time: 8:30 - 10am

Second Saturday Shoreline Spruce-Ups are always a worthwhile couple of hours spent as stewards for our great White Rock Lake and Park. We would love to see your smiling faces!

For more details, please email the CSC Group lead for this program, Shelley Roberts at <a href="mailto:srob2007@yahoo.com">srob2007@yahoo.com</a> or call Alvin Skelton at 214-564-0104.

## **CORINTHIAN FLEET #1 NEWS**

Gibb Joseph

With the start of the 2010 Sailing season upon us the Corinthian Fleet #1 will be continuing with the excitement and growth we experienced in 2009, we have not only added new members but also new Corinthians and as the only active Fleet in the USA this is quite exciting. The Corinthian Fleet #1 would like to welcome Corinthian #289 owned by Rob and Susan Dreschler, Corinthian #388 owned by David Barrett and Corinthian #197 owned by Cynthia and Chris Hagar. Welcome to the beautiful waters of White Rock. The Corinthian Fleet #1 and CSC look forward to seeing these Skippers and their Boats on the water for the 2010 sailing season.



Photos provided by Alvin Skelton







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## CORINTHIAN FLEET #1 CAPTAINS CHALLENGE REGATTA

Alvin Skelton

Corinthians,

No Rain!!!! Great Regatta!!!!

Well, there were a few random rain drops but not even enough to make the decks slick, and considering the forecast, I'm gonna call that a miracle.

Our morning started on a good note with breakfast including home baked banana bread prepared by Lauri Block, and no delays due to the MOD walkers.

We had nine boats on the line for all three races which made for some very exciting racing. The wind for the first two races was 5-8 and made for perfect Genoa sailing weather, and pretty much everyone who owns a Genoa was flying it high and trying to make it point.

Our hot home cooked lunch was fantastic (thanks again Lauri) and the beer was cold.

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## CORINTHIAN FLEET #1 CAPTAINS CHALLENGE REGATTA (CONT'D)

The third race brought stronger winds (9-12) and those who chose to keep the Genoas up faced quite a challenge keeping the sweet old boats on their feet in the shifty cats paw puffs. A great time was had by all, and some very impressive skills were on display. Our winner had an almost unrivaled trio of bullets to his credit, and several of our newer members cut their racing teeth successfully which is also a feat worth boasting about.

If you were there congratulations on a fantastic regatta; if you were not you missed a great time and a very competitive set of races. Thank you to all who crewed for the above skippers and my apologies for not re-

Results:	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3	Total Points
1st Ken Brown	1	1	1	3
2nd Alvin Skelton	2	2	4	8
3rd Bill Wilson	4	3	2	9
4th Gina Wilson	3	4	5	12
5th Alex Dolney	5	6	6	17
6th Pat Glenn	8	7	3	18
7th Gibb Joseph	6	5	9	20
8th Bob Manning	9	8	7	24
9th Mark Mihm	7	9	8	24

cording all your names for the record. Without your participation none of this would have been possible.

Special mention should also be made of the fact that Bill Wilson and crew sailed impressively in Lester Cox's Deliberate, that Bob Manning skippering for Cynthia Hagar in her new boat had a good solid regatta improving in each race, and that overall our first regatta of 2010 was extremely competitive, even more so than the results would seem to indicate.

Thank you Norm Grail for being a great PRO and running a very professional Race Committee.



Photo provided by Jill Perez

#### FLYING SCOT FLEET NEWS

Greta Mittman

#### Big Turnout and Big Breeze for the Flying Scots for the Leukemia Cup Regatta

The Flying Scot fleet had twenty eight Scots registered in the 2010 Leukemia Cup Regatta. Not to be out done, the breeze also showed up in force. Scot sailors from Kansas City, Austin and Lubbock came and enjoyed a weekend of good sailing and fun times.

The wind on Saturday, which consistently ranged in the lower twenties with gusts to around thirty four, transitioned from the southwest to the northwest during the day. With the windward mark position near the west shore of White Rock, getting around the mark was trying for the racers and entertaining for the spectators. The carnage was not limited to just the windward mark, Scots were having issues at the leeward mark and all points in between. One Flying Scot thought it could sail better on its' own and "bucked off" its' crew and continued to windward with them in tow on the transom. By the end of the second race, the race committee and competitors said "Uncle" and headed in for lunch and for the day.

The Northwest wind on Sunday was a little kinder but still strong enough to make racing a good workout. The Race Committee ran two more races for the event and the fleet headed in for the day. Jeff Perna with crew Kent Gladden place first in the Championship fleet, Rick Tears and John Skyles got second on a tie breaker with Richard Wade and Jennifer Judkins. John Weston with crew Maggie and Jamie captured first place in the Challenger fleet by a point over Alanna Strong and Norma Grail, who placed second just one point ahead of Brad Davis and Mike Kranser in third place.

The Flying Scot Southwest District Championship will be held at Dallas Corinthian Sailing Club on May 29th-30th. Competitors can sign-up online at Regatta Network - Event. Entry fees will be collected at the onsite registration. The Notice of Race can be found on the CSC website under the Regatta Notices (www.cscsailing.org/notices.html) The Flying Scot Southwest District Championship will be the first stop of the Southwest District Circuit.

Other upcoming Flying Scot regattas include Lighthouse Regatta at Oklahoma City Boat Club will be held on June 19th-20th. Information for this regatta can be found at <a href="http://okclighthouse.org/">http://okclighthouse.org/</a>. The drive to Oklahoma City Boat Club is approximately 3 hours and 15 minutes. Camping is allowed on the club's property. This is the second stop of the Southwest District Circuit. Also, the Flying Scot North America Championships will be hosted by Bay Waveland Yacht Club in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi the week of June 28th. Check out the Flying Scot Sailing Association's website, fssa.com, for more information.

REMINDER: Dues for Fleet 23 membership will be due this month. For more information contact Mark Dunn, Fleet Treasurer/Secretary.

# LEUKEMIA CUP REGATTA—DCYC

Here are some photos of racing to our North at Lake Lewisville during the Leukemia Cup Regatta.







USA 133 Cyrano

Photos provided by Steve Benenson

#### LASER FLEET NEWS

Norm Grail

The Laser Fleet began its sailing season on Wednesday April 14th to great weather and a decent turnout followed by a very windy evening two weeks ago, a drifter last week, and heavy winds this week. It seems we have had no shortage of wind this spring.

The Laser Fleet thanks Paul Labute, Brig North, Alanna Strong, Burton Shepherd for making sure a race course is set up and running the races. Forest Atkins enjoyed extensive post-race tutoring from Brig, arguably one of the best Laser sailors in the state in his day, and should be kicking some "behind" in the future. We are always in need of volunteers to run the Wednesday evening races and if you would like to volunteer email Mark Babb at <a href="mailto:mbabb@wnco.com">mbabb@wnco.com</a>.

The Laser Fleet has two upcoming regatta opportunities. One is Dinghyfest at Rush Creek Yacht Club on May 22 and 23; and the second is the White Rock Boat Club Wrangle Regatta on June 5 and 6. Dinghyfest is open to all dinghys and the Wrangle is open to Butterflys and Lasers.

Anyone wishing to give a Laser a whirl should come down to the Laser board boat pads any Wednesday evening around 5:30 pm. We will get a boat rigged so you can have some real fun. I was told a couple of active Butterfly sailors are coming out to try one on for size. We look forward to seeing all of you on the lake.

#### RADIO CONTROL FLEET NEWS

Brig North

The weekend of March 20 and 21 saw the radio control boats take over the lake for the annual International One Metre Blow Out regatta. This year we had 23 entries, down due to weather concerns for our folks who come from up north and due in some part to the economy. But for the people who did come to Dallas that weekend, it was IOM heaven! After four years of lousy wind, we had a BLOW OUT!



Photo provided by Brig North

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## RADIO CONTROL FLEET NEWS (CONT'D)

The little boats we sail have three different rigs to allow us to sail in most any condition; the harder it blows, the smaller the rig. The smallest rig is called the C rig. It is one-half of the sail area of the largest rig, the A rig. Dallas is one of the very few IOM venues where it can blow hard enough to use the C rig, which requires steady winds of 25 mph or more, so several guys have brought a C rig to Dallas and have never used it. Well, it was all C rig all the time for this Blow Out! People were ecstatic about that. The weather? Not so much. It was COLD!

It rained heavily Saturday morning followed by chilling winds gusting to 35. There were a lot of smiles on peoples' faces due to the wind, and I wonder if some of those smiles were frozen in place, such was the weather. If one dressed appropriately, no problems. Too few clothes and misery ensued....

Sunday broke with the club covered in snow! Our visitor from Barbados by way of Florida, Tony Gonsalves, had never touched snow before! Given that he won the regatta, I think Tony and snow get along well. Plus, it blew really hard that day. And the folks who were so cold on Saturday bought more clothes that night, so it was more comfortable.

I was taught again just how critical these little boats are to minute adjustments. In Sunday's big air my forestay was broken by an out of control boat, and given my frozen fingers trying to tie small line, I could never get my rake back to the "magic number". As a result, I slid back from leading to the regatta to fourth overall. The difference in rake? Six millimeters! A quarter of one inch, but such is the sensitivity of these boats to tune.

Everyone had a blast. This could not have occurred without the help of our Race Director, John Diggins who kept things moving, and our Laser fleet friends, Norm Grail and Roy Jacques who manned the crash boats. Thank you all!

We sailed our other class of boat the weekend of April 24 and 25 in McKinney for our annual regatta known as the White Rock Cup. The regatta was relocated due to the strong winds, which were gusting to 30 on Saturday. Conventional wisdom says Victorias don't sail in winds over 25, and less on White Rock due to the chop. Due to the winds on Saturday, races were often decided by who crashed last on the run, who could get going

again quickest after a crash, and when going to weather who found the lull to tack in! Regardless of the winc shifts, if one was on a tack when a whammie came through, one was stuck on that tack until a lull arrived! I also tore up sails. My sails were 10% electric tape by the end of day one.

We moved to a much more sheltered area for Sunday The big puffs were there to fall from the sky, but it was very good sailing with lots of shifts, holes and puffs.

Thanks so much to the club for all you do to help our little group. We are fortunate to have such a great place to sail!



Photo provided by Brig North

# REBEL REUNION AT THE CORINTHIAN SAILING CLUB 4/28/2010











Photos provided by Betty Wilson

## 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 three days before the last day of the month. Please submit articles to <u>secretary@cscsailing.org</u>. If you prefer, call Jeff Marosz at 214-210-2420 and simply leave your idea 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 <u>secretary@cscsailing.org</u>.

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 <a href="mailto:http://www.cscsailing.org">http://www.cscsailing.org</a>; a general email address is <a href="mailto:info@cscsailing.org">info@cscsailing.org</a>. Our mailing address is Corinthian Sailing Club, PO Box 180087, Dallas, TX 75218