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## COMMODORE'S LETTER

*Bill Wilson*

Hi sailors,

Someday the skies will stop snowing and turn blue. Someday we won't have to find our foul weather gear, our wool hats, and heavy duty gloves, just so we can go to the dock and complain about the weather. That day is coming soon, I know it. When that time comes, I don't want to hear about how hot it is. I may throw a snowball at you.

On a serious note, the board is going to be more active in enforcing the Bylaws relating to keeping boats and davits in good working order. We have a number of davits that look pretty rough. I have seen several walkways that can't be used. We have a number of boats that no one has seen move in quite a few years. There is a word for those boats. Stored. Yeah, that's the word, stored. Our intent is to be a sailing club with boats that are sailed, not stored. If you are not using your boat like you had hoped you would, consider selling it, or finding a partner, or putting it on a trailer. Sail it or sell it.

If you think you may be on the board's list of non-compliant members, there are a few things you should plan on doing. First, take a look at the by-laws. They are on the website under Club Info. Scroll down to By-laws and look under Article II, Sections 6 and 7. These are the rules we will be following.

Second, I urge you to be ready to get your boat and/or davit back in good shape as soon as possible. I realize the weather has been miserable this winter, but you can make your plan of action and follow through promptly. The board will be patient if you really are trying to get work done. It has taken a long time to deteriorate, but please be serious about getting the problems corrected. Check with Tom Miller or Ken Brown if you have questions or need help.

The bottom line is - it is your stuff to take care of. We have a strong club and if you have been paying attention you know we are making real progress in a lot of areas. It is time to bring the davits and boats up to a higher standard. It needs to get done and it needs to happen before someone gets injured.

Finally, I'm excited to be your Commodore. I've got a great board working with me and lots of help from many members. We have an amazing array of talented and giving people who make this club work. I'm honored to have so much support and I am looking forward to some great days sailing. I just hope it doesn't get too hot.

See you sailing!

Bill Wilson  
Commodore--CSC

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## MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

*Norm Grail*

Yes, it is that time of year again. The bad news is the 2010-2011 CSC membership renewal statements were sent two weeks ago should have been received by now. The good news is warmer weather should be right around the corner and the 2010 sailing season is close at hand.

The CSC board of directors voted to raise the annual dues a modest fifty dollars (\$50.00) for regular members and twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for associate members in order to keep up with rising costs of maintaining and improving the facilities. All other fees remain the same as last year. *Please pay your dues by April 1, 2010 as there is a one-hundred dollar (\$100.00) late fee for any payment postmarked after April 1, 2010.* Dues are payable to Corinthian Sailing Club and should be sent to Corinthian Sailing Club, C/O Rear Commodore Membership, P.O. Box 180087, Dallas, TX 75218.

If you have not received your membership renewal statement or misplaced it, please contact Norm Grail at [membership@cscsailing.org](mailto:membership@cscsailing.org) or you may download and print a generic copy by going to [www.cscsailing.org](http://www.cscsailing.org) and click on Membership Info in the left-hand column, then click on download in the second paragraph and a PDF of the renewal statement will become available. Also, in the same paragraph as the download for the renewal statement is a link to PayPal for members wishing to use a credit card to pay their dues.

Please take the time to examine the information on the renewal statement and make any changes or corrections as necessary.

Membership looks forward to helping each of you experience an active and full 2010 sailing season.



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## CORINTHIAN FLEET NEWS

*Alvin W. Skelton*

### Ahoy There!

Corinthian Fleet #1 needs your help to make history in 2010!

2009 was a banner year for our fleet in its own right. Last year saw 11 boats on the line for the Captains Challenge Regatta. This may not seem like much to some of you, but represents nearly 50% of the Corinthians on White Rock! Some of you can remember numbers like these from years ago but you would have to search your memory back over 15 years to recall it!

This level of participation is due to skippers who in some cases have completely rebuilt boats that were constructed from 1965 - 1969 and have spent over forty years floating on their moorings 'soaking in' the White Rock scene. These boats have an incredible storied past and have been raced by numerous owners and countless crews over the decades. Recall if you can the names of: Kent Carson, Larry Porter, Norm Watkins, J.W. Jones, Rowe Verschoyle, Lloyd Oxley, Nat Wells, Max Hibbs, and Frank Richards. These are just a *few* of the long list of men and women who have made a timeless contribution to our fleet.

We the Corinthian owners of the 21st century want to honor our past by continuing to build and maintain our fleet and our participation levels in 2010. Several boats are nearing the completion of their rebuilds and several more 'new' boats have just been added to the fleet. These skippers will need crew to help them compete, so there are more opportunities than ever to enjoy a sweet old Corinthian.

In summary, let me invite all of you to make for the VIP and join us in our resurgence. Email me to find a ride at [awskelton@yahoo.com](mailto:awskelton@yahoo.com).



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## LASER FLEET NEWS

*Norm Grail*

The members of the Laser Fleet are getting a little antsy to get back out on the water as our last official race date was October 14, 2009, and as the picture below indicates, winter has not been very kind to us. It's been a long winter to so far and we are not as hardy as our some of our fellow Butterflies who sail year around.

The final results of the 2009 racing series had Mark Babb taking first place, Mike Rist taking second place, and Norm Grail taking third. The scoring of the races included points for participation encouraging frequent involvement by each member of the Fleet throughout the summer. The Fleet averaged between 8 and 15 boats, and a few nights more, each Wednesday evening even on the nights the weather was not cooperating. We sailed in rain, thunder, squalls, tornado sirens, and, worst of all, nearly dead air—the Lasers are a very dedicated (someone said fool hardy) group. A smaller group of Lasers sailed on Saturday mornings and generally raced with the Butterflies on their course. Thanks Butterflies! Saturday's races were informal and served to help the less experienced sailors practice their starts, tacking, gybing, mark roundings, and finishes with the encouragement and coaching of the more seasoned sailors. The members of the Fleet are looking forward to getting back on the water soon.

The 2009 CSC Laser Regatta, Texas Laser Circuit Event No. 6, was held September 19-20, 2009. The weather was sunny and warm and we began the regatta with a very light breeze which increased a little before dying off at the end of the day. We completed five races each having multiple course changes. The race committee did a splendid job of keeping the races going and keeping up with the shifty conditions. Lightweight Bo Hoag took first overall followed by James Freedman of Fort Worth second, and Mike Rist third.

Kicking off the 2010 season, the annual CSC Laser Fleet meeting was held on February 27, 2010 and the Wednesday night racing series should begin mid-April and run through mid-October. The Fleet selected new co-captains and discussed the many plans for this coming season. On each Wednesday evening, the races will begin promptly at 6:30 pm and as many races will be held as possible before the sun sets followed by beer and burgers or anything else that isn't moving fast and appears edible or worth grilling.

The members of the Laser Fleet wish to encourage guests to join us this summer. The Fleet plans to have one or more club owned Lasers rigged and ready to use by any and all guests, newcomers, old salts, wives, girlfriends, partners, Scot sailors, Butterflies, or any others who want to take a turn at sailing a Laser and participate in the season's fun. **Fair warning:** *Sailing a Laser may be contagious, so use one at your own risk (of having a blast)!* We look forward to your joining us.

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## *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 [srob2007@yahoo.com](mailto:srob2007@yahoo.com) or call Alvin Skelton at 214-564-0104.



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## March Upcoming Calendar

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| 9th       | Board Meeting                  |
| 14th      | DST Begins                     |
| 15th—17th | Metroplex Youth Sailing Clinic |
| 19th—21st | RC Blow Out Regatta            |
| 25th      | CSC Spruce Up Day              |

## Club Wireless LAN Settings

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



“Icebergs on White Rock Lake”



## CSC Recycles!

As the sailing season ramps up please keep in mind CSC recycles! Please note the recycling containers locations: (2) CSC Club, (1) VIP and (1) North Entrance.

Signage around the containers explains what is acceptable for recycling.

If you'd like to volunteer for collection of the containers please email Shelley Roberts at [srob2007@yahoo.com](mailto:srob2007@yahoo.com) or call Alvin Skelton at 214-395-8015

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## FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING

The first Board meeting of 2010 was a joint meeting of the outgoing and incoming board members. The two main business items covered were establishing membership dues and passing a budget.

The Board voted unanimously and passed an increase for 2010 membership dues. You should see these changes reflected in your membership renewal notices.

Further, the board voted unanimously and passed a budget for 2010.

Also, discussions were held regarding rules for member events and parties, davit and boat conditions, plans for 2010 dock repair/maintenance, and plans to install a clubhouse display for recognition of past awards.

## ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

This annual event was held at Royal Oaks Country Club on January 21, 2010. There was a great turn out and the new CSC 2010 Board of Directors were elected. Several presentations were given on actives and events regarding the club.

Of note, the “Old Salt Award” was presented to Frank Richards. The “Norm Watkins Award” was presented to Norm Grail.



**“Norm Grail receives Norm Watkins Award”**

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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 three days before the last day of the month. Please submit articles to [secretary@cscsailing.org](mailto:secretary@cscsailing.org). 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 [secretary@cscsailing.org](mailto: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. Lanther Drive on the East side of beautiful White Rock Lake. Phone 214-320-0841. Our web address is <http://www.cscsailing.org> ; a general email address is [info@cscsailing.org](mailto:info@cscsailing.org). Our mailing address is Corinthian Sailing Club, PO Box 180087, Dallas, TX 75218*

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