

# THE WINDSONG

WESTERN CAROLINA SAILING CLUB

Hartwell Lake, Anderson, SC

July 2013



## FROM THE COMMODORE

*by Paul Harder*

### Learn to Sail

How did you learn to sail? I find it interesting how many different ways sailors became sailors. I grew up sailing on a Honey Bee; I remember it as a slow stable sailboat with an old British Seagull motor. On our old 8mm family film you could see me at three years old pushing the boat off of the beach on the James River, near Jamestown Virginia, part of the lower Chesapeake Bay.

Just before my tenth birthday we moved to Anderson, SC and bought a new Sunfish sailboat. Four years of sailing near exit 19 off I-85. Take exit 19 towards Anderson and as you cross the bridge look right; marker 26 M 26. That is where I was first allowed to go sailing by myself. We then lived for one year in Mebane, NC. No lakes nearby, so **no** sailing. Then two years in Lake Jackson, TX near the Gulf of Mexico. On my sixteenth birthday I got my driver license and I could drive 20 miles to the gulf coast. Back then you could drive on the beach. I'd back in and then go sailing. The ramp I learned to launch on was thirteen miles wide - Freeport to the San Luis Pass. The summer of my seventeenth birthday we moved back to Anderson, SC and Lake Hartwell near White City Park, marker 26 M 8A Salc, or Salem Creek. This is when we had a second Sunfish and I learned to chase after my father, Dick Harder. I could sail two miles to the Hwy 24 bridge and under I would go. That was the only way I could sail around more sailboats.

A couple months after turning twenty I was a full time student with a part time job so I was able to join WCSC. Right away I started crewing with anyone that would allow me to sail with them. Two years later I was asked to crew in the WCSC Club Championship. The next year I started racing a Super Sunfish against the Force 5 fleet here at WCSC. This is when we went from my father teaching me how to sail to me teaching him how to race. Occasionally I would beat the Force 5's boat for boat. I was told at the end of the season that as the only boat in the Portsmouth fleet I could race in the club championship. The club's very old 420's were not in great shape so the race that year was held in the standard Sunfish. I just beat out two-time defending club champion Steve "Fitzsimons" Knatzka. He's the only person to win the WCSC Club Championship under two different names. Three times under the name Steve Fitzsimons and six times as Steven Knatzka. Steve's name was always Knatzka, but club members thought his last name was the same as his mother's Gloria Fitzsimons, now known as Gloria Root.

The next year Carl Ulbrich, who was gone for a year on a sabbatical to Washington DC, loaned me his Force 5 for the 1985 sailing season. By 1986 I bought a used Force 5, sail number 4685. You may notice that as the gate code for the first quarter of this year. I've done a lot of sailing. At the end of the 1986 sailing season my father finally joined WCSC. That's my story about how I learned to sail. If you have an interesting story about how you learned to sail, type it up and send it to Lisa Baker ([wcsconlinepublishing@gmail.com](mailto:wcsconlinepublishing@gmail.com)), she'll put it in the Windsong and/or on the website.



## School is OUT!

By Dennis Baker, Vice Commodore

School is out, summer is here and racing is over for the spring. Time to settle in and enjoy some "Cruising", evening sailing (GO TO THE BRIDGE!!) or swimming behind the boat. In case you haven't noticed, we HAVE WATER!!!! Two feet over full pool as of this writing. Junior Sail Camp is just around the corner. It's always a special time when the young folks get out there and learn to sail. It's really fun to watch. Come on down to the club and just laze the day away....

### Other news to report:

- Friday Night racing, aka "Dinghy Night" is in full swing. Juniors, elders, divas and instructors are out there having a blast. If you have not tried it, rig a dinghy and get out there and join the FUN!!! The fun starts at 1800 Friday nights. The esteemed Mr. Joe Martin is the ring master, so contact Joe for additional details.

- The proposal to remedy the B dock low water situation was approved by the Corps. We are under way with the construction of the new longer ramp. Custom Steel will install it when complete.

- Harbor Committee will be executing a full dock survey in June. Be sure your registration is up to date and dock lines are in good order.

- As of this writing the lake is at 662.15 – up 15.5' for the year.

- All harbor moorings that we removed due to low water have been put back in place. If you had to move to the outer fields, please feel free to move back to your harbor mooring. 22 outside moorings are available.

- Ronnie Ashmore will be scheduling breakwater repair this summer (July or early August). He will need some bodies to help with this task – please watch for further information. This is a vital project for the safety of our harbor. If you need fair share, this is a good project to spend it on.

- The dock waiting list is almost non-existent. Of the 6 actives we have on the list, 4 are in temp slip assignments. There are still a number of empty slips. If you have your boat on the causeway, time to move back home.

- Special thanks to Rick Fontenot. He has been meticulously maintaining/improving our fleet of motorized boats used in our racing programs. He is doing a fabulous job. Thanks Rick!!!!

- The Diva Regatta has been moved to September. Look for more info in the coming months as this develops. If you're a Diva – consider getting out there with the ladies for a fun weekend.

- WCSC hosted the Flying Scot Dixie Lakes District Championships back in April. It was a successful event with over 20 competitors including a former Rolex Sailor of the year award winner. Congratulations John Kreidler for bringing this event to WCSC.

- The Springboard Regatta also held in April had 15 Lightnings and 16 Highlanders in attendance. Great showing by both fleets.

See you on the Water!!



## Thank You!

By Derek Lord, Rear Commodore

As we move rapidly toward summer (it feels like it's already arrived to me), the club is looking pretty good. At work day #3, June 8, we had a great turn out. Many hands made light work of splitting enough wood to fill the shed to overflowing, and many others addressed other jobs all over the club grounds. Thank you.

Those rains that have finally refilled the lake have also supported the beautiful work done in the beds surrounding the clubhouse. Unfortunately they have also filled some boats. Please be mindful of standing water in your property stored at the club. Our bug problems are already bad enough without running a batch of mosquito incubators. Everyone will appreciate it if you take a few minutes to tighten that cover, raise that trailer tongue, or clear that drain to avoid ponding water.

Some people may also have heard about a project to open up a few more spots in the mainland camper area with more power and wondered if it will ever materialize. That project IS still in the works. The camper committee hit a few snags that they are in the process of ironing out. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

You may have noticed that there seems to be quite a few boats still "squatting" on the causeway. This is certainly acceptable temporarily while you are out of your slip due to low water, but the water is up. It is time to move those boats back to their proper homes. If you need to make long-term parking arrangements, please contact our dry-storage chairman and Vice Commodore Dennis Baker at [dkb\\_4\\_98@yahoo.com](mailto:dkb_4_98@yahoo.com), and he should be able to find you a much better spot than along the main road.

I hope to see you at the club and on the water!

## Welcome to 8 New Families!

By Spencer Mathews

Susan and Eric Seymour began their membership probationary period by attending a new member orientation on April 6, 2013. They have more than a decade's experience in coastal cruising in vessels up to 26 feet. Currently they sail a West Wight Potter, *SOUTHERN CROSS*, a 19-footer. Their primary interest is in cruising, and they look forward to enjoying fellowship with other sailors, and trading secrets.

Eric previously served as fleet captain of the Miami Mac's Sailing Club. He says the easy way to describe his work is that he's a locksmith. But that implies familiarity with vaults, safes, keyed and coded electronic entry systems, etc. He is a technician with Lock Works LLC. Susan is employed at St. Francis Hospital.

Please look for a chance to introduce yourself and let Eric and Susan know we're glad to have them aboard.



Susan and Eric



## Welcome to 8 New Families! (continued)

Bruce and Allegra Campbell attended their orientation on Friday, April 27. They sail a Com-Pac Sun Cat, a 17-foot catboat. Bruce describes himself as primarily a cruising/gunkholing sailor. He's interested in belonging to an organization with interests similar to his and in participating in sailing and social events with other sailors. Allegra has crewed on some big boats and is interested in getting a ride in the keelboat fleet (skippers take note). Their sailing history includes sailing a Catalina 22 on Biscayne Bay for twenty years and a Sturdy Cat on San Francisco Bay for ten. Both are retired. Allegra worked in pharmaceuticals and Bruce was an avionics line mechanic first for Eastern Air Lines and later for United. They come from New Jersey originally, but were married in Fort Lauderdale, lived there for 23 years, and were members of the Coconut Grove Sailing Club before moving to San Francisco. Allegra counts gardening and Tai Chi among her hobbies. Bruce is a member of VFW and the American Legion.

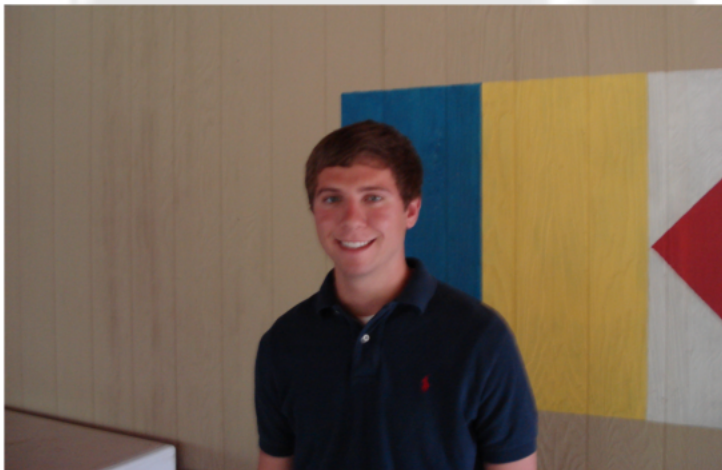
Keep an eye out for them when you're at the club and make sure they know we're happy to have them with us.



**Allegra and Bruce**

Will Boswell attended an orientation at the club on Sunday, May 5. He's a senior at Clemson studying business management. He is a Greenville native and attended Mauldin High School. His family had a house on the lake as well, so Will sailed a Sunfish as a young boy, but insists that he became seriously interested in sailing only about two years ago. At that time he became a member of the Clemson sailing club and about a year ago, purchased a Hobie 16, which is what he sails now. We may see him in the Portsmouth fleet. Obviously he enjoys sailing; but he says he still has a lot to learn (as which of us doesn't?).

Keep an eye out for Will and help him learn the ropes with us.



**Will**

Five new families joined our ranks at an orientation meeting held on June 1.

First let me introduce Lauren and Adam Campbell. Their sponsors are the Sudderths and the Lachers. They describe themselves as having a basic knowledge of sailing, but want to learn within a family friendly environment and eventually participate in the club racing program. They have, sensibly it seems to me, deferred the purchase of a boat of their own until they get some experience of the variety of boats within the club. Lauren works with Family Physicians of Spartanburg and Adam is a project manager with CHZM Hill.

Look them up and invite them to crew or go for a sail with you.



**Lauren and Adam**

Reed and Michael Chewing and their children Mary and Ligon (aged 13 and 10 respectively) sail a Cal 27 that they co-own with another new member, John Cribb. They describe their sailing experience as limited; but like the Campbells, they want to learn more while being part of a sailing community. They live in Spartanburg as I do and Wayne Cheser and I are their sponsors. Michael is an architect with McMillan, Pazdan, and Smith, and Reed teaches English at Limestone College.



**Michael**

Kirsten and John Cribb and their children (Molly, who's 13 and Sarah, who's 11) sail the Cal 27 mentioned above and have already begun enjoying WCSC's sailing and camping opportunities. John is a writer and Kirsten keeps the home in good order. Like the Chewnings' they describe their sailing knowledge as 'basic' and are looking forward to learning more and learning quickly. Their sponsors are Wayne Cheser and Nancy Barnard.



## Welcome to 8 New Families! (continued)



**John**

The Crumleys, Dana and Mark and children Kevin (17) and Jason (11), sail a wing-keeled Catalina 22 (*SURVIVOR*). The boat is a gift from Mark's parents, who visited the club when she was delivered. The name derives from the fact that she survived a hurricane in the Charleston area where she's lived for the past several years. Mark says he's always wanted to own a boat and is very excited about becoming a sailor (perhaps I should word that differently – he already has a basic knowledge of sailing, he says "very basic"). Mark works with Synnex Corporation and Dana, with the Greenville School District.



**Mark**

Chantal and Scott Smith and their children, Claire (13), Zachary (8), Frederic (6), and Sebastien (nearly 2) are sponsored by David Van Emburg and Marc Henri Lussigny. Scott describes his sailing abilities as 'intermediate'. He sailed Force 5's as a teenager and Hobie 16's whenever he can get the chance. Claire and Zachary had a two-week Optimist sailing class last year in France. Finding the right boat for the family is something of a challenge, so they have postponed that decision. Although their aims are to meet new people who like to sail, enjoy the excellent recreational opportunities WCSC, and have more family time at the lake, I suspect skippers who are looking for crew could do worse than invite Scott (they might invite me, for example).

See you on the water!



**Scott**

## The Juniors Corner

By Joe Martin



Back by popular demand...from at least one person...the word of the month. Actually though, now that we are doing quarterly Windsongs, it is word of the Quarter. After some head-scratching the word of the quarter is...

Meter



systematically arranged and measured rhythm in verse: (1) : rhythm that continuously repeats a single basic pattern <iambic meter> (2) : rhythm characterized by regular recurrence of a systematic arrangement of basic patterns in larger figures <ballad meter>

The basic recurrent rhythmical pattern of note values, accents, and beats per measure in music

The base unit of length in the International System of Units that is equal to the distance traveled by light in a vacuum in 1/299,792,458 second or to about 39.37 inches

An instrument for measuring and sometimes recording the time or amount of something such as a parking meter or a gas meter

Some common uses of the word meter:

Usain Bolt is really fast in the 100 meter run.

Oh man! I forgot to feed the parking meter and there goes a tow truck with my car.

The 1987 Americas Cup of Freemantle was probably the pinnacle of 12 Meter sailboat racing.

If you like New Orleans music you gotta love the Meters.

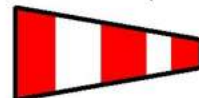
And the form most commonly used as a lake sailor, Spit O Meter. What does the Spit O Meter tell us? If you spit in the water and it passes you, your day is going badly.

Friday night racing has been successful, weather permitting, so far this season. There has been a good mix of both Juniors and Senior Juniors. Friday nights make for a great night of social racing to start your weekend. Come on out and join us. We leave the dock at 1745.

Junior Camp is getting into full swing. Make sure you are regularly checking the club website for information. Contact us if there are questions.

That is about all there is to this note. Already way past the submission deadline to Mrs. Mr. Baker.

Suggestions for future words of the quarter gladly accepted.







## 2013 Hospice Regatta

by John Kreidler



Hello WCSC! The 2013 Hospice Regatta is scheduled for October 19-20 and I wanted to send out the first of many communications letting you know what is going on and what you can do to help.

We have a goal of raising \$60,000 this year (that's correct, SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS!) for the [Hospice of the Upstate](http://www.hospiceoftheupstate.org). I find it hard to believe that our Regatta has quickly grown from raising \$20k-\$30k a year to having a target of \$60k. Wow! Ronnie and I are very proud of what we have accomplished the last couple years. With your help and support, we have raised over \$350k the last 10 years. Help us achieve our 2013 goal either thru racing, donations, cruising or volunteering to help.

If you don't know much about the Hospice of the Upstate, check it out online at [www.Hospicehouse.net](http://www.Hospicehouse.net). They have a fabulous facility with 27 patient rooms dedicated towards quality end of life care. This is a charity that Ronnie and I feel especially attached to as we both have recent Hospice experience.

My main message today is to recruit our entire membership to help with our Corporate sponsorship. This is where you come in. Many of us work for large companies who typically have some kind of matching gift program or in some cases would be willing to support our event. We would like you to investigate what options are available at your Company. Many of you may have already done this. If you have not had a chance, please contact your HR department or the person in your company that would direct you to the correct person that can help. Sometimes, all it takes is to ask the question. You might get the budget answer...meaning it may not be in the budget this year. But ask what can be done to get it in the budget for 2014? Please do some leg work for us and try to be our 'sponsor' at your company. If you have any questions or if you need help in working with your employer, contact Ronnie or myself. We would love to lend a hand.

We have setup a link on the Club website at [www.wcsc-sailing.org](http://www.wcsc-sailing.org). Follow the 2013 Hospice link on the left. It will direct you to a page that includes Sponsorship packages including a link to the donation page, information on the event and contact information for Ronnie and I. We will be adding more information to the page as it comes available. Along with the corporate sponsorship there are a couple other areas where you can help.

### Sailing for Others

We will again be holding this special sponsorship challenge to help raise additional funds. If you are planning on being a skipper, we are running the Sailing for Others sponsorship program. Start lining up family and friends to help you in this special challenge. Remember that it can all be done online. The top 'Sailing for Others' skippers will be recognized on Sunday during the awards ceremony.

### Cruising the Hospice

This year we will be repeating the "Cruising the Hospice" event and we hope it continues to grow as we had over 10 boats last year sail in this non-competitive event. We found it appealed to many of our members who have boats and don't want to do the racing thing. It's an opportunity to get out on the water and sail a fun event, not a race. Bob Knapp is helping us this year and will come up with something cool and non-competitive. You will get a chance to sail, show your friends a good time/party and help support our event.

### Volunteers

We always have a need for volunteers to help in a number of areas (Race Committee, Registration, Food, Clean up, etc.) and if you would like to help please contact myself ([jakreidler@mindspring.com](mailto:jakreidler@mindspring.com)) or Ronnie Ashmore ([sailtanzer@aol.com](mailto:sailtanzer@aol.com)).

With your help, we look forward to reaching our goal this year.

## The WindSong

By: Paul Harder

The board and membership give thanks to Lisa Baker this year for editing and publishing WCSC's newsletter *The WindSong*. Most remember a time when each month, or at least ten times a year, you would get a copy of *The WindSong* in the mail. For many decades, former member John Atkins was the editor. The cost of publishing, printing and mailing *The WindSong* was \$500 each cycle, or \$5,000 a year. For the past couple of years Johanna Curtiss and Kerry Steck volunteered to gather information, publish and post it to the WCSC website at NO cost other than a lot of extra volunteer hours. This year I wanted to get a copy of *The WindSong* in your hands at the lowest cost possible. By collecting, publishing and printing the information the month before the quarterly billing we are able to add four pages to the bill. The only cost now is printing, which is about \$150 a cycle, or \$600 a year.

During the months between the mailed copies of *The WindSong*, check the club website and read the weekly "Events" e-mails. If you are not getting them please e-mail Kerry Steck at [kerrysteck@gmail.com](mailto:kerrysteck@gmail.com) and ask that your e-mail address be added to the current list.

As with any group this large we hope to please most of the members most of the time. You can never please the entire membership all of the time. Please let the board members know if you like *The WindSong* as it is now or think we need to make changes again as to how and when the *WindSong* is made available.



## Keelboat Fleet

Steve Kiemele (*rhymes with emily*), 2013 Keelboat Fleet Captain  
J/24 #3009 Cahoots  
Santana 20 #368 Chubasco (occasionally)  
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The Keelboat fleet had an interesting spring racing season with a number of races cancelled due to weather and some other races sailed in cold, windy, rainy weather. The "A Class" completed 13 of 18 scheduled races with four boats qualifying by sailing at least 7 of the races.

- Marc Bailey (Melges 24 "Screaming Mimi") scored first in all of his 8 races and thus scored first for the season (yet again!)
- Competition was close for second place. Joe Martin (Capri 25 "Spanky") was ahead of Steve Kiemele (J24 "Cahoots") by one point in 8 races but a tie developed when each threw out their worst score for the best-of-seven race total. Steve won the tie-breaker with one more first place finish than Joe. Therefore, Steve took second place for the season and Joe took third.
- The remaining qualifier was Roger Welte (J22 "Winsome Too") ending up in fourth place. It was good to have Joe Martin and the Spanky crew back on the race course.

The "B Class" completed 9 of 18 races and three boats qualified by sailing at least 5 races.

- Mike Harrison (Catalina 22 "Old Yeller") scored first with 5 points for his best of 5 races.
- Craig Lenfestey (Catalina 22 "Cattitude") finished second with 10 points for his best 5 races.
- Harold Morse (S2 6.7 "Sundance") finished third with 12 points for his best 5 races.

Our 2013 Fall Series of six race days begins September 15. Each race day, 3 races are scheduled with an intended duration of 45 minutes each. We meet in the clubhouse for lunch at 11:00 am (\$4 to \$5 donation per person expected). At 11:30 am, we have the competitors' meeting and discuss the plans for the day. The warning signal for the first race is planned for 1:00 pm with the other two races following ASAP. No race will be started after 4:30 pm. After the races, we gather at the "Tiki Bar" at the head of D dock for snacks, refreshments, scores, and "stories."

Our fleet by-laws and sailing instructions can be found on the club website under "Club Documentation, Keelboat Fleet Documentation." We sail under US Sailing's Performance Handicap Racing Formula (PHRF) where inherently faster boats (based on design, not skill) are handicapped against those that are not so inherently fast. We sail in two classes - "A" and "B" with the "A Class" being those with a PHRF rating of 189 or lower and the "B Class" boats having a rating of 190 or higher. Rating adjustments are made for sailing without a spinnaker if desired.

If you have any interest in racing, our fleet is a great way to get started. The racing is generally low-key with a minimum of "discussion" on the water. If you would like to get started as a crew member, please let me know in advance of a race day and I'll try to find you a ride.



## Centerboard Fleet Welcomes You!

John Kreidler, 2013 Centerboard Fleet Captain  
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Hello Sailors and would be Centerboard Racers!

I wanted to send out an invite to the entire club to check out the Centerboard fleet at WCSC. We have about 15 members that race in the Centerboard Fleet races that are hosted by our club. We race from March till June and then take the summer off. We reconvene in September and race thru November. All told we have 13 race dates and 39 total races throughout the year. We crown our Champion at the annual banquet in January where this year we are hoping to dethrone our 2012 Champion and Vice Commodore, Dennis Baker.

The Centerboard fleet is limited to any dinghy (including Catamarans and Weta Trimarans) under 21 feet. Our fleet consists of a lot of different boats from Force Fives, Lasers, Lightnings, Flying Scots, Thistles, Highlanders, Buccaneers, MC Scows and Weta Trimarans. Don't worry about trying to beat a faster boat...we score the races and series based on the US Sailing Portsmouth ratings. If you are not familiar with Portsmouth ratings, it's a handicap system used to adjust your boats time so you can compete with the boats of different speeds. It seems to work pretty well, as we have had many races determined by seconds. Of course each boat has it's own 'wheelhouse' wind speed, but for the most part it makes for competitive racing.

Our Centerboard fleet is also a 'social fleet'. We meet after every race at the 'Tiki Hut' at the end of the main parking lot for post race discussion and beverages. Let me use this opportunity to invite you to have a beer with us in September. We would love to meet you and introduce you to the coolest fleet at WCSC.

If you have been thinking about learning how to race, this is the fleet for you. We have lots of fleet members that are available to mentor you and shorten your racing learning curve. Don't have a Centerboard boat? Not a problem. We have plenty of boats that are available for you to try out. If you have raced before and want to come out and join us, we would love to have you.

We hold our skippers meetings at 11:30 on race dates at the Tiki Hut. Racing starts at 1:00pm. Our schedule is posted on the club web site at [www.wcsc-sailing.org](http://www.wcsc-sailing.org).

Any questions or need help finding a boat? A boat to crew on? Need crew? Let me know and we'll work something out.



# Centerboard Fleet Results - 2013 Season

Centerboard Fleet Race No																																							Number	Sailed	Points	Best		
Skipper	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38					39	
Scott Griffin	1	2	1																																					3	1.33	1.33		
Steve Kiemele												3	1			3	2	1																						5	2.00	2.00		
John Kreidler	2	1	2	2	2	3				2	3	3	1	8		1	3	2																							14	2.50	2.50	
Bruce Busbey				1	9	1				3	1	1																													6	2.67	2.67	
Michael Phelan				4	3	5										2	1	3																							6	3.00	3.00	
Ronnie Ashmore	5	3	5							4	6	2	2	2																											8	3.63	3.63	
Chris Kafsky				5	1	4				1	4	5				7	4	6																							9	4.11	4.11	
Dennis Baker	6	5	4	3	9	2				5	2	4	4	8																											11	4.73	4.73	
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Patrick Hopp				8	4																																				2	6.00	6.00	
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Hanna Curtiss												5	8																												2	6.50	6.50	
Rick Fontenot	7	7	6	9	9	7				7	7	7	7	3		5	7	8																							14	6.86	6.86	
Brian Hampton				10	8											8	5	4																								5	7.00	7.00
Erik Paschke	8	4	7	11	7	8						6	8			10	9	9																								11	7.91	7.91
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Frank Mendenahall				12	6																																				2	9.00	9.00	

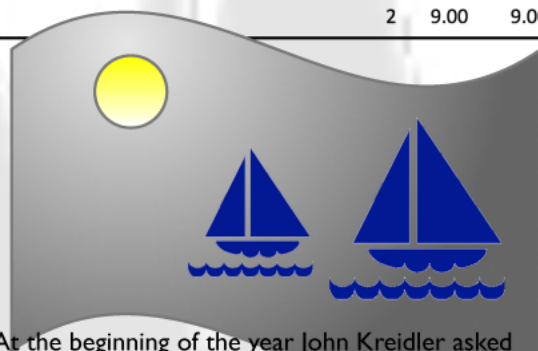
## Reminder

PLEASE do not park in front of another person's boat!



## NIGHT SAILING

By: Paul Harder



Bob Knapp and I will have had the planned June 22, 2013 night sail before you read this. At the beginning of the year John Kreidler asked what I wanted to add to the sailing calendar and I said "an all night sail" near June 21, the summer solstice (shortest night) and just before the full moon. That way the moon comes up just before sunset and it's close to its maximum brightness. Some club members might remember a time when we would have four or five night sail/races the weekends before the full moons of the summer months. We would have an informal skipper's meeting at the club house, set our watches to the same time and then meet off the point. The start was between S-20 and the range on the point. Ed Sherman put the range on the point with a heading of 315 degrees true north so you could check your compass and he moved S-20 so it was on this range line. I'm sure the Corps could not think why this one mark kept moving on them. The race committee was a guy parked down on the point. At the allotted time he would honk and flash his headlights to start the sequence. Back then we used ten minute timing, so at five he would honk and flash and then again at the start. If someone was over the range extra horns and lights would follow. The course was set at the skipper's meeting, which could be anything from just around the buoys off the point to sailing though Portman Shoals, around Andersonville Island or even a sail down the lake towards the dam and back. The finish involved taking your own time when you could touch S-20 with a pole. You would then go to the club house and post which boat and at what time you finished. As the night went on the score keeper would check the bulletin board and when all were finished he would post the winner. But, of course, we were all winners for having sailed at night! Some would come just to sail near us and not sail the official course. One or two would stop and anchor and see if you could rock your boat (one time it was a Stiletto 27 which is hard to rock). One night, as the wind died off, we had a drunken bass fisherman asking for some of our beers. With us sailing and him in a bass boat with a 200 HP motor there was no getting rid of him.

I told John and Bob that sometime this year or in the future I hoped we could do something like the night race on Lake Norman 30 years ago. Before Duke Power took away their club location, the Outrigger Yacht Club would have sixty boats show up for their annual night sail - yes just before the full moon next to June 21 each year. The start was about an hour before sunset and they had a long course up and down most of the lake. The finish was where the lead boat was before sunrise if they had not finished the course. Later that morning, say around 11 AM, would be a pancake breakfast and trophies to each of the top boats in each division.

If there is enough interest, I would like to have this type of race around July 20 this year. If you think you would like to participate, email Bob [bobknapp@charter.net](mailto:bobknapp@charter.net) or myself [SailHarder@AOL.com](mailto:SailHarder@AOL.com). Watch the website and the weekly Event emails for more information.



## Member Website Access

by Kerry Steck



Logging into the club website [www.wcsc-sailing.org](http://www.wcsc-sailing.org) allows our members access to member only features, such as the member directory and other club documents. You can also update your member profile to include a photo, additional info, and links to other social media, such as Facebook.

Login by clicking on "Member Login" in the top right corner of the homepage. Enter your user name and password, you can even select "Remember me on this computer" so you don't have to enter your login each time. Don't know your user id or password? Click on "Forgot Username or password" and follow the instructions. Still can't log in? Email me at [kerrysteck@gmail.com](mailto:kerrysteck@gmail.com) or send an email via the "Contact Us" page to the club Secretary, Susan Whitehead.

Once logged into the website, you will have full member access. You should see "Welcome, your name" in the top right of the page. Click "Profile" next to your name to update your membership information. From here you can change your password, update your contact information, add family members and additional information about yourself.

Clicking on "Membership Directory" under your user profile, will allow you to add a photo, social media contacts, and a biography. Go ahead, get social with your fellow club members!

Please remember that updating your online profile does not update your membership information with our Treasurer or Membership committees at this time. At some point we hope to have a system that communicates with our billing system, but for now, please update any membership contact information with Spencer Mathews and Mary Ann Caldwell as well as updating online. Need their contact information? Login to [www.wcsc-sailing.org](http://www.wcsc-sailing.org) now!

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July	02	1900	Board Meeting	
	05	1800	Commodore Meet & Greet	
	06	1700	July 4th Party	
	13-14		Junior Sail Camp	
	20-21		Junior Sail Camp	
August	27-28	0830	Furman Learn to Sail	
	06	1900	Board Meeting	
	09	1800	Commodore Meet & Greet	
	17	0800	Work Day #4	
	30	1800	Commodore Meet & Greet	
September	31	1000	WCSC JR Sail Championships	PRO and RC support from Junior Instructors
	03	1900	Board Meeting	
		1800	Labor Day Party	Hosted by A Dock
	10		Windsong Deadline	
	14	0800	Work Day #5	
		0830	Furman Learn to Sail	
		1300	Centerboard Fleet Race #7	J.STUART, P.Nechodom, J.Jordan, M.Boyles, L.Nagimova, D.Bowling
	15	1300	Keelboat Fleet Race #1	D.BAKER, B.Karlow, K.Schrecengost, C.Miros, J.Rose, B.Bowling
	21	0830	Furman Learn to Sail	
		1300	Keelboat Fleet Race #2	D.MARETT, W.Smith Jr, D.Van Emburg, L.Vickery, G.LaPierre, E.Paschke
	22	0830	Furman Learn to Sail	
		1300	Centerboard Fleet Race #8	R.WELTE, C.Kleinhans, A.Rouse, K.Steck, R.Wolcott, B.Watkins
	28	0830	Furman Learn to Sail	
		1300	Centerboard Fleet Race #9	J.MARTIN, B.Knapp, R.Eades, B.J.Leonard, S.Lawrence, T.Crane
	29	1300	Keelboat Fleet Race #3	D.LORD, M.Sinclair, D.Monaghan, B.Crider, C.Kafsky, A.Montrie