

The Windsong

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FROM THE COMMODORE

Happy New Year everyone!! It is truly an honor to serve as your 2021 Commodore. I've got my fingers crossed that 2021 will be a lot less stressful than 2020. As of the writing of this article, we are planning to have all the events on the calendar in 2021. Of course, as each event date nears, a different decision may have to be made. Watch the calendar and your email for any changes.

First on the calendar is the Frostbite Series. Since we work with a skeleton crew on race committee and the racers are naturally socially distanced by being on their own boats, the Series will go on! For any questions about this series, contact John Barnard or Rick Fontenot.

As previous Commodore Barnard mentioned at the annual meeting, everything you need is on our website. Change of address, new or changed equipment, email address changes, questions about your invoice, it's all there. There is a FAQ page that hopefully will answer all your questions. For membership changes, such as moving to non-resident, resigning, etc., email the club secretary at wscsecretary@gmail.com. Please do not email or call the club bookkeeping firm, The Alliances.

Also on our website is an underused asset – forums. You can find them under the Membership tab. There are forums to find crew or to let folks know you're available to crew, to swap race committee, to sell your boat and more. There is also a new forum for families to coordinate plans on who is going to be at the club that weekend – kids like to be around other kids their age.

New paragraph but still talking about the website. News and Events for the club show up on the Home page on the bottom in the middle. Have some interesting news you'd like to share with the club? Reporting on an event that happened this past weekend? Send your stories, along with any pictures (which is highly encouraged), to publicrelations@wscsailing.org. Committee Chairs and Regatta Chairs, I'm talking to you too!

My vision for this year is to continue to document and organize the club's operational information so that future board members understand their responsibilities and have the resources to execute. This way the new commodores don't have to reinvent the wheel. When was the last time the tractor got serviced? Who is qualified to drive the tractor? How do I read the meters in camper village? Who is on what committee? Wait, isn't that list from 1975? You see where I'm going with this. I also want to organize the garage, so we know what inventory we have and what we need, and stop "over-purchasing". When I was Rear Commodore, I bought some weed stop to put down under a rock garden only to find out we already had two rolls in the mainland shed. That's just one example. The last area I'd like to get organized is the clubhouse, including the "second" floor – bet ya didn't know we had one, didja? We also have historical documents all over the clubhouse that need to be stored and/or displayed properly.

If you are interested in helping with any of the organizing, please let me know. It's an excellent way to get fair share! Hmmm...after all this organizing is done, I should have the blueprint to be able to finally organize our own home in 2022. Look out Dennis!!

Finally, I've brought back the Commodore Meet and Greet. I'm going to do it quarterly, generally a couple hours before an event at the club – be sure and check the calendar. I want to meet you if I haven't already. If you want to be more involved with the club, I want to help you do that. If you have questions, I will answer them or find someone who can. If you have ideas, I want to hear them. I want our club to be a little slice of heaven for each of you. Can't wait to get this party started!!

Lisa Baker

FROM THE VICE COMMODORE

We had 31 members social distancing at our Annual meeting. That means 196 of you missed my RC presentation. We accomplished a great deal this year thanks to all the committees listed and the many, many members who worked fair share this year.

Committee Chairs

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| • Bruce Ehlert, David Walworth, James Peele | Dry Storage |
| • Paul Rock | House & Work Area |
| • Andrea Lehmann | Mayor of Camper Village |
| • McCall Ginsburg | Fair Share |
| • Dacia Schrecengost | Ship Store |
| • Jill Jerome | Landscaping |
| • David Ruth | Fuel Shed |
| • Ronnie Ashmore and Ron Sanga | GOAT (greatest of all time) committee |

Fair Share: Total 1850 volunteer hours

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| • Committee work 380 volunteer hours | • Race committee 69 hours |
| • Two-day regatta exceptions 350 volunteer hours | • Special projects 370 volunteer hours |
| • 4 workdays 572 hours | • average ~40 volunteers during formal workdays |
| • 6 ad hoc works | • 2200 budgeted Fair Share hours |

Tasks Completed 2020

- Repaired water leak at upper dry storage lot
- Sorghum tree removed from perimeter road. Notified ACOE through Mel Sinclair.
- Installed new lighting in clubhouse
- Installed new committee room door
- Clear underbrush, cut up tree, clean clubhouse, pick up trash, spruce up landscaping
- Hauled away underbrush, derelict boats, floatation
- New electricity billing system for Camper village
- Corrected water leak at D Dock and installed frost-proof hydrant
- All picnic tables were either stained or trashed
- New commercial refrigerator in our clubhouse kitchen
- Repairs and maintenance complete on the ice maker
- Pressure wash and repair clubhouse decking
- Logs moved to wood pile and split
- Fire ant warfare• Dropped 11 dead trees with ACOE approval
- Repaired water leak near mainland head and installed frost proof hydrant.
- Implementing new pet permits.
- Installed WCSC locking mailbox.
- Blade scrape Camper village and perimeter roads.
- Clean up waste tires and flotation from Boneyard
- Built berms to divert water from rutting roads.
- Repair Tiki Hut retainer wall
- Build Dingy rack between D and E docks
- Deep cleaned Mainland head
- Deep clean and painted stools in Gulls bathroom
- Replaced bottom plate on front deck grill.
- Painted fascia and poles on front deck canopy
- Replaced several kitchen cabinets

I thank you from my soul for all the workdays and making my Rear Commodore journey a delight. I am so very proud of our membership during this challenging year. Showing up is 90% of the success and you all did!!

Curt Rubinstein

FROM THE REAR COMMODORE

Hello fellow WCSC members!

Let me start by expressing my gratitude to all the previous Flag Officers, Board members, committee chairs and members. All have voluntarily contributed considerable time and resources to get the club to where it is today. WCSC has come a long way since I joined over twenty years ago. In particular, I'm especially grateful for the committee chairs under the guidance of the Rear Commodore: Bruce Ehlert, David Walworth, and James Peele - Dry Storage; Paul Rock - House; Andrea Lehmann - Camper Village; McCall Ginsburg - Fair Share; Dacia Schrecengost - Ship Store; Jill Jerome - Landscaping; and David Ruth - Fuel Shed. We are in need of a Grounds Committee chair. If you'd be interested, I would love to hear from you!

Our previous Rear Commodore, Curt Rubenstein, did an amazing job last year. He managed a total of 1,850 volunteer hours and got a lot accomplished. With the help of volunteers, he addressed the following:

- Fixed multiple water leaks,
- Removed dangerous trees,
- Made improvements on the meeting room,
- Installed a new commercial fridge,
- Maintained the picnic tables,
- Installed frost proof hydrants,
- Cleaned up the bone yard,
- Made gravel road improvements,
- Managed our pet policy/program,
- Pressure washed and repaired the clubhouse deck,
- Repaired the retaining wall at the Tiki Hut,
- Installed a new dinghy rack between D and E docks,
- Kept the fire ants at bay,
- And so much more.

Thank you, Curt! I promise to work hard and continue the progress made to improve our club grounds.

Even with all of those completed projects, there's still quite a few remaining on the to do list. The first scheduled work day is March 6, which is the morning of Commissioning Day. If you can, plan to arrive early to help get the grounds back in shape from winter storms and ready for the upcoming sailing season. Afterwards, stick around for the Commissioning Day ceremony and some fun on the water.

Additional workdays are scheduled for April 24, May 22, June 26, September 18, and October 2. Please put these dates on your calendar and plan to contribute so you can meet your fair share requirements, which are 5 hours by July 1 and 5 more by December 31.

Surely there will be additional workdays scheduled as needed. Regardless, I will send out a communication two weeks in advance to serve as a workday reminder of what needs to be addressed and tools may be needed.

Our club relies heavily on its members and the time they volunteer to its wellbeing. Wherever you are able, please lend a hand to our committee chairs, and if you see something that needs attention, report it to them and me.

I am honored to have served on the Board of Stewards and now as the Rear Commodore. Feel free to reach out to me with any questions, comments, or concerns.

Paul Jordan

PARADE OF LIGHTS



On December 4th and 5th WCSC proudly held its 6th annual Parade of Lights supporting the Toys for Tots drive and collecting food for The Good Neighbor Cupboard food pantry.

A big thanks to all the boats that participated in the 2020 Parade of Lights. There were 27+ boats between WCSC and Portman Marina that not only beautifully lit up the water for all to see, but that generously donated to the Toys for Tots campaign and brought food to support The Good Neighbor Cupboard. There was a large crowd on Saturday night that showed up at Green Pond Landing and Event Center to view the parade. They also generously donated to the Toys for Tots campaign and brought food to support The Good Neighbor Cupboard.

Events like this cannot be held without the help of our club members. Thank you to the following WCSC volunteers for their support of this event:

- Ed Sherman for contacting news media outlets to help promote the event. (We actually had some news coverage from WYFF 4)
- Monique Ravesloot for taking pictures and shooting video from the Whaler on Saturday night.
- Keith Schrecengost for shooting video and taking pictures on both Friday and Saturday night.
- Kirk Brutosky for volunteering to drive the Whaler safety/photo on Friday night.
- Richard Kimmich for driving the Whaler safety/photo boat on Saturday night.
- Ron Sanga for leading the parade both nights, getting boats ready, and helping with the collection and distribution of the food and toys.
- David and Jeannette Walworth for manning the Toys for Tots and food collection station at Green Pond Landing on Friday night.
- Bruce Ehler and Erica Guell for manning the Toys for Tots and food collection station at Green Pond Landing on Saturday night.
- Dan Marett and Andrea Lehmann for passing out flyers to various businesses around town.

A special thanks to Max Shaffer and all the power boats from Dock 6 at Portman Marina. They really stepped up this year by bringing at least 16 boats, but more importantly they loaded us up with toys and food on Sunday morning after the parade.



Pictures taken by Keith Schrecengost and Monique Ravesloot can be found on WCSC's Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/sailWCSC/>

Videos created by Keith Schrecengost can be found on YouTube:

Saturday Night Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SCBgY2ch2yI>

Friday Night Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wOwSM5HN_Vo

Video created by Monique Ravesloot can be found:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Ot8gE-2XK4UjI4Bg3_3rgrCTihDWQ6Zu/view?usp=sharing

Thanks to the 7 boats that showed up and participated on Friday night despite the weather forecast. After some heavy rain along with thunder and lightning around 5 PM, we started the parade in some light rain around 6:40 PM. By the time we got to Green Pond Landing the rain had stopped. As we turned West at the Highway 24 Double Bridges you could see a few stars. By around 8:15 PM when we got back to the club after taking the route through Portman Marina it was blowing 12 to 15 under a mostly clear sky full of stars. Many thanks to the following 7 boats that said the show must go on!

- Ron Sanga
- Curt Rubinstein
- Andrea and Werner Lehmann
- Dennis & Lisa Baker
- Hugh Vantleven
- Gary Stansell
- Ronnie Ashmore

This was a great outdoors event that maintained social distance. We hope that many other WCSC members will be able to participate next year. It was a lot of fun.

Thank you again to all that helped and participated.

Ronnie Ashmore
2020 Parade of Lights Coordinato



These are the Toys for Tots after delivery to the collection site at Community First Bank.

Everything under the tree came from the 2020 Parade of Lights. The toys would not fit in the drop off boxes.



WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

By Jowell Thorne

In October we welcomed four new families into the club as newly minted members. I am not sure if this was a record, but a darn good go of it. With good distancing, we all barely fit in the Committee Room. A special thank you to Tom Dames who could not even see the screen and would stand to look at the important slides.

Daniel and Stephanie Lord: Daniel, Stephanie and their two children join us from Mauldin. The name Lord certainly has a familiar ring in our midst. As you would guess, Daniel is the brother of former Commodore Derek and son of Charles Lord. Daniel's parents have been active members since before he was born. He went through the junior sailing program, helped with race committee, and crewed on many boats for races. Most notably, Daniel has sailed in every Hospice Regatta since its inception. They will sail their father's Ranger 23.

Joern Petersen: The Petersens are happy and grateful to join the WCSC community. The family includes Marco, a 10-year-old proud 5th grader and his father, Joern. They live in Simpsonville and Joern works for Bosch in Fountain Inn. They recently became co-owners of the Sparrow, the Catalina 25 on E-dock. Marco has 2 older siblings, Niko, 19 and Julia, 22, who have left the nest but might be around occasionally as well. They look forward to meeting everybody and will need some help and advice about everything in the Club and on a sailboat.

John and Marybeth Ferguson: The Fergusons join us from Belmont NC. John has been married to Marybeth for almost 30 years and they have three kids: Elizabeth, Sarah, and Rogers. John operates Napa Auto Parts stores and has an office in Spartanburg. He learned to sail earlier in life and is looking to get back into the sport. Prior to joining the club, he purchased George Snook's Star.

Jill and Tom Dames: Jill and Tom are brand new to the Lake Hartwell area. They are lifelong sailors and most of their sailing has been on the Barnegat Bay in NJ and the Chesapeake Bay out of Annapolis, MD. They grew up racing various One Design sailboats and their last sailboat prior to their current boat was a Catalina 320, which they sailed out of Annapolis. For sailing here on the lake, they have a Com-Pac Sun Cat. They are looking forward to making new sailing friends and participating in club activities!

In November, we welcomed two new families into the club.

Frank and Jean Kruczynski: Frank is married to his wife Jean and they have two children and two grandchildren. We live in Lyman SC and have been here for 20 years after multiple moves prior to settling here. Frank is retired from a manufacturing career in the bearing and aerospace industries. They have sailed on and off for over 40 years starting with a Styrofoam Sunflower. They owned four more boats over the years working up to a Tartan 31 that they cruised on for 8 months when Frank retired. Currently they own a recently purchased Precision 16. They are looking forward to meeting folks at the club.

David and Linda Pearson: David is retired from the US Air Force after 22 years and currently works as a System Engineer in IT for Shaw Industries out of Dalton GA, where he's been for the last ten years. Linda works for the Greenville County Register of Deed. Currently they do not own a boat yet. They are interested in cruising and regatta. They both have completed ASA101 / 103 and look forward making use of the training. They would like to learn more about sailing. They say they have a lot to learn, and have only just dipped their toes in the water so far.

All six families are sponsored by yours truly.



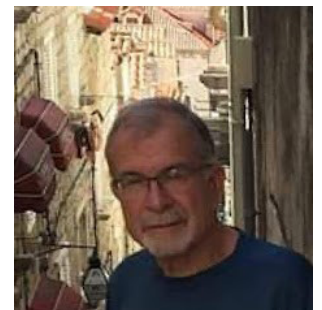
The Petersens



The Fergusons



The Dames'



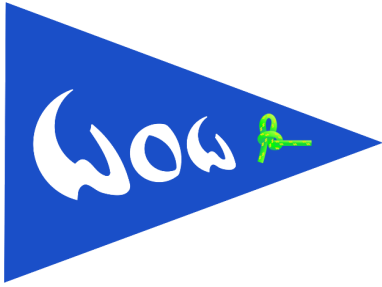
Frank Kruczynski



The Pearsons

WOMEN ON THE WATER

By McCall Ginsberg



2020 has been an exciting year for WCSC WOW. We continued to meet throughout the pandemic, offering virtual meeting opportunities, as well as adapting to provide in-person opportunities. We have sailed together on the club Catalinas, participated in and supported the Diva Regatta, received instruction on Sunfish sailing and then gone out for a sail together, and have even adopted a logo for our committee.

Several WOW members started off the year sailing together on January 1st, taking out a club Catalina on a chilly day while the cruising fleet began the frostbite series. We learned about unreefing the main while you are underway, best ways to gain leverage starting the engine, and shared a lot of laughter and fun out there on such a pretty day.

In the spring, WOW members participated in and provided support for the Diva Regatta, with WOW members Sandi Price taking first place for the “Diva at the Helm” class and Susan Seymour taking first place for the “Diva on Board” class. Congratulations to WOW member, Dacia Schrecengost for putting on a stellar Diva Regatta event, raising \$57,000 to support Safe Harbor (\$30,000 more than last year!!!) while addressing the rescheduling and logistical challenges that arose due to the pandemic.

Another popular event was our “Sailing with Sandi on a Sunfish” clinic. We had ten WOW members participate in the opportunity to learn the basics of sailing a sunfish, including how to easily right the boat in the event of capsize and mastering what we call our “Graceful Mermaid Move”, climbing back into the boat. WOW members out on the water the same day, confidently tacking and jibing Sunfish outside of the harbor. Many thanks again to Sandi Price and Allison Fontenot for leading the clinic and to our WOW-gentlemen supporters, Brian Price and Rick Fontenot for helping ready the Sunfish fleet, operating the pursuit/rescue boat and the instructor’s boat, and taking great pictures!



We now have a logo thanks to our member, Marisabel Marrat, and youtube videos on basics of sailing developed by Allison Fontenot streaming on the club youtube page. Be on the lookout for a WOW website, coming 2021! Also, in 2021, we will be having fun sailing WOW members’ cruising boats and club Catalinas this winter, participating in the Diva Regatta this spring, and once the water is warm again, we will be sailing sunfish and holding a sunfish rigging clinic.

As you can see, WOW had a lot of fun and laughter, both at our meetings and on the water. If you would like to find out more about WOW, please contact Allison Fontenot at allisonf.home@gmail.com.

HOSPICE REGATTA RECAP

By John Kreidler

Another Hospice Regatta is in the books and what a Regatta this was. No sailing (actually not true- Commodore John Barnard organized a fun race/sail), no food, no beer, no nothing except for fundraising. And what a fundraising we had this year. We were not sure what to expect when we started the fundraising for this year with our goal of \$85,000. To be honest, I was thinking \$50,000 would have been quite an accomplishment...and we ended up raising over \$76,000! That is unbelievable considering the circumstances. That means we have raised over \$960,000 during the life of the event and will likely cross over \$1 million dollars raised in 2021!

That is something we can all be proud of. **Thank you WCSC and your friends and family!**

Please take a minute and pass on a heartfelt thank you to your family and friends who support us through the Sailing for Others campaign, by purchasing raffle tickets, making auction bids, or buying Regatta Clothing. They made a difference. A big difference. Thank you.

Part of the Sailing For Others campaign included a drawing for free Club Dues if you raised at least \$500. The more you raised, the more chances you got in the drawing. The winners of the Membership dues were:

Chris Miros One year free dues at WCSC
Brian Hampton Half year free dues at WCSC
Curt Rubinstein Quarter year free dues at WCSC

Congratulations to Chris, Brian and Curt!

We had 25 SFO participants and 13 SFO teams who together raised \$38,107 through 303 donations. This made up 52% of the total raised. It was a great job by all those that participated in the Sailing for Others campaign.

Winners of the Sailing for Others Fundraising for most funds raised were:

Ronnie Ashmore	1st Place	\$8770
John Kreidler	2nd Place	\$3600
Dennis Baker	3rd Place	\$3195

Congratulations to Ronnie, John and Dennis for being the top 3. Others who qualified and helped us raise money were....

4	Lisa Baker	2,009
5	Chris Miros	2,000
6	Ron Sanga	1,755
7	Jimmy Yurko	1,300
8	John Barnard	1,295
9	Dan Marett	1,150
10	Maria Bolan	1,025
11	Curt Rubinstein	1,000
12	Keat Pruszenski	1,000
13	Andrea Lehmann	875
14	Anna Kay Lord	866
15	Marc Bailey	825
16	Brian Hampton	625
17	Joe Martin	550
18	Frans van Zeeland	520
19	George Masson	500



A big tip of the hat to the names on the list above! Thank you!

With all that said.... On behalf of Ashla Shingler at Hospice of the Upstate, Ronnie Ashmore and John Kreidler, we would like to shout out a big THANK YOU! to the WCSC membership, WCSC friends, family and co workers.

Thanks again for making this happen.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS RECAP

By Lisa Baker

Sunday of the Club Champs had some of the best racing I've seen in a long time. Let me start at the beginning of 2020.

I needed a Club Championship Regatta Chair and thankfully Tony Bolan offered to help so we were off! I thought since there are 3 club Catalina 22's and so many members have one that it would be a great boat to compete in, especially if we needed more than three. After it was cancelled in March, it got put on the back burner. Once racing resumed in September, we began planning again and stuck with the Catalinas. Some of the members that own C-22's came together and got a bunch of the necessary repairs done so that I was comfortable moving forward with using these boats.

Fast forward to a couple weeks before CC. I happened to race on one of the club Catalinas in the pick-up Hospice race. Wow, they are not like a Lightning. They are tough, tacking through 120, 140, I'm still not sure. I'd be willing to bet this: among other Catalina specific things were a factor in the racing throughout the weekend of the Club Championships. I was impressed with how each skipper adapted.

I want to thank Tony Bolan, Larry Stansell, Gary Stansell, Mark Madden, and Tom Hill for all the work they put in getting everything ready for the Club Champs, as well as Brian Hampton for letting me pick his brain since he chaired CC for so many years. I also want to thank those that volunteered for race committee. I didn't make it mandatory because of the pandemic and PRO Will DeHart along with Kirk Brutosky, Susan Whitehead, Robert Rainey, Jim Snowden, Jowell Thome, Wendel Hans and Terhune Sudderth stepped up! You all did a fabulous job! And of course, hubby Dennis, for reassuring me as I wrote the NOR and SI's in March (and again in September) and also drove me all over the racecourse so I could take pictures on both days.

Commodore John Barnard, with crew Tyler Knight, won the Saturday qualifier series and moved on to Sunday. Ronnie Ashmore, with Keith Chiswell crewing, represented the Centerboard Fleet, and George Masson, with wife MaryAnn crewing, represented the Keelboat Fleet. I love it when a husband and wife race together and we had two couples race that weekend! The wind was honking on Saturday and turned out it was honking again on Sunday. For this reason, PRO Will DeHart advised the competitors that instead of changing boats after every race, they would sail back to the harbor after every two races to switch boats. Even though it's been customary to switch boats after every race, he made this decision to save time and because he knew there would be no issue getting six races in with all that wind. He also offered to contact each boat after the first two races to see if they wanted to switch boats or just continue racing since the competitors had continued racing on Saturday, never switching boats.

Around 10:15, PRO DeHart contacted the competitors to see if they were all good with getting started early. Affirmative. The five-minute countdown began. In the first race, Ronnie crossed the start line first followed closely by John and then George. Pretty sure I saw Chiswell hanging off the boat to balance it going upwind. They finished the race in the same order. R=1, J=2, G=3.

In the second race, Ronnie gets a good start, George second and John third. I'm thinking John decided he wasn't going to win following, so tacked out and went to the opposite side of the course than the others. Coming around the windward mark, it's quite obvious that not following was the correct choice as John is around the mark first and takes the lead to the finish line. J=1, R=2, G=3.

As promised, PRO DeHart contacts the competitors individually and they all agree to continue racing without switching boats.

George gets a great start in the third race, John second and Ronnie third. All three boats are neck and neck around the windward mark but with Ronnie in front, George in second and John bringing up the rear. Ronnie and George switch the lead again and the race ends with George crossing first. G=1, R=2, J=3.

Fourth race begins with George in the lead followed by Ronnie and then John. Rounding the windward mark, George is comfortably in front, but John has picked up a spot. George finishes first without contention. I think he's figured out how these Catalina 22's work. Ronnie and John are neck and neck as they pass the RC boat but John takes it by a nose. I don't know if you've been keeping score, but with the way the three of them finished this race, they are now in a three-way tie with 8 each. Now that's some good racing!!

This next race, the fifth, is my favorite. George and Ronnie have a pretty good lead on John as they round the windward mark. John takes a Kiemele flyer and catches up. It's anyone's game now. Ronnie and George are on starboard on different parts of the racecourse and John has zoomed up on port barely having to duck George about a minute and a half before the finish. Where did he come from? Now he's heading directly at Ronnie and with about 40 seconds left, John tacks close to Ronnie and they are both coming into the finish on starboard. George has flopped over to port. Holy crap this is going to be close!!! Ronnie and John are aimed at the pin and Ronnie may be able to crowd John out, plus it looks like he's got George since he's on port. George passes in front of John and now Ronnie is shouting STARBOARD! With nerves of steel, George squeaks out the win over Ronnie. John crosses the line seconds after them. Just wow. Wow wow wow. G=1, R=2, J=3.

To win, coming into the last race, because of tie breakers, Ronnie has to come in first and John has to help him out by coming in second. And that's exactly how it happened. The final scores were Ronnie with 11, George with 12 and John with 13. Ronnie Ashmore is the Club Champion for 2021! Great racing fellas!!

Ronnie – $1+2+2+3+2+1 = 11$

George – $3+3+1+1+1+3 = 12$

John – $2+1+3+2+3+2 = 13$

ANDERSON CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

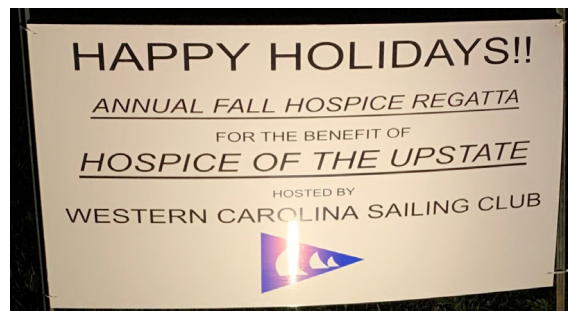
This year WCSC participated in the Anderson Christmas Lights display at the county park across from the Civic Center of Anderson next to the recycling center. This has been a family friendly Anderson tradition for 28 years set up as a not-for-profit to support local charities. The display (seen to the right here) served to advertise and support our Annual Hospice Regatta.

Harry Morse

SUMMER DINGHY SERIES

A brief note on Dinghy Night. The schedule has already been set for 2021. We are going to start this year's Summer Series on the Friday before Memorial Day and finish on the Friday before Labor Day. This has been a popular series and we are looking forward to doing it again this year. See you on the water.

Eric Seymour F5 - 4086



KEELBOAT FLEET

By Marc Bailey

It was as close to a normal fall sailing season as one could expect from the bizarro world we endured in 2020. In all, the WCSC keelboat fleet completed 14 races in remarkably consistent conditions. The prevailing wind was from the NE on our race weekends. This combined with the cool temperatures in September made it feel like a very special season.

Having missed out on racing in the Spring, we had good participation both from competitors and race committee. I want to say thank you to all of you who served on race committee this season. Your service made racing possible in a time when most fun things were curtailed and for that we are thankful!

Team Screaming Mimi was able to lead the season with Joe Martin's Spanky nipping at her heels the whole way around. Four boats had the races to qualify in A fleet [Ballew, Barnard, Martin, and Bailey] and it was great racing all season long. B fleet also had a good turnout with Hugh VentLeven coming out on top with Harry Morse in second place for the season.

Here's hoping 2021 brings us closer to normal so we can complete two full seasons of keelboat racing.

See you on the water!

Thanks,
Marc Bailey
Keelboat Fleet Captain
Melges 24 USA773
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Jan	1	1200	Commodore's Cup Frostbite New Year's Day	MARETT JR, Dan, Liliya Nagimova, Ron Sanga
	9	1200	Frostbite #2	PARKER, William, Bradun Dunbar, Eric Seymour
	12	1900	Board Meeting	BOS Monthly Meeting Held at Clubhouse
	16	1200	Frostbite #3	SCHREGENGOST, Keith, Ron Sanga, David Walworth
	18		Martin Luther King Day	
	23	1200	Frostbite #4	BOLAN, Tony, James Peele, Francisco Acevedo
	30	1800	Annual Banquet	Commodore Lisa Baker
Feb	6	1600	WOW Committee Meeting	Allison Fontenot, Chairperson
		1800	Chili Cookoff	Hugh Vantleven
	7		Super Bowl Sunday	
	9	1900	Board Meeting	BOS Monthly Meeting Held at Clubhouse
	13	1200	Frostbite #5	BURNS, Matthew, Michael Jones, Markus Engel
	14	1000	AED/CPR (Not for Certification) Valentine's Day	Maria Bolan, WOW Committee
	15		President's Day	
	27	1200	Frostbite #6/Bud Light Cup	SHERMAN, Ed, Trevor Slone, Charles D. Carter, III
Mar	6	0800	Work Day #1	Rear Commodore Paul Jordan
		1500	Commissioning Day	Lisa Craft and Board of Stewards
	7	1200	Keelboat Fleet Spring PHRF Race #1	BENSON, Brent, Adam Campbell, Basil Karlow, Fred Metherell, Chris Granger, Marty Traber
	9	1900	Board Meeting	BOS Monthly Meeting Held at Clubhouse
	13	1200	Centerboard Fleet Race #1	BALLEW, Chuck, Pete Mundie, David McKee, Peter Finazzo, Sr., Clare Bush, Thad Herbert
	14	1300	Keelboat Fleet Spring PHRF Race #2 Daylight Savings Starts	KREIDLER, John, Marv Bromley, Tom Leavitt, Anthony Scarfato III, Jowell Thome III, Monique Ravesloot
	15		Windsong Deadline	Karen Miros
	20	1300	Keelboat Fleet Spring PHRF Race #3	NEFF, Dan, Frank Mendenhall, Dave Boyer, Ben Gibson, Woody Bowler, Willy Ziminsky, Keith Chiswell
	27	0830	WCSC Swap Meet/Sailing Yard Sale	Ron Moede
		1200	Centerboard Fleet Race #2	BAILEY, Marc, Peter Adolf, George Masson, Thomas Jacob, Carolyn Edwards, Tyler Knight, Marvin Brinn
		1600	Commodore Meet & Greet	Commodore Lisa Baker
		1800	B Dock Party	Ron Moede, Hosted by B Dock
	28		Palm Sunday	

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