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Everyone had a great time at the annual NSC Spring Warm-Up! This year over 65 members and friends had an evening of fun on March 10th at the traditional Quakertown Firehouse Banquet Room.

The evening started with warm greetings of old sailing friends and introductions to new members that have now become friends. We enjoyed a good buffet style dinner, then followed with an introduction of our Fleet Officers and Captains and re-view upcoming 2012 season by our Commodore Craig Tourtellott.



We tried something new this year and had a DJ provide upbeat dance mix music! Some sailors took advantage of the opportunity to dance and show off their best dancing moves. Other preferred to use the music as background music as they caught up with old and new friends and talk about the start of the immanent sailing season.

This was only one of our club's social events planned for the 2012 Sailing season! And we are already starting to plan for the next major event, the ULDB, which will be held on June 23rd this year. Please mark your calendars for this event. Special thanks to the NSC Social Committee which consists of Marsha Cooper, Norma Hall, Kathy Heck, Diane Paxton, and Laurine Valenti, for making this event a success.

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COMMODORE'S CORNER - by Craig Tourtellott

Do you have your boat ready to sail? If you have been watching the club website you saw the countdown clock for April 1st; daylight savings time was early in March; and March was a record warm month. All this and you still need more time? Winter is over and sailing is here for 2012. Check out the calendar of events. Each month has plenty of activities for the serious and the not so serious sailors. Gary Bonner our Rear Commodore of Racing and Bill Pfanstiel our Rear Commodore of Cruising have been working hard to fill each week-end with sailing stuff. Not to rush time, not that we can, our Vice Commodore, Sharon Martis is planning our Annual ULDB Picnic/ Race for June 23rd.

This is a short Corner's article, so read on for more articles from our members. If you do not know by now we publish *The Compass* about four times a year; we have the Yahoo group NSCPa for email news; our fabulous web site and even a Facebook page. Social communications to the max. Get the boat wet and enjoy the sailing season.



2012 NSC ULDB—by Sharon Martis

Please mark your calendars for the 2012 NSC Up The Lake Down and Back "ULDB" – Saturday, June 23rd. This event has traditionally been the highlight of the NSC social calendar and this year's event should be no exception.

We are planning to serve a great BBQ style lunch and the biggest "fun race" of the entire season. Last year's event had some good but variable winds, but the heat of August was a bit challenging. So this year we have moved the date up to June with the hopes of comfortable temperatures and good winds.

So start lining up your crew and preparing your sailboats for a great race! This race seems to bring out the competition in all sailors, racers and cruisers alike. Last year, during the thrill of competition, everyone had a chance to hone their sailing skills. This year, there have been rumors that members are recruiting crew from across the US to join in the fun.

Watch the NSC website, NSCPA emails and the NSC Facebook Group for more details as the date gets closer.



The 2012 NSC Calendars

On the following page you will see the current version of the 2012 NSC Calendar. This calendar combines all the NSC events into one document. This and other individual calendars may be found on the NSC Website.

NSC Consolidated Calendar:

<http://nockamixonsailclub.org/sites/default/files/NSC%20Calendar2012.pdf>

NSC Cruising Calendar:

<http://nockamixonsailclub.org/sites/default/files/2012%20NSC%20Cruising%20Fleet%20Planning%20Calendar.pdf>

NSC Racing Calendar:

<http://nockamixonsailclub.org/sites/default/files/2012%20Racing%20Calendar%20rev%203.pdf>

NSC Club Days are just that, the club should be out to do the events for the day and then afterwards meet on the water or on shore under the tents to socialize, etc. If cruising members wish, they should also be able to join in on the regatta course, maybe a separate start if we get enough.

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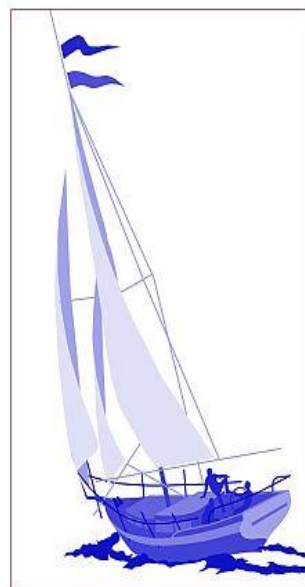
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2012 CALENDAR

as of April 9, 2012

APRIL				1000-1500	Launch Assistance, US Coast Guard Safety Check Launch Assistance	0900-1500 0900-1500
14	Sat	Frostbite Series				
15	Sun					
21	Sat	Frostbite Series		1000-1500		SL - Intro to Racing I, 1600
28	Sat	Frostbite Series, IPS21		1000-1500	Earth Day Project, FS Rig Check	1000-1500
29	Sun	PORTS Fleet LDS		1000-1500	FS Rig Check	1000-1500
MAY						
5	Sat	NSC Club Day, PORTS RS, Thistle, FS SAT		1000-1500	Floato de Mayo, Full Moon Sail, FS Rig Check	SL-Intro to New Members
6	Sun				FS Rig Check	1000-1500
13	Sun	PORTS SUN, IPS21, FS SUN		1100-1600	Mother's Day, Lake Cruise	
19	Sat	NSC Club Day - Victor Jaczun, Thistle, FS REG		1000-1600	Full Lake Sail	1000-1600
20	Sun	Flying Scot COL		1300-1700		
26	Sat	PORTS SAT		1000-1500	Flag Parade 12 noon, Picnic Raftup	SL-Club Boats Instructions
28	Mon					1100-1500
JUNE						
2	Sat	PORTS RS, Thistle, FS SUN		1000-1500	Dinner Raftup, Full Moon Sail, 1700-2300	SL - Intro to Racing II, 1600
9	Sat	PORTS SAT, IPS21, Thistle District, FS SAT		1000-1500		SL-Boat Safety, 1630
10	Sun	Thistle District		1000-1500		
13-19 Wed-Tue						
16	Sat	NSC Club Day, FS REG		1000-1500	OpSail 2012	0800-1600
17	Sun				Father's Day	SL-VHF Radio, 1630
23	Sat	ULDB Race/Picnic, Thistle		1000-1500	ULDB Race/Picnic	1000-1500
30	Sat					SL-Sail Controls, 1630
JULY						
3	Tues				Dinner Raftup, Full Moon Sail	1700-2300
4	Wed				Flag Parade 12 noon, Picnic Raftup	1100-1500
7	Sat	RD, Thistle, FS SAT		1000-1500		SL-Sail Trim, 1630
14	Sat	NSC Club Day, PORTS SAT, IPS21, FS REG		1000-1500	Cruise to Swan Cove Day, Picture Day	1000-1500
22	Sun	PORTS SUN, FS SUN		1100-1600	Water Cannon	1100-1600
28	Sat	PORTS RS, Thistle, FS, SAT		1000-1500		
AUGUST						
4	Sat				Water Cannon, Dinner Raftup, Full Moon Sail	1200-2300
9-12 Thr-Sun					Chesapeake Bay Charter	
11	Sat	RD, Thistle, FS SAT		1000-1500		SL-Spinnaker Class, 1630
19	Sun	PORTS SUN, FS SUN		1100-1600		SL-TBD
25	Sat	NSC Club Day, PORTS RS, IPS21, Thistle, FS REG/COL		1000-1500	Dinner Raft Up, Blue Moon Sail	1600-2300
31	Fri					
SEPTEMBER						
3	Mon	Youth Regatta, PORTS RS		1000-1500	Flag Parade 12 noon, Picnic Raftup	1100-1300
8	Sat	PORTS LDS, FS Makeup		1000-1500		
15	Sat	NSC Club Day, Thistle, FS REG		1000-1500	Ladies Dam Race	1000-1500
23	Sun	PORTS SUN, IPS21, FS SUN		1100-1600		
27-1 Thr-Mon					RI Newport Charter	
29-Jan	Sat	PORTS SAT, Thistle, FS Makeup		1000-1500	Full Moon	
OCTOBER						
6	Sat	NSC Club Day		1000-1500	Cove's Challenge, Picture Day	1000-1600
13	Sat	Frostbite Series (NSC Makeup), PORTS SAT, IPS21		1000-1500	Fall Sail	1100-1600
20	Sat	Frostbite Series (NSC Makeup), IPS21		1000-1500	Fall Sail	1100-1600
27	Sat	Fall Fun Regatta		1000-1200	Fall Fun Regatta	1000-1200

LEGEND:

PORTS - Portsmouth Fleet
FS - Flying Scot Fleet
Thistle - Thistle Fleet
IPS21 - Impulse 21 Fleet
NSC Club Day - Invitational Regatta and Sailing Events
Regattas are open to all members, their guests, and sailors in the community
NOTES: Skippers Meeting - SAT 1000, SUN 1100, Dock A

SUN - Sunday Series
SAT - Saturday Series
REG - Regatta Series
LDS - Long Distance Series
COL - Challenge of the Lakes
RS - Race Series

check the NSC web site for updates

Upcoming Cruising Season 2012 - by Bill Pfanstiel, Rear Commodore of Cruising



Well the 2012 sailing season is upon us and boy is I ready, I uncovered "Sunpuddles" our Com-Pac 23 and have been getting her ready. After much planning the Cruising Calendar for the 2012 sailing season is ready. With the help of Diane Paxton and the Cruising Fleet Captains, we have come up with a season that should be fun for both Cruisers and Racers alike. To start things off our Launch/ Haulout Captains John and Sharon Martis with the help of a dedicated core of volunteers will be available to assist members with the rigging and launching of their boats the weekend of April 14th. We encourage everyone to come out and take advantage of this valuable service. Also if you can lend a hand it would be much appreciated.

Throughout the sailing season we will again be having our Full Moon Sails. These are popular, and we always have at least a half a dozen boats rafted up for dinner or snacks before breaking up to go sailing under the moon light. We hold these as close to the Full Moon as possible. This year we have two special sails, the first is on May 5th which happens to be Cinco de Mayo or as we named it Floto de Mayo. In August there will be two full moons the second being known as the Blue Moon. So on Friday evening, August 31st we will be holding our Blue Moon Sail.

On each of the three summer holidays we will be holding our annual Flag Parades, These are held on Memorial Day, the Fourth of July and Labor Day. So everyone dust off those flags and burgees decorate your boats and come on out. After the parade we will hold a raft up at Com-Pac Cove to share snacks and sailing stories.

On June 23rd the Nockamixon Sail Club will hold it's annual Up the Lake Down and Back or ULDB regatta and Picnic. This is a great time, when we all have a friendly but sometimes intense, at least for non racers down the lake and back followed by great food and awards given in both racing and cruising divisions.

We will be having two Water Cannon fun races one on July 22nd and another on August 4th. This is a great way to cool off after a day of racing or just cruising.

There will be several Sail and Learn classes held this year, ranging from learning how to race to boat safety. The classes will include: Introduction to Racing and Sail Trim (Dan Reasoner), Boat Safety and How to properly use a VHF Radio (Captain Bill Pfanstiel), Sail Controls (Captain Mike Brown), and a class on How to Sail with a Spinnaker (Craig Tourtellott).

Many of us will be going on two charter trips this year that are a joint effort between the Nockamixon Sail Club and the Nockamixon Sailing School . The First will be in August, on the Chesapeake Bay, leaving from Rock Hall ,Maryland with stops in Annapolis and St, Michaels. The second will be the end of September, which will be sailing from Newport, Rhode Island to Martha's Vineyard and back . Our most aggressive charter yet.

These are just some of the highlights for this sailing season and are open to racers and cruiser alike and all are welcome to attend , the more the merrier. These events and many more can be found on the Nockamixon Sail Club website. The complete Cruising Calendar as well as the Racing Calendar can be found on the Nockamixon Sail Club website. So come on out and see what the Nockamixon Sail Club has to offer.

Upcoming Racing Season 2012 - by Garry Bonner Rear Commodore of Racing

As you no doubt are reading throughout this issue, the 2012 season is upon us. Racing starts off with the first frostbite race scheduled for April 14. We will be flexible with the frostbite days again this year, and I will email via NSCPA on the Thursday before each race to notify if it will be held on the Saturday or the Sunday. Elsewhere in this issue you will find the 2012 racing calendar, as well as the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions. We still have a few open slots for Race Committee. Please check the website (<http://nockamixonsailclub.org/upcoming-rc>) for the open dates and let Greg Morrison (mtbsailor@gmail.com) know if you can fill in.





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NOTICE OF RACE

- 1 RULES.** Racing at Nockamixon Sail Club (NSC) will be governed by the current *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*, *US Sailing Prescriptions*, and the rules of the one-design fleets competing, except as any of these are changed by the sailing instructions. NSC sailors are guests at the State Park and are privileged to race at the lake. A Pennsylvania State Park boat launch permit must be affixed to all boats. All boats on the lake that are not racing with NSC shall be considered obstructions and must be treated courteously in accordance with the boating "Rules of the Road". All State Park and Pennsylvania Fish Commission Regulations shall be observed.
- 3 ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY.** NSC racing is open to all NSC racing members and to guests of NSC racing members. The skipper of each entry will complete the registration form, submit any required entry fee for the event and have paid fleet dues, if applicable, at the skippers meeting or to the Race Committee (R/C) on the water before their Warning Signal. The registered skipper shall be the helmsperson of the boat except for temporary assistance of duration up to one leg of the course (or as provided for by fleet rules). Events using Portsmouth Yardstick ratings will use 'D-PN' ratings without wind factors. Any non-class or non-standard boat shall declare modifications and equipment to the NSC Racing Committee on a NSC Yacht Registration Form. The NSC Racing Committee shall determine and record the rating or rating adjustments for non-class or non-standard boats. These ratings shall be approved by the NSC Fleet Council at the next meeting of the council and shall apply for the sailing season, or until US Sailing issues new ratings.
- 5 FEES.** Invitational Regattas shall have a registration fee of \$10. Fees shall be waived for NSC racing members who are also members of US Sailing, unless changed by the Notice of Race for the event. Guests shall pay a \$5 guest fee on non-regatta race days. Guest registration is limited to five (5) race days in a season.
- 7 SCHEDULE.** The schedule of races will be published in the NSC newsletter, on the NSC website and available at the skippers meeting. A minimum of five (5) race days will be scheduled for all NSC racing series. The maximum number of races that may be run on any given day is three, "back-to-back."
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| Saturday Schedule | The scheduled time for the skippers meeting is 10:00am and the Warning Signal for the first fleet is 11:00am. Warning Signal for the any fleet will not be made after 3:00pm. |
| Sunday Schedule | The scheduled time for the skippers meeting is 11:00am and the Warning Signal for the first fleet is 12:00pm. Warning Signal for the any fleet will not be made after 4:00pm. |
| NSC Championship "Cup" | The series will be seven (7) race days which will include all Invitational Regattas and, if needed will include Frostbite race days, beginning with the last sailed Frostbite day. |
| NSC Frostbite | The Series will be up to six (6) race days in the Spring & Fall (see NSC By-Laws). |
- 9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.** The Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions will be published in the NSC Newsletter, on the NSC website and available at the skippers meeting.
- 10 VENUE.** NSC racing will take place on the main body of Lake Nockamixon but well clear of the marina and launch area and well clear of "Hobie Alley."
- 11 THE COURSES.** The Racing Course Card shows location of racing area, visual signals, diagrams of courses, and general locations of marks.
- 13 SCORING.** Low Point System of Appendix A will apply. Credit in finishing points will be given by the R/C to any boat that loses time, or places, while assisting a boat in distress -- whether or not the distressed boat is racing with NSC. Skippers serving R/C duty for a race within a series longer than a regatta shall be awarded points equal to their average score for races they complete in that series (R/C score).
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| Invitational Regattas | Regatta scores will be the total of up to 3 races with no exclusions. This alters RRS A2. |
| NSC Championship "Cup" | The series score shall be the total of a skipper's best fifteen (15) scores in the series, and shall not include more than three (3) R/C scores. |
- 19 PRIZES.** Prizes will be awarded to the first three (3) finishers for Invitational Regattas. Fleet prizes shall be awarded at the discretion of the fleet. To qualify for NSC racing prizes, except for Invitational Regattas, the skipper of the boat must be a NSC racing member and must have served R/C duty at least once during the season.
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| NSC Championship "Cup" | A trophy will be awarded to the series winner. |
| NSC Frostbite | Trophies will be awarded to the top three series winners. |
- 20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY.** Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors sailing at NSC are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after this event. By sailing at NSC, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 21 INSURANCE.** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance. The liability coverage shall be adequate for racing at NSC.
- SECTIONS 2, 4, 6, 8, 12, 14-18 and 22 of RRS Appendix K "Notice of Race Guide" are RESERVED**



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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES. See: Notice of Race, Section 1, Rules.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS. Notices to competitors may be provided by the Race Committee (R/C) during the skippers meeting or on the water before, or between, races. See also Nockamixon Sail Club (NSC) Notice of Race.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES. See: Notice of Race, Section 7, Schedule.

6 CLASS FLAGS. Class/fleet flags will be as provided by the fleet. The class/fleet flag for NSC events will be the NSC burgee on a white background flag.

7 RACING AREAS. The Racing Course Card shows the location of racing area, visual signals, diagrams of courses, and general location of marks.

8 THE COURSES. Courses for each race will be selected by the RC and shall be windward-leeward (W), triangles (T), or combinations of these courses (e.g. TW, TTT, TWT, W, etc.) as shown on the Racing Course Card. The course length shall be chosen such that the lead boat finishes in approximately forty (40) minutes. The course shall be displayed on the R/C boat using Racing Course Signal Boards no later than the Warning Signal.

9 MARKS. Marks will be yellow buoys, lettered "A" "B" & "C", which shall be rounded to port. Additional marks may be used for Invitational Regattas and, if used, will be described during the skippers meeting. The starting and finishing marks will be orange/red buoys, and the R/C boat. The order for rounding marks will be displayed using the Racing Course Signal Boards on the R/C boat (see Racing Course Card).

11 THE START. Races will be started by using rule 26 with the Warning Signal, a class/fleet flag with one sound, given five (5) minutes before the starting signal. The preparatory signal will be a Blue-White-Blue flag (see Racing Course Card). Four (4) registered boats, present in the starting area, shall be required to start a race. Four (4) fleet boats shall be required for a separate fleet start, except for the Portsmouth fleet which may have a separate fleet start with less than four (4) boats. For multiple fleet starts, a rolling five-minute (5) timing sequence will be used whenever possible to minimize delay between races. The starting line will be between the nearest signal mast on the R/C boat at the starboard end of the line and the port-end starting mark.

After starting and rounding the first mark, a boat shall not cross the starting line until all fleets have started correctly (fleet, postponement or general/ individual recall flag is not being displayed).

In the event of a general recall, in multiple-start sequences, the offending fleet shall re-start at the end of the sequence after all the other fleets have started correctly. This changes rule 29.2. A boat starting later than ten (10) minutes after her starting signal will be scored as Did Not Start (DNS). This changes rule A4.

13 THE FINISH. A finishing line, separate from the starting line, shall be set. The finishing line will be between the nearest signal mast on the R/C boat at the port-end of the line and the starboard-end finishing mark.

After starting, a boat shall not cross the finishing line unless finishing. The finishing line is an obstruction to such boats.

When a course is shortened by the R/C displaying the flag S with two sounds (optionally with class/fleet flag for multiple fleet starts), boats shall go to the next mark of the course (as defined by the lead boat, in a fleet), round the mark and then finish at the finish line, bounded by the R/C boat and the finishing mark, from the direction of the last mark (definition of finish, RRS). This changes rule 32.2.

15 TIME LIMITS. If no boat, in a fleet, has rounded the first mark within thirty (30) minutes, or fails to finish the race within ninety (90) minutes, the race for the fleet will be abandoned. Boats, in a fleet, failing to finish within thirty (30) minutes after the first boat in that fleet sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

16 PROTESTS. For racing at NSC rule 61.1(a)(2) does not apply. This changes rule 61.1. R/C members intending to protest a boat will attempt to hail "Protest" to that boat. The R/C may penalize boats under rule 67 for violations of rule 42. Protests shall be written on a US Sailing Protest Form, available from the R/C, and shall be presented to the R/C within thirty minutes of their return to the dock. Protests shall be heard on the R/C boat in the order they were received. Competitors should, whenever possible, resolve protests on the water using rule 44.2.

17 SCORING. See: Notice of Race, Section 13, Scoring.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS. It shall be the sole responsibility of each boat to decide whether or not to start or to continue to race.

Competitors are solely responsible for their own safety. Each boat must carry a Coast Guard-approved life jacket for each crewmember and one throwable flotation device. Life jackets **must** be worn when the Code Signal "Y" is flown on the race committee (R/C) boat. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the R/C as soon as possible.

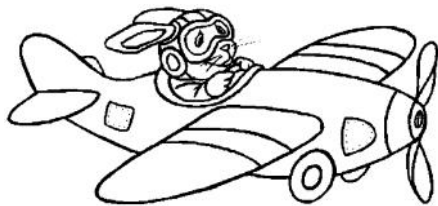
26 PRIZES. See: Notice of Race, Section 19, Prizes.

27 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY. See: Notice of Race, Section 20, Disclaimer of Liability

SECTIONS 3, 4, 10, 12, 14, 19-25, and 28 of RRS Appendix L "Sailing Instructions Guide" are RESERVED

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Aerial photos of the Marina / Docks - photos by Alan & Loretta Moyer



2012 NSC Membership Directory is Now Available

Did you notice this (see below) in your NSCPA emails?

The 2012 NSC Membership Directory is now available via the NSC Website.

TITLE	NAME	UPDATED	LINK
2012 Member Directory is here!	dcreasoner	Apr 3 2012 – 8:27am	Click HERE
First Day of Sailing Season	glennw	Apr 2 2012 – 8:39pm	Click HERE
2012 Event Calendars are Here!	glennw	Mar 30 2012 – 9:21pm	Click HERE

I Want To Crew!

Most boats are difficult to efficiently sail solo, and it is good to have someone to work with while you are enjoying a race or beauty of the lake. Below is a list of people willing to crew, so let's get them out on the water to help you and share the sailing experiences. Also, for any people interested in crewing, you can show-up at pretty much any sailing event on the calendar, raise your hand high and likely someone will be looking for crew... so don't be shy.

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200lbs. of ballast; knows a port tack from a starboard tack and a sheet from a halyard; looking for some crewing experience

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Interested racing or cruising crew but am a cruising member

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200lbs. of ballast; knows a port tack from a starboard tack & a sheet from a halyard; looking for some crewing experience

Deb Raffo 215-262-2336 debraraffo@aol.com

Yes you can add me too to the list, I will have three out of four weekends available this year

Brad Kurlancheek 570-793-9262 bkurlancheek@gmail.com

I'm interested in Racing and Cruising Crew, Wayfarer - Slip B-39

Thomas McGrath 610-836-1374 610-692-7335 thomas@mcgrathportfolio.com

Yes, add me to your list. If I am not crewing for Phil Scheetz - I would like to post my availability to others. My crewing experience has been mostly with Flying Scots. Interested in Cruising as well.



Flying Scot Fleet Report - by Mike Noone, Fleet Secretary and Mechanic, FS # 5850

Flying Scot Sailors at the NSC Spring "Warm-Up."

The Spring "Warm-Up" event for Nockamixon sailors is a Club tradition that was initiated by our former Flying Scot Fleet Captain, Bert VanAnglen, when he was NSC Commodore in 1996. Bert's idea, continues to provide NSC sailors with a great opportunity to get together each Spring to talk sailing and prepare for the coming warmer weather. The Annual Meeting of Flying Scot Fleet # 163 always takes place at the "Warm-Up" and, for the 2012 meeting, eighteen Flying Scot sailors attended -- almost 1/3 of the total Club attendance ! The good attendance, and the great sailing discussions, suggests that 2012 will be another GREAT YEAR for Flying Scot sailing at Lake Nockamixon. The conversation was great, and the sailing plans -- for both Racing and Cruising -- also sounded great, with some firm plans to attend distant FSSA events.



The Fleet # 163 Gentlemen conduct the "Official" Meeting during the NSC Spring "Warm-Up" -- the Ladies were having too much fun to bother with such things, no doubt plotting their strategy for the next Fleet Boc-

The Annual Meeting of the Fleet was conducted by our Fleet Captain, Mike Mandell, during the "Warm-Up" and all of the current Fleet Officers were re-elected for 2012 as follows: Mike Mandell, Racing Fleet Captain; Mike Noone, Cruising Fleet Captain and Secretary/Mechanic; Len Evelev, Treasurer; Phil Scheetz, Measurer, Greg Morrison, Scorekeeper; and Rob Wilkinson, Social Director. A highlight of the meeting was the return of our Treasurer, Len Evelev, from the Road to Mandalay, where he and Helen traveled the paths made famous by Rudyard Kipling -- and even visited the Rangoon Sailing Club !! Not even the intrepid Evelev's could trailer their Flying Scot to Rangoon, but they put their visit on record by presenting the Fleet with a Burgee from that Club which now joins the growing Fleet Burgee collection !!

Len Evelev presents the Yangon Sailing Club burgee to Fleet Captain Mike Mandell at the "Warm-Up." This burgee represents the furthest travel by any Fleet Members -- but, unfortunately, it did not count towards the Sterling Trophy be-

Also at the meeting, the Fleet officially approved the Constitution and By-Laws of the Flying Scot Cruising Fleet -- which is required for all Fleets to be recognized by NSC. The 2012 Membership renewals for our Cruising Members is slowly growing -- but we need a few more to keep the Fleet alive and active at the Lake. The Constitution and By-Laws of both the Racing and the Cruising Fleets are now on the NSC web site.



Flying Scot Fleet Report: Mike Noone, Fleet Secretary and Mechanic, FS # 5850. (continued)

Our former Fleet Captain, and former NSC Commodore, George Balas, presented the "Sterling Trophy" for Fleet # 163 travel activities in 2011 during the "Warm-Up" as required by the Deed of Gift for that Trophy. George designed and constructed the Trophy from an original Hub-Cap from a Sterling Trailer which Sandy Douglass, the designer of both the Flying Scot and the Thistle, delivered to its initial owner with one of the early Flying Scots!! Sandy's signature is on the Title to that trailer which is laminated into the back of the Trophy. George set the "rules" for the competition, in 2004 in a "Deed of Gift" which aimed to stimulate our Fleet to travel and compete in distant Flying Scot regattas. The idea has proved to be a great success, and has significantly increased the participation of Nockamixon Flying Scot sailors in FSSA events.

The competition for the Trophy has, in fact, made a significant contribution to the success of our Fleet and to its recognition within the National Flying Scot sailing community. It certainly played a role in our Fleet winning the FSSA "Fleet-of-the Year" Award in 2009.

Bob Weeks was the first winner of the Sterling Trophy in 2004 when he trailered his Scot to compete in the "Great 48" Regatta at Lake Norman, NC. Eight Teams earned "Points" for the Award in 2010 which was won by Mike and Sam Mandell for their great performances at the FSSA Midwinter's and NAC's which were both held on the Gulf Coast near New Orleans. The competition in 2011 involved seven Fleet # 163 teams who sailed in Regattas as far away as Florida and Wisconsin -- with five Fleet Teams competing in the FSSA National Championships on Long Island Sound. Mike and Brenda Noone gained enough "Sterling Points" to earn the 2011 Award following their win at the FSSA Wife-Husband Championships in Wisconsin.



Rich Baucom recycles the evidence of a great Fleet party -- with not a drop spilled on that great nautical tie !!



George Balas is reflected in the shiny "Sterling" hub cap as he presents the Sterling Trophy for 2011 to Mike and Brenda Noone.

The Deed of Gift for the Sterling Travel Trophy was Amended at the Annual Meeting to reduce the minimum travel time for a qualifying event to 1 3/4 hours -- this will allow events at Toms River Yacht Club and Monmouth Boat Club to qualify for "Trophy Points." The discussion at the "Warm-Up" suggest that the competition for the 2012 Award may, again, involve some serious trailering and some challenging racing.

Com Pac Fleet — by Bill Pfanstiel



The Com Pac Fleet got together for a winter meal and business meeting on February 25 at the Cactus Grill. Ralph & Pat Erickson, Gil & Carole Weiss, Bill & Marge Pfanstiel, Brian & Rebecca Lynch, and honorary member Diane Paxton talked boats and such and plans for the sailing season. Members are now very busy preparing our boats for launch. The sounds and smells of scraping, sanding, painting, cetoling, and waxing can be found in members garages and yards throughout the area. Com Pac Cove awaits us!

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2012 Thistle Midwinters East Report, St. Petersburg, Florida—by Craig Smith

My initial plan was to skip the 2012 Thistle Midwinters East regatta due to some family obligations, and the fact that most of the regular attendees from the Nockamixon Thistle Fleet were not planning to attend this year. Well, fate had other plans for me when my long time friend and great skipper, Mike McBride, asked me to be his middle crew for the regatta. The opportunity was too enticing to pass up. How could I turn down a week in Florida in March??? OK, so I was going!

My trip down was with Mike's fellow fleet member from Cedar Point Yacht Club (Westport CT), Larry Liggett. Mike and Larry had decided to double deck their boats which would allow Mike to fly down and back while Larry drove the boats with his van. There were 6 of us in the van but Larry had a setup that allowed for 4 of the 6 of us to be at least partially reclined so we could sleep. This made the 20 hour trip to the Tampa Bay more bearable than usual. We arrived in St Pete on Saturday afternoon to beautiful sunshine and mid 70 degree temperatures. The remainder of Saturday was spent unpacking boats, checking into the hotel, and visiting with friends that we haven't seen in months.



The only rain we saw all week was early Sunday morning when a strong cold front came through. The front brought heavy winds on Sunday (20 knots with higher gusts) so the plans for a practice race were cancelled by the PRO Carol Bardes. We then spent Sunday doing more boat tinkering and visiting with friends. The evening plans were for the Skippers Meeting and welcome dinner at the St Petersburg Yacht Club. At the skippers meeting we found out that there were 41 registered boats with numbers ranging from 16 to 4031. The newest boat was the first boat built by the new Thistle builder Downing Nightingale. At the skippers meeting, Carol Bardes informed us that this will be her final year as our Principal Race Officer because she wants to pursue her artistic interests. She has arranged to bring back Pat Seidenspinner to be our PRO for next year. Many will remember that Pat spent several years

as the PRO at this regatta prior to Carol Bardes taking over. She has also served as PRO for the 1996 Olympics so she will bring a wealth of talent and experience to our Race Committee.

The racing commenced on Monday with sunny skies and high temperatures around 70. Race one started in 8-12 knots of breeze from the North-Northeast with minimal chop/wave action. The breeze began to drop halfway thru the race and we finished in 5-7 knots with 20 degree shift to the left. Greg Griffin won the race. Race two started in a slightly stronger breeze than Race One. The wind was out of due North at 7-10. The breeze died down to 2-4 knots by the end of the race and Paul Abdullah won Race Two. Race three was canceled as the sea breeze began to fight the gradient breeze and the race committee towed us to shore. After the first day of racing, Paul Abdullah was in 1st place with a 2 point lead over Greg Griffin.

The Thistle Class runs a "Coach TCA" program during this regatta and I had the pleasure of being a coach this year for Ed John, a skipper from Maryland. Since sea breeze came in on Monday afternoon, we took the opportunity to go out and help get Ed sailing faster. We spent close to an hour with Ed sailing upwind, with his eyes closed so he could learn to "feel" the boat better. He made remarkable progress using this technique.

but it was going against the tide which caused some dangerous wave conditions. At 1pm, racing was cancelled for the day due to these conditions. During the morning postponement, the class held a discussion on how to increase participation at their major regattas. Some great points were made which will be summarized and published in a Bagpipe article later this year. After Tuesday's racing was cancelled, many of the sailors headed off to go cart racing which is turning out to be a MWE tradition. Apparently the competition was fierce again this year.

We got back to racing on Wednesday with 3 races, sailed in a fading easterly breeze. It started out at 16-18 knots with hard hiking and screaming planes on the runs, and backed off to 4-6 knots by the end of the third race. Race one was a 2 lap Windward-leeward course with a wind heading of 95 degrees. This was a great course for the conditions as the breeze made the downwind runs fun while keeping the element of tactical racing. Skip Dieball won that race. Race Two was another 2 lap Windward-leeward with a course heading of 105 degrees. The breeze started backing off this race so avoiding the "parking lots" was paramount. Paul Abdullah continued his strong showing and won race two. Race Three was a windward-leeward-triangle sailed at 105 degrees. The breeze was down to 6 knots in this race so the crew had to manage boat weight and keep all eyes out of the boat looking for puffs. Ched Proctor won race three. At the end of Wednesday's racing, Paul Abdullah was still in first place with a 10 point lead over Greg Griffin.



Wednesday evening's plans included a SPYC dinner and the Governing Board Meeting. Some of the highlights of the of meeting included the announcement that the 2014 Nationals will be held at the new US Sailing facility in Sheboygan Wisconsin, and the 2015 Nationals will be held in Charleston SC.

Thursday provided another great day of racing on the Tampa Bay. The weather cooperated again with fantastic conditions which were similar to those from Wednesday. The breeze started out at 10-12 knots from the East and slowed died to 3-6 knots by the end of race two. Both races were 2 lap windward-leeward courses and both races were won by Skip Dieball. After Thursday's racing, Allan Terhune was in the lead, holding a 1 point lead over Paul Abdullah.

The forecast on Friday morning looked promising so the fleet left the dock on schedule. After starting the race in 2-3 knots of breeze, the race was abandoned when the wind shut off completely as the fleet approached the first windward mark. As often happens in St Pete, once the fleet arrived on shore, the sea breeze filled in. Oh well, that is sailboat racing on the Tampa Bay!

After 7 good races, Allan Terhune with a team of Katie Terhune and Sarah Paisley won the 2012 Midwinters East Championship. They were followed by Paul Abdullah (teamed with Tim Fitzgerald and Darby Smith) and Skip Dieball (teamed with Jeff Eiber and Abby Freeman), who placed 2nd and 3rd respectively. Greg Griffin finished in 4th place and Chris LaBorde finished in 5th.

Team McBride (my team) ended up in 19th place despite our OCS in race 4. The other Nockamixon skipper who attended was Jim Trinisewski who ended up in 41st place after not being able to race on Thursday due to some equipment problems.

The 2012 Thistle Midwinter's East regatta was a wonderful event with great weather and even greater fun and companionship. With Pat Seidenspinner coming back for the 2013 regatta, the racing promises to be awesome! Be sure to plan to attend the Thistle Midwinter's East regatta next year. Dates are March 2-8, 2013.

Boat-Appetite...Feasts Afloat...Galley Gourmet - by Theo Petron, M23 'Sails Increase' aka The Pirate Ship

Let's face it, most everything is better on a boat; drinks, friends, food, etc.... Nothing makes me happier than a fine sail in 10-12 kts of wind followed by a serene anchorage and wonderful food and drink. I've been sailing since 1992 and have been on and around boats my entire life. Hell, I'm from Minnesota, we've got 13,000+ lakes to choose from. Everywhere you look there is water. It's in my blood, well, that and RUM. Arrrrgh!

My first boat was a Montgomery 17, virtually the same boat I have now (Montgomery 23) but a pinch smaller. The romance of sailing is what grabbed me, the silence of swiftly cutting through the water without some multi-cylinder gas-guzzling motor drowning out conversation.



My M17 had a small galley, well, a small sink and counter space about fifteen inches square. I was at a country club brunch shortly after purchasing the boat and noticed the contraption at the omelet station. I inquired to where I could purchase one. That week I hit the restaurant supply store for my butane powered single burner 'stove'. If you are still looking for a clean, easy and relatively safe way to cook on your small boat, this is your purchase. I saw one recently at H-Mart for under \$20 and the refill canisters are about \$2 each and last quite a long time. I fashioned a cutting board to fit snug over the sink and I was in business. A stern-mount BBQ grill was soon to follow and in no time the aromas coming from my boat made me a hit at my new marina.

My M23 is a little more spacious but I have applied some of the same perspective. I have a three-burner propane stove, but it's misleadingly small. Just like when boat literature says, 'sleeps 4'...right!...basically subtract 2 and you get reality. Same applies to the stovetop. My pressure cooker will take up two burners. Even the tea kettle and omelet pan have a tough time co-existing. But if I cook in stages everything seems to work out just fine. The stern-mount BBQ grill is also propane powered. Right now it takes those 1# disposable cans, but I hope to run a line off my propane tank soon so that it can fuel both the stove and the grill.



Having two cooking mediums, such as the grill and cooktop, really opens up your options afloat. The burner is great for heating water for coffee (French Press) and tea, the early spring mug of soup and the later fall firey-hot chili. Or you can get real crazy and make Beef Bourguignon in the pressure cooker! The grill speaks for itself. Key there is having your protein pre-marinated and in freezer-strength zip-top bags. Bottom line is to keep it simple.

Boat-Appetite...Feasts Afloat...Galley Gourmet—by Theo Petron , M23 'Sails Increase' aka The Pirate Ship

Often, people ask me what they should buy equipment-wise for cooking on their boats. Here is my short list, I know you all have additions or subtractions, but this works for the way I cook. (continued on next page)

Galley Musts:

- Small plastic cutting board (8x10)
- Tongs
- Spatula (metal and plastic)
- Medium-sized sharp knife (I have one with a self-sharpening sleeve)
- Small tea kettle
- 6-8 inch non-stick sauté pan
- 1-2 quart sauce pan
- 4 each plates, bowls, knives, forks, spoons (Corelle is virtually indestructible)
- 2 coffee mugs
- French Press (4-cup, plastic model)
- Olive Oil, Salt, Pepper, Celery Salt, Mini Moo Creamers, Ketchup-Mustard-Mayo packets.
- Corkscrew and Bottle Opener
- Quart and Gallon Plastic Zip-Top bags
- Fold-Flat cockpit table
- BBQ Grill and Single Burner

I store most of the above in a Rubbermaid-type hinge-topped container that is just the right size to fit in one of my seté storage compartments. When it's time to eat, it's easy to just grab that container. No fumbling around for this and that.

Hungry for more?? Space doesn't allow for my recipe or other photos, but fear not matey, head to my blog for the rest! <http://thenauticalchef.blogspot.com/>

A Big Welcome to New NSC Members!
Names

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 Michael Schiavone & Barbara Luther
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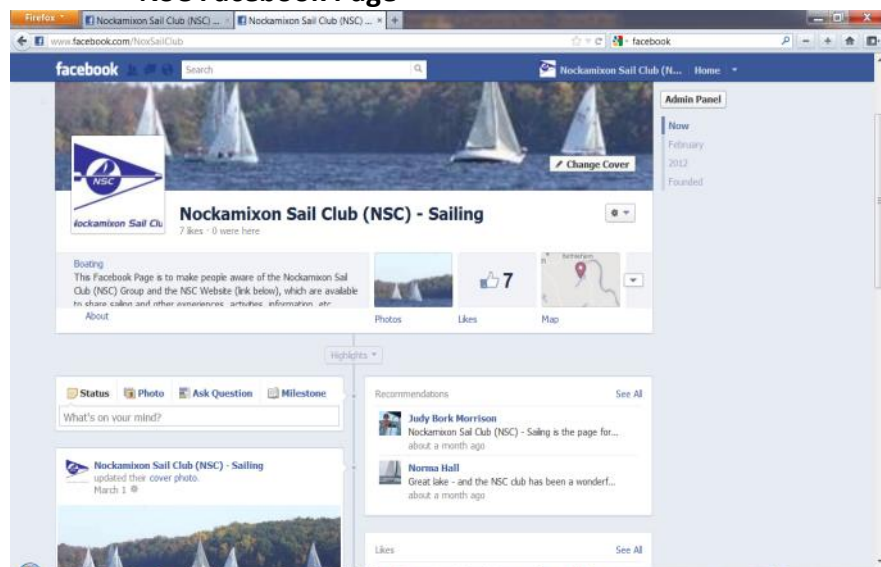
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The NSC on Facebook—by Dan Reasoner

Facebook is a social networking service and website launched in February 2004, operated and privately owned by Facebook Inc. As of February 2012, Facebook has more than 845 million active users. Users must register before using the site, after which they may create a personal profile, add other users as friends, and exchange messages, including automatic notifications when they update their profile. Additionally, users may join common-interest user groups, organized by workplace, school or college, or other characteristics, and categorize their friends into lists such as "People From Work" or "Close Friends" (from Wikipedia).

The NSC has two Facebook sites: a Facebook "Page" and a Facebook "Group". You need to join Facebook to see either site, and log into Facebook to see what might be posted. It is not expected that Facebook will replace the NSCPA email list. The NSCPA remains as our tool to push email messages out to all members who have an interest in sailing activities at Lake Nockamixon and the NSC.

NSC Facebook Page



<http://www.facebook.com/NoxSailClub> The NSC Facebook Page is easily viewed by any Facebook user who might search for "Sailing", "Nockamixon", etc. in Facebook. Our NSC Facebook Page simply explains what the NSC is, and directs people to the NSC Website, as well as to the NSC Facebook Group site. Our Facebook Page is like a billboard. The Page will not allow discussions, messaging, sharing of photos, etc. It would be good for all NSC Facebook users to "Like" the NSC Facebook Page, then ignore the Page thereafter. "Liking" the NSC Page will make it more known, and then the Page will be rated higher in Facebook searches, providing more exposure for the NSC to any Facebook user.

NSC Facebook Group

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