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The ULDB is Early This Year!

The Up the Lake Down and Back "ULDB" is early this year, on Saturday, June 23rd! Please mark your calendars and plan to attend this gala event. The two previous year's events had some good but variable winds, yet the heat of August was a bit challenging. So this year, we moved the date in June with the hopes of comfortable temperatures and better winds.

The ULDB has traditionally been the highlight of the NSC social calendar and this year's event will be no exception. Our Vice Commodore, Sharon Martis is busy planning the festivities. The biggest "fun race" of the entire season will be followed by a great BBQ style picnic lunch.

Greg and Judy Morrison will handle Race Committee duties. We will have two separate starts for the two divisions like previous years. Cruising Division and Racing Division. Cruising Division will have a shorter course, which worked well the past years.

Secure your crew and prepare your sailboats for a great race day! 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. See the crew list later in this issue of The Compass.

... and if you don't feel like sailing, just come out for the picnic! See you on the 23rd!



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What's in a name? There are people that need a title behind their name. There are traditions. Some use a nickname. Some shorten their name from Timothy to 'Tim.' What does a boat owner do to name there 'yacht.' Do you know it is bad luck to rename your boat? Even in our club there is a name that brings a smile to one's face - 'NoName Cove.' If this is new to you it is the cove just east of the marina on the north shore. When I was creating the map of the lake using Google I asked a few what we all called this cove. Most answers were, "It does not have a name." My last NSCpa article asked again for some names - responses were Blue Heron Cove, ComPac Cove, and Pirate Cove. On June 2nd we rafted up with a few ComPac's, O'Day's, Santana, Catalina, Precision. So was it ComPac Cove for the evening? Theo has his name when the 'ol pirate' is in the anchorage. So what's in a name. I will need to do more investigating for now. So if you happen to sail in to the cove and think about anchoring, look around and see what name comes to mind.

What about boat names. Do you know some within our club? West Wind, Preppy's Phun, Superna, Darling, Senility, Lady Hawke, Puddin, Old Toad, Kona Noai, No Name (see another one like the cove), Encroacher, Heeling Therapy, Colette, Patricia Lee, Finally, Cappy II, Wind Dancer, Blue Pearl, Tiburon, Jenny Lee, Red Strip, Liberty, For Whom the Belle Toils, Shiner Girl, Duo, Just Koz, Blew Heron (another one close to the cove), Jeneric, Dawn Treader, Correction, White Lightning, Proximus, Whispering Wind, Slainte, Honey Bunch, June Girl, Fiona, Dreamcatcher, Makai, Dulcinea, Sail La Vie, Sails Increase, Sunpuddles, Authenticity, Patience, Mon Cherl, Versus, Carolina, Andante, Spirit, Elizabeth, Foyfin, Laid Back, Sunny Seas, Double Trouble, Bright Eyes, Elsie E, Freebird, Suo Gan, Brigadoon, Happy Daze, Me Too, Silver Girl, Yo Buddy, Repris, Windsong, Rhiannon, Cheryl Ann, Warp Drive, Tanqueray, Come Monday, Sudden Impulse, Skip-a-Beat, Knot Workin' Hi-Noone, Red, Typhoon Buster, MissTrixie, Hui Buh, 4-Sheets to the Wind, Simpatico, Laverne, Challenger, Over Easy, Sea Nile, Peace of Heaven, Skimmer, Ding Bang, DJ, Too Too. What a list!

Looks like * Girl is the winner as we have three. Now you can call out the boat name three times over the VHF the next time you are out sailing. Who sails Kona Noai, Red Strip, Sail La Vie, Sunpuddles, Windsong, and Over Easy? Check out the club directory.

<http://nockamixonsailclub.org/content/2012-member-directory-here>

Here we are in June, the winds have been great, and the lake is full as the rains have been heavy at times. How many times have you been out sailing? And I do not mean to count times you sail the race course, just plain sailing. We all do share in a sport. It allows one to relax, to enjoy nature, to catch the wind and take a free ride. Maybe not 100% free as we all know sail boat hardware is not inexpensive. Take time in June to relax, take a sail around the lake. My request to you, "Sail the lake, go from the Haycock to the Lake House Point. Share you experience with a blog on the web site or an article on NSCpa." This is my greatest pleasure in sailing on our lake, too sail the whole lake. Our lake has a lot more to offer than just the main area near the marina. Look for the rock formations near the dam or the narrows up to the Haycock, or do you know where Swan Cove is on the lake? Another name, indeed.



“Up the Lake, Down and Back”

Nockamixon Sail Club Annual “ULDB” Regatta and “Island Time” Pig Roast

Saturday June 23, 2012

The biggest NSC event of the summer—All members and their guests are invited!

- **Tent Raising at 8:30 a.m.:** We need a little help setting-up the large ULDB picnic tents. Anyone who would like to help would be appreciated. No experience needed. Bring your Pop-up-Tents also.
- **REGATTA Registration and Skippers Meeting at 10:00 a.m.:**
 - **Details:** Gary Bonner, Rear Commodore of Racing, will review instructions under the tent.
 - **Start:** On the water **at 11:00 a.m.** Cruising fleets start first, followed by racing fleets.
 - **Course:** Start/finish line - off marina point; sail west, past Swan Cove (about 1.5 miles), around mark, back to finish line. (Subject to change.)



- **Pig Roast Picnic: 1:00 p.m.:**
 - Slip into “Island Time” and relax and enjoy the afternoon. Share stories of your favorite island withNo cares...no worries...
 - **Menu:** Whole Roasted Pig, (carved on site) and assorted sides prepared by ***Blooming Glen Catering***. Cold bottled water and soda will be provided.
- **Everyone brings:**
 - Appetizer, summer salad, or dessert to share. ***Island themed foods would be fun!*** Some ideas include grilled fruit, especially pineapple and peaches, etc. and grilled vegies of all varieties!!!
 - Lawn chairs / tray tables and some yard games. (if possible)
- **RSVP's are required:**
 - **Please send your RSVP to:** Sharon Martis at sailing5559@gmail.com **by June 9th**.
 - If Sailing, please include your **skipper's name** and **boat make/model/length**
 - **COST:**
 - **\$25:** Non Members , Per Family or Boat
 - **“Free”** for all NSC Racing and Cruising Fleet individual and “family” members!
 - Children **free!**
- **Volunteers:** Needed and welcome! Please contact Sharon Martis, Vice Commodore, at (sailing5559@gmail.com). (Or please feel free to call me at 267-337-0049)

Memorial Day Parade and Raft Up—by Bill Pfanstiel - Rear Commodore of Cruising

On Monday May 28th, we held our annual Memorial Day parade and raft up. I had the pleasure of being the leader this year and was very pleased by the turnout. We had seven boats participate this year in the parade. We met just outside the Marina where we motored around until everyone was gathered. The Parade started at the Marina and proceeded toward the Fishing Pier, after reaching the pier we then turned back toward No Name Cove where we rafted up for a light lunch. This was the third parade that Marj and I have participated in with our boat "Sunpuddles". We enjoy decorating our boat as well as seeing all the other boats decorated for the holiday. The last 2 years we have had the privilege of having Gil Weis on board to share in the festivities. This is a great way to spend the day remembering the sacrifice that our servicemen and women have paid to keep our nation free.



From the Treasurer's Desk - by Marsha Cooper - NSC Treasurer

Thanks to wise spending and no mishaps, the Club's operating account has a positive balance of \$5500. A good portion of this will be consumed in providing the ULDB picnic for all NSC members. The membership dues are down, about 7% from last year and 10% lower than budgeted. If you haven't paid your **dues** yet, please get them in so you can attend the fun ULDB on June 23rd. The annual 990 IRS filing requirement for non-profits was filed timely on April 30th.



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I Almost Didn't Go Sailing Today

by Ken Van Camp

I almost didn't go sailing today.

The sun was too hot,
And the wind was light,
And an insistent IRS 1040 was blocking my way.

But I heard in my yard the whisper, the pleading,
Of a halyard slap
And a pennant flap,
And a sail getting creased from being folded too tight, instead needed sheeting.

So I rolled out *Bright Eyes* and put the hitch on,
Loosened the chains
But held tight the reins
As off we went to *Lake Nockamixon*.

O crystalline waters! O gentle embrace!
Cool water on skin
Bringing blood from within,
O how did we 'ere stay so long from this place?

We set full all cloth to catch a miserly breeze,
With no destination,
No schedule to meet,
And an elderly mallard outpaced us with ease.

Round the point then easily canter,
A meandering tour
Of the opposite shore
To the unsteady rhythm of a bullfrog's banter.

How measure the hours, whether surging or lulled,
Of a boat and her rider
And a feeling inside her,
A fullness procrastination foretold?

We almost didn't go sailing today.
Almost missed the gentle laughter
Of what the egret had sought after,
Almost missed the wispy clouds
Drifting slowly past our shrouds,
But we didn't – instead my *Bright Eyes* had the final say.



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

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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.



NSC to Host the 2012 Thistle NJ District Championship - by Craig Smith

The Nockamixon Sail Club will be hosting the 2012 THISTLE NJ DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA on June 9 and 10, 2012 at Lake Nockamixon. This event will also serve as the New Jersey Yacht Racing Association (NJYRA) Thistle Championship. Traditionally, some of the most talented Thistle skippers in the nation attend this regatta including one multi time national champion and several top 10 national skippers. The other NJ district Thistle Fleet is from Lake Hopatcong, in North Central NJ. Sandy Douglas, the designer of the Thistle (and Flying Scott), lived on this lake early in his life and learned how to sail there. His water front house still exists and is near the race course in which Hopatcong Thistles sail their fleet races. The Lake Hopatcong Thistle Fleet was established in the late 1940's and was one of the first Thistle fleets in the country.

Warren Mangel and Craig Tourtellot will share the PRO responsibilities for this two day regatta. Normally there are 15 to 20 Thistle teams competing. The preliminary schedule for the weekend calls for as many as 5 races on Saturday and 3 races on Sunday, weather permitting. The Saturday evening party/dinner/bonfire will be held at the home of Joe and Patty Raynock on Grugersville Rd. in Richlandtown. If winds are cooperative, there should be some wonderful spectating opportunities either from the land or on the water. There may even be room to serve on race committee if you would like a close up view of the racing. Be sure to bring your camera!

The Nockamixon Thistle fleet would like to thank the NSC, and in particular the race committee volunteers, for its support of this regatta. We hope that every participant has a wonderful time and has the chance to experience some great racing.





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Nockamixon Thistles Place Well in the 2012 WOODEN BOAT REGATTA—by Craig Smith

Each year, *WoodenBoat Magazine* sponsors a “Wooden Boat Regatta”. The 2012 version of the event was held at the Rock Hall (MD) Yacht Club on May 19th and 20th and was sailed on the Chester River, a branch of the Chesapeake Bay. There were a total of 33 boats competing in this event, which is limited to boats that are 30 feet or less and have hulls made of wood. The boats were divided into 4 divisions; class 1 and 2, which comprised mostly of common “one design” classes, class 3 which was mostly smaller racing boats, and a cruising class.



There were two Thistles and four sailors from the Nockamixon Thistle Fleet that made the trip to the regatta. The first boat was #1333 owned by Rick Antrobus but skippered by Craig Smith for the regatta (with Rick as crew). The second boat was #818 (DanEBoy) which is owned by Craig but was skippered by Paul Prozzillo with Brian Snader as crew. The Thistles were placed in “Class 1” with the Lightnings and the Hampton One Designs. Class 1 and 2 competed together under the PHRF rating system on the same race course.

Saturday was a beautiful day on the eastern shore of Maryland and came with light to moderate winds. The boats in classes 1 and 2 (including Thistles) were able to complete 4 races before the wind died late in the afternoon. At the end of Saturday, Craig and Paul were in 3rd and 4th place respectively, out of the 15 boats they were competing against. The first two places were held by Hampton OD’s (which have a much slower rating than the Thistle). The first 4 places were each separated by only one point!



Sunday’s racing started in an 8 knot breeze but built to about 14 knots by the end of race 3. All three races were fairly short because of the good winds, which will often favor boats with a slower rating. In the end Craig and Rick were able to move into second place for the

regatta behind a former national champion in the Hampton OD class who has been active in the class since 1934!! Paul and Brian were able to hold onto their 4th place position.

All four Nockamixon Sailors had a great time at the WOODEN BOAT REGATTA and hope to be able to attend again in 2013.



Cinco de Mayo – First Full Moon Cruise - by Norma Hall and John Martis

Well, ok, the long promised “Apogee Moon” never made an appearance. However, the winds were wonderful for an early evening cruise in the cloudy but relatively warm night (for May). The evening breeze caught *Tiburón* with Ralph and Norma Hal; *Going Straight* with Jim Thompson and crew of Laurine Valenti and Marsha Cooper, *Senility* with Joe and Darlene Cehlar who were joined by Stephen & Holly Hayick (O’Day 192 *Jenny Lee*). We were also joined by *Migration* – a Benetau from the end of N dock. Matt from Dock N also joined us on his Beneteau *Migration*. John and Sharon Martis made a late entrance on *Tanqueray* and went on to raft up with *Going Straight* in what is now being referenced as “Herron Cove” (aka No Name Cove; ComPac Cove) for a short Cinco De Mayo celebration sharing some food and libations; but with the moon stubbornly refusing to make an appearance, broke up and headed for the dock.

About this same time the Hunter 23.5’s headed to the dock and did a “slip” party on *Senility*, where food and stories were exchanged until after 10 pm. We are considering this our first “Hunter Fleet Event”. Here’s hoping for a full moon to join us next time, along with slightly warmer weather and hopefully lots more sailors. It was a really fun evening that all those present enjoyed. **The next Full Moon Sail is on June 2nd – hope to see you there!**



Matt on Migration



Marsha, Laurine and Jim get ready to set sail



Sails and flags flying on Going Straight




Joe and Darlene on Senility
with guests Steve & Holly Hayick

SAILING SWAP— by John Martis

Not sure about you, but we have a bunch of excess boating stuff that sits in our basement and garage. Between bumpers, lines, old sail covers and hardware we all probably have a cache we would like to get rid of. Well one person's trash is another person's treasure. If you have some items you no longer need and would like to trade them out, bring them to the ULDB in June. We will have two tables set up for 'swapping' items. I would suggest that you mark your items with your name and contact information along with what you hope to 'swap' the item for. I have heard (although have not looked for the regulations) that items cannot be offered 'for sale' so the Club is out of the transaction process and all we are doing is providing some tables for you to display the items; what you agree to swap your item for with the 'swapee' is your business.





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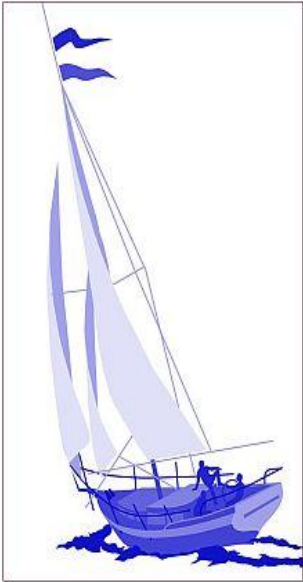
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The membership year is January 1st through December 31st. Dues are payable by March 1st and any member's dues in arrears by March 31 shall have their membership privileges rescinded and all rights, title and interest in and to all the property and assets of NSC shall cease.

NSC Capital Fund

Capital Fund <input type="checkbox"/>	Contributions are applied to the "Capital Fund" of the club and are always welcome. A contribution by non-members of \$15 or more will include a (1) one-year subscription to <i>The Compass</i> newsletter.	\$ _____ Contribution Amount
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