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HSC Rookie Regatta

Saturday, August 3rd is the 2013 Rookie Regatta, the sailing race for HSC's newest sailors. Think of it as a great chance to get more sailing practice – and maybe see some friends from your sailing class!



The regatta is open to all new sailors, including those from the Learn-to-Sail program. The racing will be in Sunfish. The regatta is run just like normal Sunday Series racing, except that we will start earlier. The skippers' meeting is at 11 AM to explain the event. Racing will start around 12:30. The plan is to hold 3 to 4 races.

Bring your PFD and lunch.

Race Committee volunteers should plan to arrive by 10:30 AM in order to bring in the *See Which Won* and get organized before the skippers' meeting.

--Chet Ensign, Vice Commodore

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- 8/7, 8/14, 8/21 – *Sunfish Twilight Series Racing*



Hijinks at the Scot Scramble...pg. 2!

Scot Scramble Spawns Super-Soaker Sea Skirmish!

When it is 95 degrees under a hot sun, getting hit with a cool blast of water from a Super Soaker is not a bad thing! And, when three Flying Scots are sailing along at 6+ knots a boat-length apart trading blasts of water, which is the scenario that played out on July 20th in the HSC Scot Scramble, it is a lot of fun!

Roughly two dozen club members ranging from kindergarten age to Medicare age were shuffled among four Flying Scots skippered by **Mark Kaplan, Katie Kiernan, Uldis**



Greenhorn then led a crew to clean up trash from around the Island. Next, we scrambled the crews again and set sail, water weapons in hand!

The wind was relatively strong and gusty, so it made for some exciting sailing. The junior drivers learned to handle the weather-helm puffs – a challenge on Flying Scots – while others made

Wendy Miervaldis, and Gordon Sell, along with Jay Halsted's Precision 16. The idea was to let everyone - especially the kids - drive the boats. After sailing around both parts of the lake and out by the swimming beach, the crews found their way to the end of Goose Island where we dropped sails and had lunch. **Ellen**





of being hit with a cool blast of water was good incentive to comply. Surely, Captain Isaac Hull never heard those words while lining up 'Old Ironsides' to fire its cannons at HMS Guerriere in the War of 1812.

Special credit to **Chet Ensign** and **Bill Foster** for their efforts to herd the fleet with *See Which Won*, and also to Chet for rescuing a pair of swamped kayakers along the way!

*Gordon Sell, Fleet Captain
Cruising & Open Fleet*

ready with their Super Soakers. As boats drew alongside, the air filled with blasts of water. Everyone soon realized it was a distinct advantage to be the windward boat, and boats tacked and jibed to get into favorable position. Since boat speeds were fairly evenly matched, the phrase "could you slow up a bit" was heard more than once, and the benefit

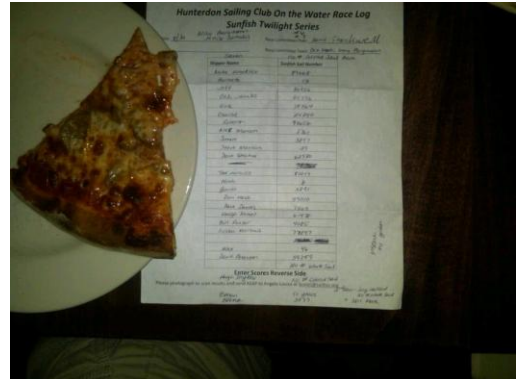


Sunfish Fleet Report

RECORD (?) TURNOUT FOR TWILIGHT RACING AT HSC!

This is a GREAT season so far for the Sunfish Fleet, with lots of new and old faces on the water for both Sunday and Wednesday races. But this past Wednesday, July 31st was a big standout, with **THIRTY SUNFISH** racing in the Twilight Series event!

On top of the 30 racers, **Ellen Greenhorn** was coaching another half-dozen Sunfish sailors in the cove for the Coached Practice session – that's 36 Sunfish on the water at once – wow! Kudos to RC Chair **David Stockwell** for keeping it all organized despite running out of room on the score sheet! (*Note to Rear Commodore: Bigger Score Sheets!*)



BIG NEWS FOR TWILIGHT SERIES RACING!

As announced in last month's Fo'c's'le, due to the excellent turnout for Twilight Series racing on Wednesday nights, the Twilight Series will now be scored with two fleets – a Championship Fleet for our most skilled sailors and those that have previously won a Sunfish Series award, and a Challenger Fleet for new sailors and those that have not yet won an award. We hope this change will help maintain the amazing enthusiasm for Sunfish racing we have seen this season, as well as help recognize the Club's up-and-coming talent!

Date	Series	RC Chairperson	RC Assistant(s)
7-Aug-13	Twilight 2-7	Rich Baumann	Linda Persurance
14-Aug-13	Twilight 2-8	Mark Holmsborg	Spencer Holmsborg
21-Aug-13	Make-up		

With only a few weeks left in Twilight Series 2, please come out and join in the fun before the summer ends! Next month's Fo'c's'le will re-cap the Twilight Sunfish season, and we will announce the winners of the Twilight Series, including the inaugural winners for the new Challenger Fleet!

See you on Wednesday!

*Susan Mallows,
Sunfish Fleet Captain*



Sunfish North Americans – Brant Beach, NJ

What do you get when you mix Sunfish, wind, weeds, and shallow water?

You get a great regatta at the 2013 Sunfish North American Championship at Brant Beach, NJ! 70 Sunfish came to Brant Beach from across the Americas including 7 outstanding junior sailors from Venezuela and Guatemala. **Doug Brown, Sue Mallows, Mike Wheeler** (pictured below left), **Nicky Einthoven, Simon Bertocci** (pictured below right) and **Guido Bertocci** represented HSC. Each day



started with an 8-10 knot breeze that kept building as the sea breeze kicked in. The second day was the windiest with gusts close to 30 knots in the last two races! One can see the consequences in the results, with lighter sailors near the top in the early races and heavier sailors, or those who could really hike, dominating in the late races.

Sailing at Brant Beach also required learning to pull up your daggerboard every few minutes to clear the weeds. We learned

that it was easier to pull up your board on starboard tack since the boom was a little more to leeward. We learned that unless you steer through the waves, your cockpit will fill up with water. We learned that that you can jump overboard, stand, and hold your boat in four feet of water even though you are a mile from any shore. We learned that hiking hard for 4 long races a day can be tiring and there were definitely a lot of tired sailors!



The HSC contingent suffered some injuries and in some cases, “too-much-wind-itis” which hurt some overall finishes. **Guido and Simon Bertocci** seemed to do best in the windiest races. Simon finished 13th and Guido finished 14th.

Full results here: <http://www.bbycnj.com/Results/show.php?rgtID=5>

--Guido Bertocci

Flying Scot Fleet # 184

The Flying Scot fleet was quite active in July, starting out with the "Little Brown Jug" Regatta on July 4th. LBJ Regatta participants included **Angelo and Chris Lovisa, Gordon Sell, Mike Ambrose, and Dave and Kristin Petersen**. Dave and Kristin finished "1st in Fleet," but they were not fast enough to catch Doug and Susan's Jet-14 or the Commodore's Precision!



On July 20th, the Scot fleet hosted the "Scot Scramble," with over 20

participants! Thank you to **Chet Ensign** and **Bill Foster** for helping on Race Committee. **Gordon Sell, Mark Kaplan, Katie Kiernan, and Uldis Miervaldis** did a FANTASTIC job making sure everyone got out on the water, had plenty of fun, and even got a turn at the helm along the way – great job!!!

The wind gods were unusually generous on Sundays, with only one true "drifter" despite the summer heat. **Mark Kaplan, Gordon Sell, Mike Ambrose, the Sweeney's, Caroline Foster, Mario, and Dave**

have all been out on the water, along with several new Flying Scot crew members!

New HSC members **Janet Gerber** and **Tom Kalaman** are very interested in crewing (among others!), AND they are available this weekend! Let's help them get out on the water!



--Mark Kaplan, Flying Scot Fleet Captain

<p>August 10th & 11th Saratoga Flying Scot Invitational Regatta Saratoga Lake Sailing Club, Ballston Spa, NY</p>	<p>Saturday, August 24th Greater NY District Regatta, Westhampton Yacht Squadron, Remsenburg, NY</p>
<p>September 14th & 15th Atlantic Coast Championship, Toms River Yacht Club, Toms River, NJ (Site of the 2014 NACs)</p>	<p>September 22nd "Challenge of the Lakes" Series Finale Nockamixon Sail Club, Lake Nockamixon, PA</p>
<p>2014 North American Championship in NEW JERSEY! July 19th – July 25th, 2014, Toms River Yacht Club, Toms River, NJ</p>	

Flying Scot North Americans – Lake Norman, NC

Dave Petersen ventured to Lake Norman, just north of Charlotte, NC, for the 2013 Flying Scot NACs, held July 15th – 19th – here is a quick re-cap:

While the Sunfish were braving heavy air in Brant Beach, the Flying Scots were patiently waiting for any wind at all... most of Monday and Tuesday was spent sitting on a picnic bench (yes, that one right there...) in the shade staring at the AP flag! While we were well aware we would be in the Challenger Fleet, the qualifying was cut down to just a single race -- and the forecast did not look promising for the rest of the week!

Tuesday and Thursday came and went with no racing -- thankfully we travelled prepared with kayaks and golf clubs and made the most of our time off the water!



The wind finally returned on Friday, and the Race Committee scrambled to finish the final 3 races of the Championship. Conditions improved steadily, and the afternoon brought perfect sailing weather with a steady 10-12 knots! With 68 boats competing (34 in each fleet), starting in clear air was very important and very difficult. After having a few rough starts on Wednesday, we were fighting from the back of the pack and glad to at least be meeting our primary goal for the week: *"Don't be last!"*

But our luck steadily improved along with the weather, and everything finally fell into place for the final race! After starting with speed (for once!), we found ourselves in clean air within sight of the series leaders. We watched ahead as **Mike** and **Sam Mandell** (NSC sailors, and friends of HSC) pointed to the left side, away from the pack. After conferring with my crew, who agreed that they were gesturing "quite emphatically" at the water, we headed left. Finally feeling like we were in sequence with the shifts, we hiked hard and were shocked to find ourselves in 3rd place at the windward mark, rounding just a few yards behind the Mandell's! After savoring a brief moment in the lead (...it was *very* brief!), we held onto 3rd place – our best race finish ever – which instantly erased the frustration of waiting all week for decent wind to arrive. That race boosted us up to 14th overall in the Challenger Fleet, and now we can't wait to try it again next year!

Full results here: <http://www.fssa.com/content/2013-nac-lake-norman-yacht-club-mooresville-nc-full-results>

--Dave Petersen

NOTE FOR FLYING SCOT SAILORS:

***Next year's North American Championship will be held at nearby Toms River Yacht Club!
The NACs will probably never be closer to HSC, so mark your calendars for July 19th – 25th, 2014!!!***

JET-14 GRAVY BOWL REGATTA *Saturday, August 17th!*

Skippers Meeting @11:00

First Race @ NOON

3-5 races are scheduled, with awards to the top 3 skippers and crews.

Expert Race Committee!

Registration: \$10 per boat.

Cookout overlooking Spruce Run follows at Charlie's place -- 6 Panorama Place, Clinton

6 Jets already signed on!

Questions? che1129@yahoo.com



Jet 14 Fleet #51

Five Jets participated in the Wren "Wregatta", where everyone had fun and the weather cooperated. **Brent Barbehenn** with **Elena Khutoretsky** as crew won. **Doug Brown** and **Susan Mallows**, **Simon Bertocci** and **Ashley Paulino**, **Dave and Justin Veno**, **Charlie Engler** and **Gail Scales** also participated. The fleet thanks **Gordon Sell**, **Alan Astalos**, **Neko Racioppi** and **Nicky Einthoven** for running the Race Committee.

The HSC Jet-14 Fleet was very well represented at the Sunfish North American Championships! **Brent Barbehenn**, (we count him as from our fleet because he used to be!) **Simon Bertocci**, **Guido Bertocci**, **Susan Mallows**, **Doug Brown**, **Nicky Einthoven**, and at-least-one-time-Jet-crew **Mike Wheeler** were there at Brant Beach, NJ sailing in the mostly over 20 mph winds for three days.

Next week at least 3 HSC Jets are preparing to head to the Nationals which will be from Aug 7th to 10th on Lake Norman, just north of Charlotte, NC. Hotels are available, as is a good Bed and Breakfast nearby, and free camping at the club grounds help keep the costs down. Meals are included in the entrance fee. And Lake Norman is a wonderful place to sail. It is a big lake and has decent wind at this time of year. They also have a very capable Race Committee that has run excellent regattas before. After that, on **Saturday, August 17th** will be the Gravy Bowl at Spruce Run.

Art Roswell's Jet-14 is for sale. Randy Bruns' Jet-14 in MD is for sale and he just lowered the price. I hope to see more of you out there!

*Nicky Einthoven
Jet-14 Fleet Captain*

The Month in Pictures!

As always, thanks to our Race Committees for providing great pictures from the RC boats throughout the season. This month, extra special thanks for photos go to **Nicky Einthoven, Joe Tchorz, Gordon Sell, Chet Ensign, Janet Gerber, Doug Brown and more!**





Sam Nelson Regatta Results



The Sam Nelson Regatta was held at HSC on Saturday, July 27th. As usual, the Walter Finne trophy was awarded to the highest HSC Midget contender, and as recently usual the event was combined with the Sunfish Association of North Jersey Lakes (SANJL) Juniors regatta. The two events have different definitions for Junior and for Midget, resulting in a fun time being had by the scorer and awarder!

Place	Skipper	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
1	Graf, David	2	2	2	2	1	1	3	10
2	Reyes, Nick (Midget)	1	1	1	5	4	2	5	14
3	Stanley, Ethan	3	7	6	1	3	3	1	17
4	Lovisa, Chris	7	4	7	7	2	5	2	27
5	Foster, Caroline	4	6	3	6	6	4	4	27
6	Waalberg, Teo	5	3	4	4	5	8	9	29
7	Fazio, Corrado	6	5	5	3	9	7	6	32
8	Ashley (Midget)	8	8	8	10	10	6	7	47
9	Rasen, Sam	9	9	9	8	11	11	8	54
10	Bay, Julia (Midget)	DNS	DNS	DNS	9	8	10	10	63
11	Rasen, Marie (Midget)	9	9	9	11	12	DNF	DNF	63
12	Bay, Luc (Midget)	DNS	DNS	DNS	13	7	9	11	66
13	Skeen, Jonah	DNF	10	10	12	13	DNF	DNF	71

In the morning there was no wind – we waited for the 11am “sea breeze” to fill in and then set up full triangle courses. The wind filled in and it was a perfect day for the Juniors, Youths, and Midgets.

There were three races in the morning, and four races after lunch. **Nick Reyes** had all wins before lunch, some of them by a large distance, but before leaving shore after lunch the white board was brought out for some sailing lessons that helped teach his competition what he was doing right so they could, too! Nick is such a good sport!!!



There was one throw-out race meaning that each sailor's worst race did not count. Many parents helped on Race Committee and enjoyed the close-up view. Tie breakers went to the sailor with the best race.

Thank you to the Race Committee led by **Nicky Einthoven** and assisted by **Bill Foster, Angelo Lovisa, Liz Merritt, Ne Stanley, and Lilly Stanley**. Thank you to **Steve and Alec Manson, Doug Brown, Susan Mallows, Simon Bertocci, and Robert Reyes** for keeping everyone safe by staffing the Safety Boats!

--Nicky Einthoven

Ladies Fleet Report & HSC Fun Day

Come one, come all! -- To the Fun Day Regatta hosted by the Ladies Fleet! All HSC members are invited! Cali, our Junior Fleet Captain, is planning some great events for the recent youth Learn-to-Sail students in the upcoming Fun Day on **August 10th**. The recent Adult Sail training students will find this day perfect for them, too! It is a chance to sail and have a great stress-free time on the water getting comfortable doing a myriad of sailing exercises on the water.

An easy, fun regatta will be followed by a picnic pot-luck lunch afterwards. The hotdogs and burgers (with condiments) will be provided by the Club. If you are planning on attending, please bring an item to share:

A-F: Salads

G-L: Desserts

M-R: Beverages like water, sodas [no alcohol (park rules)]

S-Z: Paper goods like cups, napkins, plates

Please bring enough for yourself and 8-10 others.

Please come to the Skippers' Meeting at 12 noon on **Saturday August 10th** to hear about the events and get excited about the just-for-fun sail around the lake. There will be no formal awards unless it really seems that someone merits something extra special, lol!! If the summer heat continues, bring your super soakers to add to the fun.

We will start from the beach like the LeMans start on other fun races. So be prepared to launch from shore and go when the whistle/horn blows! We will sail to different points on the lake which will be marked by the orange buoys just like in a race. First boat around and back to the beach will get the special dessert (big secret), courtesy of the Ladies Fleet Captain and bragging rights to go with it, at least for the day!

We will have junior events going on at the same time, so there will be something for everyone to do in case you don't want to sail around the lake or the wind is uncooperative!

Return to shore around 2 PM for the picnic!

We need a few more people to help out with setting the buoys and staffing the Safety boats. If you would like to help, please email me pialord@gmail.com.

Come out and join the fun on Saturday August 10th, 2013 at HSC Ladies Fleet Fun Day! Remember to bring your life jackets!

--Pia Lord, Ladies Fleet Captain

What Happens to “End-Of-Life” Sunfish???



HSC maintains a Sunfish fleet for sail training and for use by members as outlined in the 2013 HSC Handbook. Life is hard for our Sunfish as they are sailed frequently and live out in the weather for most of the year. These boats are under the watchful care of Mike Wheeler, Fleet Manager, and Susan Mallows, Sunfish Fleet Captain. Maintenance is provided on a volunteer basis (as in all club activities).

Although Sunfish are durable, safe and virtually un-sinkable, they do eventually wear out and have to be replaced. Dings and dents from sail training are just part of their job, and we can usually repair and return them

to service. One critical factor for the Sunfish hull is remaining water tight. Once the hull is compromised and water leaks inside, the flotation foam on the inside of the hull will become waterlogged over time and the boat becomes very heavy. We affectionately call these boats "leakers".



When they get too heavy, we log them for replacement. We often get asked "How do you throw away a Sunfish?" The answer is that we remove all the hardware for re-use or recycling, and take the hull to the Clinton Transfer Station. We salute their service on their way to the landfill!

--Commodore Jay Halsted

Events Calendar



Date	Day	Event	RC Chairperson	RC Assistant(s)
August 3 rd	Saturday	Rookie Regatta (Sailed in Sunfish)	Chet Ensign	Hugh Snyder
August 4 th	Sunday	Sunday Summer Series Racing (All Fleets)	Blaine & Jeanene Bauer	Jeff Titman; Vigdis Austad; Michael Haug
August 7 th	Wednesday	Sunfish Twilight Series Racing, Junior Race Team, & Coached Practice	Rich Baumann	Linda Persurance
August 10 th	Saturday	HSC Fun Day, hosted by the Ladies Fleet	Pia Lord	Candice Teuber; Stacey Kripsak
August 11 th	Sunday	Sunday Summer Series Racing	Guido Bertocci	Mario Gedzior; Patricia Russell; the Vaydas
August 14 th	Wednesday	Sunfish Twilight Series Racing, Junior Race Team, & Coached Practice	Mark Holmsborg	Spencer Holmsborg
August 17 th	Saturday	Jet-14 Gravy Bowl Regatta (Rookie Regatta Raindate)		
August 18 th	Sunday	Sunday Fall Series Racing Flying Scot Hot Dog Sunday	Brent & Barbara Benson	John Tellefsen; Jeanmarie Dowling; Tony Galella
August 21 st	Wednesday	Sunfish Twilight Series Racing (Make-up Date), Junior Race Team, & Coached Practice		
August 25 th	Sunday	Sunday Fall Series Racing	Brian Wigham	Tom Oryniak; Kevin Kane; Kathleen Duke
August 28 th	Wednesday	Junior Race Team		
Sept. 1 st	Sunday	Sunday Fall Series Racing	Rich Baumann	Carolyn Wooley; Marilyn Just
Sept. 2 nd	Monday	Labor Day Sunfish Regatta		

For "Sail"

Have a sailboat, dolly, or other sailing gear to sell? HSC Members can list items for "sail" in an upcoming Fo'c's'le for free!

Send an item description, picture, asking price, and contact info to the editor at: focsle@sailhsc.org

HSC Junior Race Team

As we have done for several years, the Hunterdon Sailing Club will run a series of coached practice sessions for junior sailors. This program has developed many competent Sunfish sailors and is aimed at those who have completed our Youth Learn-to-Sail programs or have basic sailing skills acquired elsewhere. The basic requirement is the ability to sail upwind. Doug Brown will be running the program again.



The schedule for 2013 is for six Wednesdays starting on **July 24th** and ending on **August 28th**, beginning at 2:00 pm each day.

HSC on the Web!

<http://www.SailHSC.org>

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Grilling like a Champ!
Doug Brown mans the grill after winning the "Little Brown Jug" Regatta on July 4th!