

# The F C'S'LE

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## HSC Annual Dinner

**Please make your reservation as soon as possible**

2017 Hunterdon Sailing Club Annual Year-End Dinner

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4th, 6:30 – 10 PM

The Farmhouse at the Grand Colonial

Route 173 West, Hampton (near Spruce Run)



### FEATURING:

- Passed hot and cold hors d'oeuvres.
- Sit-down dinner, including soup or salad, choice of entree, and dessert.
- Fun sailing-themed activities, awards, and elections.

### MENU:

- Farmhouse table – Cheese/fruit plates
- Hors d'oeuvres – smoked salmon on pumpernickel, farmhouse franks in a blanket, sliced tenderloin of beef on brioche toast, and vegetarian slider
- Dinner with garden salad or soup and your choice of chicken, halibut, or tenderloin beef
- Deserts – chocolate raspberry tart, chocolate bomb or seasonal fruit tart
- Coffee, soft drinks, iced tea, water
- Cash bar for alcoholic beverages.

### COST:

\$36 / adult (\$12 children under 12).

**Please mail your check**, payable to Hunterdon Sailing Club, by October 28th to:

**HUNTERDON SAILING CLUB**

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## Commodore's Corner

It is hard to believe our season is already coming to a close. It's been a pretty good season. After lots of concern about water level, amazingly, we had in fact had plenty of water.

Sailing classes went well as always, even with a re-scheduling do to our state government shutdown. Supervised practice sessions were well attended.

Our search for new Sunfish has gone well, with 3 updated boats joining the fleet. Thanks to Jay Halstead for taking the lead on this. There will a "cutting up" party soon where we cut 3 of our worst boats into pieces for disposal! If you ever wanted to look inside a Sunfish, here is your big chance. We are still looking for additional boats, so let us know if you see something interesting.

Our social chair Paula Alexander is busy planning our annual dinner. As a reminder, the date has move up one week from the original calendar and will take place on Nov 4th, and the same venue as last year (The Farmhouse in Hampton NJ)

Enjoy the rest of the season!

Mark Kaplan

## Good Gravy! Brown/Mallows retain Jet 14 Gravy Bowl trophy, sailed in spinnaker wind on July 23

The Jet 14 Gravy Bowl was sailed on Sunday, July 23, with two races in the morning plus races with the club fleets in the afternoon. Doug Brown and Susan Mallows took home first place, with David and Kevin Veno in second place. It was a beautiful sight to see the Jets with spinnakers flying in patriotic colors!

Ellen Greenhorn





# The Hoop Deck

News from the Rear Commodore

As the days get shorter our thoughts turn from sailing on Spruce Run to fall and winter activities. Saturday October 21 is haul-out day (Sunday is the rain date) and in addition to the usual packing up for winter there are two key activities. The first is to haul the SWW mooring ashore in order to replace the chain over the winter. We'll need a few strong people to pull up the mushroom anchor and bring it ashore. The other task should be more fun! HSC has been replacing the sunfish fleet with newer boats and there are a few hulls to bring to the dump. First we'll cut them into smaller pieces and then we need someone with a pickup or utility trailer to bring them to the dump. We need some special tools please email me at [rearcommodore@sailhsc.org](mailto:rearcommodore@sailhsc.org) if you can bring either of these items.

- 1 A Sawzall®. I'll bring mine but a second will make the task faster
- 1 A small generator. The one we normally use has been sent to Florida to help with Irma recovery and won't be back in time.

## Eye protection and gloves are needed

In addition to these two, we have the usual tasks of putting the SWW on the trailer and stowing everything in the building. We'll start at 9am and go until finished, please come bring a lunch and help as much as possible even coming for a few hours will greatly help.

Let's get everything in order for a great 2018 sailing season.

Angelo



## The Force 5 Millard Fillmore Regatta

Sunday May 10th was a perfect day for the Force 5 fleet to sail the Millard Fillmore Regatta - 'The Race to Mediocrity'. The rules for this event are a mind-bender for most seasoned competitors because the winner is the one with the most average results for the day. Overall, it's a fun event with over 30 years of avid Force 5 skippers documented in the perpetual trophy - a biography of Millard Fillmore our 18th president of the United States.

We had an excellent turnout with 9 participants including John Barrere, the former President of the Force 5 Class Association, who drove up from Baltimore for the day. HSC participants included Andrew Gilmartin, Linda Howard, Jeff Titman, Rainer Dehe, Scott Eigner, Bob Mattison, Keith Lukachek, and Alexander Khutoretsky. Alex is an accomplished Sunfish sailor who decided to 'try out' the Force 5 for this regatta - and he performed well.

In the morning the winds were NE, mostly at about 7 - 10 mph and gusts to 15 which created challenging conditions, especially at the windward and leeward marks. It was a tough field with several unexpected capsizes, turnovers and good sport for all. After an excellent picnic ashore, the afternoon winds held in the NE but reduced to the range of 3 - 10mph. The Force 5 fleet was joined by Rich Baumann and Hitoshi Tanaka as part of the Sunday Regatta. Evidently John Barrer, didn't get the memo about what it takes to 'win' the Millard Fillmore and ended up setting a high bar with aces for 3 of the 5 races. Scott Eigner trailed him slightly. Our Millard Fillmore Champion for 2017 is Bob Mattison and he'll add his name to the perpetual trophy along with a long line of other great Force 5 sailors over the years.

Thanks to all for coming out for a full day of sailing to continue the tradition of the Millard Fillmore Regatta. Thanks also to Linda Zarnett for her outstanding support on Race Committee.

Jay Halsted  
F5 Fleet Captain





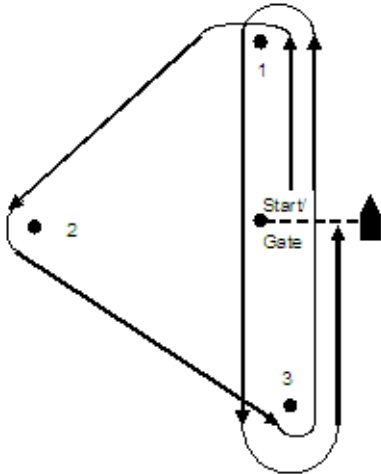






# Scorekeeper's Corner

Here are a few tips to help me record the scores:



When registering racers, please take care to record the first and last names, sail number and class of boat. Sometimes sailors have multiple boats and don't always sail the same one. Bear in mind that it is the sailor's responsibility to register before the race and the HSC manual states the following: *"Each boat shall register with the Race Committee by sailing past the RC Boat and giving the skipper's name and boat number. . . . Late arrivals will be accommodated at the discretion of the Race Committee."* Please record both first and last name of the RC members, there is one Angelo in the club but

there are a few Bills.

For the race results, record the sail number (not sailor name) and boat class (Sunday) in the order the boats cross the finish line. It is important on Sunday to record the boat class since there are a few duplicate sail numbers however it isn't necessary to separate by class, the scoring system uses both the sail number and boat class and assigns them in the sheet. Please don't resort by sail number since then I'll have to put them back into finish order. On Wednesday treat the fleet as one class, don't separate by Champion and Challenger. The Blue Nose rules treat the Wednesday Sunfish as one fleet.

I appreciate when people transcribe the race form into an email or excel file but the scans and photos have usually been fine. Please send the scan or photo to [scorekeeper@sailhsc.org](mailto:scorekeeper@sailhsc.org). (Note, a few of the score sheets have an incorrect address. Score is singular in scorekeeper).

It is not necessary for scorekeeping to record boats that retire between races since only boats that start or are penalized are recorded.

The RC may assign penalties to boats. DNF (Did Not Finish) is a penalty for boats that start and do not complete the course. It isn't when the RC assigns a finish position to late finishing boats. DNS (Did Not Start) and DNC (Did Not Come) are penalties at the start, DNS is for boats that commit a foul starting and don't restart properly. DNC is only used for HSC regattas when a registered boat doesn't come to the starting line. The race committee can apply other penalties at its discretion using the codes in [THE RACING RULES OF SAILING 2017-2020 pg55](#).

Happy sailing  
Angelo





## Bluenose Challenge Highlights



The Bluenose Challenge was held on Saturday September 23<sup>rd</sup>. The purpose of the race is to allow the top ranked skippers in each fleet to race each other in order to determine the overall best skipper in HSC. Bill Foster is the reigning 2016 Champion but unfortunately was not able to defend his title this year. The invited participants were Doug Brown, Andrew Gilmartin, Donald Esch, Dave Petersen, and Linda Howard. This year's boat of choice for the challenge was the Force 5 and the skippers changed to a different boat between each race. The day started with a nice breeze blowing while rigging but of course dropped to a dead calm while heading out to the race course. After a good 45 minutes the wind filled in and remained for the rest of the race. Everyone sailed well with excellent starts and tight passing and crosses on each leg of the course. After 4 races Doug Brown became the assured winner of the challenge and is the 2017 Bluenose Challenge Champion. A special thanks to Susan Mallows, Lars Anderson, and Scott Eigner who were on race committee.



## LABOR DAY Sunfish Regatta

September 4<sup>th</sup> was a beautiful clear day with the wind slowly increasing over as regatta progressed. It started off about 5-7 and by the last race many people were hiking hard. Thirteen skippers turned out to play, 5 races were completed so one throw-out was allowed. The races were close with Bill and Nick dueling it out in every race.

The top finishers were:

Bill Foster - 1<sup>st</sup> Place – 4 points overall  
 Nick Reyes – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - 7 points overall  
 Jay Halsted – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – 15 points overall



## 2018 Warm-up Regatta I Can't Believe It's Over 2017

The last 3 races on Wednesday nights were held on August 16<sup>th</sup>. This brought the Twilight series to a close with a standalone regatta on a warm evening with enough wind to remind everyone how much we love mid-week sailing. Three races were ably managed by star RC Dave Peterson. 16 skippers made it to the start line with an outstanding turnout from our past juniors.

Awards went to the top fleet champions and top past Junior

Championship Fleet  
 Susan Mallows – 1<sup>st</sup>  
 Rich Bauman – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 Mike Wheeler - 3<sup>rd</sup>



**Challenger Fleet**Ray Berthelson – 1<sup>st</sup>Elizabeth Henning – 2<sup>nd</sup>Dave Stockwell 3<sup>rd</sup>**Past Junior**Andrew Stockwell – 1<sup>st</sup>

## Junior SANJL

The Jr SANJL Championship was held on August 19<sup>th</sup>. Competitors participated from HSC, Highland Lakes and Packanack Lake. Highland Lakes took home the team trophy with 3 skippers participating and our own Nick Reyes took home the Overall Championship. The trophy is well over 3 feet tall and we expect will be kept proudly on the Reyes family dining room table for the next year.

