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Little Brown Jug Regatta and Picnic— July 4th

It's a parade! Well, hopefully a little more competitive than that.

The Sailing Part of the Day

On July 4th we will be sailing the LBJ (not named for the past president) for the honor of having the largest perpetual trophy (see p. 2) in the club gracing your home. All fleets race together with a staggered start based on Portsmouth ratings. The race committee will announce the starting sequence and timing at the skipper's meeting. First boat to reach the finish line wins regardless of when she started.

The skipper's meeting will be at 11:00 am, with the first start at noon. The course will encompass the whole lake and will last approximately 100 minutes. The race has one prize for first place and a best in fleet for those fleets represented by 3 or more boats, however, this year, there will be an additional prize for most patriotic boat.

The Picnic Part of the Day

All members are encouraged to come out for the picnic even if you didn't sail the race. **We need help though!** Burgers, condiments, and drinks are provided by the club, but everyone should bring a side or dessert. If your last name starts with A-M please bring a side dish; N-Z please bring a dessert. However, if you really want to bring something else please feel free as this is just a suggestion.

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Coming Events

- LBJ Regatta – 7/4, of course
- Force 5 North American Championships
- July 18 – Ladies Regatta, Fun Day, South Branch Watershed Association Day and more
- July 25 & 26 – Wren Regatta

July 4th ADVICE

Some advice for coming to the park: Do not try to beat the crowd. July 4th is the busiest day of the year at Spruce Run, and there will be a line forming early in the morning, with the park closing the beach area as soon as the parking lots are full. If you arrive at 10:00 or later and tell the park staff that you are going to the boating area for a sailing club regatta and picnic, you should have no problem. The park superintendent suggests bringing something "boat like", such as an oar, PFD or even a canoe or kayak on the roof, or a boat on a trailer. Bring your boat storage tag, if you have one. Make clear that you are an HSC member. Be patient with the park staff. They will be having a busy day.

THE WREN WREGGATA ...July 25 and 26.

Yes, it's true....the WREN I WREGGATA will be on Saturday 7/25. All juniors and novices (those not regularly skippering), plus others just wanting to stop by for fun in the sun, and sail multiple short races, are invited. Skippers meeting at NOON. Trophies!

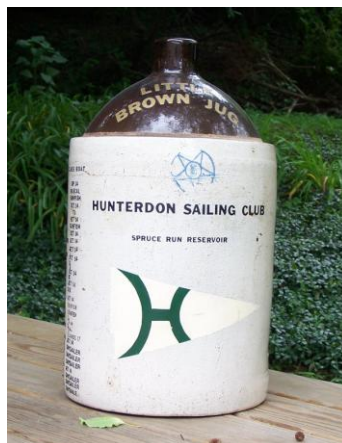
And then on Sunday morning (skipper's meeting at 9am.) The infamous Wren II Wregatta, with up to 3 races in the morning, a lunch break on the beach, and then we join the HSC Sunday club races. More trophies!

\$15 registration covers both events.

Please contact Guido, should you have any lingering questions.

ALSO...It's not too early to plan for your attendance at the 2009 Jet 14 Nationals. This year it's at Mayfield Yacht Club in New York, less than 1/2 hour from Saratoga, It's not often that a Nationals are held this close to home! Details on the Jet 14 Class website.

AND, if you've always wanted to be a Jet owner.....a limited number are available(!) Call Charlie at 908-735-5564



The Little Brown Jug

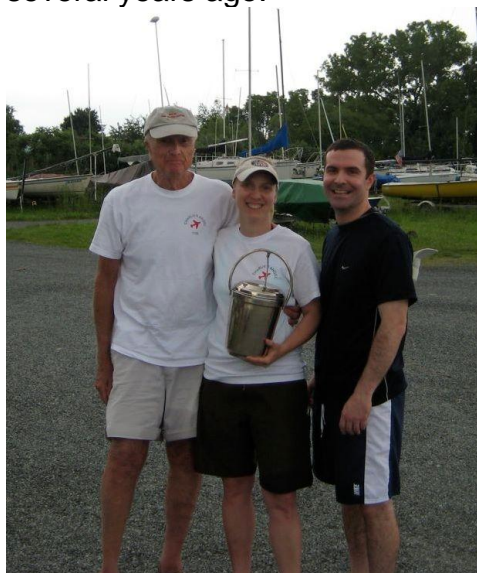
Commodore's Corner

Three in a Jet

Leave it to Charlie Engler to find a way to be flexible about the rules to improve racing.

The Commodores Cup, which was held June 13th, uses the Portsmouth time correction ratings to allow different classes of boats to compete against each other as long as they conform to their own class rules. The elapsed times of each finisher are multiplied by a handicap rating to determine the finishing order in each of hopefully three races.

Charlie, the defending champion, showed up with a two person Jet, himself as skipper, and two crew, Greg and Dione Francis who swapped jobs between races. Now I'm not sure how legal it is in Jet Class rules to change crews mid-regatta, but there were no protests, it was a great experience for two new Jet sailors, who just bought Tom Maier's old boat, and it provided a much-needed extra person on race committee. Also on race committee was Wally Cullen, a long time friend and one of Charlie's hiking club friends, whose company re-welded the See Which Won motor mount several years ago.



Their arch competitor in this regatta was Tom Oryniak sailing a Force 5. Tom, a long-time

past club member has rejoined HSC this year and has quickly become a strong contender in the Force 5 fleet. Sailing their first regatta in the family's Catalina 16.5 was Ted Janulis and his son Tom who have been members for several years.



In Portsmouth ratings, the Force 5 is considered the fastest, followed by the Jet 14, and then the Catalina, so Tom would need to finish first by a margin of a minute or so, and Ted could afford to let the others finish several minutes ahead. In the end, Charlie and Dione were first-to-finish race one by just a few feet, but won on corrected time followed by the Force 5 and the Catalina. In Race two, Tom Oryniak crossed the finish first, but Charlie and Greg were close enough to win on corrected time. Race three got off to a good start but was canceled due to nearby thunder.

The end result was Charlie Engler won both completed races on corrected time, with Tom Oryniak second, and Ted Janulis third.

It would be great to have more people complete in this regatta, but June is a busy month for everyone. Short of Congress mandating all four-day weekends for June and July, I guess we'll just have to face the fact that the Commodore's Cup comes at a time of year when most people have competing events. You can be sure I will be racing in this event next year.

Learn to Sail Update

Despite the weather, the Learn to Sail program is off to a good start. Bob Orr got a big crew of adults out on the water on the 18th and 19th but were rained out on the 20th. Fortunately, many of those students showed up for a make-up supervised sail the following Wednesday run by Calvin Clowes.

Yesterday morning, June 25th, I observed the first few hours of the Youth LTS-1 and was most impressed by Gary Nackman's energy and enthusiasm to get the kids working together, rigging boats, and they were already on the water sailing well before most of us take our mid-morning coffee break. (Ed. note – 2 of Gary's students were out racing on 6/28!)

Gordon



At left, John Kupsch and son Evan cruising in an Opti

At right, photographer Annie Freeman turns a light air day into a work of art.



Force 5 North American Championships

Last Chance to Sign up for the regatta scheduled for July 9, 10 & 11. Contact Doug Brown for schedule of races, picnics, dinners and all you need for 3 days of great sailing



Plus, the pleasure of the company of the folks shown above.

"Challenge of the Lakes" and NJYRA Regatta.

by Mike Noone, Flying Scot Fleet 163, Nockamixon Sailing Club

The great strength of our Flying Scot Fleets, and the even greater spirit of camaraderie, was again evident at Spruce Run last Sunday when 16 Skippers participated in the second leg of the 2009 "Challenge of the Lakes." Six boats traveled from Nockamixon to join 9 boats from the Hunterdon Fleet, and one boat joined us from Monmouth Boat Club.

It was EXCEPTIONAL !! SPECIAL THANKS to the folks at HSC, especially to Fleet Captain Dave Stockwell and his wife Sharon for organizing a great "Hot-Dog Lunch" with help from the Fleet # 184 membership -- great salads, fruit, and other goodies !!! Thanks also to Scot sailor Gordon Sell, who is the current Commodore of HSC, for his help and participation in the event. HSC made a tremendous effort to make all Flying Scot sailors feel welcome for the day.

When we arrived it looked like the day would be a "drifter" with many frustrated sailors. HOWEVER, the breeze arrived just as the lunch was completed, and it built to 8 - 12, with higher gusts, and with very tricky shifts -- typical Lake sailing !! There were some fine close spinnaker reaches, and some shifty downwind gybing legs, but the races were won, or lost, on the upwind legs -- and in the crowded Mark roundings !

Once again, three different boats won races, but this time one of them also won the Regatta. The shifty conditions also caused some big shifts in scores -- 1 and 9, 2 and 11, 3 and 11, 4 and 12 -- the most consistent boat was Mike Ambrose with 4, 3, 5, which earned Third place overall. Jackie and Bruce Cattanach, long time classy Flying Scot sailors who were visiting from MBC, gained a Third place in the first race, behind HSC hot-shot Gary Nackman who finished Second. The heroes of the first race were Glenn and Dorothy Wesley, of NSC who made "DJ" really fly to a commanding lead and then held on to take the gun -- great sailing. The Mark roundings shuffled the deck almost as well as the shifts on the windward legs in the second and third races, and, as a result, both Gary and Bruce had to count 11's in their final score, and the Wesley's counted a couple of 9's. The normally consistent NSC Team of Greg and Judy Morrison, the winners in the previous event, found the conditions tough -- Greg said they lost their "mojo" -- and they also had equipment problems.

The new "Hi-Noone" gained a 6th in the first race, but took a page from the Wesley book to lead the second race almost from start to finish. Bill Foster, of HSC sailing with his daughter Caroline, chased Mike and Brenda and provided some great and very close racing in both the second and third races in which Mike and Bill traded finishes of 1, 2, and 2, 1. Mike Ambrose was a constant challenger for the lead in all races and showed superior spinnaker skills to catch the Noone's in the second race, but Mike N held on to an "inside" position at the rounding and covered very carefully up the next windward leg to stay ahead, but narrowly, at the next Windward Mark.

The highlight of the day, as at several recent "C-o-L" regattas was the presence of several GREAT young Flying Scot sailors amongst the Crew -- the future of our Fleets looks bright!! Sam Mandell, who was awarded the "Most Promising Crew" award at NSC in 2008 sailed with his dad Mike, and gained a 4th place in the last race. Mikaila Incantalupo sailed with the Stockwell family in her first Regatta, with Caroline in the Crew, while Andrew Stockwell crewed for Mike Incantalupo and helped him complete his first "C-o-L" Regatta as skipper. Christopher Ambrose was a major factor in the highly competitive sailing of # 4508, and Phil Scheetz took on another young HSC crew to help wrestle the spinnaker on # 4086. Caroline Foster was a dynamite crew for Dad Bill and finished second overall in the Regatta.



Our great young Flying Scot sailors -- and some older ones (!) -- show their Awards. Everyone is a winner at the Challenge of the Lakes.

For the first time ever, a Nockamixon Fleet # 163 Team is the NJYRA Champion for 2009, with scores of 6, 1, 2 !! The new "Hi-Noone" was in the groove on Sunday !!

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Sunfish North American Championship

The Sunfish North American Championships were held on Charleston Harbor in South Carolina from June 24 to 26. In a practice regatta the weekend before, there were 43 boats. Dave Davies won the Grandmaster Division, and Nicky finished 3rd in the Masters division. After the last race, David Loring (2 time World Champion) looked up Nicky on shore to say "Congratulations, nice race." In the last of 5 races, both Dave and Nicky were leading, side by side, with a large lead over the other boats, for 3/4 of the race. In that race, Nicky and Dave finished 2 and 3, ahead of David Loring.

In the North Americans, there were 75 boats, and George Jackson won the 5th place trophy in the Alcort division. The top 5 were Derek Jackson, Kamilla Sabogal (a junior girl from Ecuador), Alan Uram, David Loring from Charleston South Carolina, and Jonathan Martinetti (a 15 year old from Ecuador) won! Kevin Buruchian finished 18th, Doug Brown 22, Bill Bettz 25, Lee Montes 30, Nicky Einthoven 37, George Jackson 50, Dave Davies 56, Susan Mallows 60, and Connie Miller 52.

The wind was strong, and so was the current. Both varied from very light to very strong. The wind was between maybe 5 mph and 20 mph. The current was between 0 knots and 3.5 knots on the race course. The tides were the highest the locals have seen in many years, as in the evening high tide the parking lot would flood.



FUN DAY AT SPRUCE RUN
July 18 9:00 – 2:00

Plans are well underway for the “Fun Day at Spruce Run” event on July 18 when HSC, the South Branch Watershed Association and the Spruce Run Recreation Area host a nautical day on the water and shore at the public boat launch area from 9:00 to 2:00.

Events include a paddle poker run on the lake, sailboat rides by HSC members* fly casting demos by Trout Unlimited, a water rescue demo by the High Bridge Rescue Squad , canoeing and kayaking. Exhibitors (at this printing) include The Sailboat Shop, Paddlers Cove, Mohawk Canoe Club, The Hunterdon Scuba Center, Trout Unlimited, Shannon’s Fly and Tackle, Hunterdon Sailing Club, South Branch Watershed Association, Spruce Run Recreation Area, and the Hunterdon Department of Parks & Recreation.

*HSC members are asked to volunteer sailboat rides to participants on a first-come, first-served basis controlled by would-be participants being given a numbered ticket. The HSC exhibit in addition to a member solicitation/information desk will include examples of the types of sailboats used by the club. Volunteers on a rotating basis are asked to help here as well as help in setting things up early on the 18th.



Sunfish sailor’s nightmare – a crowded, light air, mark rounding shared with Flying Scots.

To right, Doug Brown showing is off his light air technique in a Force 5. Heel to leeward, ease the sail and pay attention to the wind by looking at the sail and dark spots on the water.



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