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Hunterdon Sailing Club, Inc.

JUNE 2006

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2006 COMMODORE'S CUP

**SATURDAY
JUNE 17**

Skipper's Meeting 11AM - First Race: noonish!

THIS IS IT! Your chance to sail for the beautiful, perpetual COMMODORE'S CUP, a symbol of the premier HSC sailors!

Established in 1969, the COMMODORE'S CUP Regatta was created to find the outstanding HSC sailors. It is sailed by the combined fleets under the prevailing handicap system. All boats must adhere to their Class regulations. The regatta will consist of three races, and the course will be a modified Olympic (TW). One race can constitute the regatta.

In other words, a hard-fought, fun day on the water!!

ALL MEMBERS WELCOME.

Let's have a big turnout!

Any questions, or volunteers for RC: che1129@yahoo.com

Pines Lake Regatta

Five HSC Jet 14s traveled to Pines Lake for Leg 1 of the District Championship. On a picture perfect day, Doug Brown and his daughter Kelly won the five race, two throw out regatta before lunch with three bullets. The conditions varied from "light and variable" to "dark and stormy" and the team that handled the changing conditions best won the day. Eleven Jet 14s from three different lakes participated in the event.

In race 1, Doug and Kelly, closely pursued by Brent and Barbara Benson escaped from the pack and lead wire to wire. Niky Einthoven with crew Anita DeMatteo were forced to retire when a jury-rigged headstay proved too stretchy for the conditions. Race 2 brought darkening skies, the mandatory life jacket flag and white caps. Several boats took to the shore and sat this one out. The Bensons and Charlie and Joanna Smith got caught at the leeward end of the line by a drifting committee boat and had to circle back to start. No problem for the Benson's however, as they ground down the fleet and ended up in second again. Well done!

For race 3 the conditions moderated and a full complement of Jets enjoyed a two lap triangular course. Doug and Kelly again

topped the fleet. As is the tradition, a picnic lunch was then held at the lake-front home of Jim Ungemach.

The afternoon session was a lesson in starts and hitting the shifts. Pine Lake's Chris Adams, sailing with his son Tyler in Jet 458 with a deck stepped wooden mast and no spinnaker,

won both races by wide margins. He got great starts at the favored end of the line and, as Doug Brown mentioned at the awards ceremony, hit every shift on the windward legs. Chris gave credit to his crew for calling the shifts. Earlier in the day we had had the opportunity to have him sail past us on several downwind legs with our spinnaker flying and his jib under a whisker pole. He thinks the stiff wooden mast



is the secret.

The final results had Doug and Kelly Brown first, Chris and Tyler Adams second, Brent and Barbara Benson third, Charlie and Joanna Smith fourth, and Howie Ungemach of Pines Lake fifth. Caleb and Elliot Zimmerman launched their jet for the first time this year and placed ninth.

-Charlie S

Commodore's Corner

WHAT'S NEW?????

There are many HSC members who are "traditionalists", your cotton-wearing Commodore to name one!

Nevertheless, your 2006 Executive Committee this past winter was challenged to do some thinking and planning "out of the box". And, guess what, they did!! A few examples:

The all-NEW 2006 Handbook design, easy to read, and with a beautiful color photo by Doug. Past Commodore Byron Hicks commented via email: "KEVIN & ELLIOT...GREAT JOB!! A1 LAYOUT JOB, AND SO EARLY IN THE YEAR! CONGRATS."

Mark and Gordon with many helpers, have our equipment back in shape, with a brand NEW Gordon-designed electrical system on the See Which Won.

And with Rich's guidance, a second NEW anchor buoy is being placed to meet Sgt Bob's request.

Ellen's training course schedule has NEW entries, such as crew training and Nicky's "middle-fleet" improvement program'

And, what about Rodger's ALL-NEW scoring page now open 24/7 on Chet's web site. Great job!

Speaking of which, Chet is well into a complete NEW, beautiful layout., take a look!

Jim, our NEW, first time ever, Club Sunfish Manager, has finished the ground-work, and has a good grasp on what's next. For example, please let him know if you hear of a nice Sunfish for sale at a very reasonable price!

And, of course, our full-steam-ahead publicist Anne is having great success placing NEW releases in the H.C. Democrat, Courier News and Star-Ledger WOW'

And in her spare time, Anne has created and had printed a NEW, very attractive brochure designed to catch the eye of potential members. Kevin is working up plans to distribute it to prospective members for our NEW Cruising Fleet around the boat storage area.

Stacey and Barry B. presented a very well-received First Aid/CPR session, something we need regularly. Thank you both!

Elliot, Bob and Guido are NEW graduates of US Sailing Junior training courses, and plan to put their studies to good use.

And thanks to all who continue to contribute useful items to HSC, from a Force 5 (Joanne), to sails (Derek), to RC shapes and a dolly (Bill W.) And to those who quietly cover HSC expenses. THANK YOU!

NEW ideas from everyone are very welcome

**SEE YOU AT THE COMMODORE'S CUP
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- Charlie E



Intro to Sailing Presentation & Discussion

June 8 - You're Invited!

On June 8, Brent and Barbara Benson will host an introduction to sailing presentation and discussion, covering some basics (or review) of sailing, boats, what to wear, what to expect, and why sailing is so enjoyable! You are invited to attend - and why not bring a friend who may be interested in sailing, too! This is especially helpful for adults taking the sailing classes, parents of youth taking sailing classes, or someone coming back to sailing after a break.

The intro session will be Thursday June 8, 6:30 - 9:00 PM at the North Branch Hunterdon County Library in Clinton, 65 Halstead Street. Please note the date has been changed and is no longer June 1.

Here's how to get to the library:

From I-78, take exit 17 (Route 31 North). Go about 1.25 mile north on Rt 31, and take the jug handle left turn for Halstead Street/Clinton (there is a small green sign for the library). The library is about 1/4 mile along Halstead Street on the right side. Please note that the speed limit on Halstead is 25 mph and very well enforced! The HSC group will be in the large meeting room on the left after you enter the library.

No need to pre-register, or to bring anything but your questions about sailing, boats, the club, etc! If your schedule means you may be a little late, please come anyway!

Questions,?

Contact: Ellen Greenhorn, Training Coordinator, 908 713 9346.

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Cruising Fleet

On June 17th the Cruising Fleet is excited to participate in **Summer Sailstice 2006**.

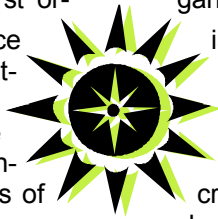
All HSC sailors are encouraged to meet out at Spruce Run's Goose Island on June 17 and join the new Cruising Fleet for their first organized event.

Summer Sailstice is an annual global holiday celebrating sailing on or about the summer solstice, the longest sailing day of the year. In 2006, Summer Sailstice enters it's 6th year, uniting thousands of cruising sailors, yacht racers and pleasure boaters all over the world in celebration of wind, water and sailing.

For further information please contact Cruising Fleet Captain Kevin Pearce.

More information at www.summersailstice.com

- Kevin



Supervised Practice

Beginning Sailors! Come Out to the Lake for some Supervised Practice sessions.

It's my experience, that "knowing where the wind is" can at times be difficult, but "wind awareness" is a critical sailing skill. Beginning and intermediate sailors are invited to practice their skills under the supervision of an instructor. Once you have a better feel for the wind, you will enjoy sailing more and find steering a boat on a close hauled course easier.

Three sessions will be held on Friday June 23, Thursday July 20, and Friday July 21. Each session starts at 6 PM and will end before Sunset. Come as often as you like to improve your boat handling skills. With a little extra practice, I expect you will be more comfortable and better enjoy your time out on the lake.

I plan to review fundamental skills including, wind awareness, getting out of irons, sail-trim and "sailing in the groove". We will also practice the "right of way" rules, sailing near other boats, tacking and jibing.

Bring your own boat or use a HSC Sunfish (if available). If you own a copy of the text, "Start Sailing Right", bring it with you for reference. If you don't own the text, I'll have a copy for your review.

Dates: June 23, July 20, and July 21
 Cost: Free with membership
 Instructor: Elliot Zimmerman
 Questions: call 908-227-8582 or
 email, elliottzimmerman@comcast.net.

If you are planning to attend, contact me, so I can expect you.
 See you there!

- Elliot

Welcome, New Members!

Here is some information on folks who have recently joined our sailing club. Keep a look out for them and let them know we are glad they've joined. We tried to list all new members but may have missed some in our eagerness to go to press. Please let us know if we missed you.

- The Canary family, Tim, Wendy, Alexis (11), and Matthew (7) are from Watchung and have a Precision 21 sailboat. Alexis is signed up for the Youth Learn to Sail I class in late June.
- Sheryl, Michael, Erin (15) and Spencer (12) Carr are from Hampton and currently own no boat. Spencer is planning to take both Youth Learn to Sail I and II classes.
- Ana Marie Castillo from Basking Ridge will be coming to both the Adult Introduction to Sailing class on June 8 and the Adult Learn to Sail class on the water.
- The Ceres family from Lebanon owns a Rocket 22 sailboat. All of the family except for Mark will be taking sailing classes. Mary is enrolled in the Adult Learn to Sail class. Kimberly (15) and Kristina (13) are enrolled in Youth Learn to Sail I.
- Alexander and Irina Khutoretsky are from Millburn and have a Hunter 212 sailboat. Maria and Elena (both 13, are they twins?) are taking the Youth Learn to Sail II class.
- Bradford and Catherine Leigh from Watchung have three children, Brendan (13), Ryan (11) and Collin (8). Brendan and Ryan are enrolled in the Youth Learn to Sail II.
- Kathy Mancuso is from Pittstown and is taking the Adult learn to sail class.
- Amy and Stephen Richards from Greenbrook and children Ryan (11) and Andrew (8) are new members and Ryan will be taking the Youth Learn to Sail I.
- Wim Swyzen, Gigi Swyzen-Bruggeman and children Nils (12), Lisa (14) and Tim (16) are also from Pittstown. Nils is taking both of the Youth Learn to Sail classes.
- The family of John and Mary Lou Thomas from Flemington have daughters Kelly (17) and Sarah (14). Sarah is signed up for Learn to Sail I.

- Barbara and Brent Benson
 New Member Liaisons

WELCOME



SANJL Competitors at HSC



SANJL Competitors at Highlands Lake;

One Fish, Two Fish, Three Fish, Sunfish!

The Twilight series opened this year on May 3 and that night and every night since has seen a good turn-out on the line at 6 PM each Wednesday. The wind has been excellent, although it has died off once the sun goes down.. Pizza and beer at the Sunset have been enjoyed with the majority of sailors staying for libations after racing. We have even had serious and deep discussions on the merits of mushroom pies vs. sausage and pepperoni. Seems mushroom is much healthier for you. Who would have guessed?

Come on out and enjoy midweek racing at its finest! If you don't want to race just come and help on Race Committee, either way be sure to stay for the pizza afterwards.

Sunday Racing in the Sunfish has been growing in popularity! Each week (except for one with really miserable weather) we have had a good turnout and we are looking for more skippers to participate in the fun. If your boat is not ready, or you do not own a boat, you can take out one of the club Sunfish and enjoy the afternoon anyway. So come on out and join the fun!

On May 13, HSC hosted the first SANJL event of the season. The wind was good, the weather warm and the Race Committee excellent, setting three different courses for the four race regatta and executing a course change to boot! Thank you Brent, Barbara and Charlie. Top five finishers were Steve Manson; Kevin Baruchian; Derek Jackson; Scott Callahan and Doug Brown. Susan Mallows won the challenger fleet.

The second SANJL event was held at Highlands Lake on May 20. Again, good weather prevailed although the winds were very fluky. Top five finishes were Derek Jackson; Kevin Baruchian; Steve Manson; Bob Griswold and Doug Brown. Caleb Zimmerman won the challenger series.

The next SANJL event is not until September 16 and it will be held at Lake Hopatcong. The final event of the series will be at Green Pond on October 7. For the full details go to <http://www.sunfishclass.org/midatlantic/sanj1> These events are a great way to meet other people on the Sunfish Circuit.

I hope to see you all at HSC on Wednesday evenings and Sunday afternoons and at Lake Hopatcong in September.

- Susan



Spring Jet Series

In week one of the Spring Series, Brent and Barbara Benson came out of the shoot and took both races, followed by Charlie Engler with Stacey Bachenheimer. Joanna and I were holding up the rear and mingling with the Lasers, Force 5's and Sunfish. The Bensons showed remarkable poise in the extremely light air. Perhaps a "light air seminar" could be arranged?

In week two, "The Charlies" match raced for three races with the Handicap Class. Joanna and I took two of the three races by inches, and Charlie and Anita DeMatteo took the third, again by inches.

Week three brought a cold front and WIND! Guido Bertocci arrived with ace crew Simon and his recently purchased Jibe Tech Jet, 1148. Doug Brown and Susan Mallows stepped out of their other yachts and launched Jibe Tech 1150. Joanna and I rigged Jibe Tech 1151 and the Bensons were in reliable 1007. The race committee set a long "TW" course for the Jets and the three Lasers that ventured out.

In race one, the lead shuffled back and forth to the first mark with 1151 rounding slightly ahead. After the triangle, everybody was back together again. The beat to windward saw many crosses and ducks with Joanna and I recapturing the lead just as we rounded. Downwind the chutes came out and the jets had the opportunity to plane. What a ride! The final beat to windward ended with 1151 just edging Doug and Susan, followed by Brent and Barbara and then Guido and Simon.

The chase boat then tended to some capsized Lasers and Brent and Barbara headed in for the day.

The breeze freshened. At the six-minute gun we swamped when the mainsheet caught on my life vest during a tack. With water just below the centerboard trunk top, Joanna bailed like mad as we reached back and forth with the bailers open. As the starting gun approached we reached up to the line in time to make the start with some extra "moveable water ballast" still on

board. Doug and Susan were kind enough to be over early, which allowed us to round in first followed closely by Guido and Simon. Did I mention that the breeze was up? No chutes on the first tight reach as Guido and Simon passed us to leeward. Looking back we both saw Doug and Susan pop their chute and enjoy an eventful and vocal ride on both legs. By the end of the triangle, they had made up all of their lost ground. No guts, no glory! The windward/leeward leg



saw further lead changes with Doug and Susan rounding in first. The final order of finish was 1150, 1151 and 1148. Doug and Susan sailed a great race grinding back from a major deficit at the start. Congratulations!

Under threatening skies and some attrition, racing was called for the day.

I was pleased to see that all of the boats showed good and equal speed under the conditions. I don't recall a closer series of races in the last two seasons.

May and June present some of the best sailing conditions at HSC, and the water really isn't that cold. There is still time to qualify for the Spring Series. See you on the lake.

- Charlie S

2006 Force 5 Spring Spectacular Mid-Atlantic Regional June 3 & 4

Hunterdon Sailing Club will be hosting the Force 5 Mid-Atlantic Regional on June 3 & 4. The turn-out is looking good. Let's get all our fleet members out for this race! Come out and sail with us. This is a fun group to sail with.

The Spring Series opening day was great. We had the biggest fleet of the day. Way to go F5ers. See you on the water this Sunday!

- Doug

Lasers Beams

In the first three weeks of the sailing season, it seems like we've seen it all: absolute calm with the telltales hanging limply from the sail on one Sunday, and a wild ride across the water through whitecaps and rain the next.

A total of five Laser sailors have braved the elements on one or more occasions to join in and experience the various arts of Laser sailing: Derek Stow, Hitoshi Tanaka, Dave Jenkins, Kait Orr, and Bob Orr. I'm sure that all five would agree that the Laser really is a boat for all kinds of weather, with plenty of fun no matter what the conditions.

Next month, we will report on the results of the Double Dipper Regatta, which hopefully will have brought more Laser sailors out of hibernation. We also hope to see many more of you on Sundays in the coming weeks. "Rain or shine", racing begins each Sunday at 1:30. And don't forget to plan for the NJYRA Laser championship races at Spruce Run on Sunday, July 30.

- Bob

Back of the Fleet Clinic

For skippers who have qualified in any HSC series and regularly finish in the back half. Learn the tricks of the trade and progress to the top half of your fleet. We'll work on starts, the beat to windward and getting the most out of your boat when headed down wind.

Dates

Tuesday, June 6
Thursday, June 8

Time

6 PM to Sunset

Contact: Ellen Greenhorn, Training Coordinator, 908 713 9346.

Schedule Update Training Events

6-Jun	Tues	Back of Fleet Clinic-6 PM
8-Jun	Thur	Back of Fleet Clinic-6 PM
8-Jun	Thur	Adult Lecture- Introduction to Sailing; Clinton Township Library- 6:30 PM
11-Jun	Sun	Boat Show 10:00AM -to Noon
15-Jun	Thur	Adult Learn to Sail; PM
16-Jun	Fri	Adult Learn to Sail; PM
17-Jun	Sat	Adult Learn to Sail; All Day
23-Jun	Fri	Intermediate LTS, 6 PM
26-Jun	Mon	Youth Learn to Sail- Double Handed
27-Jun	Tues	Youth Learn to Sail- Double Handed
28-Jun	Wed	Youth Learn to Sail- Double Handed
29-Jun	Thur	Youth Learn to Sail- Advanced
30-Jun	Fri	Youth Learn to Sail- Advanced
1-Jul	Sat	Youth Learn to Sail- Advanced
1-Jul	Sat	"Sail In"- Fun Team Race, 5 PM -Sunset
2-Jul	Sun	"Tuning and Training" 10 AM - Noon
6-Jul	Thur	Adult Learn to Sail; PM
7-Jul	Fri	Adult Learn to Sail; PM
8-Jul	Sat	Adult Learn to Sail; All Day
9-Jul	Sun	Try a Boat 11 AM (all boats)
15-Jul	Sat	HSC "Crew" Training Date (Rain Date 29-Jul)
20-Jul	Thur	Intermediate LTS, 6 PM
21-Jul	Fri	Intermediate LTS, 6 PM
6-Aug	Sun	Jet14/ Flying Scot Spinnaker Training 10 AM
		
4-Jun	Sun	Spaghetti Dinner Social PM Lasers
11-Jun	Sun	Hot Dog Sunday Sunfish
17-Jun	Sat	Spaghetti Dinner Social PM- Jets
25-Jun	Sun	Hot Dog Sunday- Force 5
4-Jul	Tues	Picnic: Flying Scot & Cruising Fleets
16-Jul	Sun	Spaghetti Dinner Social PM- Sunfish
29-Jul	Sat	Spaghetti Dinner Social PM- Force 5
6-Aug	Sun	Hot Dog Sunday Albacore
13-Aug	Sun	Spaghetti Dinner Social PM- Juniors
27-Aug	Sun	Hot Dog Sunday- Cruising Fleet
3-Sep	Sun	Hot Dog Sunday - Junior Fleet
4-Sep	Mon	Spaghetti Dinner Social PM- Laser
1-Oct	Sun	Hot Dog Sunday- Flying Scot
11-Nov	Sat	Annual Dinner- Sunfish Fleet

Social Events

Plan Ahead Summer Work and Summer Sailing Schedule

Juniors and recent Juniors,

Is school ending soon? Will you be getting a summer job? Summer jobs are a great way for you to be able to afford to buy boat gear, pay regatta entrance fees, or to save up for a new sail! If you enjoy sailing, and would like to sail more, then I suggest that you make sure that the job does not get in the way of sailing.

Decide when you would like to sail. Do you prefer the Twilight Series, Sunday Series, or both? Are there special regattas that you would like to attend? Before you get the job, the manager or interviewer will ask what days and hours you are available to work.

If you want to sail in the Twilight Series and need to be at the lake by 5:30, and it takes 30 minutes to drive to the lake, then tell your future employer that you cannot work Wednesday afternoons and evenings after 4:45 PM. If you want to be at the lake by 3 PM on Wednesdays, then tell them that you can work Wednesdays only before 2 PM.

If you like participating on Sundays, tell the prospective job that you cannot work for them on Sundays before 7 PM.

Also, mention that there are some special events and you won't be able to work on those days. They will probably tell you to tell those dates later, about a month before the dates arrive. Make sure to cover your favorite events, but also make sure to get enough time in at your job!

After you start your summer job, work hard for your employer, look for additional ways you can help them, and give them one month's advance notice of regatta's you would like to attend, and weekly reminders. If you would like to sail on July 4 and in the North American's, tell your employer in writing that you cannot work those dates, approximately one month before of each event.

In this way, you can get the best of both worlds! You can go sailing, and earn some income to both save and spend!

- Nicky

Information Request

Hunterdon Sailing Club is trying to identify which Spruce Run Storage locations are occupied by HSC members. If you have a slip this year, please send your name, boat type, and slip number to Kevin Pearce. Then, please display your HSC Burgee and bumper stickers proudly!

Sunfish Marketplace

Sunfish for sale, old but good hull (cockpit with no cubby-hole) great shape, green.

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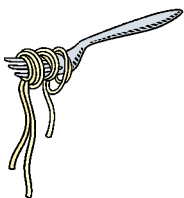
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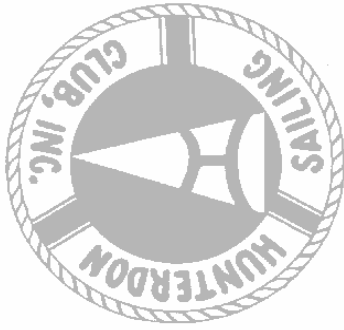
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Ladies	Nicky Einthoven	609-882-3392



Spaghetti Dinner

Don't miss this special event after racing on June 4th! Hosted by the Laser Fleet, relax with a plate of pasta, a cool drink and rehash the day's events.

Available to all members, you don't have to have raced to enjoy this event. So stop by and join the crowd.

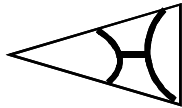


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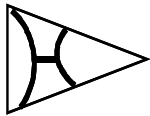
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