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COMMODORE

What a wonderful day it is today. I sit here on the upper veranda of the Sailing Club jotting down notes for this article and I realize how much the Club has changed in the respect of the last five years.

Thanks to the hard work of **Bob Bodish**, the grounds are in magnificent shape. Our Plant Manager, **Jack Hale**, has out done himself this year with his heavy equipment and special green thumb abilities. **Rick Sprowl** and **Jim Dolder**, our Harbormaster dynamic duo, have done what many thought would be another "year off." They completed our dock refurbishment program and made the entry to C-Dock strong enough to last many years.

Yet some things don't change at this Club. The members give their time to make it a special place to come and relax, or play, or race. Which reminds me...I still need to get my boat in. **Bruce Cameron** should be around here somewhere. As I said, some things never change!

As many of you know, I am a lawyer. As a lawyer, I believe that I am a good listener. As your Commodore, I want to listen to your needs and ideas.

Please feel free to contact myself or Vice Commodore **Don Birt** with your ideas or comments...and above all, take time to really enjoy our Club this Summer.

Max Gray, Commodore

HARBORMASTER

Mother's Day Flood

Dangerous storms with high winds brought a flood to our Club this Mother's Day. The lake reached just shy of 795 feet above sea level. That's nearly 5

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feet above summer pool. Everything that could float did. If it wasn't tied down, it floated to different parts of the Club or out into the harbor.

MANY THANKS to all who rescued boats, tied down flapping sails, reset the dinghy dock, and saved F-Dock from damage. **Bob Bodish** worked his rear end off for several days cleaning up the rest of the mess. Be sure to check out the photos on the Racing Bulletin Board.

Gripes

The sections below are not intended to make it seem like I'm taking a hard line, but we've had many justified membership complaints already this year, and the info below is just to spell out the rules. If you're not playing by them, you are being a burden on someone else.

Slips Owners

It's that June 1st deadline time of year again. All boats that belong in a slip need to be in by June 1st. Trailers should be removed from the grounds immediately after launching. No boat with a slip is assigned a dry spot; unless subleasing to someone on the wait list.

After June 1st, if you haven't launched, don't be surprised if you find that I've put someone in your slip. Don't get mad at them, or call them. Get mad at yourself, then call me (or Jim Dolder) to get them moved.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 1	Mayor's Cup Regatta
June 13	Friday Fun Series "Race"
June 13	Junior's Camping/Sailing
June 14	Coast Guard Aux
June 15	Father's Day Brunch
June 21	Junior's Regatta @ ISC
June 21	Sadie Hawkins Regatta

CLUB STATS

Members:	252
Slip waiting List:	64
Water Level:	790.97 (790 normal)

A \$100 fine could also be levied. Let's don't even go there. We have too many good folks on the wait list to waste a slip on a boat that's going to sit on the land all year.

Dry Parking

The annual Dry Park Shuffle has been well underway for several weeks. If you don't find your boat/trailer where you left it, it may be that:

- a) It was in someone's assigned spot
- b) It was in a "prime" spot and unused for a season or more. Find your new assignment on the side of the Sailing School Loft.
- c) It is for sale. In this case, I may have moved it to the left of the paved drive for better visibility for your potential customers
- d) Your membership status has changed from "Family" or "Regular." Inactive, Social etc. members don't have privileges for boats on the grounds.
- e) Your boat is "Abandoned." If you're not a current "Family" or "Regular" member, and you had a boat on the grounds, it may have been towed away by a law enforcement agency.
- f) You couldn't park in your assigned spot because someone else was in it. Not your fault.

Empty Trailers

Winner so far of the "Most Complaints of the Year" award. Please make everyone's life easier, and get it to the farm, unless it has assigned dry parking.

Membership Stickers

ALL boats and ALL trailers must have a current year membership sticker applied. While you're at it, let's get 'em on the dinghy dollies too. The boat sticker goes on the port (left) bow, and the trailer sticker goes as far forward on the left side of the trailer tongue as possible. If you need to remove it to paint or wax, be sure to get a hold of Membership for a new one. There're a lot of older members who know this rule well, but seem to think that an old sticker is just fine. Maybe some good natured ribbing from you will encourage them to get up to date.

Guests

Please remember that Non-Members are not allowed on the grounds unless accompanied by a Member...this especially includes usage of your boat. A boyfriend or girlfriend does not count as a Member.

Docking

The front of your boat should not extend over the edge of the dock. The docks are narrow enough as it is for safe walking. A properly adjusted "spring line" is all you need and will save your bow from wind damage. If you're not sure how to set one, don't be shy. Just ask anyone you see. It's hard to find a sailor that can't wait to offer advice.

Look for Parking and Slip information to be moved to the left side of the Sailing School sail loft.

All that said, so far it's been a great season. A little chilly yeah, but it's starting to warm up.

Special Thanks to **Jim Dolder** for taking over the Harbormaster helm for me for the last couple of weeks.

See ya' in Paradise.

Rick Sprowl, Harbormaster

RACING

Important Racing News!

Spring Series Awards Presentation:

After giving it some thought and talking to many racers, we've decided to throw a PARTY following the spring series to hand out the hardware instead of waiting till the Final Bash. Spring Series Awards will be presented on Saturday, August 9th about 6:30pm in the lower shelter at the Club. A racing party/cookout/campout is in the planning to follow. Stay tuned for more details. Fall Series and other racing awards will still be presented at the Final Bash.

Change in Schedule:

The J-24 Match Race will be held on Saturday, September 13th. There was a scheduling conflict with ISC on the 20th. Details in August Telltales.

ECSC Regatta & Multi-Hull Challenge is July 12th and 13th. Get wet with us on the blustery waters of Eagle Ocean. A challenge has been extended to the "other side" to see who can bring out the most multi-hulls on the HOT summer Eagle Creek weekend to fly the hull. OK...ECSC multi-hull owners, time to clean off the spider do-do, bleach the tramp, put your numbers back on, and get your multi-hull ready for a great regatta and party. See NOR this issue.

The Spring Series is under way with only one race cancelled as of this writing. Participation is about the same as last year. Again, RED fleet has the biggest numbers so far. WHITE fleet... where are you (boats with PHRF rating of 203 and up)? Only two boats on average have been out so far in White. Still plenty of time to get in enough races to qualify and win a series award. Picture yourself flying that ECSC BURGEE (alias brag flag) from your rigging the rest of this summer! "D" fleet has had a number of competitors give it a try on a shorter course and their own start. If you've not raced before...give "D" fleet a try...it's really FUN!

There's been a couple of NO SHOWS for Race Committee Duty. Have you checked the schedule? It was published

and distributed in the TellTales. It's posted on the Race Bulletin Board and on the website, too. Please check to see when it's your turn. Reminders are not being sent. If you can't make your assigned date, please TRADE with someone and change the schedule on the bulletin board. If, at the last minute, you cannot make it, please call **Charlie** (513-8698) or **Bruce** (605-6265) so we're not waiting around wondering if you're going to show up. It's not much fun...trust me. No Shows...walk the gang plank!

The Spring Series goes on till July 16th (Wednesdays) and July 20th (Sundays). Fall Series begins the following week. The first Friday Night Fun Race was held May 9th and four boats took part. Next Friday race is June 13th.

Other Racing News:

The first of the INDY HIGHLANDER CHALLENGE Regattas was held the weekend of May 17-18 at ISC. Two ECSC boats competed, **Tyler Andrews/Jason Hubbard** & crew and **Charlie Brehob** & crew making the trek to Geist for good winds in a 6-race series which was won by Tom Kling, ISC. Fortunately for the ISC sailors, both ECSC crews had difficulties with Tyler & crew losing their mast before the first race and Charlie falling overboard in the last race. Oh well...we'll get 'em back at the Mayor's Cup!

Remember, all we wanna do is have some fun!!

Charlie Brehob, Race Chairman

Bruce Cameron, Assistant RC

LADIES' RACING

LADIES' RACING "CHALLENGE SERIES"

It's time to show the world how lovely and talented we skipperinas really are!! We will be challenging ourselves and each other on the basis of points accumulated throughout the two racing series. Included will be all races and regattas (excluding the Friday Nite Fun Races and Saturday Match Races} here at ECSC and away. It's simple: 1 point for Crew Work, 2 points for Skippering. We will be responsible for keeping our own tally of points on the master sheet...which is posted on the racing bulletin board. **This is more than a participation award!!** The idea is to give the hardworking lady crewmembers and daring skipperinas credit where credit is due.

SADIE HAWKINS REGATTA

Mark your calendars for Saturday, June 21. We will be doing our turnabout race where the ladies pick the boat they want to skipper and their (male) crew. So fellas, don't be surprised when one of the lovely and talented skipperinas comes a'courtain. This will be a PHRF race.

Plan to have your boats on the water by 11:00am. We will have a short skippers meeting at the shelter at 11:00am with the first race beginning about noon. We hope to sail 2-3 races. As always, we will follow with refreshments. There will be a sign-up sheet posted for participants, race committee, safety boat, and refreshments.

Janet Hickok, Leading Lady

SAFETY AND EDUCATION

Here's some Capsize Recovery Tips:

Dingy sailors practice righting a boat themselves, and it's always best to have the sailors right the boat. Only step-in when they're too weak or when they're in danger. If it is determined by the sailor that help is needed, prepare to use the "Mast Tip" or "Centerboard Push" methods described below.

Mast Tip: On the safety boat, keep the propeller clear of the sails, rigging, and any people in the water. With the sailor on the centerboard, approach the mast tip and put the engine in neutral as soon as you have it in hand. Lift the tip and work the powerboat in and under until you have righted the boat. If the sailor is weak or too tired to pull himself into the cockpit, you can tip the boat toward them and then scoop them into the boat.

Centerboard Push: Again, keep the propeller clear of the capsized boat, sails, and rigging. It's critical to keep the safety boat away from the people in the water. Before you approach the centerboard, have the sailor swim to the mast tip to prevent a turtle. Once you have the centerboard and your engine in neutral or turned off, have the sailor swim into the scoop position...ready to grab the gunwale as it comes out of the water. Press down on the centerboard and grab the gunwale to pull the boat up. The sailor will grab the other gunwale then the hiking straps and scoop themselves into the cockpit.

ECSC SAILCAMP starts June 10th. Be there or be a square knot!

Sailing School BASIC TRAINING opens June 7th at 9:30am. More details on the website. Come out and learn to tie a square knot and sail too!

COAST GUARD AUX. is on site Saturday, June 14th from 10:30am until 1:00pm for courtesy boat inspections.

The JUNIOR REGATTA hosted by ISC on June 21st should be great fun for our Junior sailors. Lunch included for a \$5 cover at the door....I mean ramp.

Thank you, **Tom Goble**, for the special design and work on the Junior Sailing window transfer. Please see me if you don't have one! Thanks for supporting our youths!!

Sail, have fun, enjoy life!

Bob Hickok, Safety/Education

MEMBERSHIP

I've been working at the Track the month of May. That means, I have some catching up to do.

We have three new members. They are:

Eric & Kathleen Jones with children **Katherine** and **Madeline** and their C-22 "Bad Lattitude."

Ron Landbloom and his Ultimate-20 "The Ultimate Curragh."

Patric & Maria Rhoda with children **Danny** and **Gordy** and their Snipe-16.

This brings our membership to 252 including ten new members so far this year...and the phone is still ringing with more prospects.

Also, member **Rick A. Taylor** is reconditioning trailers; which includes: rust removal, painting, welding, and electrical. Estimates are free! Call 317-272-5105.

Up Periscope!

George Alyea, Membership

SOCIAL

Despite the weather and high water, the Mother's Day Brunch was a huge success. **Bill Harrington** has been hosting this event for such a long time, we can't remember exactly how many years, but it does show in how well the event is run. A big thank you to **Bill, Rich White, Paul & Pat Schenkel**, and **Bruce Roberts** for pulling it all together.

By the time you get this, **Jack & Karen Hale** will have hosted the Memorial Day cookout.

Don't forget the Fathers' Day bunch on Sunday, June 15th. **Roger & Julie Black** will be hosting the event and are looking for a few members to volunteer to help out at this event. Please call them if you are available at 773-7396.

Cheryl Roberts, Social

TAILER'S TIPS & TALES

Welcome to another pointless, yet riveting, episode of Tailer's Tips and Tales. Merciless **Evan "Da Editor"** is badgering me for a few more lines again. It's the beginning of summer, so let's make it short.

Go Sailing right now!

What were you doing anyway? Well, this rag just hit your mailbox and you have just arrived home from work. Soooo ... now you are in the bathroom reading this stuff when you should be filling a cooler with you-know-what and heading out to you-know-where. Where, you ask? To your boat, of course. That is because the sun is shining on your boat, just like always. Do not forget to get some gas on your way out and stop for two-stroke oil if you are like me and not quite environmentally sound.

If you forget your chairs for the chair party, they will be provided by all of your friends. I wish that I had stock in foldable chairs, I'd retire right now. Collectively, our Club members have enough of these chairs to share a seat with all the heroes in the 101st airborne on any given day. Speaking of the military, I sure miss **Karl Walther** the Air Boss. The sooner he gets back to us, the better I will feel. Karl, get back soon and bring some snapshots to the chair party.

Have you seen C-Dock yet? It is a true work of art and even the new woodwork misses **Rhonda Sue Ross**. Maybe **Bill Freihofer** will take over the job of organizing C-Dock parties. Pollinator ... are you listening? Leave the plants to themselves for a weekend and invite all of your Club buddies to a party. Just because **Mark Sublett** and Sue Ross have moved to Florida doesn't mean that the fun has to stop. Heck, their old boats are still hanging onto the dock waiting for their new owners. **Rick Sprowl** and the amazing spring work party guys built it. Let's party on it!

Some savory tips for you:

Tip 1) New guys, there is a bar that extends from the promontory at the north point of our channel. It is shallow there and will bugger up your keel. Head out to near the middle of the lake before you turn north...just to be safe. Ask anyone, you will want to miss it on your way out of the channel. Later on in the year when the water level drops, even shallow draft folks can find it.

Tip 2) Go night sailing and anchor off in a cove to camp. Bring breakfast stuff in your cooler for the morning and use the grills on the grounds to cook. The showers in the heads upstairs have soft water; see for yourself. Be sure to charge your batteries so that you have some lights. Leave the mast top, 360 degree, white one on all night for your safety and the safety of others.

Tip 3) Go racing this year in the beginner fleet and come to the weenie roasts on Wednesday nights. This time all of the Catalina 22 folks need to be there to dominate the fleet. I sure wish **Terry Killen** would bring out the Coney Dog fixins again. Terry?

Tip 4) It is never too early to work on your Chili recipe for the Hornback. **Kelly Mallaby** has moved to California. Now anyone can win! I sure will miss her Jack Daniel's bread pudding though. I guess I'll miss **Mark Mallaby's** patented boat ramming techniques during Wednesday night races too. New folks with mighty personalities will be required to fill in for them. Is this you? New guys with attitude apply here: TailerECSC@aol.com. I have some ideas.

Tip 5) The truth doesn't hurt unless it ought to.

Tip 6) When renting a car for a couple of days, splurge and get the convertible (or whatever).

Tip 7) Never underestimate the power of a kind word or deed.

Seven is a lucky number, I'll stop now. Stay tuned for more lines ...

Tailer, Investigative reporter embedded with the Eagle Ocean Navy advance team.

Tom Moore or R. Thomas Moore

You wanted to communicate with which Tom Moore? There are two of us at the Club. Several members are confusing Tom Moore (co-owner) of Sailboats, Inc. and R. Thomas Moore, your Treasurer. My address and telephone number are in the directory.

R. Thomas Moore, Treasurer

ONE MEMBER'S STORY

It seems ironic that my fascination with boats began in my grandparents' house in the very untropical city of Terre Haute, Indiana.

My grandfather, a long-time employee of Standard Oil Co., won a trip to Jamaica and was sharing his vacation via a slide show on the wall of their family room. We have all suffered through these mind-numbing experiences, but this night a fire was lit.

Vibrant colors and glistening natives leapt off the wall and threatened to turn the small ranch house into a limbo pit.

But what really stuck with me was the color of the water and the boats that were on it. My 10-year-old mind was made up that I would someday visit this faraway land in the middle of the Caribbean Sea.

Some twenty years later the goal was reached. **Pam** and I were married and a honeymoon to Jamaica was booked. My love of the lower latitudes was established and several trips to other islands followed. But the one constant of our trips was a draw to the local harbors. The logical side of my brain would not allow me to believe that people actually traveled over oceans in sailboats, let alone actually live on them year round.

About this same time our good friend **Mark Sublett** introduced us to sailing Hoosier style in his Sunfish on the lake behind our apartment. As is usually the case with Mark, we had a good time and began to realize you didn't have to own a 40-foot sloop in St. Martin to enjoy this addictive pastime. As Mark moved up to a Catalina 22 and joined the Sailing Club, our fun factor increased to the point where we wanted a boat of our own.

About four years ago, Capt. Sublett moved to Bradenton and the Breeze Tease became ours. It has been quite a learning curve with a long way to go, but sometimes when I'm scrubbing the deck or tacking into a warm summer wind, I think about that slideshow at my late grandparents' house and where it has led. Paradise is where you find it.

Brian Norman

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1976 Reinell 22' Sailboat, main and 150% genoa, Honda 9.9 (needs repair), Danforth anchor, new battery, bumpers, cabin and cockpit cushions, cockpit table, swim ladder, full headroom in cabin, sleeps 3 or 4, sink, alcohol stove, ice refrigerator, dining table, port-a-potty, E-Z loader tandem axle trailer, great cruising boat. Asking \$3,500, call 290-8857 or 587-5096 or williamsd@tce.com

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J22 Hull #466, excellent sail inventory, very good condition, easy load trailer, would consider trade for fishing boat \$8,900. Tom Cartwright (317) 873-6737 or tcartwright@indy.rr.com.

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2003 SOCIAL/RACING CALENDAR

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>CHAIRPERSONS</u>
Mayor's Cup Regatta	Sat. May 31/ Jun 1	Tim Hollingsworth
Father's Day Brunch	Sun. Jun 15th, 11:30am	Roger & Julie Black
July 4th Pig Roast	Fri. Jul 4th, 5:00pm	Greg & Carole Dellova Branham
ECSC Regatta	Sat. Jul 12/13	Charlie Brehob
Spring Series Awards/Campout	Sat. Aug 9th, 6:30pm	Charlie Brehob
Commodore's Dinner/Dance	Sat. Aug 16th, 6:00pm	Max & Judy Gray
Highlander E-Cup	Sat. Aug 23rd	
5 for 5 Regatta	Sat. Aug 30th	
Labor Day Cookout	Mon. Sep 1st, 5:00pm	Rich & Angie White
Governor's Cup Regatta	Sat. Sep 6/7	Jack Hale
J-24 E-Cup Match Race	Sat. Sep 13th	
Hornback Regatta	Sat, Oct 11/12	Le Roy Leeman
Chili Cookoff	Sat. Oct 11th, 5:30pm	Roger & Michelle Knapp
Final Bash	Sat. Nov 1st, 6:00pm	Bruce & Cheryl Roberts
Thanksgiving Regatta	Fri. Nov 28th	

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2003 BOARD MEETINGS

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