



Waterline

KEOWEE SAILING CLUB

November 2014

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2015 FLAG OFFICERS

Commodore - Adam Robinson

Vice Commodore - Chris Zander

Secretary - Sharon Hamilton

Treasurer - Sam Secrest

STEWARDS

Steve Barnes - Kip Goodman - Mark Halstead - Rick Harper
Bill Hurni - David Strickland



COMMODORE'S CORNER

Congratulations to the newly-elected Flag Officers and Stewards! As Past Commodore, I will look forward to serving with you to steer KSC through yet another year. We will enter the new year in exceptionally good shape with newly renovated and powered docks, a reconstructed and improved committee boat, additional outside lighting, and an absence of rodents in the club house! All of which will allow us to focus our attention on SAILING!

Thank you to the 2014 BOS and other members who participated in the November board meeting. Treasurer Sam Secrest presented the Proposed 2015 Budget which was reviewed and critiqued thoughtfully and thoroughly. The budget was approved after some modifications were made to increase the emphasis on our real reason for existing: SAILING!

Remember to SAVE THE DATE for the Second Annual CHANGE OF WATCH CELEBRATION on JANUARY 24!

ADULT SAILING CLASS: to be offered by Sam Secrest to all adult club members and juniors that have completed Sail Camp.

A few of the items to be covered:

1. Vocabulary: i.e. what is a halyard? What does it do? When do you use it?
2. How sailboats work? Or The mystery of sailing upwind.
3. How to control your boat: Steering, Basics of Sail trim, Boat Balance
4. How to be comfortable on your boat. How much sail is too much? What are the rules of the road on the water? Who has right of way?
5. Crewing and teamwork: tacking, gybing, sail handling, docking and anchoring.



This course will begin in early January of 2015. Much of the vocabulary and the physics of sailing can be done via email and the internet. Yes, there will be tests. During the winter we will meet and sail or learn other useful skills when weather permits. When the weather permits, we will have experienced skippers and crew members coaching. As the weather warms up we will be helping you develop your skills on the boat.

If interested, please send Sam and email at: samsecrest0617@gmail.com

Turkey Shoot Regatta by Rob Kaiser

Saturday began with an ominous weather forecast of 25 to 30 MPH winds out of the northwest gusting to over 40 MPH and a high temperature for the day only reaching the mid 40's. Fortunately, only the temperature forecast was correct. The winds were 13 to 16 with gusts to 20 at race time. The "C" Fleet was sent on a course from the start, to island #5, to the south research buoy, back to the north research buoy and a finish in front of the RC Boat which was anchored by the dam just east of the Club house. Nine boats started. Seven boats finished with one retiring shortly after the start and Kip Smith, in his modified Thistle, retiring after flipping near the south research buoy and accepting assistance from one of the safety boats. Bill Anderson was first to finish in his J-80 followed closely by John Rice in his J-70. A windward leeward course was set up for the keel boats, multi-hulls and dinghies. Two multi-hulls, four keel boats and no dinghies came out to start the first race which went without a hitch until Terry Keane lost control of his spinnaker just before the finish leaving his fore-deck crew clinging to the mast for dear life. The second race for the multi-hulls and keel boats was started in winds of 14 to 18 with gusts over 20. Only two multi-hulls and two keel boats remained to brave the conditions. Rick Harper in his Moore 24 and Rob Baldwin in his J-24 had a close and exciting-to-watch match race in the keel boat division. Adam Robinson was the only multi-hull to complete the course.

Sunday, while forecast to be a nice 6 to 8 out of the northwest, brought the usual Lake Keowee light and variable winds the day after a good blow, and many additional boats came out to race. The "C" Fleet was sent on a course from the start around the north research buoy, to the south research buoy, back to the north research buoy and then finish at the RC Boat. The wind almost completely died right after the start delaying the starts for the multi-hulls, keel boats and dinghies until the "C" Fleet could clear the starting area. The multi-hulls, keel boats and dinghies got one race in, shortened at the second leeward mark, with wind that varied greatly in speed and direction. The distance race was also shortened in the interest of time. See full results for the Turkey Shoot Regatta below.



Pictures from Sam Secrest



TURKEY SHOOT 2014 RESULTS

PHRF A FLEET

1st - Rick Harper, Moore; 2nd - Rob Baldwin, J-24; 3rd - Terry Keane J-22; 4th - Joe Hiller, Capri 25; 5th - John Rice, J-70; 6th - Herve Chassin, ultimate 20

DISTANCE SPORTBOAT FLEET

1st - Bill Anderson, J-80; 2nd - Rockie English, Capri 25; 3rd - John Rice, J-70 Distance

CRUISING A FLEET

1st - Bill Anderson, S2 27 IB; 2nd - Donna Meyeur, Catalina 320 WK

CRUISING B FLEET

1st - Ed Stoll & Nancy Herbert, O day 27-2 IB; 2nd - Mike Mopps, O day 27 IB; 3rd - Mark Halstead, Hunter 25.5; 4th - Kip Smith, Thistle; 5th - Bob Lanning, Capri 22

MULTI-HULL LOW FLEET

1st - Adam Robinson, Formula 18 Slpspi; 2nd - Warren Mitchell, A ClassCat; 3rd - Jake Kohl, Formula 18 Slpspi; 4th - Jack Wise, Formula 16 spi; 5th - Rob & Amanda Setili, Formula 16 spi; 6th - Jordanna Wilson, Formula 18 Slpspi

FLYING SCOT FLEET

1st - Glenn Kats, 2nd - David Smith, 3rd - Rob Copps

OPEN DINGHY FLEET

1st - Dan Eskew Y-Flyer; 2nd - Glen Kats, Flying Scot; 3rd - David Smith, Flying Scot; 4th - Rob Copps, Flying Scot



Keelboat Championship for 2014 as Viewed from the Committee Boat by Sam Secrest

We arrived on Saturday November 8th to a beautiful fall day and 9 boats competing for the Keelboat Championship at KSC. The Race Committee's first move was to postpone due to insufficient wind from a consistent direction. A high pressure system teased us into starting the first race of the day in 0-2 mph. There were no ripples on the water at the start, but the boats were moving; an unusual phenomenon where the air is moving above the water and does not show any ripples on the water. John and Mary Jane Rice rounded the windward mark in a J-70 first and moved away from the fleet. As the boats came around the first mark they scattered across the course from one small puff to another rejoining at the leeward mark. After 2 1/2 legs of the race, the predicted wind from the west started to fill in. We finished the first race with Rick Harper and crew taking first on The Pearl and quickly reset the course for the new wind direction. It was a pleasure working with the Dinghy Fleet Racers, John Sensor, Doug French, David Smith, Glenn Kats, Ray Tobias, Bill Bass, Barbara Smith, and Rod Andrew helping get the course set and reset.

The second race was a longer course of about 1 mile between marks with wind between 6 & 8 mph. The cooler air felt stronger than the anemometer read. Defying the PHRF handicaps Rick and crew were around the windward mark first with John and Mary Jane not far behind. Andre Pool was surprisingly fast in these races. He will bear watching. Jack & Becky Wise were sailing a borrowed J-80 with a ginormous white spinnaker (film at 11 pm.) Bill & Jill Hurni were sailing their Capri 26 and were making it sail better than their handicap in their competition with Adam Robinson sailing a Capri 22. Fifty eight minutes and a few seconds from the starting gun John Rice and Rick Harper had a photo finish with John just 7 seconds ahead. Unfortunately for John, his boat's handicap number is much lower than Rick's, so The Pearl took another first.

The 3rd race was the same course which we shortened after 3 legs to the windward mark. It was a different race, but the same result for the Black Pearl and crew. We had one more race on Sunday. The wind was very light again with the same results as Rick Harper & crew sailed flawlessly for the whole event.

KEELBOAT CHAMPIONSHIP 2014 RESULTS

PHRF A FLEET

1st - Rick Harper, Moore; 2nd - John Rice, J-70; 3rd - Rob Baldwin, J-24; 4th - Andre Pool, S2 7.9; 5th - Jack Wise, J-80; 6th - Joe Hiller, Capri 25; 7th - Herve Chassin, Ultimate 20

PHRF C FLEET

1st - Bill Hurni, Capri 26 WK OB; 2nd - Adam Robinson, Capri 22

MEMBERSHIP - Denny Smith

Pablo & Maria Acevedo have been approved by the BOS and are now eligible for regular membership. Total membership with regular and provisional is at 219.

WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS



Scott and Susan Brier live in Hendersonville, NC. They are both self employed. He is in marketing communications and she is in graphic design. They owned a San Juan 23 and raced on Candlewood Lake, CT and crewed on Long Island Sound. Right now they are looking for a 25' to 28' cruising boat.

Aziz Ghondnoosh and Shookouh Raisst-Ford are both Pediatricians at the Pediatric Center in Greenville, where they live. They are looking forward to getting involved in learning to sail and participating in club events.



CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP 2014 - OPEN DINGHY

1st - Mike Neidig, MC Scow; 2nd - Rick Harper, MC Scow; 3rd - Hank Goodman, Coronado 15;
4th - John Sensor, Flying Scot; 5th - Bob Graves, Flying Scot; 6th - Doug French, Flying Scot;
7th - David Smith, Flying Scot; 8th - Glenn Kats, Flying Scot; 9th - Jim Dunlap, O day 12

TOYS FOR KIDS



The KSC version of Toys for Tots, will be held on Saturday, December 13 from 4pm until 6pm, after the Frostbite 3 race.

KSC will provide appetizers and drinks. Attendees are asked to bring a new, unwrapped toy, or to make a contribution to be used to purchase a gift.

The toys will be distributed locally by DSS.

Join your KSC friends for some Christmas spirit and brighten the life of a child!

Questions? Call Linda Fortson at 864-885-9050.



SAVE THE DATE



SATURDAY, JANUARY 24, 2015 - CHANGE OF WATCH

WHAT'S COMING UP IN DECEMBER

- 6 - Awards Dinner
- 13 - BOS meeting
- 13 - Toys for Kids
- 13 - Frostbite 3
- 18 - Chick's Luncheon