



July / August 2005 Edition

Upcoming events

Make room on your schedule for a full Fall Racing Season

Sept 3-4 -- LNYC Labor Day Regatta (NOR available on the website)

Sept 7 -- Wed Night Series awards

Sept 8 -- OYC Board Meeting

Sept 17-18 -- PYC Peninsula Cup Regatta

Oct 1 -- OYC 150 Bridge Race

Oct 14-16 -- OYC Pursuing the Cure for Huntington's Disease Regatta

BOTY Update

Remember way back when we announced the Boat of the Year Award? Well, it's time to report the standings to date. In the Spinnaker fleet Pearl of Great Price is in the lead with 3.0 points followed by Fast Times with 2.677 points. In the Non-Spin fleet Life o' Riley has a big lead with 4.631 points with Check Six in the second spot with 2.612 points. There are still the results from the WNS and 6 events yet to be run before the winners will be determined so it's not over yet. Look here for the complete ranking of all boats to date. Boat of the Year standings are available on the website.

Steve Battel



Report from the Commodore

The Nominating Committee, consisting of rising Commodore Steve Battel as well as rising Board Members John Scott, John Guthrie, and Neil Liner, has convened to identify leaders for 2006.

Outrigger Yacht Club will need, at minimum, a Rear Commodore to take responsibility for the Membership and Social/Cruising Committees. There is in place a Membership Committee Chairperson, so should the new Rear decide to retain him, the only responsibility will be to build a Social Committee to plan and execute various social events. These events include the Chili Cook-off, the Frogmore Stew, raft-up and cruising opportunities and various events surrounding our races. We've developed a Social Committee Manual that outlines all the duties, responsibilities and procedures for these functions.

We will also need to identify At-Large Board Members, possibly a Newsletter Editor, and Fleet Captains for 2006.

Full members in good standing and their spouses/significant others are qualified candidates.

We want to continue to provide the best in PHRF handicap racing opportunities for the Lake Norman area. Please consider giving back to the Club...If you cannot, consider whom else in the Club you would like to see in a leadership role and make suggestions to any member of the Nominating Committee. Your involvement is appreciated.

Respectfully,

Doug Riley
Commodore - 2005



Report from the Vice-Commodore:

The first half of the Wednesday Night Series (WNS) completed on June 22 and congratulations are due to division winners Chuck Lineberry, Mike Brawley, Andrew Howell, Doug Riley and Shari Marcus. The second half of the series is underway leading up to the final race on August 31 with an awards ceremony (OK it's really a party) on Sept. 7 where the trophies for the second half and overall awards will be presented. Lets hope that the wind and weather continue to cooperate and we have more great racing till the series ends.

Upcoming events are the Labor Day Regatta on Sept 3rd and 4th at LNYC. In addition to what should be great racing there will be Dinner followed by Music and Dancing. Find all the details and notice of race on the website.

Also on Sept. 17th and 18th PYC will be hosting the Peninsula Cup. Details on this regatta will be available in the near future. I hear rumors that there may be a new trophy up for grabs so keep the weekend open to and plan to participate for the greater glory of OYC.

The next OYC sponsored races will be that long distance marathon the '150 Bridge Race' on Oct 1st followed by the 'Pursuing the Cure for Huntington's Disease Regatta' and then the Wilmer Cup on Nov 5th and 6th. Mark your calendars and come join in the fun. Details on these events will available nearer to the date of the races.

See you on the water

Steve Battel – Vice Commodore



Report from the Rear Commodore:

I have been told that the sailing conditions have been unusually favorable this spring and summer. I hope than many of you have had an opportunity to enjoy time aboard a sailing vessel.

As we approach fall sailing it is time to consider how we spend our . . . "messin' about in boats. . ." time. There has been some discussion held regarding the viability of "non-traditional" events for OYC members. (Or even lake wide.)

From the following list I hope will come events that provide us with quality time on the lake. Never lose sight of the fact that a really bad day on the boat is better than a good day at work.

1. Chinese Fire Drill, (CFD,) Regatta:

- ❖ **0900 - 1030:** Skippers meeting and continental breakfast raft-up at Betties-Ford launch ramp. Shuttle service will be provided by Carolina Marine from the "mooring field" to shore.
- ❖ Skippers / Owners provide the R/C with current Crewmembers names to be placed in a "hat".
- ❖ The Skipper / Owner of a respective vessel draw names out of the hat until their normal Crew positions are filled. If a name is pulled that is a current crewmember. . .back in the hat.
- ❖ **1300 - until:** CFD is held consisting of two or three "short, round the buoy" type races. The entire regatta shall be non-spin in order to prevent skippers / owners from reaching unacceptable levels of frustration with "new crews"
- ❖ **1600 -1800:** Cook out awards ceremony. Having reached the height of mediocrity some lucky skipper and new crew will be the FIRST to get their Tube steaks and adult beverage of their choice.

2. Le Mans Start Regatta:

- ❖ All vessels are at anchor, skippers ashore, start signal is given, skippers row, swim, (those that are of the belief they can,) walk to their boats and the race is off.
- ❖ Details to be fine-tuned so as to remain safe and fun.

3. Coastal Cruising Adventure:

- ❖ As needed number of vessels are chartered out of Oriental, NC, for a "three day cruise" Arrive Thurs. evening.
- ❖ Spend the night in Oriental, NC. Early Fri. morning breakfast and cast off, head across the Neuse River destination Beaufort.
- ❖ Spend afternoon and evening in Beaufort.
- ❖ Night sail to the Cape Lookout National Seashore. Spend the night rafted up in the Lookout bight.
- ❖ Sail to backside Shackelford banks raft up Sat. explore island,
- ❖ Sat. night at the Beaufort Dockhouse for land based meal, adult beverages and entertainment.

Please email me at hmacdonald@select-yachts.com and provide input as to what you and your crew would enjoy. Vote for **1, 2 or 3** and I will begin making preparation accordingly.

Happy Sails to You
Respectfully,
Bringing up the Rear
Harry

As per Outrigger Yacht Club Racing Policy...

Each member entering a boat in any Club-sponsored event will have a Lake Norman Keelboat Council PHRF Rating certificate for that boat. We have provided a copy of the PHRF Rating Request Form on the website at www.outriggeryachtclub.org. A rating is free. If you do not have a rating please go to the website, obtain a form, complete it and mail it to the address listed.