



WFSC Hard-a-Lee

Newsletter of the Wichita Falls Sailing Club

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COMMODORES CORNER

March (Wow!), we really have a lot of good things going on in March.

March 10, Thursday 7 PM. fleet meeting for Flying Scot, Sunfish and all boat owners will be getting together to set a race schedule for 2016 (see Lee's article in this Hard a Lee).

March 26, Saturday 10:30 AM (with lunch break) Sailing Clinic by Bill Drehiem of GUS Sails. It will be extremely informative with things that you will retain for racing and just plain sailing. IN 44 yrs. I don't remember anything like this in regard to sailing skills and knowledge that you can use for the rest of your life. There will be more to follow so plan to come.

Dinghy Dock--The club is building a floating dinghy dock (8 X12) to be located in NW corner of ramp with a walkway. Should be in place by late March. Will be an asset for launching and retrieving dinghies.

Please contact board members about general operations of your club!

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REMEMBER TO TURN IN YOUR BID ON THE SAN JUAN 21 (500.00 plus)

Steve Priester

Donated Boat to be Auctioned

A generous member has donated a boat to the sailing club. The Board has decided to place that boat up for auction to the membership, the proceeds of the sale to go to the club. It is a San Juan 21 and is parked on its trailer on the club grounds. Included in the sale are the title, 2 sails, old motor, trailer, etc. The boat does need some work, according to Steve Priester.



If you are interested, mail your sealed, signed bid to:

WFSC

San Juan 21

PO Box 4849

Wichita Falls, TX 76308-0849

No bids under \$500 will be considered. In case of matching high bids, those members who tied will have a chance to add to their bid. The bids will be opened at the March 3rd Board Meeting at 7 PM at the clubhouse. If you have any questions, contact Steve Priester 781-7016.

WFSC AND GUS SAILS presents a SAIL TRIM AND RACE CLINIC

Bill Drehiem, sailmaker & small boat racer, is conducting a clinic at WFSC. Your club is sponsoring for you this great clinic with information that you can learn from and build on. Novice and experienced sailors will gain insight to use on the water at this informative and eye opening clinic. At whatever level you see yourself; there will be many interesting ideas to build on (cruising, racing, etc.). It will be held on shore at the club.

Bill's background in sailing is great: US Thistle Champion sailor, along with Flying Scots, Scows, J boats and many others. His sailmaking skills got him there (North Sails, Ullman, and his own loft GUS Sails).

There will be more info to follow, but start planning. This event is scheduled for Saturday, March 26, at the club. That event is tentatively set for 10:30 a.m., with a lunch break

STEVE PRIESTER

Racing news

FLEET MEETING

The annual WFSC Fleet Meeting has been scheduled for Thursday March 10 at 7 p.m. at the Clubhouse.

With a full lake for a change, the upcoming season holds many more possibilities for racing and sailing at Lake Arrowhead. In recent drought-stricken years, we had to get by with racing very small boats. Then the Flying Scots were able to get back into the water after the big rains last summer, and they got in some very good racing.

Flying Scot Fleet 170 will show up again at this year's fleet meeting and will outline a full slate of one-design events. But other boats can get on the schedule too, if those skippers express an interest in developing a fleet. The Sunfish fleet and other small dinghies could warrant a racing schedule, if there is sufficient interest. Also, we have enough big boats in the slips right now to form up a handicap fleet. Do any of those skippers want to race?

Sailors don't have to be experienced or knowledgeable to race in club events. If you have any interest (but are afraid you "don't know what you're doing" yet), just ask a few questions and get out there and in on the fun. A handicap "big boat" fleet might be a good starting point for a novice.

Also, there is at least one Sunfish that is available to be borrowed, should anyone want to try out that type of action. Contact Bill Robison for information.

If you want to race, or crew, in 2016, show up at the Fleet Meeting and help us organize a memorable season.

Club Day

Do you ever desire to work on your boat, but wish there was someone around who could offer advice or assistance? That's the premise behind Club Day. Our first Club Day will be March 17. It's also a good day to just come out and enjoy the lake, whether sailing or lounging.

******* Next Board Meeting will be March 3 at the clubhouse, 7PM *******

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