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Commodore's Corner by Brad Thompson

Congratulations to you sailors who were victorious at the Championship Series Regattas. For the most part this summer we've had plenty of wind and many fine competitive races. Our thanks to all the sponsors of the Regattas and the WYC for running a great Jimmy Fund Race.

As the season has progressed, it has become very apparent that we, as a club, are becoming more sophisticated in not only our sailboat racing ability, but also in our overall knowledge of sailboat racing. Last year I often said, "Let's walk before we run," concerning the overall running of all aspects of racing. Now, a year later, it's time we started running.

Recent protests and conflicts indicate we must fine tune our local racing instructions and the technical running of our races. Rules such as the two knot average speed requirement, the 15 minutes to finish behind the first boat and other regulations must be re-thought.

An exact race course measuring technique (Loran) is now installed and operational on "Witch Way," our committee boat. A radio is being installed, and we'll all be able to monitor channel 16. The committee boat and chase boat will become more familiar with flag signals, recalls (if necessary) and shortening of a course in light air. Course changes due to wind shifts will occur also.

All the mentioned items are critical to the LWYRA's continued growth. As Commodore I cannot assume a problem will work itself out. A problem in our rules and/or operations must be recognized and rectified before it is discovered during a race and hence creates a conflict.

We as a club are now "running" and not "walking." With this running has come a new set of problems. We'll work them out together, through committee work and good communications. Stay high on the course – see you at the next corner.



Three Lasers skippered by participants in the LWYRA Youth Sailing Program cross at close quarters during an August training session.

Youth Program Sailing Successfully

The sailing program is now in its final weeks with 55 young sailors enrolled and all four Lasers and the two Optimist Prams in the water Wednesday through Saturday mornings.

At the first class all students had to pass a swimming test which consisted of treading water for five minutes and swimming 50 yards. They then had to flip over a Laser and get it upright again. This was to eliminate any fears of capsizing. Some of the kids initially needed a little help getting the boat upright but all passed this test also. In fact some of them thought capsizing the Laser was such fun, they regularly capsize to see if they can right the boat without getting wet, or on the very hot days to cool off, much to our instructor's, Grant Rawdings, chagrin.

Each morning session begins with a short greaseboard lecture on the parts of the boat and the sail, what each part does, how to make a boat go, and the different points of sail, otherwise known as the sailing circle. This is followed by a trek down to the water where the children board the boats and sail either in Smith Cove or Saunder's Bay depending on the sailing conditions.

The youths are now involved doing short races with five minute starts and signal flags. The morning session ends after the children successfully bring each boat back to the barge (they are learning how to make good landings), and they derig each boat, take out the battens, fold the sail, and get a short wrap-up from Grant at the fire station.

Parents have been overwhelmed at the progress the kids have made in such a short time. Our staff of Grant and Jake Sherman have done an excellent job. They put in many hours to get the boats ready in the morning and ensure that everyone is having a terrific time.

In fact most of the children want to know why they can't go sailing everyday. This is certainly a tribute to all involved including our sponsors without whom this program would not exist.

Overnight Race Long But Fun

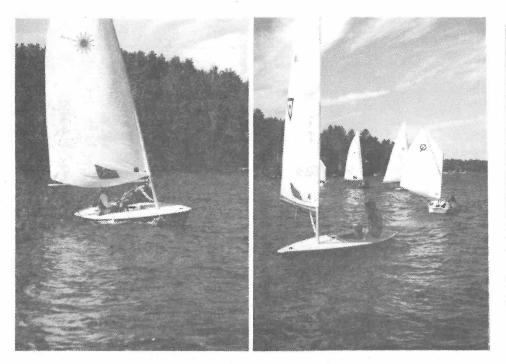
by Brad Thompson

The overnight race on August 11 turned out to be a great sailing experience for the second year in a row. Pleasant winds of 3-10 knots existed all night. Mother nature was helpful by offering a couple late night rain showers and gave very few glimpses of the moon. The temperature stayed warm and the sun was shining by 8:00 am Sunday.

The start was off the southeast point of Welch Island with the first leg upwind to Diamond Island. The wind blew out of the southeast all night. From Diamond the legs were: #2 a pickett boat in Wolfeboro Bay, #3 around light buoy #70 east of Mark Island, #5 around Three Mile Island in Center Harbor, #6 around Parker Island in Alton and the finish back at Welch Island. The course length was 56.4 nautical miles.

The start was at 6:00 Saturday evening and the first boat to finish was *Holy Smoke*, the J-35, with Richard Ponn at the helm at 5:09 Sunday morning.

The last boat to finish was *Freewill*, a Pearson, skippered by Chris Rich at 1:16 Sunday afternoon. All total seventeen boats entered.



Photographs of LWYRA Youth Sailing Program

Capri Owners Form Fleet 4

The Capri 22 owners on the lake have formed Fleet 4 joining the national organization. The Catalina and Capri boat owners magazine *Mainsheet* dated May 1989 announced the formation of the Capri 22 National Association. The person spearheading this effort is Secretary/Treasurer Frank Burke of Arizona. To date he has five fleets underway and hopes for a half dozen more by the end of this season.

Locally, Don Parsons has been organizing Fleet 4 members which total four at present with a few more expected to join. Association dues are \$15.00 per year which include a yearly subscription to *Mainsheet* which will keep owners up to date on national fleet news. Future articles are planned which will discuss sailing techniques, sailing regattas, and maintenance items about the Capri 22. So if you own a Capri 22 or know of someone who does, have them get in touch with Donald Parsons, 17 Seabury Rd., York, ME 03909 or speak to Dave Cooper at the Winnipesaukee Sailing Center. Results (PHRF Adjusted) Racing Division

- 1. Holy Smoke, Richard Ponn, J-35
- 2. Joy Ride, Terry Pratt, Evelyn 32
- 3. Obsession, Alan Kanegsberg, J-27
- 4. Classy Lady, Jimmy MacQuarrie, Capri 25
- 5. Mischief Maker, Dave Macky, S-2 9.1
- 6. Ogopogo, Tony Halsey, S-2, 7.9
- 7. Night Fly, Bill Penny, Catalina 30
- 8. Lycha, Jack Berry, New York 36 Cruising Division
- 1. Ouija, Paul Calantropo, Soverell 30
- 2. Fluent, Mario Langston, Capri 25
- 3. 20-20, Seymore Friedel, Stilletto 30
- 4. Boreas, Jeff Hendrickson, Pearson 31
- 5. Windwork, Tom Golenbeski, Capri 22
- 6. Escape, Dick Newbert, Pearson 33
- 7. Freewill, Chris Rich, Pearson 30
- 8. Wing-N-It, John Haluska, Pearson 27



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2nd Family Cruise Treasured

On the weekend of July 29-30, fifteen sailboats and 90 people participated in a treasure hunt on Lake Winnipesaukee. This weekend long event was designed to bring together the families of our yacht racing association in an atmosphere of fun and with the wind as high as 25 knots – excitement.

At the skippers' meeting each boat was given a set of instructions, and a sheet of 10 clues. Each clue gave directions to a well known location on the lake. Upon reaching a way point each boat had to deposit a token into a receptacle placed there, and then head off to the next spot. The clues were extremely clever and only one boat, Obsession, was able to find all 10 spots.

Needless to say, with the amount of breeze it was quite an intesting exercise once the clue's location was reached to get one or more people in a dinghy to row or motor to the receptacle. There were reports two boats retrieved a receptacle as it was floating away from the spot.

Families finally reached their secret

destination, Brewster Academy, in Wolfeboro for the Saturday evening barbecue. The location was perfect and dinner was enjoyed by all tired and hungry sailors.

Awards were presented by Tom Mullen and Brad Thompson to: Class A; (1) Obsession, (2) Hot Tub and (3) Mischief Maker, and in Class B; (1) Blueberry Pie, (2) Boreas and (3) Totem. We also had several special awards that were donated by Fay's Boat Yard.

Sunday morning after a light breakfast, the members of our youth sailing program had an opportunity to show what they had learned in the four Lasers which had been towed all the way from Smith Cove. Youth instructor Grant Rawding set up a race course and held three races with different youths sailing each race.

A wonderful time was had by all and the kids have memories that will never be forgotten. Thanks to our many friends and sponsors for making this possible and to Brewster Academy for the use of their facilities.

Sailing Extravaganza Plans New Format

This years "Winnipesaukee Sailing Extravaganza" with a new cruising format and enthusiastic sponsorship promises to be a special event. Plan on Saturday, September 23 as a great day of sailing for everyone who loves to be out on the water.

The cruise will begin at Gilford Beach with the traditional "Le Mans" start where a crew member has to swim from the beach to his or her boat. The fleet will then have a list of destinations to sail to and identify some specific detail. The list can be completed in any order within the time limit.

Sponsorship this year has been substantial. Don McLellan's Smith Cove Marine will provide T-shirts to all participants and they will also sponsor the committee boat as well. Thanks to Smith Cove Marine, we are off to a great start.

WLNH will also be a full sponsor. They are providing thirty radio spots to feature the event and will also do a live remote on the water with Warren Baily.

Our friend Coors beer is also a sponsor and will help pay for the radio spots and Coors will provide trophies for the "Winnipesaukee Sailing Extravaganza." Where does everybody go after races, to "Nothin' Fancy," but for the Extravaganza Nothin' Fancy will bring their famous chili to the Gilford Beach. Now, this should taste great after a day on the water.

This year's Winnipesaukee Sailing Extravaganza will be a social cruise and everyone is invited to come and just have a good time. The LWYRA invites everyone who likes to sail to come join us and meet the members of our organization.

Registration will be from 9:30 to 10:30 at the Gilford Beach on Varney Point Road across from Fay's Boat Yard. Skippers' meeting begins at 10:30 and the Winnipesaukee Sailing Extravaganza gets underway at noon and will finish by 3:00.

> Silk Screening Bob Dilworth Kristine Gagnon If you can dream it, we can screen it! Clothing, Glass, Wood, Metal, Etc. 875-7532 (Alton)

Committee Boat Named "Witch Way"

After many hours of deliberation, a decision was reached concerning the name of the committee boat. "Witch Way" submitted by the inhabitants of Gilligan's Island Yacht Club at Fay's Boat Yard was the winner. Bill and Dayle, Jeff and Deb, Randy and Laura, and John and Dot put this winning entry together over a large pitcher of frozen strawberry daiquiris. Congratulations sailors!

Second place and a "Dog Bone" goes to Don Cooper for the name "Top Gun."

Third place goes to Ray Almond with the name "Coming About."

Many thanks to all the names submitted. The prizes consisting of a case of Coors Beer and a half-gallon of Mount Gay will be shipped to Gilligan's Island.

LWYRA Race Schedule

Date	Race
Sep. 2/3	LWYRA Special Weekend
Sep. 9/10	Grouse Point Regatta
Sep. 15/16/	J 24 Dist. Championships
17	J 22 Dist. Championships
Sep. 23	TGWSBR&E
Sep. 23/24	Green Hugarian Ensign Regatta
Sep. 24	LWYRA Fall Series 5 & 6
Oct. 1	LWYRA Fall Series 7 & 8
Oct. 8	WYC Cold Duck Race
Oct. 14 or 15	Evelvn Shoot Out

Classified Ads

22' sailboat, fully gelcoated interior, colored sails, spinnaker; bimini top, full cushions, 15 hp electric start motor, and much more for \$7,995 incl. tandem wheel trailer. 603-746-3121 David.

J-29 1983. "Apex" is reluctantly for sale. Superb racer, equally great cruiser/weekender. 1987 Evinrude 9.9 hp elec. start OB with cockpit controls. All J options and much more incl. V-berth, qtr. berths, kevlar racing main, cruising main with full battens and lazyjacks, 8 other good sails, ST winches, etc. Mint. \$34,900 or B.O. Trade considered. 413-732-1136 days, 413-567-1933 eves.

1951 Lightening. Boat is in good condition with a full set of sails. One-of-a-kind cuddy cabin, outboard, trailer and extras. Boat has been featured in *Cruising World* magazine. Only \$2400 or BO. 527-0882 or 293-2206

25' Catalina. Excellent condition. Knot meter, depth guage, compass. Main, jib, Genoa. Has head, full galley, retractable keel and cradle and 7½ hp engine. 524-7936.

1976 Cape Dory Typhoon includes 4 hp Evinrude outboard plus cradle. Priced to sale and sail. 524-1024 or 293-2206.

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