



## Flag Notes- Spring Has Sprung

Last month I wrote: "Crewing is a great way for new sailors to get their feet wet (and depending on the weather, other parts of their bodies), so to speak". It seems that I spoke too soon... We tried to get two races under our belts last Sunday and instead, got more than enough excitement for the year. Last Sunday started off with shifting winds coming out of the southwest...no, make that the south east...hold on, now they are out of the west...wait a minute, they just died...uh oh...here comes a rain squall and some wicked winds from the northwest...make that southwest...then calm to about 20 knots in just a few seconds....Al Berk learned that when a strong puff of wind hits, one does not hang on to a spinnaker. The crew of Eye Eye executed a great man overboard drill and pulled Al from the briny deep. Many thanks to Dave and crew for an excellent recovery. Moi, on the other hand met an ignominious fate stepping from a wet deck on the committee boat to a wet dock and ended up like a stranded whale between the boat and the dock, only to be rescued by the crew of Raven and Mark, on "Our P.E.T". Yes, the water is COLD...and thanks to all who helped land a couple of human fish. Both Al and I were OK, albeit wet and cold. No one was hurt, 'cept maybe our pride. Oh, and the race results from Sunday...Red fleet- Occam's Razor, Blue Fleet- More Fun, and White fleet- Jon Gurley in No Name. Standings so far for the Rum Runner Series- Eye Eye, Lady of the Lake, and Nomad head up the fleets.

We have a skipper's meeting tomorrow at Bitter End at 9 in the morning...and hopefully will get in two tomorrow...so if you want to race or crew, please show up and be welcome.

What happens when we have a kickoff potluck and no one shows up...tell you what...My wife and I enjoyed our ravioli and wine...not gonna do that again...'nuff said.

For the new members or new sailors, we are also going to have some classes on race starts (for all the new sailors who may be intimidated by the starts or oldies who need practice) on Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup>...plan on several practice starts and learning how to get off on the right tack ('scuse me, starboard tack). We are also planning a couple sailing seminars later on in the season for new sailors or boat owners.

Something new this year- we are setting up a registry for those sailors who need crew, or for those crew who need sailors...just a way to get folks together to go out and sail or race. The address for the registry is [LPOYC-Crew@googlegroups.com](mailto:LPOYC-Crew@googlegroups.com). We are also working on being able to post on another site- [www.gosailingapp.com](http://www.gosailingapp.com) where you can log in and keep up with club activities, including crew needs.

Great News- NEW WEBSITE, same old address. Check it out and let us know what you think of it. [WWW.LPOYC.ORG](http://WWW.LPOYC.ORG) Thanks to Brett Sullivan for all the great work. Lots of new features available and more are being added. Cruise around the site and get familiar with it...we will be using it a lot more this season for posting events and club news.

Racing and Cruising calendars are finalized ....They are posted on the website, and I will send out a separate email message with the details, etc. for those of us who like to have a real piece of paper for the bulletin board...I can tell you that we have lots of good things cooked up for the upcoming season on both sides of the house (or boat). We will have some night cruising on Full Moons, a night race, back to ButtonHook, and some other interesting events. Stay Tuned!

Goat Float is coming at the end of the month...we are still looking for sponsors and volunteers to help make this annual regatta a success...contact Steve Dahlstrom [twotacky1@aol.com](mailto:twotacky1@aol.com) to volunteer or let us know about prospective sponsors. Goat Float needs sponsors! Companies need exposure! A perfect match! Think-Restaurants, small business, boat suppliers, realtors, hotels, banks, insurance companies, this list goes on and on! Reach out and help make this a successful regatta. We will have great t-shirts available this year...similar to Under Armor shirts...they are available for \$20 to all...see Steve Dahlstrom or Greg Rogers to put in your order.

New members to the club: welcome the following folks to the fold-  
Scott and Cathleen Weston  
Roger and Liz Grant  
Paul Decker and Debra Pappuchi

### **WEBSITE:**

If you have pictures you would like to share or news that you wish to have posted, get the information to Brett Sullivan, our intrepid webmaster in chief...email to: [bretts@me.com](mailto:bretts@me.com) or get them to me and I will pass them on.

**BURGEE's:**

If you need a club burgee, get a hold of me. Burgees are \$25.00.

**Hats:**

We got plenty of them...and would love to provide protection for folks heads at the bargain basement price of \$15.00 each...again, see me for a hat.

And for other stuff, don't forget that Gary has MacDonald's gear for sale at the marina store. Stop by and see his new "remodeled" store and stock up on everything from drinks to marine gear.

And as always, if you have some news to share with the other members of the club, drop me a line ...lpoyced@aol.com and please put LPOYC in the subject line.

More news will be posted on the site...[www.lpoyc.org](http://www.lpoyc.org), so check it out.

May Neptune and Aeolis grant you fair winds and calm seas for your journeys.

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