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From The Commodore

By Larry Mask

Back from Limy Land

England was nice, but it sure is nice to be back for winter in Texas! I returned Friday night (Feb. 26th) with a bad cold but managed to crew for Jim Holcomb Sunday afternoon. What a perfect day! Where was everybody? We had a total of six boats on the lake (8% of the club), three racing and three cruising. What do I have to do to get you out to enjoy yourself? Beg, badger, and buy? This is your club for you to enjoy so come out and do it!

I only had a chance to look at sailboats one day during my trip. It was a small lake (half of Lake Worth) that was used by a university and they had a very active small boat fleet, mostly Lasers but also some small boxy looking two man boats with a front that looks like our committee boat.

Anybody know what they were? The thing that amazed me was there were probably 15 to 20 people out sailing and it was bitterly cold that day. I thought these guys would be perfect for our Frostbite race. They would just think it was a regular day. Be thankful you live in Texas with perfect sailing weather.

As long as the nice weather holds out I am asking out veteran sailors to go out with anyone that would like a few pointers about boat handling or if you are considering racing a little. Come out Saturday or Sunday and ask any of your board members, fleet captains, etc. and we will arrange for some to go with you. Let's call March training and practice month so we will be ready for the great summer we are going to have.

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Race Committee News

By Gary Noyes

Spring Series

The Spring Series starts March 21 and runs thru May 23. There are six races with one throw out.

Fleet Reports

The **Sunfish** Wednesday Evening Racing will start up right after Day Light Savings Time begins. So soap up your hulls and clean out the spider webs and get your boat in the water.

Santana 20 Series (Learn to Fly) also begins after CDT starts up. Last year this was practice for the Adams Cup , this year is back to basics of driving, crewing and flying the spinnaker. Come out on Thursdays and practice and learn new skills.

Vice Commodore News

By Glen Brandon

Landscaping and Fill Dirt

The club has acquired several loads of fill and topsoil. We are using it to landscape the grounds and fill in on the point. If anyone has use of a tractor with a front-end loader it would speed up the landscaping and filling, if not we will rent a tractor.

West Dock Construction

In the near future the foam and lumber will be ordered to begin constructing the last 160 feet of the west dock. Charge up drills, sharpen saw blades and grease up your elbows so we can build and float the new sections as a weekend project.

Secretary Treasurer Report

By Jim Holcomb

Board Meeting

March 7, 1999 @ 12pm.

In attendance were:

Larry Mask - Commodore

Gary Noyes - Race Committee

Jim Holcomb - Secretary Treasurer

Fleet Captains:

Dan Ludden - Sunfish

G. Scott - S20

Linda Holcomb - Newsletter Editor

1999 Lake Worth Stickers

47 Stickers have been purchased, They are \$12 again this year. The fee will be added to your April dues statement.

Entertainment News

By Grace Young & Company

Full Moon Sail, Pot Luck & Opening Weekend

Friday April 30, starting about 6PM, Saturday and Sunday are a full weekend of fun and sailing beginning with 10AM starts to the racing as well as food, drink & partying all three days.

Editorial

By Linda Holcomb

Sunday Morning Cruise

Ingredients: 1 Sailboat
1 Sailor (or more)
Coffee/Tea
Favorite Breakfast Food (optional)

Have you ever thought how pleasant it would be to take a Sunday morning cruise in your boat (or a club boat) on Lake Worth while it's still calm and peaceful? I have. That's why I'm suggesting that at least once a month beginning on Sunday, April 11 @ 10 am, that those of us with like minds gather and take our boats out. Who knows, we might like it so much, that it will become a weekly ritual and we can start a new "favorite thing to do at the club".

Santana 20 Clinic

I recently received a call from David Rappier (Rush Creek Yacht Club), the treasurer of the Santana 20 National Association. We talked about a clinic with participation by both clubs. The details will be discussed at the April board meeting with full information in the next newsletter. The address for the web site with a technical bulletin board is www.S20.org.

Acknowledgments & Accolades

By Linda Holcomb

Bruce Stopped By

Bruce Naro has been out to visit three times this year. He is doing fine in Knoxville, but the lure of Texas and Ft. Worth keeps steering his car this way. He said congratulations to Claude & Scotty for winning the Frostbite.

Mark Bonner

Ex-Commodore and Chief Dock Designer, Mark Bonner was in town for meetings and cruised by on Sunday Feb 28. He said he would gladly bring his cattle prod up from Kerrville to help us whip out the 160 feet of dock in a single day. He and Robin are doing fine in the Hill country and they still have their Inner Tube Fleet ready to run the river.

Cruisin' News

Gary and Pam can tell you all about their recent Windjammer Cruise out of St. Martin. Rumor has it that Pam went "French" on the island of St. Bartholomew.

Buy, Sell & Trade

By Trader Joe

Boats for Sale

Melges MC Scow with Trailer \$1,100 OBO
Adam @ (817) 367-3349

O'Day 22 \$1,800 OBO
Adam @ (817) 367-3349

Sunfish (with all the parts) \$300
Scotty (817) 834-8427

Santana 20 Wing Keel #686
with Trailer 3 Sails No Spinnaker \$10K
Jim (817) 249-2237

Lake Worth Sniper

The Official Bull Sheet LWSC

Big Super-Whingdilly-April, 1947

In the Spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of taking off his winter underwear and going sailing. Since spring has officially sprung, plans are being made for our traditional Spring Fracas, sometimes known as Opening Day. It will be two weeks from next Sunday, April 27th, 1947. This is a couple of weeks later than we originally planned, but some of the boys need a little more time on their boats, and Opening Day wouldn't be worth a darn without boats. The festivities will begin as early in the A.M. as you care to come out, and Bud Bushwhacker Boatman and his Two-Ton Entertainment Committee will fix up a good feed about noontime. We have plenty of brew, and hope to latch onto some soft drinks for the kids and non-bevo drinkers. The main feature attraction of the day will be RACES! Races, that is. Sounds like a strange word around LWSC, but it's really true that we have at long last reached that happy day when we can have some official Snipe races, as well as Seagull races, free-for-alls, races to the bar and anything else the customers want. The Race Committee, composed of Fleet Captains Cotter & Fisher and Louis Nelms, are planning a big day. Bud Boatman has donated a very attractive prize, and there may be others. Guests are welcome, of course. If you know some fellow who is interested in sailing, get him to come out with you. And bring his pretty wife, too.

Opening Day Fracas Big Success-May, 1947

The Opening Day festivities were held as advertised on April 27th. Three official Snipe races were run. The 10:00 AM race had to be postponed about an hour for the breeze, but the two afternoon races were right on schedule, which is a good way to start the season. The vittles served by Bud "Bushwhacker" Boatman to about 110 members and guests were really delicious, and it just goes to show that we picked the right

guy as Chairman of the Entertainment Committee. Hervey Hutchins & George Becker manned the Committee Boat for the races, and did a bang-up good job. See below for the race results.

Opening Day Official Point Score Race Results

First Race

<u>Boat</u>	<u>Skipper and Crew</u>	<u>Time</u>
1520	Cotter & Andrews	35:54
3167	Beasley & Clements	39:15
2958	WC Johnson & Grafa	39:19
4586	Pieringer & Shaw	39:39
3763	Beakey & Sewell	40:12
15:12	HT Johnson & Munson	43:58
1515	Muller & Nelms	47:00
3772	Grove & Pat Fisher	47:10
3432	Morris & Morris	49:05
3402	Grimland & Bradley	49:18

Second Race

<u>Boat</u>	<u>Skipper and Crew</u>	<u>Time</u>
1520	Cotter & Andrews	49:38
3763	Beakey & Sewell	50:22
3167	Beasley & Clements	50:35
1515	Muller & Nelms	51:35
3772	Grove & Pat Fisher	51:58
4586	Pieringer & Shaw	52:36
2958	WC Johnson & Grafa	52:38
15:12	HT Johnson & Munson	54:04
3432	Morris & Morris	56:15
3402	Grimland & Bradley	??:??

Third Race

<u>Boat</u>	<u>Skipper and Crew</u>	<u>Time</u>
1520	Cotter & Andrews	46:47
3763	Beakey & Sewell	48:25
3772	Grove & Pat Fisher	49:05
3167	Beasley & Clements	49:58
2958	WC Johnson & Grafa	51:30
4586	Pieringer & Shaw	51:30:01
15:12	HT Johnson & Munson	53:22
1515	Muller & Nelms	54:26
3432	Morris & Morris	58:32
3402	Grimland & Bradley	62:08

Note: HUB ISAACKS & No. 9 were our guests for the second & third races, and he showed his transom to the whole fleet with 47:22 in the second race and 46:02 in the third. Now that he is joining up with us, his scores will be official. The Alcon Seagull was also in all 3 races, coming in just ahead of John Grimland. And what would Morris do without John?

Racing Season Closes-December, 1938

The regular racing season of the Lake Worth Sailing Club closed, in the midst of a dead calm, on October 30th. A total of 33 club races were held, and the point score standings were as follows:

<u>Skipper</u>	<u>Races</u>	<u>Points</u>
Cotter	27	1701-2/27
Whitesides	30	1652-1/10
Andrews	14	1601-1/7
Pitts	25	1545-11/25
Johnson-McWhirter	19	1512-7/19
Brearley	17	1500-6/17
Mac Allen	15	1455-8/15
Brown	23	1435-22/27
Beasley	10	1433-7/10
Huff	08	1419-1/4
Morris	17	1405-11/17
Thompson	09	1310
Holt	08	1171-3/8