

BETWEEN THE POINTS

News from the Lake Geneva Yacht Club

August, 2009

OFFICIAL NOTICE TO THE MEMBERSHIP
The annual meeting of the Lake Geneva Yacht Club
will be Saturday, September 5, 2009
2:00 p.m., CDT
in the clubhouse.
The agenda will be posted on the WEB.

(Acting) **COMMODORE'S COLUMN**

So far 2009 has proven to be a very unusual year for the Yacht Club. We started with a Commodore who resigned, got our first (as far as I know) Acting Commodore, dealt with a very contentious merger issue, hired a new hospitality manager and chef, and have now suffered through a chilly and frequently windless June and July.

I'm, hoping to avoid a plague of locusts in August and, in fact, on the first weekend of the month we raced 100% of the scheduled races. Seriously, we are due for a great late summer and fall and I'm sure it will get better.

The good news is our food and hospitality have been great. We are looking forward to the family Country Fair party on the 22nd and another party on September 26th (details available soon). There is lots of sailing left and a number of fall regattas in which to sail or spectate.

The sailing school has had record attendance with many new families getting introduced to the sport and hopefully on track to become members of our Club.


If you haven't been to the Club lately, please stop in, work through some of your unspent food minimum, and see your friends. Wind gods willing, you might even get to sail.

.....Mike Keefe.

MANAGER'S CORNER

Beginning August 22nd and through September 20th lunch service will be available only on Saturdays, Sundays, and Labor Day Monday.

We're taking reservations for the Country Fair on August 22nd. This promises to be an outstanding event. Please call the Club today, 262-275-2727.

 **CHECK OUT THE PHOTOS** - Compliments of John DeCarlo, current sailing photos and mug shots can be viewed on the Club website.Thanks, John.

REGATTA REPORTS

In spite of Mother Nature sending us mostly light air, in July there were regattas galore – almost daily – and Geneva sailors once again did us proud.

The Geneva Lake SS Annual Class X Regatta was the opening event of the Geneva Youth Race Week. 58 boats were on the starting line. With an amazingly consistent performance in a variety of conditions, Eddie Cox/Cole Lee from White Bear Lake scored 4-3-2-4 to take top honors. Geneva's **Griffin Rolander/Mac Six** won race #2 and finished 2nd overall. **Matt Ripkey** with **Annalise Floody** and **Hannah Ripkey** sharing crew duties, won the final race and finished 5th overall. **Joe Rolander/RJ Porter** were 8th; **Charlie Morris/Leslie Poole**, 9th, with a win in race #1; **Davis Porter/Henry Rolander** 16th; **Matt Cain/Clancy Nelson**, 27th; **Emmet** and **Maeve Nelson**, 29th; **Mitchell Lee/Connor Cain**, 47th; **Dan** and **Mark Davies**, 51st.

The GLSS Dinghyfest was sailed on Wednesday of Youth Week with competition in Optimists, Laser Radials, and 420s. The largest fleet was on the Optimist Red-White-Blue course where 34 boats battled it out in 6-8 mph wind and light rain. Pewaukee's Augie Dale had two wins and finished 1st overall. Next came Geneva's **Leslie Poole**, 2nd; **Nate Freytag**, 3rd. **RJ Porter** 8th; **Griffin Rolander**, 14th; **Eric Wood**, 22nd; **Mac Six**, 23rd; and **Mark Davies**, 30th. On the Optimist Green course there were 26 boats. **Ali Freytag** won two races to take first with a seven point lead over her brother, **Bo**. **Stuart Henry** placed 4th; **Finn Rowe**, 6th; **Riley Jacobs**, 8th; **Annalise Floody**, 9th; **Ryan Ripkey**, 11th; **Harry Melges**, 14th; **Aiden Jacobs**, 16th; **Charlie Reynolds**, 18th; **Caroline Reynolds**, 19th; **Will Davies**, 21st; and **Josh Navin**, 26th.

Oops, the July issue had mistakenly overlooked that at the Beulah Optimist Fun regatta **Riley Jacobs** finished 9th and **Aiden Jacobs** finished 12th, both in the Green Fleet.

We're pleased to report that **Malcolm Lamphere's** trip to Slovenia in early July to represent the USA in the Optimist European Championship was an outstanding success. If you ask him how he did, his reply is likely to be a low key "OK." Indeed he did, placing 3rd overall including on the final day port tacking the fleet at the start to take a bullet. Later in the month **Malcolm** placed 4th at the US Championship sailed on the Pacific Ocean off Cabrillo Beach, CA;. As we go to press he is preparing to sail a Laser 4.7 in the U.S. Championship at Brant Beach, NJ.

Continuing to warm up for the Laser Worlds that will be held in Nova Scotia the end of August, **Gordy Lamphere** won the District 20 (Illinois/Wisconsin) Championship on Lake Mendota and placed 5th at the District 3 (Ontario) Championship held north of Toronto. Earlier in the season Gordy won the District 18 (Ohio/Indiana) Championship. Preparing for the Laser Master Worlds, **Susie Pegel** took a 5th at the South Shore, Milwaukee, Invitational and 11th at Sailfest, Sarnia, Ontario.

On the July scow regatta circuit, **Vincent Porter** was 3rd at the Inland Lake YA Class E Invitational at Pewaukee. **Kevin Neal** placed 3rd at the ILYA MC Invitational held at Clear Lake, IA. **Coye Harrett** was 13th and top Junior in the 40 boat fleet. **Mike Lynch** placed 4th at the ILYA Class C Invitational at Minnetonka. Crewing on the winning boat was **Bre Schmidt Krech**. **Vincent Porter** scored another third overall at the ILYA Melges 17 Championship. **Coye Harrett** placed 11th.

Following the Geneva Youth Week, X sailors continued to prepare for the Inland Championship by competing in the Oshkosh Xtreme Regatta. **Matt Ripkey** aided by **Annalise Floody** and his sister **Hannah**, placed 7th in the three race event, followed closely by **Charlie Morris/Leslie Poole**, who placed 8th in the 49 boat fleet.

An even 100 X boats competed in the ILYA Class Championship held at Gull Lake, MN. In the 66 boat Senior fleet, first place went to Beulah sailors Kate Klement/Teresa Westin. Team Geneva scored four boats in the first ten with **Davis Porter/Aiden Jacobs** 4th overall and tied on points with **Joe Rolander/RJ Porter**, who finished 5th. **Matt Ripkey** with the crewing team of **Hannah** and **Annalise** placed 7th; **Charlie Morris/Leslie Poole** were 10th. Also competing in the Senior fleet were **Emmet** and **Maeve Nelson**, 21st; **Matt Cain/Clancy Nelson**, 33rd; **Dan** and **Mark Davies**, 55th. The Junior fleet champions were Michael Barr/Gregory Westin from Beulah. Just three points behind were **Griffin Rolander/Mac Six**, who had two bullets to place 2nd overall. **Colin Rowe/Nate Freytag** placed 10th; **Mitchell Lee/Connor Cain**, 20th. Of particular note, the crews on the Beulah championship boats are the children of Cindy Davenport Westin, daughter of **Frank Davenport** who races in the Geneva C Scow, M-24, and E Scow fleets. *Good sailing genes!*

An eager group of young Geneva Optimist sailors attended the Opti No Tears Regatta at Lac LaBelle where the fleet competed in Senior and Junior divisions. **Annalise Floody** placed 8th in the Seniors; **Amelia Rolander**, 10th; **Charlie Reynolds**, 14th; **Aiden Jacobs**, 17th; **Riley Jacobs**, 18th; **Hayden Parkhill**, 21st; **Caroline Reynolds**, 27th; **Stuart Henry**, 28th; **Blair Wilder**, 29th; **Hunter Parkhill**, 33rd; and **William Harker**, 34th. In the Junior division **Ryan Ripkey** placed 5th; **Henry Rolander**, 6th; **Michel Parker**, 7th; **Harry Melges**, 9th; **Taitan Workman**, 15th; **Josh Navin**, 16th. **Henry Rolander** earned a bullet in the third race when he told the overall winner, John Berg, that he had never won a sailboat race. Berg graciously eased his sail and Henry sailed on to the win. *Take 'em anyway you can, but be sure to sail fair and square.*



ATTENTION, RACING SAILORS

The Trophy Committee wishes to remind those who won perpetual trophies during the 2008 season to **promptly** return them to the Club for presentation at the conclusion of the 2009 season.

Heads Up! Take a look at the race schedule.

- 1) **Wednesday August 12th**, the warning signal for Class E is **6:00 p.m.**, NFP, followed five minutes later by **Class C**, then **Sonars**, then **MCs**.
- 2) **Wednesday, August 19th**, the warning signal for **Class E** is **5:30 p.m.**, followed five minutes later by **Class C**, then **Sonars**, then **MCs**.
- 3) **Wednesday, August 26th**, the warning signal for **Class E** is **5:30 p.m.**, followed five minutes later by **Class C**, then **Sonars**, then **MCs**.
- 4) **Friday, August 28th**, the warning signal for **M-24s** is **5:30 p.m.**, followed five minutes later by **Class C**, then **Sonars**, then **MCs**.
- 5) **Saturday, August 29th**, **Fall Series racing begins** for **M-24s**, **M-17s**, **Cs**, and **MCs**. **M-24 warning signal at 9:30 a.m.** followed five minutes later by **M-17s**, then **Cs**, then **MCs**. The warning signal for the **Class A Sheridan Race** is at **10:00 a.m.**
- 6) **Friday evenings September 4, 11, and 18** the warning signal for **M-24s** is **5:30 p.m.** followed five minutes later by **Class C**, then **Sonars**, then **MCs**.

Highlights from the evening with Dave Perry:

- 1) Avoid starting right at the pin end of the line.
- 2) If you know you're heading for a bad start, try and fix the situation A.S.A.P.
- 3) If there is a hole to windward of you on the starting line, do the "two-step"---tack onto port and quickly tack back onto starboard.
- 4) When approaching the windward mark on port tack, do so outside the three boat length zone.
- 5) Avoid getting to the starboard tack lay line too soon when approaching the windward mark.
- 6) When approaching the leeward mark and the three boat length zone, head dead down wind so a line projected off your transom will hopefully break the overlaps of boats to your inside.