Cordero Dominates 2007 North American Championships

Eduardo Cordero continued his domination of Sunfish sailing by winning the 2007 Sunfish North American championship in a runaway.

Cordero, an eight-time world champion, finished first in six of the 11 races that were held on Mobile Bay over a three-day period. The South American native, who now represents the Birmingham Sailing Club, finished second in two races, and third in two others to dominate the field of 55 sailors. The Sunfish North Americans, hosted by the Fairhope Yacht Club, drew competitors from 17 states and four nations, including Brazil, the Dominican Republic, the Bahamas, and Bermuda.

Malcolm Smith (Smith's Parish, Bermuda) finished second in the competition and Tom Whitehurst (Pensacola Beach, FL) finished third. Fourth place went to Karl Kleinschrodt (Mobile, AL). Sebastion Mera (Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic) finished fifth. Rounding out the top 10 were Chris Gates (Indiatalantic, FL), Todd Edwards (Baton Rouge, LA), Dirk Resler (Savannah, GA), Bernardo Low-Beer (Rio De Janeiro, Brazil), and Donnie Martinborough (Nassau, Bahamas).

The youngest competitor, 11-year-old Emily "Pip" Nolan, placed first in the "Midget" class and won the respect of her fellow sailors, who also awarded her the regatta's Sportsmanship Award. Texas junior sailor Collin Weston won the North American's Junior Championship. Other 1st place finishes were: Anne Edwards Female; Malcolm Smith Master; Peter Wuescher Grand Master; Shapoor Guzder Alcott.

North American Championship scores and photos on page 10

Boger Tops Fleet of 61 Racers at Junior NAs

_Bertocci is Midget Champ!

By Joe Sullivan

Sixteen-year-old Bobby Boger (Southold, NY) of the host Southold YC captured the 2007 Sunfish Junior North American Championship by one point over 14-year-old Spencer Olsson (Sayville YC) in a fiercely competed series of nine races sailed in Southold Bay, on Eastern Long Island, on July 21-22, 2007.

Boger and Olsson were neck-and-neck throughout the competition as the lead changed four times. After eight races, each had four wins but with one throw-out race allowed, Olsson was ahead by two points. In the final race of the regatta, however, Boger took the championship by winning the race while Olsson placed seventh. Ryan Penney (Southold, NY) sailed a very solid regatta to finish the championships in third place.

2007 Sunfish North American Champion Eduardo Cordero receives his trophy from Carl Wainright. (Photos: Randy Fitzgerald)

Since the regatta was inaugurated in 1981, this was the first time that the Junior North American Championship was sailed at a separate venue from the Senior Championship. With its excellent track record of hosting Youth, Regional and Masters' National Championships over the years, Southold YC was selected for the honors and 61 young sailors benefited from beautiful weather and a well-run regatta.

After two practice races in the afternoon, Commodore Peter Moore greeted the sailors at the Welcoming Ceremony and dinner on Friday evening. Seventeen-year-old Greg Moore (Weston, CT) played the Star Spangled Banner on his electric guitar and 13-year-old Madelaine Harrison (Southold, NY) read the Competitors' Oath.

This just in...

Congratulations to our Pan Am Games Sunfish champions: silver medalist Alex Zimmerman of Peru (left), gold medalist Eduardo Cordero sailing for Venezuela (center), and bronze medalist Paul Foerster of the USA.

Look for full coverage in the Fall issue of the Windward Leg.
Letters to the Editor

Junior North Americans stress Corinthian Spirit

I thought you would like to see the Competitors' Oath, mentioned by Joe Sullivan in his report, spoken by Madelaine Harrison of Southold YC on behalf of all the sailors at the Junior North Americans. It is very close to that spoken at the Olympic Games, and made the kids feel like this regatta was a "bit different."

-- Peter Moore
Commodore, Southold YC
Long Island, NY

Competitor's Oath
In the name of all the competitors, I promise that we shall take part in these Championships, respecting and abiding by the rules which govern them, committing ourselves to the sport of sailing, in the true spirit of sportsmanship, for the glory of the sport and the honor of our class and our clubs.

More Good News from the Pan Am Games

Dear friends:

All the efforts and investments made to be here in Brazil for the 2007 Pan Am Games, showing commitment, have paid back!!! Our new Sunfish medalists are gold: Eduardo Cordero (VEN), silver: Alexander Zimmerman (PER), and bronze: Paul Foerster(USA).

The president of the Pan American Sailing Federation confirmed that PASO (ODEPA) just approved all classes, including the Sunfish, to remain in the Pan Am Games!!! You do not want to know how much lobbying it took to convince Mario Vasquez Raña, but he has agreed.

The next Pan Am Games will be in Guadalajara, Mexico, in 2011. The sailing venue will be Puerto Vallarta. I will soon receive a draft of the Technical Manual of the Sailing Event in Mexico.

Thank you all for your support, especially to Vanguard. Tonight we celebrated this great news. I hope you are also celebrating.

- Andres Santana
July 16, 2007

Promote More Sailing Opportunities with New Racing Division

Andrés Santana's column in the Spring edition was inspiring. Promoting the Sunfish as an alternative to the Laser for kids moving up from Prams is a great idea. Our fleet is aging too much and we need to capture those kids before they pass us by. The Junior Worlds is another good idea with the same objective.

As a suggestion for regattas, I would like to recommend having a division that prohibits the use of hiking straps in lieu of an old age division. Many of us cannot use the straps because of bad knees and other problems. Not being able to hike out that extra foot in stronger winds is a severe handicap. It is discouraging to watch boats pass you only because their greater righting moment permits more sail pressure.

- Ed Carney
Sarasota, FL

Thank You to All Who Sent Burgees!

On behalf of the 26 members of the Fordham University Sailing Team and its five-person support staff, I'd like to thank those readers of The Windward Leg who donated a yacht club burgee to the team's solicitation effort to replace the burgees destroyed when the Morris Yacht & Beach Club clubhouse burned to the ground in March of last year. Morris is the home port of the Fordham Sailing Team, which initiated this drive as a voluntary project. All burgees collected will be donated to the club to be displayed in its new clubhouse, which hopefully will be completed by 2009.

To date, 120 burgees have been pledged and 101 have been received from all over the world. While all sizes are welcome, for continuity sake, size 12" x 18" is requested. Burgees may still be donated. To avoid gift duplication, anyone willing to donate a burgee to this worthy cause may write to me at joesunfish@aol.com with the name of the yacht club. I'll advise if it has already been received and if not where it may be sent.

Thank you for helping to get the word out.

- Joe Sullivan #21681
Coach
Fordham University Sailing Team

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Curacao Says “Farewell” to Gilbert Thomas

As is well known in the Sunfish world, the trade winds blowing in the A-B-C Islands (Aruba, Bonaire and Curacao) create ideal circumstances for heavy air sailing. The benefit is that the A-B-C sailors generally are sailors to be feared in heavy air, but the disadvantage is that they can always be found at the bottom of the fleet during the worlds if there is lack of wind. Another disadvantage is that many young skilled sailors move to Holland to start their studies at University, of which only a few will return to the islands after graduation.

Gilbert Thomas, a psychiatrist, started sailing Sunfish only about 10 years ago and now, unfortunately for us in the A-B-Cs, he has decided to continue his professional career in Holland. So it was time for a farewell race, which attracted 40 Sunfish racers to the starting line on June 10, 2007. In view of the amount of inhabitants living in Curacao (approximately 134,000), you can compare 40 boats to about 80,000 on a starting line in the U.S.!

The race rules were a combination of fun and serious. Several racers showed up with a crewing or even "at the helm" daughter. The first leg was a serious upwind leg. At the mark there was an in between finish without a signal because Gilbert was not aware of the special rules. According to the special regatta rules, all sailors ahead of Gilbert on the downwind leg were requested to round the down wind mark in an opposite order. Gilbert himself did not know this and sailors behind him were free to sail as well as possible. This worked out pretty well so at the downwind mark the fleet was very compact again.

After 90 minutes racing in perfect conditions, the finish was an impressive one with Gilbert off course crossing the line first very shortly followed by all the other yelling, screaming, horning and whistling Sunfish sailors.

Goodbye Gilbert, lots of success in Holland, and "hopefully" your boat will never be sold so the step to return is an easy one!

- Alex Roose
Resultado de la Asociación de Veleros Clase Sunfish de Perú

Campeonato Club Regattas
Lima, Perú
14-15 Abril 2007

1 Alexander Zimmerman 1-1-1-3-(5) 7
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3 Guillermo Cappelletti (5)-4-4-3-5-2 18
4 Bernardo Lowbeer (6)-3-3-6-4-1 20
5 Ramon Chiarella 2-3-7-4-6-(10) 22
6 Stefano Cappelletti (9)-5-5-5-2-6 23
7 Diego Cebreiros 3-7-8-7-(11)-4 29
8 Maria Paz Revoredo 8-9-13-12-9-(DF) 51
9 Carlos De Trazegnies 16-15-6-8-(17)-7 52
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17 Chiara Svagelj 15-(OS)-16-15-18-18 82
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21 Leisel Schuler 18-17-17-17-(21)-17 86
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Campeonato Ramon Chiarella Ortigosa
Paracas, Perú
28,29 Julio, 2007

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The Sunfish Class successfully managed to send a container with brand new boats to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil that were chartered at an affordable price to all the participating countries in the Pan American Games Rio 2007, that took place in July 15-28. This kind of commitment was recognized by the Pan American Sailing Federation and all delegations that were present in Rio.

The Pan American Games are the second most important Olympic event, after the Olympic Games, with the participation of 5662 athletes from 42 nations.

Special thanks to Vanguard Sailboats for their important contribution with part of the costs of the transportation logistics. Also thank you to the Dominican Sailing Federation for accepting to purchase all boats and for allowing the Class to charter them and to use the collected fund to cover the transport costs.

Also the Pan American Sailing Federation Executive Committee did a great job at the PASO’s General Assembly (Pan American Sports Organization) getting the approval for all Pan Am Classes, including the Sunfish, to stay in the Pan Am Games. This is very important for the Sunfish Class in order to get new countries from the area into the Class, and also to motivate Junior sailors coming from the Optimist Class.

The fact that Alexander Zimmermann, a 16-year-old Junior that came from the Optimist class and won the Silver Medal in the Pan Am Games, is an example of what can be accomplished by a Junior in the Class.

Argentina & Brazil announced their interest in purchasing Sunfish boats, in preparation for the next Pan Am Games to be held in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, in 2011. Mexico, on the other hand, is considering hosting the 2009 Sunfish South American Championships as part of their organization plan for the games.

The next step will be to start participating in the ISAF annual meeting, to promote the Sunfish in other continents, especially Europe, home of the new owners of Vanguard Sailboats, manufacturer of the Sunfish.

All these efforts are being conducted to create a favorable situation to motivate Juniors who do not have a good physical profile for the Laser, to consider the Sunfish Class as their best option to achieve great results.

So please help us by spreading this information to your local sailing authorities, and also to the junior sailors from your area, to start changing the way they have perceived our Class.

Let's work together with enthusiasm to show to everybody that the Sunfish is an excellent option for competition: it is very easy to rig, but also very hard to win.

While many have learned how to sail a Sunfish, only a select few have learned how to sail like champions. Being competitive at the National or World Championship level is truly a remarkable achievement. Friendly competition is a Sunfish tradition and racing is thriving in a fleet near you. For local fun or International racing, go to www.sunfishclass.org for the latest news. Or visit www.teamvanguard.
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My name is Ned Jones and I am the Product Manager for Boats at Vanguard Sailboats. In this capacity I am the primary contact to the International and US Sunfish Classes. Having grown up in Southern California, I had very little exposure to Sunfish, and raced Sunfish for the first time in 2006.

At the Charleston Worlds, I was fortunate to have made some valuable contacts within the Sunfish community that have enabled me to learn a great deal about the Class including historical, the present, and the future. From my perspective, these are very interesting times for the Sunfish. Equipment proposals and changes, regatta planning, and stiff competition from other classes are some of the chief issues facing the Class.

The Dagger Board Handle Change -
One of the recent issues that has been a hot button for the Class and Vanguard is the redesign of the top end of the Sunfish dagger board. The boats shipped to the Worlds in Charleston, SC in September 2006, were the first dagger boards to no longer have a "hole" type handle in the top of the board. The handle was eliminated for safety reasons. A finger was lost by a sailor and when the existing molds needed to be replaced, Vanguard took action to eliminate the safety hazard of the open handle. New molds were produced without the hole handle. This change has caused a physical difference that alters the way some sail downwind as some sailors often hold on to the board through the hole in the old style handle. Unfortunately this change was the outcome of careful deliberations within manufacturing constraints and ultimately style concerns were outweighed by the safety factor and assurance.

A rope handle is now used in place of the hole type handle. The rope is tied into smaller holes on the forward and aft corners of the top of the dagger board. The purpose of this tack was to be similar to what the Laser Class has used for decades.

A Manufacturing rework -
During the construction of the new molds at Crompton PPL in the UK, the hole and recess for the blue stopper was inadvertently moved up approximately 1/8" effectively increasing the overall length of the board by 1/8". In some cases, the new boards have been measured and deemed 1/8" too long by Class Rules. As most of the new boards shipped with boats and as parts between September 2006 and April 2007, do in fact "measure in," Class legal, the Class and Vanguard decided to have the Class Measurer determine an intermediate solution until the Class finalize an acceptable action with those found to be out of tolerance.

When the 1/8" discrepancy was discovered, Vanguard took immediate action to have the stopper location moved in the mold in order to produce 100% Class legal dagger boards. While this situation is unfortunate and certainly not ideal, we are confident the problem was identified and a solution applied promptly in order to maintain the strict one-design nature of the Sunfish Class. Vanguard is proud to be the builder of the Sunfish and looks forward to being a productive partner with the Class as we look ahead to the future.

I hope to address issues that affect our Class regularly in the Windward Leg. If you should have specific questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at info@teamvanguard.com.
USSCA President's Corner
by Clinton Edwards

In this issue, we are printing my report as presented at the annual USSCA meeting at the Sunfish North American Championships. As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments.

2007 Annual Report
July 14-17
Fairhope Yacht Club, Fairhope, AL

Donations: I would once again like to personally thank the members of the Sunfish Class for their donations to revive the Sunfish fleets at Ocean Springs Yacht Club, Biloxi Yacht Club, Ponchartrain Yacht Club, Bay-Waveland Yacht Club and Gulfport Yacht Club. Thank you!

Website: A new website is coming. The targeted launch date is 2008 Worlds. This project is being done from an ISCA perspective and being coordinated by Derek Jackson and Brian McGinnis.

Evaluation Form: Regatta Chair Susan Mallows and I have been working on a regatta evaluation form. This form will be filled out by the sailors and submitted to the Regatta Chair. The information collected will be analyzed for continuous improvement in our regattas.

Junior Age: The participation of juniors at our Junior North American Championship (JNAC) has fallen drastically over the last few years. There will be a major spike in the 2007 participation as the JNAC is being held separately from the North American Championship (NAC) and in a largely populated junior Sunfish area. We talk about low junior participation every year. The new marketing campaign will help, but I still believe it is YOU who will increase junior participation.

- Share your boat with a junior!
- Travel with a junior to local, regional, and national events! This keeps them involved in the class.
- My first “junior project” graduated college and rejoined the class this year.
- My second “junior project” attends high school 12 hours away, but I still arranged for him to attend Midwinters.
- We can’t wait for the kids to come to us!

Junior Worlds: Rich Chapman (USSCA Junior Representative) has been working on a plan to start a Junior World Championship. 2008 would be the first year.

US SAILING: The Sunfish is the host boat for the US SAILING Singlehand Championship for the O’Day trophy. This event is being hosted in 2008 by Hyannis Yacht Club and coordinated by PJ Patin. We will also be the host boat in 2012.

Sale of Vanguard: As of late May I have not heard any news concerning what affects the sale of Vanguard will have on the Sunfish Class.

Rudder Prototype: The rudder prototype will improve the performance and handling of the boat, expand the sailor’s range of conditions and make the Sunfish a truly one-design boat. The rudder is the next step after the introduction and acceptance of the racing sail and the composite centerboard. If you have not tried the rudder, try it.

Pan Am Games: Paul Forester is representing the United States in the 2007 Pan Am Games. Paul won the 2006 North Americans and is a multiple 470 Olympic medalist.

Announcements
- 2008 annual meeting at North American Championships at Erie YC, July 14-18, in Erie, PA.
- 2008 Midwinters meeting at St. Andrews YC in Panama City, FL.
- 2008 International Masters at Pensacola YC in Pensacola, FL.

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USSCA North American Championship
Fairhope YC - Fairhope, AL
June 14-17, 2007

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54 Turza Dabdboub BAY WAVEYLAND YC YC(RF)-DC-DC-54-55-49-DF-52-54-49-47 528

Top Juniors: (L-R) Collin Weston, 1st; Nick Doty, 2nd; and Emily "Pip" Nolan, top Midget.
(Photos: Randy Fitzgerald)
The championship began in earnest on Saturday morning on Southold Bay as the sailors were divided into two fleets: a Singles fleet of 37 boats and a Doubles fleet of 12 boats. Awards were presented to the top 10 finishers in the Junior Singles (ages 14-17) division and the top three finishers in the Midget Singles (ages 10-13) division, as well as the top three finishers in both Doubles' divisions.

Thirteen-year-old Simon Bertocci (Pittstown, NJ) placed 22nd overall and won the Midget Singles division by 39 points over Nicholas Klingler (Massapequa, NY), who placed 28th. Third place in the Midget Singles went to Gerard Hoetzl (Laurel, NY), who finished in 32nd place.

In the Doubles competition, 15-year-old Katie and 14-year-old Lydia Moore topped all sailors to win the Junior Division by one point over the Midget division winners, 13-year-old Madelaine Harrison and her crew, 12-year-old Christiana Honig. The second and third place award winners in the Junior division were Greg Moore and Sophie Latapie (Cutchoque, NY) and Kristin Livingstone and Leigh Maloney, who placed 7th and 8th overall. Midget doubles captured 2nd through 6th place overall, and the 2nd and 3rd place awards in the Midget division went to Heather and Lizzie Anderson, and Dan Lyons and Dan Sullivan respectively. All Doubles award winners represented Southold YC.

At Southold YC, the prevailing winds are generally from the southwest but that was not to be at this regatta. For two days, the winds shifted from the north to the northeast and eventually to the southeast and south for the final race of the series. This kept the Race Committee on its toes as marks had to be moved frequently to provide fair and challenging courses for the competitors. Doubles sailed Triangle and Windward-Leeward courses while most of the Singles races were Olympic courses with three windward legs of approximately one-half mile each.

At the end of the regatta, awards were presented by Sunfish Class Vice President and former World's Champion Paul-Jon Patin, and US Naval Academy Female Sailor of the Year and former Peconic Bay Sunfish Junior Champion Trish Kutkiewicz of Moriches YC on Eastern Long Island.
College Sailing Forum Sets Pace at Junior North Americans

By Joe Sullivan

For years, SoutholdYC (Fleet #307, Long Island, NY) has taken a creative approach when organizing and running regattas, and hosting the 2007 Sunfish Junior North American Championship on July 21 & 22 was no exception. Realizing that they would be hosting a highly motivated group of young sailors, the Regatta Committee approved the inclusion of a College Sailing Forum in the event’s activities. With Race Committee Chairman and Fordham University Sailing Team Head Coach Joe Sullivan serving as moderator, a panel of four college sailors was assembled to speak about various aspects of the College Sailing experience.

Approximately thirty people, equally divided between older teenagers and parents, attended the forum and received a wealth of information.

In his opening remarks, Coach Sullivan said that College Sailing is governed by the ICSA, Intercollegiate Sailing Association of North America, not the NCAA; that there are 192 colleges/universities with sailing teams, and they are geographically distributed among seven regional conferences: New England, Middle Atlantic, South Atlantic, Southeast, Midwest, Northwest and Pacific. Coach Sullivan said so no matter where in the country a high school student may wish to go to college, there will be schools with sailing teams. Among the 192, however, only 38, or 19 percent, have varsity programs with professionally paid coaches. All the others are club teams, some of which have professional coaches, some have volunteer coaches, but most are student run. He explained that while coed dinghy racing is the backbone of college sailing, national championships are conducted in five other disciplines: Women's Dinghy Racing, Team Racing, Men's Single-handed, Women's Single-handed and Offshore Racing.

Mary Wachowicz, Fordham ’10, then spoke about the opportunities for women in college sailing. She pointed out that sailing is the only college sport in which men and women may compete against each other.
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equally. Mary has been sailing since she was a child and found it frustrating when so many of her girlfriends ceased to race competitively after entering their teenage years. She thoroughly enjoyed her freshman year in college sailing and strongly encouraged the female athletes present to look forward to competing in college. She pointed out that even if a female were not an experienced skipper, due to the maximum weight effectiveness of 420s and FJs, the boats used by most college teams, there is a great demand for women crews. As a result, most teams are dominated by female sailors, which at least at the club team level, translates to many leadership opportunities as team captains and club officers, or positions of responsibility at the conference level.

Mike Spicer, Boston College '07, talked about the personal commitment one must make to be on a varsity team. This includes reporting to school in mid-August for two weeks of all-day practice prior to the start of school; a very long split season, with only three months off during the winter, particularly if the team qualifies for nationals in early June; Practice four days a week and travel to regattas every weekend, and serious physical fitness training daily with weight training twice weekly.

Jay Mills, Hobart/William Smith '08, whose topic was "Preparing for the Transition from Junior Sailing to a College Team", also underscored the intensity of varsity programs and admitted that some sailors would occasionally get "burned out." However, he said that for him, college sailing is an amazing experience. Jay suggested that students interested in college sailing should have a very serious talk with the coach and if possible practice with the team to ascertain what is expected. He said that it is very important that one’s goals parallel the goals of the team, and in his opinion the best way to prepare is to race as much as possible against better competition during the summer months and to sail the boats that colleges use as much as possible.

Cristina Puglia, Fordham '07, spoke about time management, particularly when juggling academic and team responsibilities. She said that sailing helped her structure her time in college, and that personal responsibility is key to developing a time management system which works for you. Like the others, Cristina stated that her best friends were on the sailing team and that sailing was an enjoyable experience which provided a welcome relief from schoolwork. Moreover, she loved the travel and the opportunity to visit many new places and meet people from all over the country.
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Sunfish Spars and Bailers

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Sailring Kit (5 per pack)

| V79030  | Mast Cap                                                     | $5.00  |
| V79055  | Gooseneck set, incl. Upper, Lower, Mast Base Cap             | $40.00 |
| V79066  | Sail Rings (Pkg 30)                                          | $10.50 |
| V79070  | Top Cap with fairlead, mast with fasteners                   | $30.00 |
| V79071  | Base cap, mast with fasteners                                 | $20.00 |
| V79072  | Interlocking eyebolts (booms)                                 | $9.75  |
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| V79079  | Groove pin (pack of 10 - boom or mast cap)                    | $5.25  |
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Sunfish Rudders,Daggerboards and Tillers.

NEW Ronstan 55mm Orbit Ratchet - Mainsheet
This new ratchet is the first block to offer both a manual on/off AND a fully automatic ratchet engagement. If you don't have a deck mounted eye strap to attach your block use the V79460 eystrap with hardware. RF56101 APS $47.55

Recreational Line Package
Standard on all new Sunfish. This package uses Vanguard's new English Braid UK lines. Low stretch halyard and control lines and non-water absorbing flax for the mainsheet. V33042SF $69.55

Racing Line Package
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79461 Gooseneck ass’y- $68.00
79020 Bow handle- $23.50
79032 Base Cap- $8.00
66677 Daggerboard ass’y plastic- $225.00
66618 Daggerboard wood- $210.00
79332 Bailer Ball w/washer- (5pk) $10.21
62414 Lower boom w/blocks- $160.00

*66620-Complete Rudder Assembly- $225.00
*66601-Complete Fiberglass Rudder Assembly- $275.00
*Does not include gudgeon

79334 Trim-5ft (aluminum) - $20.00
43017 Coaming White- $150.00
79200 Retaining Ring (5pk)- $13.55
79046-Pintle & spring kit- $18.95
66617 Rudder cheek ass’y- $60.00
79465-Complete Tiller Assembly
(include, aluminum extension & straps) $175.00
64111 Rudder Blade- $158.00
64113 Rudder Blade Fiberglass- $200.00

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Windward Leg - Issue 2, 2007
Foerster Wins USSCA Masters at Rush Creek YC

The 2007 Sunfish Class U.S. Masters Championship, held May 26-27 at Rush Creek YC, is now in the history books. Turnout was light at 28 boats, perhaps due to $3+ per gallon fuel and perhaps a little due to the rainy light air forecast that was in place all the way to early Saturday morning.

At the first start winds were in the 15-18 range out of about 150 with air temp around 75 (F) and water temp in the upper 60s, pretty near perfect 'fishing weather. Most of the ladies "Jensed" or reeved a little on the careful side. The course was a W2-1/2 and the wind was shifting through about a 15 degree range. At the start Greg Gust (Rockwall, TX) went left, betting that he would pick up a lefty off the shoreline and the ladies pretty near perfect 'fishing weather. Most of the place all the way to early Saturday morning.

As the third race got underway the winds were fairly howlin' at times. This was obvious to the liking of Beatty as he moved a notch up and pulled off a second place, just beating out Gust and Ash Beatty. Paul also won a lot of "points" for something else he did. Paul donated his genuine and official Athens Olympics Gold Watch to be given by drawing amongst the category winners. After all the other trophies had been awarded, the drawing was held. Bob Cockerill, who won the Sunfish Masters Division and sailed all four races, won the Olympic Gold Watch! - Don Bynum

**Master**

1. Greg Gust 1-2-3-2 8
2. Buddy Wainwright 3-8-5-4 20
3. Gil Greenwood 9-6-8-DF 52
4. David McCary 12-23-18-12 65
5. Lisa Weatherholt 24-24-DF-13 90
6. Mary Medina 23-25-DF-DF 106

**Grand Master**

1. Bill Jackson 5-5-13-9 32
2. Don Bynum 19-11-4-5 39
3. M Ottenheimer 7-7-7-DF 50
4. Vic Manning 20-18-10-DF 77
6. W Fitzpatrick 11-16-DF-DF 85
7. Steve Snider 18-20-19-DF 86
8. Jo Ann Chandler DF-26-20-DF 104
9. Vickie Stones 26-DF-DF-DF 113

**Supreme Master**

1. Bob Cockerill 21-9-16-7 53
2. Malcolm Jones 8-10-14-DF 61
3. Jim Uroda 22-21-DF-DF 101

**Women**

1. Ellen Burks 17-13-17-DF 76
2. Lisa Weatherholt 24-24-DF-13 90
3. Jo Ann Chandler DF-26-20-DF 104
4. Mary Medina 23-25-DF-DF 106
5. Vickie Stones 26-DF-DF-DF 113

**2007 Sunfish Masters Overall**

1. Paul Foerster 2-1-1-1 5
2. Greg Gust 1-2-3-2 8
3. Ashley Beatty 4-3-2-3 12
4. Buddy Wainwright 3-8-5-4 20
5. Bill Jackson 5-5-13-9 32
6. Don Bynum 19-11-4-5 39
7. Christopher Gill 13-14-9-6 42
8. Carlos Saavedra 16-15-6-8 45
9. Tony Collins 6-17-11-11 45
10. Martin Ottenheimer 7-7-7-DF 50
11. Gil Greenwood 9-6-8-DF 52
12. Robert Cockerill 21-9-16-7 53
13. John Weston 25-12-12-10 59
14. Malcolm Jones 8-10-14-DF 61
15. David McCary 12-23-18-12 65
16. Rob Johnston 10-4-DF-DF 72
17. Ellen Burks 17-13-17-DF 76
18. Victor Manning 20-18-10-DF 77
20. Warren Fitzpatrick 11-16-DF-DF 85
22. Lisa Weatherholt 24-24-DF-13 90
23. Crawford Milling 15-22-DF-DF 95
24. Jim Uroda 22-21-DF-DF 101
25. Jo Chandler DF-26-20-DF 104
26. Mary Medina 23-25-DF-DF 106
27. Vickie Stones 26-DF-DF-DF 113

For the fourth and final race of Saturday (and it turned out ... of the regatta) the RC acknowledged that since this was The Masters, it was likely that there were contestants who had previously (back when race committees knew there were more than two points of sail) sailed a reach at some time in their career and decided to let us have some REAL fun. They set an Olympic course. And the Wind Gods responded with 20-24 or so! We had a reach where water was shooting up through the daggerboard trunk and at least three feet on upwards! Foerster, Gust, Beatty, Chris Gill (Tulsa, OK), and Buddy Wainright got away from the next level of the fleet on the first windward leg, so when we hit the reach I found myself planing along beside Supreme Master Bob Cockerill (Missouri City, TX) with the two of us hollerin' and hootin' and laughing loud enough to hear each other over the wind. One of the really gutsy shows of the day was Lisa Heatherholt (Tulsa, OK), the only woman who sailed the fourth race and she survived it and was grinning from ear to ear that evening as she told tales.

Sunday, after waiting a couple of hours hoping a thunderstorm would move east, we all gave up and declared victory on the 2007 Sunfish Masters. Paul Foerster won the regatta, chased by Greg Gust and Ash Beatty. Paul also won a lot of "points" for something else he did. Paul donated his genuine and official Athens Olympics Gold Watch to be given by drawing amongst the category winners. After all the other trophies had been awarded, the drawing was held. Bob Cockerill, who won the Sunfish Masters Division and sailed all four races, won the Olympic Gold Watch!

competitors the opportunity for a brief (and unplanned) swim.
Mendelblatt is Champion of 2007 Midwinters

USSCA Sunfish Midwinters
Edison SC Ft. Meyers, FL
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1 David Mendelblatt 1-1-2-4-(5)-5 13
2 Juan Maegli 9-(15)-5-1-2-4 21
3 Tom Whitehurst 4-5-4-7-(9)-1 21
4 Joe Blouin 5-(44)-7-5-1-27 45
5 Chip Clifton 2-11-(16)-9-10-14 46
6 Malcolm Smith 14-(19)-6-6-15-10 51
7 Adriana Garcia 6-20-10-14-(21)-2 52
8 Tony Elliott (51)-2-17-13-23-3 58
9 Ned Jones 7-18-13-8-(32)-15 61
10 Anne Edwards (17)-7-12-15-17-16 67
11 Drew Staniar 21-4-(34)-12-24-6 68
12 Clinton Edwards 33-3-(37)-11-11-13 71
13 Jason Castillo 26-23-11-(BF)-4-8 72
14 Dan Norton (27)-12-14-16-14-18 74
15 Juan Delgado 18-21-1-(BF)-8-28 76
16 Linda Tillman 19-6-(42)-10-34-11 80
17 Sebastian Mera 25-30-8-(BF)-7-17 87
18 C Whitehurst (37)-31-35-3-6-19 94
19 Carlos Abisambra 31-22-15-(DC)-26-7 101
20 Amanda Holm 11-(37)-24-23-12-32 102
21 Court Young 8-(63)-51-28-3-22 112
22 Gail Heusler 34-27-22-20-(41)-9 112
23 Fred Hutchinson 3-13-38-24-(53)-39 117
24 Don Bergman 29-(61)-9-31-18-30 117
25 Lauren Whitehurst (64)-46-3-22-36-12 119
26 Luis Gutierrez (42)-29-31-2-16-42 120
27 Jackie Sims 21-41-(48)-17-19-29 127
28 Mark May 15-(49)-41-25-29-20 130
29 Bill McInnis 12-35-27-18-39-(43) 131
30 David Hartman 30-14-20-(DC)-27-41 132
31 Rob Eberle 28-10-28-32-37-(50) 135
32 Richard Tillman 20-(65)-19-29-31-36 135
34 M Ottenheimer 13-8-(54)-34-50-38 143
35 Peter Wells 32-(60)-53-21-22-24 152
36 Richard Whitehurst (44)-16-29-41-35-35 156
37 Lee Parks 38-(55)-39-26-20-33 156
38 Chris Gates (58)-36-18-19-54-31 158
39 Todd Edwards 24-24-21-(BF)-13-DC 159
40 David Silverman 48-9-46-38-30-(DF) 171
41 Leland Brode 40-34-26-37-(46)-37 174
42 Danny Escobar 46-39-40-30-28-(DF) 183
43 Paul Odegard 49-17-56-42-(58)-25 189
44 Bob Buttnor 43-38-32-36-(55)-40 189
45 Ron McHenry (55)-45-44-46-25-34 194
46 T Katterheinrich 16-51-33-47-(57)-53 200
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48 Bud Narveson 35-43-43-45-43-(56) 209
49 Rita Steele 10-28-23-(DF)-DC-DC 215
50 Reid Hutchenson 41-25-55-(59)-40-57 218
51 George Jackson 39-58-30-51-(71)-51 229
52 Gil Greenwood 57-33-47-(58)-38-55 230
53 Don Esch (60)-52-49-39-48-45 233
54 Robert Berg (DS)-53-45-33-33-DF 241
55 Kevin Pierce 52-(54)-50-43-49-47 241
56 Ray Buchanan 59-40-57-44-44-(62) 244
57 H Ottenheimer 45-32-(69)-49-69-52 247
58 Nick Doty 50-47-63-40-47-(DF) 247
59 Rick Pantall 53-50-62-(BF)-42-44 251

60 Paul Magnani 62-62-59-61-(70)-23 267
61 Diana Holm 36-56-58-8-(BF)-61-60 271
62 Chris Lowrie 61-26-36-(DC)-DC-DC 277
63 Steve Snider (69)-57-60-56-48-46 277
64 Gerhart Menzel (DF)-59-61-54-65-46 285
65 Will Hackett 65-(70)-68-48-45-61 287
67 Barbara Bernstein 56-68-67-52-60-(DC) 303
68 Ed Carney (68)-64-65-53-67-59 308
69 Carol McDowell 66-71-(DS)-57-62-54 310
70 Bonnie Sevier 70-(DF)-DS-50-51-64 312
71 Damien Lin 63-66-64-(BF)-64-58 315
72 Rose Rowland 67-67-(DS)-60-63-63 320
73 Lynsey Randolph 71-72-(DS)-55-68-65 331
74 Muscato/Dietrich (DC)-73-DS-63-72-DF 439
75 Dennis Wettlaufer (DC)-DC-DC-DC-DC-DC 385
76 Bob Harding (DC)-DC-DC-DC-DC-DC 385

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UNITED STATES SUNFISH CLASS ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
FAIRHOPE YACHT CLUB, FAIRHOPE, AL
JUNE 16, 2007


Call to Order: by President Clinton Edwards at 9:13 a.m.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Motion to approve as published in Class newsletter by Rich Chapman, seconded by Fritz Hanselman, passed.

President’s Report: The President thanked participants for attending this year’s Championship and supporting our Class.

Donations: Thank you to Austin (TX) Yacht Club for its donation of 10 Sunfish for Gulf Coast fleet recovery. Thank you to Todd and Anne Edwards for picking them up and delivering them. In total, to date, twelve complete boats have been donated to rejuvenate the Sunfish fleets at Ocean Springs Yacht Club, Biloxi Yacht Club, Pontchartrain Yacht Club, Bay-Waveland Yacht Club and Gulfport Yacht Club. Thank you!

Rudder Prototype: The rudder prototype will ease handling of the boat, expand the sailor’s range of conditions and make the Sunfish a truly one-design boat. The rudder is the long ago planned next step after the racing sail and the composite centerboard. The US Sunfish Board of Directors endorsed having representative Tom Whitehurst take the issue to the upcoming ISCA Advisory Council and World Council meetings for consideration. For the change to take effect, the ISCA Advisory Council must approve the prototype, the ISCA World Council must approve the prototype, the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) must approve the prototype, and production details must be worked out with the manufacturer. It is expected there is a lead time of a minimum of two to three years. James Liebl requested that two identical prototype blades be delivered to one location for side-by-side testing for possible differences in sailor’s weight, wind conditions, wave conditions, and other factors. Sailors were reminded that the prototype is designed to fit existing rudder cheeks and the head of the blade does not hit anything, unlike the current rudder blade. The representatives are working to control cost for manufacturing and distribution should the blade be approved and go into production.

Web site: The Class’ web site is being restructured from ISCA down through its NSCAs. It is being coordinated by Derek Jackson and Brian McGinnis. The targeted launch date is by the 2008 World Championship. An Event Evaluation Form, in development by Susan Mallows and Clinton Edwards and will be added to the web site. The Evaluation Form is to be filled out by sailors and submitted to the Regatta Coordinator. The information collected will be analyzed for continuous improvement in our regattas (bashing will not be tolerated!).

O’Day Trophy: The Sunfish has been selected for the 2008, 2012 and possibly 2014 O’Day Trophy, the US Sailing Single-handed Championship. At this time, the traditional berth for the O’Day winner for the Single-handed US Olympic Trials is not being granted.

Manufacturer Sale: Gavel Securities Limited (the holding company of Performance Sailcraft Europe Limited - PSE and Laser Sailboats Limited - LSB), acquired Vanguard Sailboats, including Seitech Products Inc the Vanguard owned retail stores in Illinois, California and Rhode Island. We do not know what effects the sale of Vanguard will have on the Class.

2007 Pan American Games: We are proud to have Paul Foerster representing the United States in the Sunfish Class. Paul won the 2006 North American Championship and is a multiple 470 Olympic medalist.

Junior Participation: The fleet size at our Junior North American Championship (JNAC) has fallen drastically over the last few years. There will be a major spike in the 2007 participation with the JNAC being held at Southold.

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Yacht Club (NY), separately from the North American Championship (NAC), and in a largely populated Junior Sunfish area. We talk about low Junior participation every year. The new marketing campaign will help, but I still believe it is YOU who will increase Junior participation: (1) Share your boat with Junior! (2) Travel with a Junior to local, Regional, and national events! (3) This keeps them involved in the Class. (4) My first “Junior project” graduated college and rejoined the Class this year. (5) My second “Junior project” attends high school 12 hours away, but I still arranged for him to attend Midwinters. (6) We can’t wait for the kids to come to us!

**Treasurer’s Report:** See submission from USSCA Treasurer Patricia Manning.

**World Council Report:** Previously published in the Class newsletter.

**Advisory Council Report:** Chris Williams was appointed to the Advisory Council by Andres Santana, ISCA President, following the resignation of Paul-Jon Patin. Paul-Jon resigned after he was elected ISCA Vice President. The appointment was effective in November, and as Paul-Jon was the Advisory Council Chair, Chris was appointed the Chair as well. The Advisory Council meeting will be at the World Championship in Brant Beach, NJ, in August. Major topics of discussion will be:

- Any proposals submitted by NSCAs for approval (likely to include the prototype rudder developed by Tom Whitehurst).

**Sites of future World Championships** (past 2008.) I have been tasked with heading up this effort. Curacao and the Bahamas are the leading contenders, with Chile having interest.

**Size of future World Championships.** Filling 100 boat fleets has been a challenge, and requires the sale of 100 boats after the event. A smaller fleet would mean less of a financial commitment and challenge for the host and the likelihood of once again filling the fleet only with sailors who qualify. The other solution is to only invite sailors who qualify, having the fleet total cap out at the number it naturally reaches. We are in a period when non-US NSCAs are not filling their 10-competitor allocation and the US is struggling to get more than one or two top 10 finishers at a US Regional to attend the World Championship. Commentary is appreciated.

**Any issues noted by the NSCAs** It is important for the Class that the smaller NSCAs maintain their health so that the Class maintains its International and Pan American Games status. Andres Santana went to great lengths to be sure we had a full complement of 12 countries competing in the Pan American Games to demonstrate our Class strength.

**Junior World Championship:** Rich Chapman (USSCA Junior Representative) has been working on a plan to start a Junior World Championship. 2008 would be the first year most likely sailed in the US. It is expected the berth allocation will be two berths per NSCA, US receiving six additional berths, and host country receiving one additional berth. ISCA and ISAF approval is necessary.

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**Announcements**

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**Current Rudder:** Tom Whitehurst reported that the manufacturer may be changing to producing the rudder in fiberglass, still in the currently approved shape.

**Daggerboards:** The manufacturer changed the mold for the daggerboard as the result of a lawsuit settlement. A sailor lost a fingertip by slamming the daggerboard down, coincidently having the rubber stops shear off, the daggerboard shooting through the daggerboard slot, and severing the finger. The intention was for the exposed blade to be the same length and shape as its predecessor. Upon measurement by the Class Measurer, however, it has been determined the shape is different and the blade is longer, making it illegal under current Class Rules. The top of the daggerboard has small holes for the sailer to be able to tie on a gripping device for raising and lowering the board. These boards went into production in October and were distributed with new boats through May. A resolution is being worked on with the manufacturer.

**Election:** Nominations were opened on an office-by-office basis. For Secretary, the Nominating Committee named Gail Turluck. Anne Edwards was nominated from the floor. For Advisory Council Representative nominees the Nominating Committee named Christopher Williams and Thomas Whitehurst. For Masters Coordinator the Nominating Committee named Frederick “Fritz” Hanselman. For Women’s Events Coordinator, the Nominating Committee named Gail Heausler. For Nominations Coordinator the Nominating Committee named Tom Katterheinrich. For Gulf Coast Regional Representative the Nominating Committee had no nominations. Brent Evans was nominated from the floor. For Midwest Regional Representative the Nominating Committee named Tom Katterheinrich. For Southwest Regional Representative the Nominating Committee named Ellen Burks. For West Regional Representative the Nominating Committee named Jennie McCarthy. Tom Katterheinrich distributed ballots. Instructions for completing the ballot were provided. Results were posted on the Official Notice Board.

**Results are:** Secretary: Gail Turluck; Advisory Council Representative I: Christopher Williams; Advisory Council Representative II: Thomas Whitehurst; Masters Coordinator: Frederick “Fritz” Hanselman; Nominations Coordinator: Tom Katterheinrich; Gulf Coast Regional Representative: Brent Evans; Midwest Regional Representative: Tom Katterheinrich; Southwest Regional Representative: Ellen Burks; West Regional Representative: Jennie McCarthy.


**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 9:59 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail M. Turluck
Secretary
# USSCA Annual Financial Statements

Submitted by Patricia Manning, USSCA Treasurer

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Secretary: Gail Turluck
Advisory Council Representative nominees:
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Masters Coordinator: Frederick "Fritz" Hanselman
Women's Coordinator: Gail Heausler
Nominations Coordinator: Tom L. Katterheinrich
Gulf Coast Regional Representative: Brent Evans
Midwest Regional Representative: Tom L. Katterheinrich
Southwest Regional Representative: Ellen Burks
West Regional Representative: Jennie McCarthy

Nominations Coordinator Tom Katterheinrich announced at the Annual Meeting that nominations for the positions up for election next year (those NOT listed above) are open and any member may nominate an individual or themselves. Contact Tom before 12/31/07.

--Gail Turluck
Regional News

Cordero Takes Gulf Coast Regional #1

The Gulf Coast Regional Championship was hosted by Fairhope YC on June 9-10, 2007 (the weekend before Sunfish North American Championship). The fleet was sent in under "Marine Advisory" after the second race. As the boats were working their way in, the RC boat registered a gust of 38. Most boats flipped at the beach, but some damage occurred.

Sunday morning started off better, but as the breeze died, the heat cranked up! The Gulf Coast Region will hold its second World Qualifier at Bay-Waveland Yacht Club in November in conjunction with the Rondinella Regatta.

-Clinton Edwards

Gulf Coast Regional #1
Fairhope YC Fairhope, AL June 9-10, 2007

1 Eduardo Cordero 1-1-1-8-2-4 17
2 Tom Whitehurst 4-5-3-3-2 22
3 Kevin Northup 9-4-4-2-1-3 23
4 Anne Edwards 8-9-3-5-6-1 32
5 Todd Edwards 5-3-8-1-5- DF 39
6 Karl Kleinschrodt 3-6-6-7-4- DF 43
7 Clinton Edwards 6-7-7-4-8- DF 49
8 Bernardo Low-Beer 2-2-2-DQ-15- DF 55
9 Peter Wuer scher 7-8-10-6- DF 55
10 Melissa Chapoton 10-10-9-10-9- DF 65
11 Eddie Adams 11-12-12-9-13- DF 74
12 Nick Doty 12-13-11-11-10- DF 74
13 Ray Long DF-11-13-13-12- DF 83
14 Laura Lambuth DC-DC-14-12-11-DF 88
15 Emily Nolan 14-DC-15-14-14-DF 91
16 Butch Nolan 13-14-DC-DC-DC-DC 95

Kleinschrodt Edges Out at Galloway Regatta

The weather was hot, hotter than a snake's... And the sea breeze never really filled in, but the twenty boats that competed in the annual Gulf Yachting Association's Sunfish Championship and Galloway Regatta On August 4-5, 2007 had a great regatta. Six races, six juniors, six women. Gulfport, MS.

After four races, Karl Kleinschrodt had a good lead, but that would all change with the expected throw out. Going into the last race, he had a one point lead on Tom Whitehurst and Clinton Edwards. Kleinschrodt and Whitehurst duked it out for the first three legs until Whitehurst hit the last windward mark. Edwards ran out of real estate on the last leg and couldn't pass Whitehurst. The current was strong as most of the sailors hit the windward mark and understood the starboard layline. Anne Edwards had her own series going on. Who was the top Edwards? It is about a two hour drive back home for Todd to listen to Anne!

Anna Gayle Christian was awarded the GYA Junior Sunfish Championship.

-Clinton Edwards

Galloway Regatta
Gulfport YC Gulfport, MS August 4-5, 2007

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3 Clinton Edwards 2-2-4-(5)-2-4 14
4 Anne Edwards 7-(15)-2-3-3-6 21
5 Hew Hamilton 5-(7)-5-1-5-7 23
6 Todd Edwards (8)-1-6-4-8-5 24
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8 Lee Creekmore 9-8-9-6-(12)-8 40
9 Anna Christian 11-11-13-9-6-(14) 50
10 David McCary 12-9-11-11-(-13)-9 52
11 Chris Friend 6-6-8-12-(21)-21 53
12 Judy Reeves 10-10-(-15)-14-10-12 56
13 Randy Santa Cruz 13-13-10-10-(-15)-11 57
14 Lisa Loango 15-12-14-(-16)-11-13 65
15 Katherine Santa Cruz 16-(-17)-12-13-9-16 66
16 Justin O'Rourke (17)-14-16-17-14-10 71
17 Butch Nolan 14-16-17-(-18)-16-15 78
18 Emily Nolan (18)-18-18-15-17-17 85
19 Taylor Pontius 19-19-21-21-21 101
20 Grayson Pontius 20-20-21-21-21 103

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Edwards Leads the “LAs” to Victory in Dixie, Wins First LA-TEX Challenge

The Holiday in Dixie/LA-TEX Sunfish Challenge was a success. Anne Edwards cleaned our clocks and the Southeast region just eked out a win over the Southwest Region! The Sunfish had the largest fleet represented at the Shreveport YC Holiday in Dixie Regatta (AKA LA-TEX Sunfish Challenge), held April 27-29, 2007, with 10 boats. Winds were light Saturday, but not even near dead calm, and the racing was very tight.

In the first race, with winds in the 5-10 range, Todd Edwards managed to hold off Texas Sunfish Diva Ellen Burks to take first while the rest of us stalked each other between 30 seconds and 2 minutes back. Twelve-year-old Emily Nolan, the sole Junior competitor in the Sunfish class and one of only two in the entire regatta, proved to be peskily fast upwind and was often as high as sixth place until the final downwind leg.

The wind dropped a bit before the second race and choosing the right (also the right) side of the course paid off very considerably. David McCary rounded the weather mark in first on the first lap, about five boat lengths ahead of me with Todd Edwards, Ellen Burks, Anne Edwards, and Warren Fitzpatrick in a tight clump about five boat lengths behind me. Butch Nolan and Emily Nolan got buried in a hole with Bill Jackson and the three of them struggled to ever get back into the pack. David held his lead downwind while I dealt with a four-, sometimes five-boat wide shadow that was trying to do me in from behind. Starting back up wind Anne Edwards and I both went right while everyone else went left again, to varying degrees. Several, including me, tried to take a more middling course upwind and Anne passed us all. At the weather mark Anne had the lead with me still in second (by maybe a boat length). Anne jibed away to the right side of the run to get out of my shadow, after which I passed her. Then the wind dropped a bit more and as we approached the finish I paid the price for all those enchiladas I have eaten over the last 63 years as Anne, then David, then Ellen overtook me. But... I held Warren, Todd and C.P. off... to my unending amazement!

Sunday morning the sun rose to a steaming still Cross Lake and the races were abandoned. In the end Anne Edwards (Louisiana Sunfish Diva) won the regatta and the Southeast Region (“The LAs”) had an average score 0.2 points lower than us “TEXs” so Anne also won the first ever, world famous, LA-TEX Challenge. Todd took it like a man and still helped her load her boat! Ellen Burks finished second and local Shreveport Sunfish grand wizard, David McCary, was third. Emily Nolan took home the Sunfish Junior Trophy.

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Regional News

Jackson Wins at SANJL Regatta

On Saturday May 19, 2007, 27 sailors defied the weather forecast and were rewarded with a beautiful day of sailing on Swartswood Lake.

In typical Sailing Association of North Jersey Lakes (SANJL) form, the wind was very shifty, moving from the NNE to the West. The challenges from the shifty conditions were amplified by large changes in wind strength that brought speeds between 5 and 20 kts. With such wild conditions, no position was ever safe because big gains and losses could happen at any point. The most successful sailors were those who were able to recognize and adapt to the changing conditions.

When the day was finished, Derek Jackson (New York, NY) escaped with top honors. After completing his second year as a member of the University of New Hampshire sailing team, Kevin Buruchian (Highland Lakes, NJ) looked very sharp tactically to finish a close second. Mark May rounded out the top three.

The challenger division was a tight competition between Frank Blesso (Paterson, NJ), Becky Haszko (Bloomfield, NJ), and Bob Tomsey (Highland Lakes, NJ). Blesso was the most consistent sailor and won first place. After struggling with the heavier winds early in the day, Swartswood Lake's Haszko showed great improvement to take second place. Tomsey was only a point behind in third.

-Derek Jackson

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The Metedeconk River YC was proud to host the Mid-Atlantic Regional Championships on June 9-10, 2007. Participation was lighter than years past, and the reason for this was the lack of local sailors. Of the 19 boats registered, ONLY four were from local waters, the other sailors traveled from North Jersey, Pennsylvania and a few from as far away as Swansea, MA, Hartford, CT, Westhampton, NY. It was disappointing to lack local sailors, when others made such a commitment to travel such distances.

The race committee, headed by Bill Bogardus, ran a fantastic seven-race series. The winds on Saturday ran gered from a gusty (20+ knots) northerly to a solid (14-16 knots) easterly. The first two races seemed to have two upwind legs. Three-quarters of the leg was sailed in a 'solid' northerly and the rest of the leg, closer to shore, was sailed in a shifty, up and down breeze. Getting around the weather mark was a feat in itself. However, during the second race the wind shifted hard to the east and stayed that way for the rest of the weekend. The next three races were started just off the yacht club and sailed to northeast corner of the river. All seven of the races were windward/leeward, either finishing downwind or upwind. At the end of day one with five races on the books, Jody Lutz (Brick, NJ), Chris Williams (Philadelphia, PA), and Brian McGinnis (Remsenburg, NY) were separated by only two points at the top of the leader board.

Day two brought the same breeze from the east, mostly cloudy skies and greatly diminished motorboat traffic. Again two great races were held and the winner was not determined until the end of the last race. I say the end because Jody was in control; however if Williams could win the last race and if Lutz finished third or worse, the title would then go to Williams. Lutz gave him the chance by finishing third or worse; however Williams couldn't hold up his end of the deal, and he ended up finishing a second. Congratulations, Jody!

In closing, I would like to thank my mother and father, Barry and Betsy Pearce, and Fran Lynn for helping me with the regatta, I could not have done it without you. Thanks to the race committee, great job, as usual, the patrols and all of the other volunteers that helped make this regatta a success. Finally, thank you Julie for taking the kids (three under the age of three yes, twins!) for the weekend and letting me play. You're the best, I love you!

- Todd Pearce

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Metedeconk River YC - Brick, NJ
June 9-10, 2007

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And it's Jackson at Mid Atlantic #2!
Regional News

Norton Victorious at Lake Lansing

Lake Lansing provided its usual amusing and frustrating fluky, light breezes for this year's Lake Lansing Sunfish Regatta, held June 2, 2007. While, as always, superior sailing skill and knowledge bore the proper fruits of victory, the vagaries of the winds added the element of chance, surprise and dismay into the mix.

Races 1 and 2 took place with light and variable wind, with many holes. Sunfish sailor par excellence Derrick Fries (Clarkston, MI), as is customary, figured things out nicely and sailed fast, winning both races handily. Dan Norton (Manitou Beach, MI) did a fine job as well, finishing second in both races. Tom Katterheinrich (New Knoxville, OH) pulled out a 3rd in the first race, and Gail Turluck (Richland, MI) sailed to a third place in the second race. This finish, coupled with Turluck's 4th place in race 1, left her in good position as well. LSC sailor Jim Fletcher (Okemos, MI) managed two good mid-fleet finishes, a fifth and a fourth. By the time of the start the second race the wind was dying away, and so only a single time around the triangle was sailed, following which folks sailed back to the club for the lunch break.

As the fleet finished the fourth race the sky became a forbidding dark gray and black presence. Race committee chairman Sid Mook heard thunder, and prudently declared that enough was enough. The skippers no sooner arrived on shore and climbed out of their boats when the sky opened up with a torrential downpour, complete with a nasty taste of pea stone-sized hail. All were pleased to be under the shelter of the clubhouse and not still out on the water!

After lunch the masochistic fleet headed back out on to the course for still more fun(). There was some additional breeze this time around the modified Olympic course, but the wind gods were obviously enjoying their amusing game of dice. Norton pulled this race out, with Fries following behind to take second. LSC sailor John Fishbeck sailed his good race of the day, taking third. Clearly the regatta was headed to a showdown between Fries and Norton.

As the fourth race got underway the sky off to the southwest started to appear ominously dark. The winds for this race were all over the map, challenging even the perpetually wind-wise Fries. On the second beat up to the windward mark fate played its merciless hand. Those foolish enough to pick the left side of the course (Fishbeck and Travis) were cruelly slapped, bobbing around miserably while boats off to the right side of the beat sailed merrily up towards the mark in breeze. LSC's Fletcher and visitor Katterheinrich preciently sailed out to the far right of the course, where they were the first to catch the breeze as it filled in from the southwest. Fletcher superbly sailed to a win, followed closely by Katterheinrich. Norton still managed to sail to a third place, while poor Fries, stuck mid-fleet with the fickle breeze, managed only to pull out a fifth.

Norton's consistent 2-2-1-3 finishes and Fries's misfortune in the fourth race gave Norton the regatta victory by a mere point, 8 points to Fries's 9. LSC's Fletcher's glorious sail to first in the fourth race catapulted him into third place overall with 15 points. Turluck also finished with 15, but the scoring tie breaking resolution gave Fletcher the edge, leaving Turluck with a respectably contested fourth place overall.

- John Fishbeck
Brangiforte Wins His 4th Consecutive New England Regional

He never won a race and he didn't lead the regatta (with throw-outs counted) until after the shortened final, but Bill Brangiforte (Weymouth, MA) pulled out his fourth-consecutive New England Regional Championship at Barrington, RI. Sailed on June 2-3, the event attracted 30 racers from throughout the region and New York who contended with winds ranging from 14 MPH to just about zero.

Brangiforte and John Skrzypiec (three first-place finishes) had separated themselves enough from the rest of the pack in Saturday's five races to make Sunday a two-race, two-man match for the championship. With the throw-out race factored in, Skrzypiec (Portsmouth, RI) held a six-point advantage over Brangiforte as boats left the beach on Sunday morning.

Skrzypiec made the decision to shadow Brangiforte, hoping to keep ahead of the defending champion, or at least close enough to hold the lead. In Race 6, Brangiforte headed for the left side of the course with Skrzypiec matching him tack for tack. Both leaders made out well, rounding the windward mark in the top five, with Brangiforte trailing only eventual race-winner Andy David (Bristol, RI), and Skrzypiec close behind. Brangiforte and David maintained their spots in the downwind leg of the windward-leeward course, but Skrzypiec got caught in traffic and fell to sixth, where he eventually finished the race.

With Brangiforte finishing second, Skrzypiec's lead was down to just one point with one race to sail. The wind picked up to 5-8 MPH, or so, and moved right, toward the South as the final race approached. The race committee adjusted the course accordingly and started the race just in time for the wind to turn back toward the East before dying down to as light as it had been all weekend. Eric Woodman, who won the first race on Saturday in a drifter before being eaten up by the afternoon chop and falling well out of contention, executed a near-perfect, port-tack start at the pin as the majority of the fleet struggled to fetch the line on starboard.

At the other end of the line Skrzypiec shadowed Brangiforte as both suffered from the wind shift falling well back in the fleet. By the middle of the first leg the wind had dropped to near zero and Woodman rounded the windward mark ahead of race 5 winner Scott Greenbaum (Scituate, MA), Dave Davies (Middletown, NY), Drew Buttner (Westwood, MA), and Paul Odegaard (Guilford, CT), all of whom had been able to get onto the favored port tack at the start of the leg.

As the fleet crept downwind, barely making headway against the outgoing tide, the race committee had a difficult decision to make. With a twice-around windward-leeward posted at the start, and a dying wind, the race would either have to be shortened or abandoned altogether. Race Committee Chief Scott Walker came close to deciding to abandon, which would have sealed Skrzypiec's first Barrington Regional's title, but the air filled in slightly as the leaders approached the final third of the leg. Walker decided to shorten the course to finish at the leeward mark.

Meanwhile, in the crowded, middle of the fleet, Brangiforte had managed to slip forward, putting several boats between himself and Skrzypiec. The shortened race ended with Brangiforte in 7th and Skrzypiec (although not far behind) in 13th place. Brangiforte took the championship and Skrzypiec had a lot of "would haves" and "could haves" for the ride home.

- Eric Woodman
### Regional News

**Skrzypiec Takes Over at NE #2**

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Wequasset Lake YC  
Centerville, MA  
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**Mendelblatt Wins Florida State Sunfish Championship**

The Florida State Sunfish Championship was held at The St. Petersburg YC on April 14-15, 2007. Forecasted storms and high winds for the weekend scared some sailors into staying home. Those who competed were rewarded with ideal conditions on Saturday. Sunny skies prevailed and five races were sailed in diverse winds.

The first two races were held light, shifty wind from the south. An in-coming tide made for long, tactically challenging up-wind beats. The race committee, chaired by Rear.Commodore Bob Johnson made course adjustments to keep up with the changing conditions. As the forecast storm front approached, the wind strengthened to 10 knots and the current slackened for race three. Races four and five were held in 15 to 22 knots. Competitors had an opportunity to de-power their rigs in the short interval between races, while the race committee shifted the location of the starting line. This 1-minute break was the longest of the day as the race committee kept to their plan of firing off races as efficiently as possible. Races lasted from 35 to 55 minutes and by the completion of race five, all racers were tired and ready to be returning to shore.

Dinner at the St. Petersburg Yacht Club was attacked by starving sailors, who enjoyed the hospitality of the Club. Competitors discussed the sailing conditions and had an opportunity to compare tuning techniques over an Italian buffet.

Sunday, the forecasters were proved to be accurate, with storms and high-winds closing local bridges and requiring the race committee to abandon racing for the day. None the less, the five races which had been completed gave the sailors a wonderful regatta in great conditions. David Mendelblatt (St. Petersburg, FL) won the event with James Liebl (Titusville, FL) and David Hartman (Vero Beach, FL) traveling from the East Coast of Florida to finish second and third, respectively.

Hartman was top Master. Lauren Whitehurst (Pensacola, FL), who races for the University of South Florida sailing team, was top Woman.

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Gust Presides in Light Air Southwest Regional #1 (North)

OK, we all lived through it. Well all except a nefarious character known as The Weather Prophet. More about him later. The event was held in north Texas, so we knew that meant gully washers, frog stranglers, and trash movers ... or hot and humid. We got hot and humid. The forecast wind was pretty consistent in the ballpark 5-10 out of the south or southeast. That is mostly what we got.

Turnout to the Southwest Regionals North on June 9-10 was very light as several regulars were unable to attend as they had lawns to mow or wives to water since they were going to the NA's. A total of only 16 boats competed. Still, we had a great time and the regatta came off very well with C.P. Burks and his race crew pulling off six races over the two days and still getting us off the water with time to stew the boats and be ready for lunch (and awards) by about noon.

The first race was delayed as we waited for wind, any wind. Eventually we got going and the race was pretty darn close all the way through. During the first two races, David McCary (Shreveport, LA), Jamey Rabbitt (Irving, TX), Greg Gust (Rockwall, TX), and Ellen Burks (Ft. Worth, TX) swapped around amongst several regulars were unable to attend as they were going to the NA's. A total of only 16 boats competed. Still, we had a great time and the regatta came off very well with C.P. Burks and his race crew pulling off six races over the two days and still getting us off the water with time to stew the boats and be ready for lunch (and awards) by about noon.

Sunday morning there was enough wind to get us off and racing right on time. Mary Medina timed her start perfectly and got off to a great start along with John Stewart and Crawford Milling. As this race went on the wind gradually got lighter. The air got lighter and lighter as the final race progressed. It got very light like this for maybe 10 minutes then picked back up to 5-8 so we were able to finish the race.

- Don Bynum

(Green shirt), as the leader as of sundown on Saturday had the honor of taking the first whack at our nemesis, Weather Prophet. Lots of folks has a go at the wretch and eventually he succumbed to the throng of sailor peasants with sticks and mallets and we all felt better about ourselves, the weather and our day of Al Gore End-of-Time sailing on a day which was, while hot, still about 10 degrees cooler than the previous record high for the date set in 1911.

Southwest Regionals North
Arlington YC - Arlington, TX
June 9-10, 2007

1 Greg Gust 1-4-1-1-1-1 5
2 Jamey Rabbit 2-1-3-5-2-2 10
3 Ellen Burks 3-2-2-2-8-6 15
4 David McCary 4-3-7-7-4-3 21
5 Allison Chase (10)-7-4-6-5-4 26
6 Warren Fitzpatrick 5-9-6-3-6-7 27
7 Crawford Milling (9)-5-4-7-8 29
8 John Stewart 6-6-12-9-3-11 35
9 Marshall Woodson 11-12-9-8-12-5 45
10 Mary Medina 7-10-13-10-11-9 47
11 Don Bynum 8-8-11-11-9-14 47
12 Vickie Stones (13)-11-8-12-10-10 51
13 Carlos Saavedra (15)-13-10-13-13-12 51
14 Patsy Haines 16-15-14-14-13 72
15 Gene Bryant 12-16-14-DS-DS-DS 76
16 Sheila Bryant 14-14-DS-DS-DS-DS 79

Gust Victor at Rush Creek Spring Dinghyfest

Light and very shifty winds dominated this year's Spring Dinghyfest on May 19-20, 2007. It was such a drastic change from the usual 15-30 mph we have all gotten used to at this time of the year on Lake Ray Hubbard. It was a great weekend for Don's "Stickmen".

Racing started in the 5-7 mph range for race 1. Greg Gust got out to an early lead followed closely by David Hoye and Rob Johnston. Race Two saw the winds lighten to 3-5 mph and this time David returned the favor to Greg for the win. Race Three started about 3:30 and quickly turned into a real drifter. Paul Foerster showed up as a real drifter. Paul Foerster showed up after the extended lunch and decided to try to make up for a couple of DNS's and won this race.

Sunday morning saw winds return to the 5-7 mph range and Paul, Greg, Ellen, David and John Weston (Colin's Dad) up front with the rest following in the dying wind.
Regional News

Northfork Sailors Win Team Race Championship

Condon Takes Smith Trophy

In lieu of Aspatuck YC, which was dissolved earlier this year, Shinnecock YC hosted the Annual Sunfish Team Race Championship on July 28, in Quantuck Bay, in East Quogue, NY. Unlike Fleet Racing where the first boat to finish wins and the next boat finishes second, etc., Team Racing emphasizes team placement vis-a-vis individual winning. Thus, with three on a side, a team with a 2-3-5 series for 10 points will beat a team with a 1-4-6 series with 11 points.

Shinnecock introduced two new features to this regatta. Each team consisted of three rather than five sailors, and shorter collegiate-style courses were set rather than the longer fleet courses.

The North Fork Sunfish Yacht Racing Association entered two teams and the team consisting of John Condon, Sam Zimmer, and Joe Sullivan went undefeated with a record of 6-0. However, the competition was fierce as they had to come from behind twice to overtake the Westhampton YS team of Geoffrey Craz, Nick Purpura and Dan Bolander, which finished second with a 4-2 record. Mary and Geoffrey Loffredo, and Joe Turchiano of the North Fork Sunfish YRA placed third with a 2-4 record but came very close to upsetting the WYS team in two close matches. Host Shinnecock YC represented by Abby Connett, Jim Schelter and Sandy Wyman finished fourth with an 0-6 record.

By winning, the NFSYRA team defended its championship and took home the Theodore B. Conklin Memorial Trophy for the second year in a row.

Continuing with tradition, following the Team Race competition, all sailors participated in a fleet race for the Dorothy Smith Memorial Trophy. This was won by John Condon of the NFSYRA team.

-Joe Sullivan

Dorothy Smith Memorial Trophy
Shinnecock YC - Quogue, NY
July 28, 2007

1 John Condon - NFSYRA
2 Geoffrey Loffredo - NFSYRA
3 Joe Turchiano - NFSYRA
4 Abby Connett - SYC
5 Joe Sullivan - NFSYRA
6 Geoffrey Craz - WYS
7 Nick Purpura - WYS
8 Dan Bolander - WYS
9 Jim Schelter - SYC
10 Sam Zimmer - NFSYRA
11 Sandy Wyman - SYC
12 Mary Loffredo - NFSYRA

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Great things come in small packages!
By Clinton Edwards

The fifty-five competitors who attended the four day event were treated to great winds on the water, live music on shore, free beer, and good food. The bun-dart competition was replaced by the puppet show. Voices by Todd Edwards and LA Ray Long gave a quick synopsis of the Gulf Coast Regional Championship the previous weekend. Door prizes were done every night with some of the winners putting the prizes on the auction block.

All eleven races were completed by Saturday afternoon with different conditions each race each day. The first race was 10-12, the middle races 14-16, and last race would be back to 13-15. The daily chop would appear during the second race and stay for the day. The courses were windward-leeward (2.5) with offset mark and a bottom gate. Course lengths ranged from 6/10th to 8/10th of a mile.

The competitor of the regatta was Emily Nolan, an eleven year girl from southwest Louisiana in her first major regatta. Upon finishing the last race of the event, Race Committee gave her a standing ovation by blowing their horns and whistles. Other notes: sixteen females, two juniors, one midget, thirty-four masters, and eighteen seniors. The other "cool thing" was the number of families present with moms, dads, and kids. Another first, at least for most us, Jennie McCarthy flew out from California to participate. She is also the West Regional Representative. To actually see one ... Southern Hospitality just can't be beat! Thanks Fairhope Yacht Club!

And if you missed this year's North American Championship, here's what they are saying:

From John Weston and Collin Weston:
"You Missed a Great Regatta! My 16-year-old son and I just returned from the Sunfish NAs at Fairhope, AL. I can't describe how much fun we had. The turnout was low, so I feel compelled to tell you what you missed. I was one of only three sailors who went to both the Masters here in Texas and also attended the NAs. That's a shame. Both were great sailing. The NAs were in ideal sailing conditions, the sea breeze came in every afternoon as predicted. OK, we had to wait an hour the first day after our boats got a nice wash from a local shower, but within one hr it was blowing 15 out of the south. It blew 15 for all four days. I managed to snap a mast and still was tied with Clinton Edwards after the first day. Position doesn't really matter when you have great sailing, with people that are lot's of fun.

Fairhope did a great job. Committee was so good I don't really have much to say, that's the best kind of committee, one that you don't remember any issues with. I can't remember a regatta with so few protests after 11 races. One of the best quotes of the week was one of the college kids "I haven't eaten better than this week!" Remember Fairhope lost their yacht club almost two years ago to Katrina. They did all of this out of the "converted" junior building. I know $3 a gallon gas may have kept most of you from coming, but you should have made this one. We will see you at the next one!"

And from Chris Gates:
"I second the message about a great NAs. Even though there were not as many boats as some past NAs the competition was just as good. When you have Eduardo there and although he won the regatta he didn't win every race you know you have a tough fleet. The racing was great, the food wonderful, and the people outstanding. I will be going back to Fairhope. All you people from the north don't know what you are missing by skipping these regattas"

These messages were posted to the USSCA email message board.

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