March—April 2010

Luffin News



2010 Calendar of Events

April

1st- \$250 dues deadline 10th- WSC clean-up day 24th- Club sailing series and social <u>May</u> 15th - Pot luck 22nd- Club sailing series and social

June

19th - Pot luck 26nd- Club sailing series and social

<u>July</u>

4th- Independence Day celebration 17th - Pot luck

24nd- Club sailing series followed by annual Shrimparoo

August

21-22 Lightning Regatta 21st- Pot luck 28th- Club sailing series and social

September

18th - Pot luck 25th- Club sailing series and social <u>October</u>

9-10 Indian Summer

Regatta 16th - Pot luck <u>November</u> 13th - Annual Meeting <u>December</u> 4th - Annual oyster roast

Clean-up Day: April 10th from 9:00 am—Till

Come help your fellow WSC members upright the rockers, clip the hedges, sweep out the dust, and knock down the cobwebs at the annual Waccamaw Sailing Club clean-up day. We are cleaning house both inside and out and need your help!

The Club will have cleaning supplies on hand, but we need your brawn and attention to detail. If you have neither of these, don't worry we will put you in charge of deflating the countless rafts in the woman's shower room. Afterwards a hot dog lunch will be served on the clean deck!



A Big Push

As many of you may have noticed, sailing requires a lot of stuff. There are thingamajigs and gadgets to capture the wind, devices to get you back to shore when no wind can be found, and other necessacities that entertain along the way. WSC understands this need and has devoted storage space. It's a little hard to differentiate from the overtaking vines and dilapidated roof, but it is



there. In an effort to improve storage capacity and access we will be refurbishing the shed. If you have your treasured thingamajig currently stored in the shed or locker rooms, it is best that you reclaim it by Clean-up Day. Otherwise depending on the subjective cleaning participants it may be deemed trash or claimed for use by WSC.

Filled to the Brim

After 10.11-inches of rainfall since the beginning of the year, the lake is full! Although 10-inches does not sound like alot, the volume captured by the 8,950 acre lake is equivalent to 2.5 billion gallons. Add in the rainwater that falls into the surrounding Frias Swamp and the groundwater spring that helps feed Big Creek that runs into the Lake, it is no wonder we are filled to the brim and bubbling over.



AT THE HELM

2010 Board of

Directors

Commodore Mike Butts Vice-Commodore David McLamb Yeoman **Butch Blanchard** Purser Valerie Georgevitch Directors **Rudy Tatum** Larry Renfrow Katie Sherwood Race Committee Chairman TBD Social Committee Chairman TBD

A Message From Our Commodore

Sailing season is coming. I know that it's been cold--thank God for global WARM-ING!!!!!!!!!-but warm weather will be here sooner than you think. WSC will open for business in April, but before we can open things need to be cleaned up. The annual clean up day will be on April 10th so put that date on your schedule. Please come and help us get the club ready for another season. Bring your rakes,



shovels, pruning shears and anything else you think we might need to get the club ready. The beach will need to be cleaned, the shrubbery pruned, the kitchen, bathrooms and shower rooms cleaned, the old storage room cleaned out and made ready for repair. The club will be furnishing lunch--hot dog social. If you have a neighbor or friend that you think may be interested in WSC bring them as well. The more the merrier. Remember--it takes people to make things happen. Participation is the key. If WSC is to be as successful as it can be we need all of you to help. We have a great club--the sailing is great, the beach is large, the bottom sandy and clean, the water is shallow enough for the children to play without fear of them getting in over their heads, the rocking chairs are fantastic and it's a great place for the adults to socialize. As a reminder--dues must be paid by April 1 or you will face late fees. Please come and help to get YOUR club ready on April 10th. We'll start work at 9:00 am. Look forward to seeing you on the 10th.

Put Some Wind in Your Sails

If you would like to get your boat back on the water but lack crew, let us know. This year the WSC Board will be developing a program to match boats with crew. Please contact David McLamb at 910-280-3735 or davidmclamb@bellsouth.net and let him know what crew you need or share the name of someone who would be interested in crewing. Just think you could get back on the water, make a new friend, and maybe win a race (Butch has to work the committee boat sometime). What better way to spend your summer?

Need a Puff?

No not the kind that wins races, just the kind that gets you to the water.

After the annual clean-up on Saturday April 10th we will have an air compressor and jack available to assist you if you have a flat tire. This will be a great time to survey your boat for repairs before the season begins. We will also provide a garden sprayer, some bleach, and power washer free for use to clean your boat. With all the work volunteers plan to do to freshen up the club that weekend, don't let your boat be a sore thumb!



REMINDER—FIRST CLUB RACE IS APRIL 24th!!!

Latitude & Longitude

Meeting Minutes

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Board Members present were: Mike Butts, David McLamb, Valerie Georgevitch, Rudy Tatum, K. Sherwood, Larry Renfrow, Butch Blanchard

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Membership Information: A new member packet is to be assembled that will provide informational items such as Welcome, ByLaws, Luffin News, and Policies.

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Discussed repair or upgrades to the committee barge, the need for new signal flags (Club RC Burgee, others as needed), the use of and possible replacement of the storage building; Mike Butts to look into the items.

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IN OTHER NEWS:

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Welcome new and returning members:

Ward and Hazel Newcomb whom are adding the 5th flying scott to the fleet and **Nick and Shirley Logan** who bring in the 9th Tanzer and 3rd McGregor. Welcome, and we look forward to seeing you on the water!

Help support the Luffin Newsletter by sending your news, pictures, and comments to dsherwood003@ec.rr.com.

REMEMBER -DUES ARE DUE BY APRIL 1st

Send them in early to the PO box listed above—\$250



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