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mark sorensen youth sailing program

The Mark Sorensen Opti Green Fleet is the team to beat this season! Our youth sailors have raced in two regattas and brought home 1st place in both!

The season opener was the River Romp Regatta in Ft. Meyers with a fleet of 92 boats. Sam Baker raced to an impressive 1st place finish. Ryan Guth placed an equally impressive 7th. And the feel good story is Joshua Bernstein's 21st place. It has to be noted that he came up from 42nd place and took 1st place in the final race of the event. This is a major accomplishment for our team.

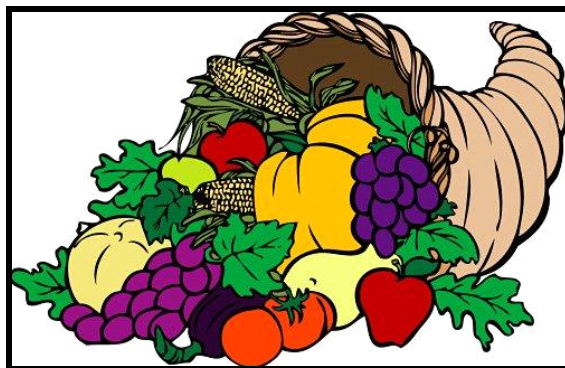
The Fall Harvest Regatta at Miami Yacht Club was an event unlike any other for our juniors. We are pleased to announce that Christopher Slosar brought home first place in a fleet of 58 boats. Luke Slosar took 21st. They have only just returned to practice, and this makes their places very special. Sam Baker and Ryan Guth opted to race in the "Open Bic Unregatta" rather than the Optis and both boys had a fantastic weekend. This event included freestyle capsizing, team races, pirating the boats and other such fun.

Hernan Peralta has to be commended for the incredible coaching he has given our team.

We want to thank all of the members who came out for our spaghetti dinner. We served over 70 people and this support from the club means so much to the team. Fish, you came to the rescue to serve the thirsty masses, and we are in your debt. Thanks to everyone who helped make our event a success.

Next up for our team will be Junior Olympics at the Martin County Sailing Center in early December. Congratulations to all of our racers.

Lynda Munshower



HAPPY THANKSGIVING!



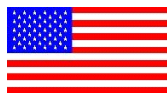
from the fleet captain

The NORs for the Marlin and Glander Cup regattas are (or will soon be) posted. All racers please note... in order to be eligible to win these prestigious events U **MUST SERVE ON RACE COMMITTEE** at some point before then!!! With the fall and winter season chuck full of events there are plenty of opportunities to fulfill this requirement.

Those long awaited cold fronts should be making it all the way down the peninsula in the very near future. A welcome relief from the summer muggies as long as you have checked your dock lines. These winds can be strong and from different directions than the summer storms we've had the pleasure to deal with over the past 6 months. Please check your lines and fenders. Seamanship doesn't stop at the dock!

Keep a good look out.
Check your plugs!
Fleet...out.

Jim Enright



for our troops

A donation box has been set up at the clubhouse with a suggested list of items to send care packages to our troops overseas at Thanksgiving. Please check it out and give what you can. For more information, contact Bonnie Stanford.



race results

Columbus Day Regatta

PHRF Non-spinnaker Fleet

First	Cris Sandifer	Mischief
Second	Karl Langefeld	Freestyle
Third	Dick Saylor	Saylorman

Melges 24 Fleet

First	Jerry Creasman	Aiemeff
Second	Bill Ellis	Wild Thing
Third	Dick Slosar	High Yield

Portsmouth Monohull Fleet

First	Bruce McCord	F5
Second	Dick Slosar	Flying Scot
Third	Ginette Hughes	Mutineer

Portsmouth Multi-hull Fleet

First	Dave White	Wave
Second	Leah White	Wave
Third	Rick White	Wave



race committee

Thanks to all the great volunteers who have served on Race Committee in October! We especially appreciate the services of the special guest race committee from the Salem Yacht and Broomstick Club for the Halloween All-Comers' Regatta.

Barb and I were pondering the best way to ensure race committee for all the races without always having to depend on the same stalwart few. With the Fleet Captain's blessing, we are going to ASSIGN race committee duties to club members, keeping in mind their own racing preferences and calendars - if we know them. We have completed a draft assignment list through January and are working on February and March.

A new twist has been added for you PHRF racers: if you are planning to compete in the Marlin and/or Glander Cups next March, YOU and ALL YOUR CREW (who are UKSC members) must have served on a race committee in the current racing season (since May 2009). It would be great to assign your entire crew to a race! Preliminary NORs are available on the website.

Please contact Barb (barb@the-helm.com) or Ginette (ginette330@bellsouth.net) to let us know of dates that you absolutely CANNOT serve, and we will take it from there. The draft assignments will be posted on the website and at the club, and updated frequently.

November's Race Committee Assignments:

Dockmasters Saturday 11/14: Bill Stanard, Dennis Kahler, Sara Kahler, Doug Moore

Dockmasters Sunday 11/15: Bill Stanard, Dennis Kahler, Sara Kahler, Mary Lou Chambers

LUKI Saturday 11/21: Jim "Fish" Enright, Pat McLaughlin (if you're interested in serving on this race, please see Fish or Pat)

See you out on the course!

Respectfully submitted, Ginette Hughes, HALF of the Amazing Race Committee



uksc cruisers

The first cruise of the fall/winter season is coming up. We are meeting at the UKSC docks between noon and 1 p.m. on Friday, November 6, and will be leaving at 1:30 p.m. We will sail past Snake Creek to the bay before Cotton Key and will anchor across from the Oceanview Inn and Sports Pub. The Inn has dinghy docks and decent food. Bob Brown has the exact coordinates of the anchorage. We are coming back on Sunday.

Leave with us on Friday or come down any time during the weekend. For more information, contact John Bliss, Kyle Christoffel or Bob Brown.



from the secretary

Thank you to everyone who helped make the Columbus Day Regatta weekend such a success, especially the winners of the Iron Chef dinner on Saturday.

First place:

Lindsay Ellis - Chicken Alfredo Stuffed Shells Florentine

Barb Bauman - Jerk Chicken

Cris Sandifer - Chicken in Duck Sauce

Second place:

Tommy and MaryLou Chambers - Shepherds' pie and homemade pumpkin pie

Kim Hamilton - homemade fish dip

Sharon Berry - Shrimp Creole and rice pudding

Third place:

Betsy Edwards - Onion Pie

Helen Koenig - Key Lime Largo Pie

Bob Brown - Strawberry Pie

Sara Kahler



from the vice commodore

Welcome our newest members Walt Kostyk and Steve Glover.

LUKI is coming up on Nov. 21 with a Fish Fry Dinner. A sign up sheet will be at the club. We want lots of participation from everyone for this event.

Membership is

136	total members
87	regular
4	associate
1	founder associate
4	founder regular
1	regular life
2	Juniors

MaryLou Chambers

upcoming events

November 2009

UKSC Cruisers	Cruise to Oceanview harbor area Depart Friday, 11/06, 1:30 p.m. Return Sunday, 11/08
Racers' Mtg.	Thursday, 11/12, 7 p.m. Starts/Starting Line/Barging/Leeward Boats
General Membership Mtg.	Friday, 11/13 Covered dish, 7 p.m., Mtg. 8 p.m.
Dockmasters Regatta Portsmouth/Fall Series #4	Saturday, 11/14—Sunday 11/15 Saturday, 11/14 Skippers' mtg. noon, 1st flag 12.55 p.m.
Dinner PHRF	Saturday, 11/14, 7 p.m. Sunday, 11/15 Skippers' mtg. noon, 1st flag 12.55 p.m.
Membership Committee Mtg.	Tuesday, 11/17, 7:30 p.m.
Board of Directors Mtg.	Thursday, 11/19 7:30 p.m.
LUKI & Fish Fry Dinner	Saturday, 11/21, dinner 7 p.m.
CPR Class	Sunday, 11/22, 8 a.m.—noon
December 2009	
Flail & Sail Golf	Saturday, 12/5
Flail & Sail Dinner	Saturday, 12/5, 7 p.m.
Flail & Sail PHRF	Sunday, 12/6, Skippers' mtg. noon, 1st flag 12.55 p.m.
Tree Trimming Party	Friday, 12/11
Membership Committee Mtg.	Tuesday, 12/15, 7:30 p.m.
Racers' Mtg.	Wednesday, 12/16, 7 p.m. Windward Mk. Rounding & 3 Boat Length Circle
Board of Directors Mtg.	Thursday, 12/17 7:30 p.m.
Portsmouth Winter #1	Saturday, 12/19 Skippers' mtg. noon, 1st flag 12.55 p.m.
Christmas Party	Saturday, 12/19, 7 p.m.
St. Nick's All-Comers Race	Saturday, 12/26 Skippers' mtg. noon, 1st flag 12.55 p.m.
New Year's Eve Party	Thursday, 12/31

swap shop

Send your ads for Swap Shop to Sara Kahler
(sarakahler@aol.com)

WANTED. A **Jib Sheet for my Flying Scott**. Bob Bartz - 305 853-0676 after October 22.

WANTED. A **sailboat trailer** or one that can be modified to fit a 21-foot swing-keel boat. Denny Kahler, dennisjkahler@aol.com or 305-453-3379.

WANTED. **Used kayak**. Curt Burkhead. burkhead@aol.com

FOR SALE. **Dinghy trailer**, new springs and shackles. \$75.00 OBO
Call Larry Koenig at 305-451-3573 or cell: 305-304-8986

FOR SALE. **Bowflex Xtreme**, good condition, \$700.
Baby Pack and Play \$10.00. Large plastic travel cage for pets \$25.00.
Kim Hamilton 305-394-0643 or Hamilton3512@bellsouth.net

FOR SALE: **½ of a house**. Call Nancy Joe for details at 305-451-4999.

volunteer opportunities

Each Director on the Board is responsible for events during the year, and our members also sponsor regattas. Here is a list of the events and the assigned person. Step up and help out as a volunteer.

November 14-15, 2009 Dockmasters' Regatta—Pat McLaughlin

November 21, 2009 LUKI—MaryLou Chambers

December 5-6, 2009 Flail & Sail—Jerry Creasman

December 26, 2009 St. Nick's All-Comers—Mark Leffler

December 31, 2009 New Year's Eve—Jerry Creasman

January 1, 2010 New Year's Brunch and Hangover Regatta—Pat McLaughlin

January 8-10, 2010 Key Largo Regatta—Jerry Creasman

January 15-17, 2010 Dead Dogs & Tin Whistles—Ginette Hughes

January 30-31, 2010 Mark Sorensen Championship—Lynda Munshower

February 6-7, 2010 Commodore's Regatta—Jerry Creasman

February 19-21, 2010 JY15 Midwinters—Barb Short

February 25-27, 2010 Force Five Midwinters—Tom Trump

March 13-14, 2010 Marlin Cup—Sara Kahler

March 20-21, 2010 Glander Cup—Bill Ellis

April 3-4, 2010 TIB Regatta—Larry Koenig

April 10, 2010 President's Cup—Barbara Bauman

April 11, 2010 Easter Brunch—MaryLou Chambers

May 1, 2010 Change of Watch—Jerry Creasman



board of directors

Commodore	Jerry Creasman
Vice Commodore	Marylou Chambers
Rear Commodore	Bill Ellis
Fleet Captain	Jim Enright
Treasurer	Judy McGraw
Secretary	Sara Kahler
2-year Director	Pat McLaughlin
Director	Barbara Bauman
Director	Larry Koenig
Director	Mark Leffler
Director	Joe Worley
Youth Sailing	Lynda Munshower