

1. Slang. Gossip; rumor. 2. Nautical. a. A drinking fountain on a ship.
- b. A cask on a ship used to hold the day's supply of drinking water.

Iowa Sailing Club

Summer, 1999

commodore's report steve branin



Future of the Dock and Horsepower Update

You may have heard about one of the biggest events on the horizon for the sailing club: the renovation of the dock and surrounding area, commonly known as the "dock project". What you may not realize is just how big of a project this is. It is estimated that the cost of the project will be between \$100,000 and \$150,000. So why is it going to cost so much? Let's

take a look at what is involved.

The "dock project" is really much more. It will involve, of course, replacing the dock, probably with a steel-framed, wood-decked dock, something like the new fishing pier on the east end of the lake. In addition, it will include expanding the turn-around area down by the dock enough to add a couple handicap accessible parking spaces (no these aren't for parking boat trailers). The turn-around area, the parking spaces, and the road will all be re-paved. The launch ramp will also be enlarged. At least this is how we envision it.

So you still may be wondering why such a high price tag. After all, one could build a house for this price. Well that would be true if you were not going to build it on state land. Since the dock and surrounding area is on public land, before any digging can be done, even one post hole, there has to be an archeological survey done to make sure that no ancient artifacts are being disturbed. Of course the only artifacts that they will find around our dock are old FJ rudders and about 200 split rings.

In any case, the project involves the University, the Army Corps of Engineers, the DNR, and all the bureaucracy that comes with these entities. Therefore, it will be a lengthy and expensive project. So who is going to pay for it? Well, we are, at least in part. Funds are being sought from a number of sources including the Regents, the DNR, other state funds, and of course, the sailing club. Fundraising efforts on the part of the sailing club have not yet begun, but as soon as a more concrete plan for the project is put together we will begin soliciting donations from current and former club members.

All this should be taking place in the next year or two. It's hard to say exactly when the construction will begin, but it could be as early as next year.

The project may be scheduled to coincide with the draining of Macbride. The DNR, in conjunction with the Army Corps of Engineers, is planning on lowering the level of Lake Macbride so they can rip rap the shoreline. The date for this project keeps changing so as soon as I know, you'll know.

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letters to the editor

If you send it, I will print it (for the most part). If you would like to submit a letter to the editor for printing in the Scuttlebutt, please send it to Mark Johnson at mark-a-johnson at uiowa.edu with the subject line, "letter to the editor," or call 319/339-1063.

Any and all opinions are welcome. Deadline will be 1 week before publication. See the "Communications Corner" portion of this issue for Scuttlebutt schedule.

credits

- Editor Mark Johnson
- Publisher Francis Fang

scut·tle·butt commodore (cont)

In the last Scuttlebutt, I called for your help in fighting pending legislation to remove the horsepower limit on Lake Macbride. For those of you who don't know, there is a limit on the size of motors that may be used on Lake Macbride. During the summer months, motors may not be larger than 10 horsepower. This legislation would have removed the horsepower limit leaving only the no-wake limit to control the speed of boats on the lake. Thanks to your help and the help of other concerned lake users, the legislation died in committee.

However, this type of legislation surfaces every year and will probably continue to surface. Therefore a group of people is forming a coalition with a major goal of maintaining the horsepower limit. Enclosed in your Scuttlebutt is a flyer explaining the coalition and asking for donations so they may hire a consulting group to fight for their cause.

I agreed to distribute the flyer to club members and I believe that this group is honest and determined to keep the horsepower limit on Lake Macbride. However, neither the Iowa Sailing Club nor the University has officially endorsed this group. Nor is there any connection between this group and the club except a few members in common and a common goal. Please note that any donations that you decide to make to this group are NOT for the sailing club.

That said, I hope you will take the time to read the flyer and decide for yourself if you wish to help their cause. If donating money is not an option for you, there are other ways you may help this group. To find out more contact Jo Wasta at 319-644-3838 or email her at JJWasta at aol.com.

If you have other concerns about the sailing club or just want to chat, contact me at 319-339-1749 or email me at sbranin at leepfrog.com. I am always glad to talk with current and former members about the status of the club and its direction for the future.

vice commodore's report

justin weis

No report.



rear commodore's report

bob patterson



Greetings from the rear commodore! The summer regatta season is in full swing. Next event: The Annual ISC blow-out.

- Bastille Day Regatta (and party) 17-18 July -Fun races for all! -Experience the Lebeaux Triangle and Johnson Rule
- Party Saturday night at Lee and Steph's
- Point to point race on Sunday to the North Arm (or at least the swimming beach).

And in August:

Sweetcorn Regatta 28 August -More exciting racing on Lake McBride -Other details to be set later

Recently I introduced another club member to the wonderful world of Lightning racing, which is what I do on the weekends I'm not here. For those of you that don't know, a Lightning is a 19-foot, 3-person boat with a spinnaker. Tara, Greg Lynam's wife, volunteered to do foredeck for a weekend regatta at Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. To sum things up, we had a great time, there was lots of wind and Tara came back looking like a battered wife-welcome to Lightning sailing Tara!

Other than that, nothing much is going on with the racing front. If anyone is interested in helping with race committee (which is a great way to learn for beginner sailors) please contact me (354-3699 or robert_beach@yahoo.com). See you on the water!

get a personal life jacket!!

If you're interested in purchasing a life jacket for yourself, contact Tim Johnson at 626-3159. He is working on a substantial discount on a comfortable model!!

treasurer's report

shaun cassells



Club funds:
UI account: \$289.30
UI CD: \$3765.06
Mercantile: \$14,663.48
Total: \$18,428.54

First Summer teaching weekend:\$1,290.00
Second Summer Teaching weekend: \$1,936.50
Total: \$3226.50

This year the club policy is to buy two new FJ's and Lasers. Here are some preliminary numbers:
\$2000 - Outboard motor (already authorized)
\$8000 - 2 FJs (\$4000/FJ)
\$7000 - 2 Lasers (\$3500/laser)
\$1650 - 2 FJ sails (\$475/main, \$350/jib per North Sails' Order web page)
\$810 - 2 Laser sails (\$405/each)
\$19,460 - Total

This means that the club will need to secure some sales of older boats (anyone interested). It is feasible to achieve all of our goals and still be in the black financially. Hope to see you all out sailing and paying your dues. Have a great summer.



publicity chair's report

missy leiting

Accepting the Publicity Goddess of the Year Award, applause in the background

I'd like to thank all those who helped out with the publicity during the spring and summer membership drives. Namely, Liz Gillespie and the others on the team who helped distribute flyers on campus and Justin Weis for bringing an FJ up to Kautz Plaza. I'd also like to thank the Icon, Press Citizen, Daily Iowan, and Ad Sheet for working on the advertising the Iowa Sailing Club. We seemed to have done a good job because, well, new people joined and they had a blast learning. Welcome newbies! :)

I'd secondly like to say that soon I will have to be stepping down from the pedestal as I have accepted a journey to New York City in August. "New York City!" you say? Yes, New York City. Therefore, the Club needs someone new to take over the publicity events. Any takers? It is a great job, and anyone who is looking for some social, and a little marketing, experience, should most definitely let me know that s/he is willing to fill my shoes. Or if no one speaks up, the Publicity Goddess of the Decade (paging Jayne) will have to take the reign again.

And on a sailing note: Frank discovered that one can use the boom as a "step stool" to climb on to a capsized boat. However, one must make sure that the boom vang is secure, or one (like our commodore) will realize that the boom sinks when it is stepped on. And to all those out there who thought they were stepping on a log, it was the boom, not a log!

Ciao!

Mark, Is there any possibility that we could re-shoot the photo you have of me? The one you have is not an appealing photo...

[ed. note: No.]



Missy, obviously angry at the editor's decision

scuttlebutt harbour master's report

eric daniels



Another sailing season is in full swing and, as usual, there are still a lot of things to be done. If you've been keeping tabs, the tugs (both the tug and tugette) have been wavering between functioning normally and impersonating oversized paperweights on wheels. Kurt Kulhavy has been spending an extraordinary amount of his time and effort to keep the tug running and his efforts have not gone unnoticed. I'd like to take a moment to formally and personally thank him for everything he's done (and will hopefully continue to do) to keep the tug running. Thanks Kurt.

I'd also like to take this time to ask the members of this club to try and donate some of their time and energy to the club. Because we are a completely volunteer organization, everything we have and do is because someone chose to spend their time doing something to forward the sport we all love. Admittedly, getting out on the water is preferred to sitting in a booth passing out flyers or fixing a broken boat. But it's little tasks like that — performed by members like you — that allow all of us to go out to the lake, rig up a boat, and enjoy the freedom of sliding across the water with the wind in our sails. Sail repair, fiberglass repair, soliciting donations, publicizing the club, and even just putting everything back where it belongs, help us all maintain the fleet.

There's a lot of devoted people spending their time and energy to make this club run and their efforts are greatly appreciated. However, we can't expect them to do everything. All I ask is that next time you go out to the boathouse to sail and find something that needs fixing, take a few minutes out of your day and fix it first. I don't know about the others but I take personal pride in watching a sailor go out knowing that the previous days I spent doing something other than sailing will mean that sailor's ride is going to be an enjoyable one. And the next time I go out, so will mine.

bastille day regatta and party!!

regatta party

Schedule

Saturday, July 17, 1999

Breakfast and Rigging	1000-1100
Skipper's Meeting	1100
Racing Begins	1200
No Races to Start After	1500
Trophy Presentations	1630ish

Fees

\$3 per person to cover the cost of breakfast: freezer waffles, syrup, bagels, donuts, and juice
(*please bring out your toaster for the waffles*)

Boat Raffle

There will be a boat raffle, beginning at 10am. Boats will be put into a hat (well, not really the boats), and those boats will be chosen out of the hat as skippers arrive.

Race Finishes

There will be special rules governing the finish of the races and the score of the boats. Please read the sailing instructions to be handed out on Saturday morning very carefully. Parents of children in attendance may wish to inquire about the finishing rules from last year prior to the event. Curiouser and curiouser!!

When

6pm, Saturday, July 17, 1999

Where

Lee Brintle and Stephanie Schnoebelen's house on Coralville lake

Directions (starting in North Liberty):

Take N. Front Street heading North out of North Liberty (lots of "Norths", eh?).

About 2 miles outside North Liberty, there is a house in a deep valley on the right-hand side of the road. Once you've seen the house, you've already passed the driveway, so turn around and drive in. (There will be life jackets at the head of the driveway to mark the way).

Directions (starting at the boathouse):

Take a right upon exiting the park and drive about 1 mile. You will cross Coralville Reservoir. Take the 3rd left turn after the bridge (first is a boat parking lot, second is a housing development road, third is a gravel driveway to the house). (Again, look for the life jackets marking the entrance to the driveway).

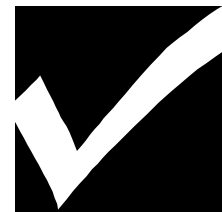
motion: new teaching weekend format

A motion was made at the June 23rd regular business meeting to change the format of the teaching weekends. The new format will be 3 weekends in a row, with teaching on Saturdays only, leaving Sundays for voluntary lessons or recreational sailing.

To vote on the motion, plan to come to the Wednesdy, July 21 regular business meeting. Make your voice heard!!

new scuttlebutt editor

Starting with the August Minibutt, you will have the pleasure of reading from a new Scuttlebutt editor, Jayne McQuillen, first mate!! Welcome her aboard!!



scuttlebutt

The *Scuttlebutt* is the Iowa Sailing Club's newsletter that goes out to current members and lifetime members. If, for some reason, you read this message, but don't get a *Scuttlebutt* mailed to you, and feel you should, please contact our Membership Chair.

The *Scuttlebutt* comes out after the Teaching Weekends each season, to keep you up-to-date on what's happening, and to bring you the membership list.

If you have an article of interest or a letter to the editor, please contact the editor.

minibutt

Since the *Scuttlebutt* is scheduled to come out only 3 times a year, and since we often have other things going on that you need to know about, we often send out an informational postcard, called the *Minibutt* to remind members of upcoming teaching weekends and other happenings with the executive council. You should receive a *Minibutt* around March 25, reminding you of the upcoming spring Teaching Weekends.

world wide web

The club also has a World Wide Web site at <http://www.uiowa.edu/~sail/>. This site contains the latest information about club events, status of the fleets, calendars, and racing schedules. It also serves as a depository for club documents, such as the club's constitution and rules and regulations.

There is now a place to look for minutes of the meetings and treasury account information, if you're trying to keep up with what's going on. These items are located in a password-protected directory. When you are prompted for a login id and password, you can use the following:

login: *member*

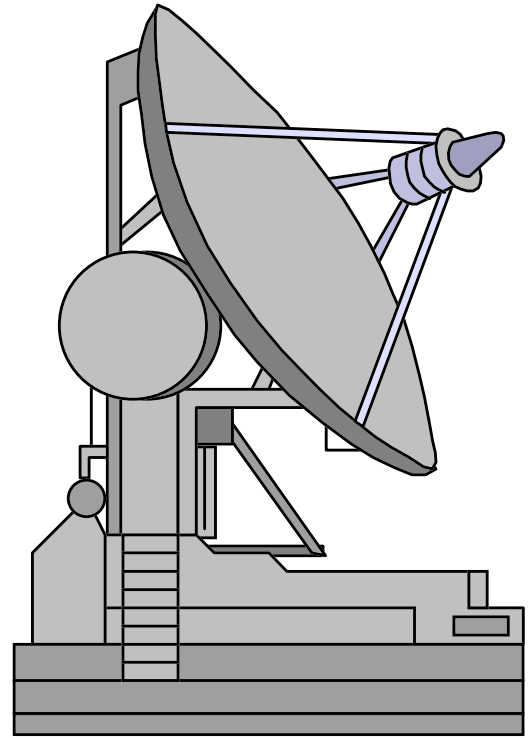
password: *<season>*

Where *<season>* is the current season (spring, summer, or fall).

If you see something on our site that is out-of-date, please contact the officer listed on that page to let them know.

email address

The club has an email address for those trying to reach us. You can email your questions or comments to *sail @ uiowa.edu*. This message will go straight to the Commodore.



email listserv

To encourage dissemination of information and to discuss events and policies, the club maintains a email listserv for members. This allows members to send an email to everyone on the list at once, to discuss topics ranging from when racing will be happening to which muppets to name the lasers after.

Subscription to the list is an easy process. Simply send an email message to *sail-request at list.uiowa.edu* with the word *subscribe* as the only word in the body of the message. If you have questions, you can contact the listserv administrator or send an email to the club's email at *sail at uiowa.edu*.

people and dates to know

Next Scuttlebutt Issue: **September, 1999**

Next Minibutt Issue: **August, 1999**

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Web Master: **Eric Daniels, 351-8787**

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officer list

summer, 1999

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Rear Commodore

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Secretary

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Team Captain

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For corrections, please contact the membership chair.

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summer, 1999

LastName	FirstName	Rating
Allan	Graham	S
Augspurger	Mike	L
Bair	Tom	H
Baldes	David	C
Baldwin	Chris	L
Beitz	Dave	L
Bennett	Thomas	N
Bichenbach	Jackie	N
Birley	Lisa	L
Blanck	Joe	L
Blewett	Diane	C
Braddock	Maurine	L
Bregoli	John	C
Budelier	Bill	S
Burns	Larry	H
Carter	Jeanette	N
Carter	Scott	H
Chen	Weiyin, Ke	C
Chwalisz	Kathie	N
Collins	Chuck	N
Collins	Dana	C
Cummins	Robert	S
Davidsmeyer	Susan	C
Davis	Lane	H
Deignan	Christine	N
Deignan	Diane	H
Diehl	Harvey	H
Driscoll	Michael	L
Dumke	Clay	H
Edwards	John	H
Fang	Francis	H
Felty	Brad, Jennifer	N
Felty	Marvin, Theresa	L
Fixsen	Mickey & Jean	S
Flood	Bryan P.	L
Friedrichsen	Jennifer	L
Gardiner	Terry	L
Geerlings	Tim	C
Geran	Richard	L
Gibson	Guy E.	H
Gleaves	Mark	H
Goodman	Paul	S
Grandgenett	John	H
Greenleaf	Karen	L
Gulland	James	
Heath	Hal	N
Hefley	Allison	L
Hixenbaugh	David	N
Holub	Dan	C
Hubbard	Kent	C
Huntley	John	S
Jackson	Nancy E.	L
Janda	Karel	L
Johnson	Mark	S
Johnson	Robert S.	L
Johnson	Tim	H
Jones	K. Franklin	C
Jordan	Joy	L
Judiesch	Linda	C
Kelly	Cynthia	C
Kenneally	Chris	C
Kern	Ron	S
Khoury	Carrie	C
Khoury	Joe	C
Knecht	Stephen	C
Konecne	Steve	N

Krubsack	Tara	H
Leiting	Missy	L
Lepic	JJ	C
Lin	Albert	L
Lough	Mike	C
Lu	Yu-Diann	L
Lubben	Gunther	H
MacTavish	Dawn	L
Martin	Gregory C.	L
Martin	Kim, Tyler, Anna	N
Martinez	Leandro	N
McClelland	Karen E.	C
McCoy	Susan	C
Mekies	Saul	L
Melbostad	Steve	C
Melvin	Rich	C
Moyers	John	L
Moyers	Katherine	C
Murphy	Paul	N
Nichols	Curt	L
Nobbs	Newell	H
Nordstrom	David	C
O'Dell	Crystal	L
Pardini	Ben	H
Pardini	Emma, Ruth	N
Pardini	Margaret	H
Patterson	Bob	H
Patterson	Shawna	L
Patton	Wayne	H
Pellegrin	Herve	C
Pellegrin	Stephanie	C
Peterson	Bill	L
Quayle	Eric	H
Raby	Mireille	C
Rashid	Rola	N
Reitz	Ben	L
Reitz	Chris	L
Rosecrance	John	L
Schermer	Ian	L
Schmitt	Terry	L
Schulten	Julia	N
Shafer	Kimberly	L
Siess	William R.	H
Simonsen	Jane	C
Singer	Deb, Jordan	N
Singer	Steve	L
Slaught	David	N
Smith	Phil	N
Snyder	John	H
Sorensen	Rivka	C
Steger	Cliff	L
Steinman	Dave	L
Stockdale	Nick	N
Strutz	Kurt	L
Sutphin	Amanda	N
Sutphin	Emily	N
Sutphin	Grant	L
Sutphin	John	L
Taft	Mary	C
Thomas	Vicki	H
Torner	James	S
Touch	Mike	N
Van Meter	Ciarie	L
Van Voorhis	Toni, Brad, Grace	N
Von Basedow	Fred	L
West	Steve	N
Widestrom	Lori	L
Withrow	Kim	L
Wolfe	Aaron	H
Woodward	Steve	S
Woodward	Woody	S
Yanda	Melissa	C
Zak	Lana	C
Zeman	Josh	C

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calendar

event

Bastille Day Regatta
Bastille Day Party

date

Saturday, July 17
Saturday, July 17

time

11am skipper's meeting
6pm-whenever

place

Lake Macbride
Lee & Stephanie's Home

Club Regattas

Bastille Day Regatta
(part 2)
Sweet Corn Regatta

Sunday, July 18
Saturday, August 28

11am skipper's meeting
11am skipper's meeting

Lake Macbride
Lake Macbride

Birthdays

Francis Fang July 11
Larry Burns July 23
Steve Neuman July 25
Billy Gleeson July 28 (he'll be 60 people years)
Liz Gillespie August 3
Eric Daniels August 16
Jim Hodgson September 3