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HSC's Edward Wells - National Champion

This summer, the 2005 North American Sunfish Junior, Midget, and Senior Championships took place in Lewes, Delaware on July 11-15. To say it simply, it was probably the best sailing experience that I've had in my two years sailing.

One thing that I thought was great, was the fact that I got to meet and talk to other sailors in my age group. Unfortunately, I was only able to stay for the Junior and Midget Championship, so I wasn't competing against the more experienced, older sailors.

Throughout the 2 days we spent racing, we managed to complete 5 races out of the desired 7. The first day the wind was strong and steady, and was great for sailing, although late in the afternoon it really picked up. The second day was light, nearly no wind. Overall, we sailed in heavy wind on the first day, and light wind on the second day. This really pushed our skills. Out of all 21 boats competing in my class, I placed 8th, with a score of 46, while my friend from Hunterdon Sailing Club, Caleb Zimmerman placed 7th. I also won first place Midget and brought home the trophy! At the end of two days, I was exhausted, but overcome with my own achievement and the fact I was at the National Sunfish Championships.

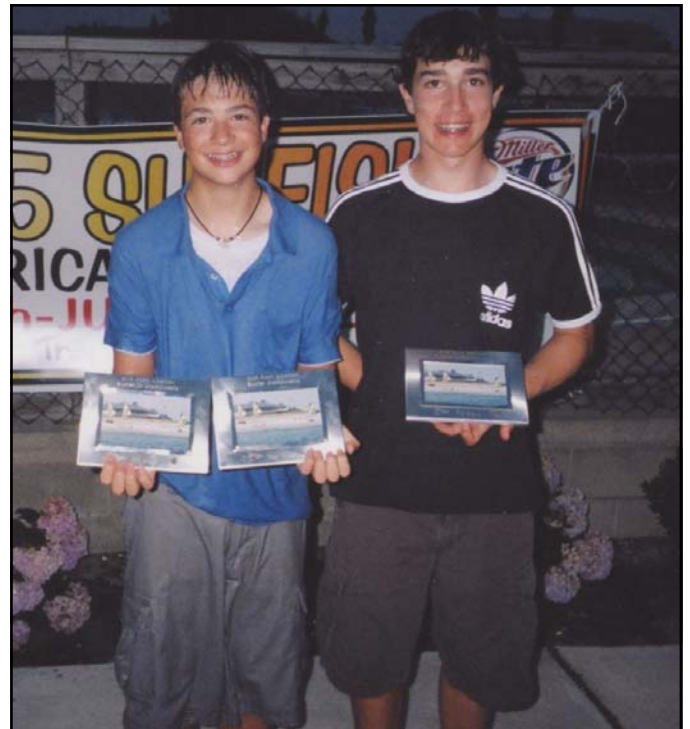
Lastly, I would like to thank the members of the Lewes Yacht Club for their hospitality and for making me feel very much at home. It was a great experience, that showed the great rewards of sailing and I'm looking forward to next year!

Edward (Teddy) Wells

Teddy began sailing 2 years ago when he joined HSC and came through the learn to sail classes offered that year. His enthusiasm for the sport grew and he obtained his own boat and began traveling that year. He subsequently won a SANJL Junior Regatta that summer. Last year Teddy continued to work on his skills, joining the HSC sailing team and working with coach Doug Brown to continue his development. This year Teddy continued to practice and work at his skills attending the Sunfish clinic offered at HSC in June.

The hard work has paid off with Teddy awarded what we hope is a long series of trophies. Congratulations!

Susan Mallows



HSC Juniors, Edward Wells, left and Caleb Zimmerman, right, show off their trophies after the Sunfish North Americans Junior Award Banquet. Teddy who finished as the top Midget was all wet after the celebratory dunk in the swimming pool at Lewes Yacht Club in Lewes Delaware.

In the Junior Championship Teddy won 1st place for the Midgets (under age 15.) He also won the 1st place Midget keeper award. In addition, Teddy was awarded the 1st place Midget Perpetual award, which has an approximately 6" by 4" base and is 15" tall including a plastic Sunfish on top. And he also won the 8th place Junior award.

After the awards ceremony, they announced that all trophy winners must report to the stairs for photos, and they added, "Bring your trophies." Teddy looked at all his trophies on the table and asked: How am I supposed to carry all that? He managed!

Nicky Einthoven

Commodore's Cup June 12

Only 4 boats started in this regatta, and only 3 boats sailed in all 3 races. But, the 3 competitors (Derek Stow, Charlie Engler and Byron Hicks) were the best in their respective fleets in the Spring Series, so the competition was outstanding. This, remember, is a time handicapped regatta, so boats may be closer than they appear, or finish in a order that is not obvious to observers without a stopwatch and Ports-mouth table.



In the first race, Charlie crossed the finish line first, beating Derek by 19 seconds and Byron by 59 seconds. When the handicaps were applied, Charlie had beaten the second boat by about 1½ minutes. No contest. Byron's handicap moved him into second place.

In the second race, Derek got the boat moving fast enough to cross the line first, but not fast enough to overcome the arithmetic challenge that he faced. Byron crossed second by 31 seconds, but won on adjusted time. Charlie benefited from his larger handicap to place second.

In the final race, Derek crossed first, but only 2 seconds ahead of Byron. Final results:

				Total	Place
Byron	2	1	1	4	1
Charlie	1	2	2	5	2
Derek	3	3	3	9	3

Fine sailing by all.

Rich Baumann

Little Brown Jug Steve and Alec Manson Win

Under the threat of a slow wind, the Little Brown Jug started at 12:30 PM just as the wind began to pick up to around 5 MPH. With over 20 boats in hot pursuit, Steve Manson and his son, Alec, won the race in their Sunfish. This is the first time a double-handed Sunfish has won the LBJ!

Most sailors quickly headed off to the picnic once Steve crossed the finish line, but a few sailors finished the complete course, including (in Sunfish) Scott Callahan and his wife, Joanne, Mike Wheeler, Jim Bardwil, Andy Lindgren, Ellen Greenhorn; (in Jet14s) Rick Rainey and sons, Nicky Einthoven and crew, and Gary Nackman with his sons, Avery and Ian on his Flying Scot. Good Job to all!

Rick Rainey's two sons, Travis and Connor, were proud of their finish over Nicky; not an easy feat. Mike Wheeler was the first single-handed Sunfish to cross the line, with Jim and Andy finishing in an astonishing tie. Jim was able to hold Andy off at the finish line, but if Andy had a few more inches of race course the outcome would have been different. Andy was coming on strong and charging hard at the finish.

Thank you to the Holmsburg's for supplying a fast cooking grill. Once the burgers and hot dogs had cooked, everyone enjoyed the picnic and each others company on the beach. Those that stayed a bit later were serenaded by Marge Baumann and treated to an exceptional banjo performance.

Be well. See you at the lake,

Elliot Zimmerman

Overrun with Lasers

"The club is getting overrun with Lasers." That's what I heard a certain HSC officer say when he arrived at the lake one Sunday and saw the HSC Laser fleet rigging their boats.

My dictionary has two definitions for "overrun".

Flood, harry and spoil (enemy's country).

Swarm or spread over (of vermin, weeds etc.)

As Laser Fleet Captain, I wasn't sure whether to feel like Attila the Hun or Japanese Knotweed! Yes, the Laser fleet is attracting new members to the club. Yes, Laser racing on Sunday is bringing out members that haven't been regular Sunday racers. Yes, we even have a few converts from other fleets. What did you expect? The Laser is such a popular boat that all this was bound to happen.

But "overrun"? You ain't seen nothing yet.

HSC Calendar - August

Date	Event	RC Chair	RC Committee
30-Jul Sat	HSC Jr. Series #1 Sunfish Race 1 - 3 PM	R Buchanan	E Greenhorn, J Maio, M Cleaves
31-Jul Sun	BOAT SHOW- 10AM	N Einthoven	L & D Seifert, D Brooks, M Pillon, R Mattison
3-Aug Wed	Junior Sail Team 2 – 5 PM	N Maier	C Fischer
6-Aug Sat	SANJL Jr Sunfish Open - #2 Spruce Run	Susan Mallows	
7-Aug Sun	"Tuning and Training" Day 10 AM- Noon	Susan Mallows	Jeff Wagner, Anne Mandel, P Thorton
10-Aug Wed	Junior Sail Team 2 – 5 PM	N Einthoven	Morrissey
13-Aug Sat	HSC Jr. Series #2 Sunfish Race 1 - 3 PM	Rich Baumann	Farleys, M Deal, Revalski
14-Aug Sun	Hot Dog Sunday, Open Fleet	R Rosswaag	S Callahan, T Wells
17-Aug Wed	Junior Sail Team 2 – 5 PM	D Davies	T Wells
21-Aug Sun	"Tuning and Training" Day 10 AM- Noon Hot Dog Sunday, Force 5;	C Ensign	K Brezezinski, Revalski,
24-Aug Wed	Junior Sail Team 2 - 5 PM		
27-Aug Sat	Jet Gravy Bowl- District I Championship, NJYRA Championship	Bill Waggonner	Waggonner
28-Aug Sun	HSC Jr. Series #3 Sunfish Race 11 AM Hot Dog Sunday; Jet 14	George Martin	A DeMatteo, T Brink, Scherrer
31-Aug Wed	Junior Sail Team 2 - 5 PM		

State Liaison Activity On The Waterfront

Responding to requests made by Sgt. Bob Gubitosi, recently installed Chief Ranger at Spruce Run, HSC has secured agreement on a proposal to establish dual mooring sites for our Committee Boat.

The Sgt. had asked for action to reduce what, in his opinion, was a "hazard to navigation" and a less-than-pleasing appearance of the pontoon boat, suggesting we consider a floating dock, tying to a tree and anchor, or beaching the boat, in the area of the sheds.

After due consideration, including the need to maximize security and minimize causing any additional hazards, Rich, Gordon, Mark and I agreed that the best solution would be to establish a new primary mooring, located off-shore from the "loop area", 50 feet or so upstream from the sheds, in 12 feet

of water. This mooring would be used whenever the water level was no lower than 8 feet below full.

You will recall that recently passed legislation requires that the 8 foot or higher level be maintained from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Should the level then drop, HSC would move back to the current mooring, which is located in the deepest part of the cove.

In a meeting with Bob and Becky, this proposal was agreed to, with Bob to be shown the final proposed location. Bob further stated that he is pleased with the RC boat anchor light, and particularly pleased with the joint spirit of cooperation demonstrated.

Charlie Engler

JET 14 WREN I AND WREN II

JULY 9&10, 2005 AT SPRUCE RUN

Well, we thought we'd try something a little different for the Wren this year. The first day was devoted to junior skippers, rookie female skippers and rookie male skippers. Crew selection was open, and all boats started together. The idea was to have fun and give relatively inexperienced skippers an opportunity to get some tiller-time under racing conditions.

Four races were sailed under a little more breeze than some would have preferred, and, admittedly, the skippers were aided in varying degrees by their crews. Wisely, the RC called the races off with the arrival of a thunderstorm, allowing Captain Connor Schwenk more fishing time. When Dirk asked Connor if he was ready to take the helm he said, "Will you take care of the jib?"

1011	Mallows/Brown	1,4,1,2	8	first rookie female
1150	Lucy/Guido Bertocci	2,3,3,1	9	first junior
1007	Barbara/Brent Benson	4,2,2,6	14	second rookie female
1137	Connor/Dirk Schwenk	7,1,5,3	16	second junior
1151	Joanna/Charlie Smith	3,5,4,4	16	third rookie female
1129	Anita DeMatteo/Engler	6,6,6,5	23	fourth rookie female
1107	Caleb/Elliot Zimmerman	5, dns	29	third junior
1015	Benjamin/Jianming Miao	dns	32	male honorable mention



Lucy Bertocci - First Junior with her crew Guido



Susan (Bad Hair Day) Mallows thanks her crew

On Sunday, under beautiful sailing conditions, we held a more traditional Wren Regatta, with 5 closely contested races, and again, a few early withdrawals. We welcomed back our RI expatriates Sean and Kerrie DeFusco, and were very glad to have Ted and Erin Klein join in. RC Chairman Ray Buchanan and his committees were warmly thanked for a great job.

1105	Sean/Kerrie DeFusco	1,1,1,1,1	5	WOW!
1150	Guido/Simon Bertocci	2,3,2,3,4	14	watch 'm go!
1129	C Engler/Anita DeMatteo	7,4,3,4,2	20	angel on board!
1151	Charlie/Joanna Smith	6,5,4,2,3	20	second tie!
1011	Doug Brown/S Mallows	4,2 dns	33	schedule conflict!
1137	Dirk/Connor Schwenk	3 dns	39	but, good fishing!
1007	Brent/Barbara Benson	5 dns	41	that cleat!
1116	Ted/Erin Klein	8 dns	44	please hurry back!

Charlie Engler

Junior Fleet

Junior Sail Training Starts New Generation of HSC Racers

The last week of June was a busy one for HSC. Junior sail training all week brought in an enthusiastic crowd of kids all learning to sail. Helping out along with Trevor I even learned a lot about sailing and teaching. The first three days were sailed double-handed with light winds. Doug Brown did a great job of using drills in the lighter conditions to help the newer sailors. Focusing more on racing the last three days, a mini series sailed in the afternoons gave kids first hand experience at a main focus of HSC, competitive racing. I look forward to seeing everyone out on the water and hopefully at club junior events.

Sunfish North Americans Through the Eyes of a Junior

Traveling to Lewes this year for the Sunfish North Americans was a great trip. Monday and Tuesday the Junior Championship was held in two extremes of the wind scale. Monday was heavy, and was building throughout the day as Tuesday was a slow drifter. In the end, Teddy Wells and I represented HSC with an 8th and 7th, respectively. Teddy also placed as the First Midget and walked away with a great perpetual trophy.

I sailed the rest of the week with the adults and learned a lot. Starting on a line with over 80 boats can be a challenge but the first race Nicky and I got lucky on the left side and I placed 16th in that race. The rest of the week was tiring but defiantly worth it, the experience I gained will help me in the long run. I am sure all of us who attended had a great time catching up with old friends and making new ones. Now we can bring the knowledge we learned in Delaware to the Wednesday night races and things will get interesting.

Junior Fleet Captain Caleb Zimmerman

Junior SANJL Series

The first leg of the SANJL juniors regattas was held at Mountain Lakes on July 23 in moderate wind and good conditions. 13 boats participated. Caleb Zimmerman took top honors in the Junior division with Teddy Wells winning the midget division.

Way to go! We are so proud of both of you.

The next leg of the series is at HSC on August 6, skippers meeting at 10:00. I hope all the HSC juniors come out to race. See you on the water.

Susan Mallows

Sunfish NAs

The Sunfish North American's were held July 11-15 in Lewes, Delaware. This newly built club was an excellent site with a large beach for easy launching and excellent facilities, including a pool, showers, two bars, several eating areas and air conditioning. It was hot and clear for the first two days during which the Junior NA's were held.

The Senior NA's followed the Juniors. 83 skippers participated. Two days of racing were managed with 8 races held in total. The temperatures continued in the 90's but it was overcast with fog in the morning. Friday the fog was so dense we could not launch. It lifted slightly as a thunderstorm rolled in around 12:30 and the racing was called for the regatta. The courses varied from WL 2X, to Modified Olympics and one WL 1X. The wind varied from very very light to about 18 mph.

Results for HSC and friends are below:

Place	Name	Score
01	Eduardo Cordero	9
11	Derek Jackson	79
21	Nicky Einthoven	150
32	Courtney Young	212
33	Dave Davies	214
34	Joe Strumolo	222
37	Megan Keating	241
41	George Jackson	258
46	Caleb Zimmerman	284
47	Doug Brown	284
51	Don Esch	321
52	Susan Mallows	324

Most races were held in light to moderate wind, perfect for us lake sailors. However in one race the RC started the race in extremely light conditions - in fact the wind was lower than the rate of the current with the result that about 30% of the fleet could not cross the line at the start. (I know it took me about 20 minutes to cross.) Fortunately the race was abandoned, to the relief of many, except for Courtney who was one of the first to reach the weather mark.

Another highlight of the week was the effect of the humidity on everyone's hair. It seemed to be the style among the teenage boys to wear their hair quite long and they blossomed into afro's during the week. At the awards dinner three prizes for 'Worst Hair' were given, this included two of the boys with the most full-blown afro's and unfortunately...ME...!!!!!! I couldn't believe it - how embarrassing, I mean I knew my hair was doing strange things in the humidity and the wind but apparently the photographer had caught a picture of me on the water with my hair standing straight up all over my head! Boy was that embarrassing. I will be changing my hair style.

Susan Mallows

On the Road

One of the great aspects of sailing in general, and the Jet 14 fleet in particular is the opportunity to travel to other venues to compete. Several members of the HSC Jet fleet have taken to the road this season to participate in class-sanctioned regattas up and down the east coast.

The season's first event in April, the Spring Thaw, held in Lake Norman, NC was detailed in an earlier Focslsle issue, in which Charlie Engler and Anita DeMatteo survived their first capsiz in Charlie's Angel, and acquitted themselves quite

nicely with a fourth place finish despite a DNF in the last race of the series due to the capsiz.

Charles and Joanna Smith then traveled to Galesville, MD in May for the Crystal Bowl hosted by the West River Sailing Club. With six boats participating, they also placed fourth in the four race series, tied on points for third but losing the tiebreaker.

The annual Pines Lake Regatta came next with the HSC fleet sending five boats to compete in the tricky winds in a fleet of fourteen. Doug and Emily Brown, Brent and Barbara Benson, Barry Seip and Susan Mallows, the Smiths, and

Looking for Crew?

Contact these HSC members who are interested in crewing. To welcome our new members and help them become more active in the club, why not contact someone you DON'T know!

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Charlie Engler and Amy Gilbert all participated in the event with the Browns, and the Bensons finishing in second and third place respectively. The highlight of the event was the mid-regatta picnic where class president Brent Barbehenn presented long-time Jet 14 class members Howie and Mary Ungemach with a beautiful framed line drawing of a Jet 14 as a small token of appreciation for their many years of service



to the class.

The Jet Set at Pines Lakes

It was back to Galesville in June for the Smiths and Doug Brown with daughter Kelly, where the West River Sailing Club hosted the Fifth Annual Dave Irely Memorial Regatta that was combined this year with the Silver Chevron Regatta. Fourteen Jets participated in a total of six windward-leeward races over the course of the two days and were treated to beautiful summer sailing conditions on the Chesapeake. Ex-HSC sailor Gary Montesana and wife Cathy won the regatta carding a 7 over the six race 1 throw-out event, while the Smiths placed fourth overall and first in the "B/Champagne Division". Doug and Kelly fought through some rigging difficulties to place sixth.

The Smiths were then off to Newport, RI in July where they met up with former HSC members Sean and Kerrie DeFusco (fresh off their sweep of the Wren Regatta) for the Volkswagen Newport Regatta, and Jet 14 Atlantic Coast Championship. Twelve entrants representing each of the four active Jet 14 districts met for this two-day regatta in beautiful Newport, RI. Racing in this incredible venue in the shadow of the Newport Bridge just off Goat Island, sailing past the 12-meters Freedom and Courageous sitting on their moorings, watching the majestic 43 foot gaff rigged New York 30's ghost along as the fog rolled in off the Atlantic was a real delight. And did I mention the other 280 one-design boats entered in the event? It was spectacular! Fourteen races were held over the two days. The three-minute dinghy-starting sequence was used which kept the six classes sailing on our circle racing with little delay between the finish of one race and the start of the next. Brent Barbehenn put on a clinic winning the regatta with 14 points and walking away with the use of a new Volkswagen for two months awarded to each class winner by the title sponsor. Kerrie DeFusco stepped aside to take up photographer duties for this regatta and Sean teamed up with junior sailor Dan Japikse from Albany, NY to

sail a great regatta and place fifth overall.

The focus now shifts to sailing at HSC as the fleet point towards its upcoming National Championship to be held in Saratoga, NY in August, and our own event, the Gravy Bowl at HSC. Then in September there are events at Lake Nockamixon in PA, and the Chesapeake. In October it's back to North Carolina followed by frostbiting in Maryland, and there is even talk of a mid-winter regatta in Florida the first weekend in March which leads right back to the Spring Thaw 2006 in North Carolina where the Charlie's Angel team will no doubt kick off the season!

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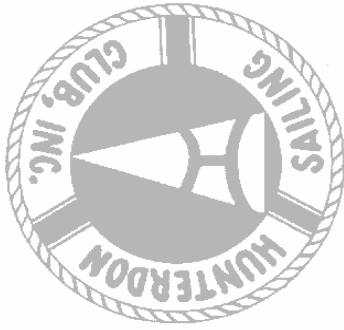
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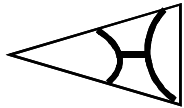


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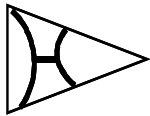
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