

THE TILLER

Lake Worth Sailing Club, Est. 1935



Commodore's Message

Happy New Year!

I am super excited to represent our club this upcoming year!

I want to thank the previous year's board for their outstanding work! Through floods and a pandemic, they persevered! The club, docks, and ground look amazing! They have been working hard on updating our lease with the city. They have dedicated themselves to reconciling all the records, making sure documents are current, and bringing in new members to our family.

Your new board will continue these practices to the best of our abilities. We have plans to maintain the current club and grounds and add more improvements. We will also be focusing on increasing family friendly events, club fun, camaraderie, and sailing.

I am asking all members to have pride in the club and your relationship with it. Update your profile on the website, come out to the club, check on your boat, go sailing. After all, you have asked to be a member and you pay your bills to stay a member.

Speaking of being members, we started the new year by bringing in 5 new members! Everyone, please come out and welcome Jennifer Crow, Bill Alspaugh, Michael Bohan, Bruce Austin, and Ellen Burke!

Be safe and sail fast!

~ Hulia

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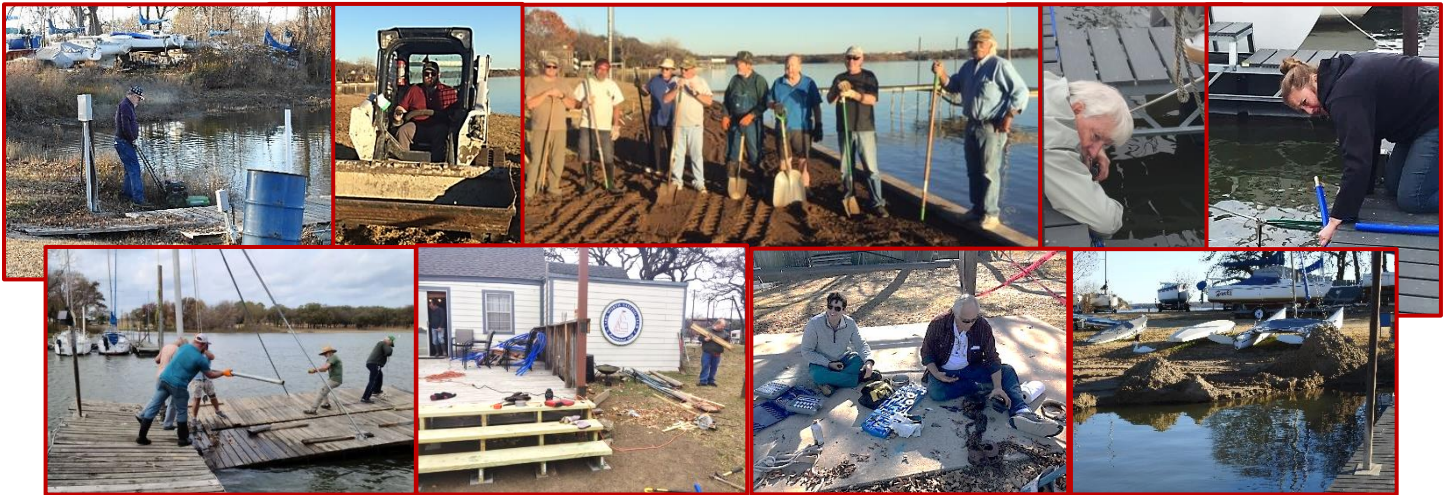


Vice Commodore's Report ~David Tyler

The boatyard and grounds are in great shape but we still have a few big projects on the clipboard. Priorities are to get the *CROW's* engine running smoothly and the work barge ready to drive poles for the T-head. Andy Bahr's continued devotion to upgrading our docks is greatly appreciated! I plan to have work parties on the second Saturday of each month with reminders and any date changes posted through Apricot event calendar.

Just a reminder that you are responsible for mowing under your trailer, tying to the D rings and DO NOT attach *anything* to the Trex. The boatyard is in order so let's keep it up! Please notify me if there is anything broken that you are not able to fix on the spot. If you are not able to attend a work party but want to tackle a project on your own let me know! If you are a new member or applicant this is a great opportunity to get involved!

A big round of applause to everyone who came out to help with the barge floats, seawall, patio steps, sprinklers, boat lift, reclaiming the beach area, weed wacking the shoreline and installing waterline on the east dock. *And Congratulations to Hulia for making friends at Ace Hardware!*



TREASURER'S REPORT ~Cheryl Springer

I want to remind everyone to work on shifting their payments for the month to within the first week rather than the last. This makes it much easier to monitor for overdue accounts and maintain cashflow for club needs/bills.



Secretary's Report ~Andy Katz

I am looking forward to the new year and to being on the board for our awesome club and members.

In addition to the usual tasks that the secretary performs I plan to work on improving communication with all members through our website (Wild Apricot). I also use Wild Apricot with my bicycle club, and it is extremely helpful to keep everyone informed.

- The first step is to make sure that every member is getting their emails and can access the website. Please keep an eye out for your emails from LWSC. I will be sending test emails and asking for a response. This will tell me who already has access. Then I will follow up individually by phone with those who are not fully connected.

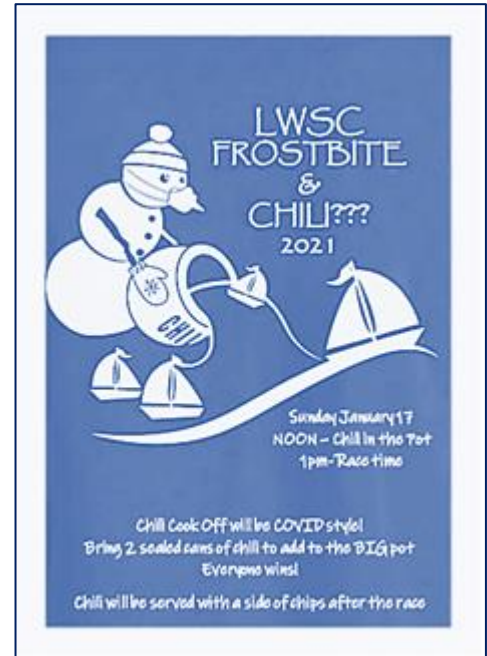
- I will also be adding additional email address, so spouses can also get the emails and respond. I will be requesting additional email addresses for all member families. So again, keep an eye on your emails and the Sailing Club Ladies group. But you can also simply email me at andykatz@sbcglobal.net and I will add your email address to the club website.



RACE REPORT - Jonathan McMillan

Frost Bite Race and Chili Bowl - January 17 1pm.

Join the annual “cold weather, no shorten, no cancel, race ‘til the end event”. The winner of this contest of skills and fortitude shall be awarded the Frost Bite trophy. All classes of sailboats are eligible to compete. This is a handicap race. The course will be a minimum of seven miles of frosty racing, so come prepared. First one to shore gets the first bowl of the LWSC 2021 Chili Bowl. No contest this year, we all win! Everyone bring a can of your favorite chili to add to the pot. The Social Committee will doctor it up while you race and have the fires burning inside and out for a great time. Special Edition Tshirts will be available in limited supply.



Date	Time	Race
Jan 17, 2021	1300	Frostbite
Jan 31, 2021	1400	Winter Series 1&2
Feb 7, 2021	1400	Winter Series 2&3
Feb 21, 2021	1400	Winter Series 3&4
Feb 28, 2021	1400	Winter Series 5&6
Mar 14, 2021	1400	Winter Series 7&8
Mar 17 - Nov 3, 2021	1800	Wednesday Night Racing
Mar 21, 2021	1400	Winter Series 9&10

RACE COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS are needed for all series races. This is a great way to get to know your fellow members and learn all about racing. If you are racing in the series and volunteer, you will receive your average score for that raceday.

Please contact Jonathan McMillan
jmcmillan+lwsc@gmail.com to pick your date!

Social Committee

As we set our 2021 goals for the LWSC we will be paying special attention to our younger members and their families. We look forward to offering Movie Night, Nautical Art, Stargazing, Camp Outs on the Hill and Fun Sails all while learning about sailing, teamwork and good citizenship.

LWSC is entering its 86th year and our young members are the future of the club!

Do you have any ideas? Let us know and we will work to make it happen. Contact Dottie Tyler at lwstiller2021@gmail.com.

SAFETY FIRST

With the winter weather and cold conditions looming, it is a good idea to keep the inside of the boat and crew prepared as much as possible. It is always a good idea to keep a man overboard bag on the boat. In the winter months, the bag should include thick, oversize clothing, blankets, hand/feet warmers. Have a throwable with a line attached easily available to toss at a moment's notice. A ladder (rigid or makeshift) is also a good idea to help get a fallen sailor out when weather, strength, and urgency are at play. Lastly, a working, easy to access cell phone to call for help to be waiting upon getting back to shore.

Even though you may be the most prepared sailor/team/boat in the history of sailing, things happen. Be smart on the water, especially during inclement weather. The water and wind are colder than we think, and the boats are slower than they feel when in a hurry.

Safe sailing!

~ Hulia



The Lake Worth Sailing Club has a rich history of great tales and we want to hear them!

Send your club stories past or present to lwstiller2021@gmail.com and we will print them for the *Tell us a Tale* section. Please include pictures if you have them in jpg format.

Casual lies are permissible if all parties have the story straight.

Jonathan Mark (aka Woody) is working on the club's historical documents and photos. Some have notations and others do not. Any help with scanning and identifying things is greatly appreciated!
jbmark52@yahoo.com



Ahoy! My name is Perse, and I live at the LWSC. I am shy and like to go under the patio. I have a great job as Chief Mouse Trapper. If you see my water bowl is empty, please give me some fresh water. Thanks! ~Perse



Forest Calhoun is looking for crew on his 17' O'Day Daysailer. Please email forestoptical@yahoo.com if interested. Scallywags are welcome!

Please submit any Classified Ads to the Tiller at lwstiller2021@gmail.com

GOATMAN

We have all heard one version or the other of the Lake Worth Goat Man story/legend. Most start with "It was a dark and stormy night". (*sailors' stories do too!*)

Is there really a half man half goat hurling tires around Greer Island or has he retired from his wild ways to spend peaceful moonlit nights on Goat Island?

This YouTube link: https://youtu.be/lxaz_Co9UjY is one reporter's account and includes news footage from 1969.

We welcome you to send in your version for everyone to read.

Print by:
<https://www.facebook.com/jackdawfolkart/photos>





2021 Clean Up Schedule



Each week of the year a team of two members is assigned to general clean up duties of the clubhouse and the covered porch. This job is more important than ever because it not only keeps our club looking nice it helps with the spread of germs! If you are unable to work the week assigned, please switch with someone else and contact your team member. It is best to clean early in the week, so you are not working around people. Cleaning supplies are under each sink. Brooms, mop and small vacuum are in the kitchen closet. If you use the last of any supplies, please email Dottie Tyler, lwsctiller@gmail.com.

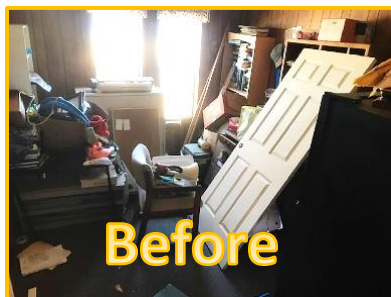
Weekly Duties include:

- Sweep all floors and the covered porch area; Mop as needed.
- Wipe down all countertops and sinks in kitchen and bathrooms with disinfectant.
- Disinfect toilets and urinals and replace toilet paper as needed.
- Empty ALL wastebaskets and trashcans.
- Wash any dishes left in sink. Please dry and put away. *We will have the scoundrels who left them walk the plank! Hint...hint*

WEEK		MEMBER #1	MEMBER #2
11 Jan 2021	17 Jan 2021	Julia Brandt	Joe Fuller
18 Jan 2021	24 Jan 2021	Jerry Davis	Jonathan McMillan
25 Jan 2021	31 Jan 2021	Jennifer Crow	Jonathan Mark
01 Feb 2021	07 Feb 2021	James Walker	Don White
08 Feb 2021	14 Feb 2021	James Ghormley	Kevin Culver
15 Feb 2021	21 Feb 2021	Jack Adkisson	Kevin Williams
22 Feb 2021	28 Feb 2021	Howard Webb	Bruce Austin

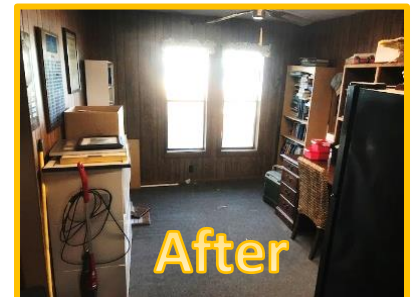
Full Schedule and member contact list available on bulletin board and on Apricot

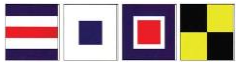
ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS: It is every member's responsibility to clean up after themselves. Any food left in the refrigerator **MUST** be labeled with date. All perishables will be thrown out on a weekly basis. We have some wild and some domestic critters around that we do not want lured into the club by food left out.



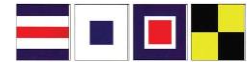
We found the floor in the **COMMODORE'S OFFICE!** All kidding aside, the office was overflowing with for all sorts of things. Everything is now in its proper place or thrown out. Now that the office is clean, let's keep it that way!

The fridge is for *Board members only* to store their grog (*perk for serving*) and overflow for club events. The office is for Race Committee Supplies and other Club business supplies.





Events



On December 21, several club members gathered after the seawall work party to enjoy the new patio steps while stargazing. This was a great vantage point to see the “Great Conjunction” of Jupiter and Saturn. Champagne toasting and telescopes were the evening’s faire.



This darn COVID has put a damper on our club socials, but we want everyone to stay strong and healthy! Events will be planned with consideration of weather and ability to use the covered patio. We have been fortunate to have some really good weather thus far.

Our next holiday is Valentine’s Day. Traditionally, this is a formal dinner in the clubhouse which is not feasible with the current assembly restrictions for the city/county/state. Mark your calendar for **7pm Saturday, February 13 for Valentine Party** and watch for Email from Apricot for further details.

In honor of the LWSC tradition of sailing on **New Year’s Day**, no matter the weather, three boats took to the water with family and friends aboard. Thank you to Sharon H. for having a fire and black-eyed peas waiting for everyone!



*Good luck in 2021
for all!*

