



# *The Doings*

*Of the Dixie Sailing Club*  
*December 2011*



**Approaching the start line**



**"All clear" - a good start**



**"Down hill"**



**Approaching the finish line – last leg of the last race**

## **Commodore's Corner**

*By Commodore Mark Cline*

It's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas. There is a chill in the air, trees are going up, and lights are being hung. The club's Christmas Party will be Saturday December 10<sup>th</sup>. We will have a fun time decorating the tree, breaking bread and having fellowship. I hope you can make it. Details are down below.

Also, we recently had our annual meeting with election of new board members and officers. For me, it's déjà vu all over again (yes, Susan knows, so we don't have to pretend when she is around!).

Mark Cline – Commodore  
Royetta Link – Vice Commodore  
Ron Jenkie – Rear Commodore  
Roger Smith – Treasurer  
David Wimberley – Secretary  
Wayne Carroll  
Bob Corwin  
Charlie French  
Randall Haire

Thanks to the outgoing board members for their hard work.

Dick Cline  
Ron Dettwiler  
Burl Murphy  
Darryl Riggs

Your new board is in the planning stages for 2012, so if you have any requests please let us know.

I think that is it for now. If I don't see you, please have a Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

Thanks  
*Mark*

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## **Past Commodore's Corner**

*By Former Commodore Charlie French*

The 2011 DSC Annual Meeting was good. The members came together to look at this last year and elect 4 new board members. DSC will benefit with the new flag officers that were elected by the board. We also had a great dinner with the barbeque from the Scotalina Tutu. A good time was had by all.

The Fall Frost Bite regatta and Christmas Party on Dec 10, 2011 will certainly be

enjoyable events. The last race of the season will be something none of us will want to miss. There is nothing any more enjoyable than a great Christmas party.

I am looking forward to another year of sailing at Dixie Sailing Club. The board will be planning many enjoyable activities for all. I encourage all of you to add some more sailing to your next year's plans.

*Charlie*

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## **From the Vice**

*By Vice Commodore Royetta Link*

Clubhouse is ready for winter.

The men's latrine is closed for the winter. Many thanks to Ron Jenkie for winterizing the fixtures. Also, you should notice the hose pipes are disconnected.

If you need outside water, please remember to disconnect and completely drain the hose. A frozen hose pipe is useless in case of fire.

The clubhouse central heating system is set to automatically come on when outside temperatures fall below freezing. The thermostat switches should remain set to "heat" and "auto" at all times. The timer switch and temp selection are the only changes needed to increase or decrease room temperatures.

### Fireplace Safety

The clubhouse is equipped with two beautiful fireplaces for your winter enjoyment. Now that cold weather is here, I believe it is time to review fireplace safety procedures.

First and foremost, know your location. The club is located in Elmore County and the nearest major intersection is Highway 63 and Windermere Road (County Road 138). The nearest fire department is Windermere Fire Department.

Here are some safety tips...

Know the location of clubhouse fire extinguishers before starting any fire.

Do not leave fires unattended. Burning logs can shift position and roll out of fireplace.

Use fireplace screens at all times to keep sparks contained.

Keep combustible materials such as furniture, paper, logs and kindling at least 3 feet away from the fireplace.

Use only enough wood to keep fire at the desired temperature.

Avoid "roaring" fires. They can start chimney fires from soot and creosote deposits in the flue.

Do not use gasoline or other flammable liquids to kindle or rekindle a fire because the flammable vapors can explode.

Never burn Christmas tree greens. Due to moisture content, they cause lots of sparks.

Remove colored comic sections before rolling newspapers into logs. The colored inks contain lead and can produce toxic gases.

Do not use coal, charcoal or polystyrene packaging the fireplace. Excessive heat and smoke occur when these materials are burned.

Do not use artificial logs the same way you treat real wood logs. Use only one artificial log at a time. If you use more, they can produce too much heat.

Keep children away from the fire because their clothing can easily ignite.

Be sure that all ashes have thoroughly cooled before you dispose of them.

Remember...if ashes are warm when touched, the fire is not out. Be sure the fire is completely out before leaving club property.

Wishing a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year for all,

*Royetta*

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## **Rear Commodore Final Comments**

*From Rear Commodore Ron Jenkie*

As your newly elected Rear Commodore I am excited about developing the sailing activities for 2012. Filling the shoes of Dick Cline will be a difficult task but as I see it we all bring a different set of skills to the table.

I would like to continue with some type of Monday Report, but will probably not put as much into it as Dick did. I would like to alert members of the racing events and cruising events as they approach and I also feel the need to remind Race Committee members of their scheduled duties.

Just a few dates to remember this next year. C22 traveling events already scheduled are:

Jan 7 & 8 - C22 Fun N Sun Regatta, Marathon, FL

Feb 25 & 26- C22 Midwinters Regatta, ?, FL

Apr 21 – Region 3 Championship, Sanford, FL

Jun 9 – 14 - C22 National Championship Reg., Scotts Flat Lake, CA

Sep 17 & 18- C22 Gone With the Wind Regatta, Lake Lanier, GA

These are just a few of the many events that I am trying to work around this next year. When planning our own club race/regatta schedule many factors go into the mix. Not only do we have to come up with a schedule that fits our needs, we also must consider other area events as listed above. If we plan to have our regatta the week before or after, or even a couple weeks from an event attended by many other racers, then we are assuring that we will defeat the purpose of having our event. Traveling racers will be too exhausted and out of money to come to ours. Although much more work will go into our schedule, I am working with the following possible dates for a few of our events the year.

Mar 3- Frostbite Regatta I

Mar 31- Apr 1- Punchbowl Regatta

Oct 27 – 28 Scotalina Tu Tu

Dec 8 – Frostbite Regatta II & Christmas party

These are proposed dates so do not totally lock them into your plans, rather, wait until the DSC Roster is published early next year. I also am planning to schedule several cruising events this next year and hope that you will plan to join the group of "Cruisers."

I look forward to serving you over the next year and hope we all have a great time on the water.

*Ron*

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# Dixie Sailing Club

## Annual Christmas Party

**\*\*\*Please note change from  
previous announcement\*\*\***

**When:** Saturday, December 10, 2011

3:00 - Tree trimming

5:00 - Happy Hour

6:00 - Dinner

**What:** Come join us for an evening of Holiday Fun including socialization, good food, followed by party games with prizes

The complete meal will be served consisting of ham, with all the fixings.

**Bring:** Other than a possible hors d'oeuvres, just bring yourself.

**Cost:** Free

**\*\*\*Please help us with meal planning by contacting Ron Jenkie at [rjenkie@gmail.com](mailto:rjenkie@gmail.com) if you intend to come.**

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**DSC Roster Input  
And  
Race/Kitchen Duty Preference**

Please review the 2011 roster and if there are any changes needed for the new roster list them below.

**Roster changes**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (H): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (O): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (C): \_\_\_\_\_

**Kitchen Duty Preference**

Month Preferred:

Choice #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Choice #2 \_\_\_\_\_

**Race Duty Preference**

(Except for regatta weekends there will be no Sunday racing this year)  
(A minimum of at least 2 race duty sessions will probably be required)

Month Preferred:

Race Duty #1

Choice #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Choice #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Race Duty #2

Choice # 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Choice #2 \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Email your Preference form to Ron Jenkie at [rjenkie@gmail.com](mailto:rjenkie@gmail.com) by December 15 so we may include your input in making these assignments.**

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## ***It's Your Newsletter***

This is your club newsletter so if you ever want to submit an article, or buy or sell something sailing related, send it to the email address below and we'll include it in the next *Doings*. Send inputs to [ronald.dettwiler@lmco.com](mailto:ronald.dettwiler@lmco.com).

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### **For Sale 1979 Catalina 25 (Formerly Air Waves)**

This is a solid boat that I purchased from former member Bruce Johnston back in 2009. Boat is in great shape, but I don't have the time to finish cleaning up and putting back together.

Details:

- New bottom job and new keel cable assembly by Turner Marine
- Includes all the sails, cushions, lines, etc, (which are at home in garage)
- Includes trailer with 4 relatively new tires I replaced when I purchased the boat
- In the processing of redoing the teak, which needs to be put back on.
- Includes electric start engine, that needs to be serviced,

All offers will be considered

Contact me at [mark@squareroot-inc.com](mailto:mark@squareroot-inc.com) or call 334-462-2617 if interested.

Can be seen in boatyard by port-a-potty

Mark Cline

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## **Upcoming Events and Responsibilities**

### **December 2011**

- Sat 10     **Frostbite Regatta II – 11:00**  
RC Chair: Mote  
RC Assist: Savage, Morris, Tilton
- Sat 10     **Annual Christmas Party – see details above.**
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**The DSC Championship Sail Off - Competitors**



R. Jenkie & B. Hoster



J. Barnett



M. Cline



R. Dettwiler & S. Bazo

**The DSC Championship Sail Off – Race Committee**



R. Cline, G. Randolph, & D. Morris prepare for the races

Cline and Morris "hard at it"



Countdown



Come on Doug! Put a little back into it!



Photos courtesy of Merry Hardy