



## From the Commodore – November 2009

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The sailing season has come to an end for this year, all the trophies have been earned and the end of daylight saving time makes it more difficult to squeeze out some lake time after work.

Different from years in the past, the lake is still at great levels and sailing is possible on the sunny weekends. I am sure several of us will continue to spend time overnight on the boats.

The Turtle Rock race was a real challenge this year as a weather front did not pass through the area as early as predicted and we had gusting winds at the start in the 15-20 mph range –quite a challenge for almost all boats. We all made it and while we were spilling wind left and right to survive we watched Steve Adams in his J29 take off unimpeded by the gusts. He won this race by a great margin however 2-4 place were separated by less than 1 minute in corrected times. The winds were strong enough to break the rudder off on Scott's MacGregor right before the start and he had to retire from the race.

I hope to see many of you at the Commodore's Ball this weekend to celebrate another successful year of SWSC and to welcome the new officers for the club; in case you need a reminder, they are:

Scott Widmier	Commodore
Ruth Leber	Vice Commodore
Steve Gully	Fleet Captain
Donna Holcombe	Purser
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For old time's sake: I salute you and your Scouts one more time Gary Holcombe – as you have done so often to me over the past 2 years...

To the rest: Fair Winds at all times  
 Andy Kohler  
 SWSC Commodore

Our last outing on the point, the Chili cook-off was well attended and about 8 different culinary chili choices were tasted. Congratulations go out to Louise Carter since her pot of chili was the first to be gone and it was voted the best chili of the event.

There are great photos of both activities posted on the website thanks to the staff photographer Ruth.

It is time for me to close out my tenure at the helm of SWSC; as with so many things in life there is a happy and a sad side to it: I was blessed with enormous help from all other members when they were called upon. Guiding SWSC for the last 2 years has been by far a more rewarding experience than I thought possible – again, thanks to everybody and all who made this possible and who helped to keep our small club on an even keel.

## September Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 8, 2009

Minutes of Monthly Meeting

Held at Nix Place in Marietta

645 Whitlock Ave., Marietta

Commodore Andy Kohler called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

### Reports

- Vice Commodore: Scott Widmier needs the perpetual trophies returned.
- Fleet Captain Ruth Leber reported upcoming events:
  - 10/17 - Fall Cruise--check newsletter
  - 10/24 - Turtle Rock Regatta
- Pictures of races have been posted on the website. Lake level has gone down, 845' today.
- Membership: Joe Carter advised Oktoberfest raft-up on 10/10, 6:00 p.m. near Victoria Campground if bad weather then on Dock 10, decision will be made on Sat. Bring German food, extra too, for additional participants. In event we have to drive, directions will be made available. Last two raft-ups have been marina based.
- Purser: No report, however, positive numbers for the Commodore's Ball. Purser's report will be in the newsletter.
- Sea Scouts - Gary Holcombe reported Scouts took 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> in the Koch Cup regionals. First Place got an automatic entry to the Koch Cup in New London, CT, third and fourth place have to apply. Scouts will be doing fundraisers for that trip. They will do the Committee Boat for the Puddle Duck Races. Pontoons will be a help. There are 12 Sea Scouts, have a possibility for another three or four. Scout ages are 14-20, it's coed; bring your kids, grandkids, nieces, nephews.

### Old Business

- Puddle Duck Races this weekend. We're sponsoring their world championship. Should be around 15 boats, but hard to tell. Lot of them are first timers. Friday--Gary Holcomb will conduct race clinic. Saturday--a.m. boat tuning session; 11:00 skippers meeting, 12 noon race start. Saturday (or Sunday depending on weather and time) there will be a pirate poker run. Saturday night raft-up. Sunday--a.m. polysail race.
- Commodore's Ball--Sat. 11/7--invitations have been mailed. Morning of the Ball, come to decorate.

### New Business

- Eric Johns passed his Captain's License exam last week.
- Nik & Wanda have made a Wall of Fame available for our pictures in our meeting area.
- November is the Commodore's Ball, Holiday party will be at Terry & Gil's home, we'll be back at Nik's place in January 2010.
- Alice Nix reported Bobby & Mike Hansell's place was flooded; both got the flu while in the hospital; they are on Facebook.
- Elections--it was moved that nominations be closed and slate of officers proposed at the September meeting be accepted, and seconded.
- Andy Kohler has SWSC flags for purchase.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Ardythe Ball, Yeoman

## Upcoming Events

Event	Date	Location	Description
Club Meeting/ Commodores Ball	11/07/09 Sat 7:00pm	World Famous Navy Facility	



## Race Results

Results as of 11/07/2009

### A Fleet – Unofficial results

Skipper	Total Points
Steve Adams	19.711
Andy Kohler	19.416
Steve Gully	16.559
Scott Widmier	15.169
Robert Forrester	9.214
Gary L. Holcombe	0.673

### B Fleet – Unofficial results

Skipper	Total Points
Jordan Ball	19.095
Nick Zaimis & Wanda Williams	14.306
Bob Ross	9.177
Sea Scouts	4.806
Nils Thompson	3.526
Ruth Leber	1.00
Andy Mils	1.354
James Hammond	0.677
Jeff Lazlo	0.500

### Catalina points

Skipper	Boat	Fleet	Total Points
Jordan Ball	Catalina 22	B	17.480
Robert Forrester	Catalina 22	A	9.627
Bob Ross	Catalina 28	B	7.775
Nils Thompson	Catalina 22	A	2.983
Andy Kohler	Catalina 22	B	2.860

## South Winds Sailing Club Membership Application Form

Complete this application and mail it along with your \$45.00 Annual fee (new members joining after July 1st, \$25.00) to:

### **South Winds Sailing Club**

104 Springwater Trace  
Woodstock, Georgia 30188

Member(s) Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Member(s) Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Office: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Boat: \_\_\_\_\_  
Length: \_\_\_\_\_  
BoatName: \_\_\_\_\_  
Current Marina: \_\_\_\_\_

What knowledge or skills can you share or teach other club members:  
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Boating Interests:  Social events  Racing  
 Crewing  Raft Up Events  
 Cruising

Member Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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