



BATTEN THE BREEZE

Moraine Sailing Club Newsletter

July/August 2004

CONGRATULATIONS TO 33 MSC SAILING CAMP 2004 PARTICIPANTS

The week of July 19th saw Watts Bay filled with boats of every shape and size being sailed by enthusiastic attendees of MSC Sail Camp 2004. They made mastering the 14 *U.S. Sailing* sailing skills look like Childs play. On the last day, the sail campers took a break from their drills to sail to Lake View for a few hours of picnicking and swimming fun. Logging the two nautical miles to/from Lake View was just taken in stride by the sailing pros they have become. Congratulations to MSCs newest and youngest sailors, and a special thank you to all the parents and adults who helped run the camp.



(front) Frayne Poeting, Burke Poeting, Jon Hale, Keanu Davis, Scott Seel, Naeem Davis, Christina Edwards, Grace Steward, Christopher Bridges; (middle) Conner Smith, George Uehling, Noah Vito, Henry Uehling, Luke Visnic, Sammy Wiley, Eli Roth, Thad Madzelonka; (standing) Andrew Beaulieu, Kelly Smith, Joe Schevtchuk, Sophie Seel, Dante Edwards, Samantha Wanko, Amani Davis, Emily Seel, Ed Deming, Jake Chielli, Dan Warner, Jon Hoge, Jo Stevens, Alex Wiley, Annie Freeman, and (missing from photo) Kathleen Mullins



August 14th and 15th
Moraine State Park
North and South Shores

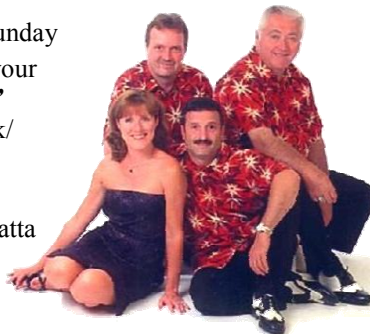
Splashing Fun!

MSC member to sing at Regatta

Lou Ann Shields (wife of Joe Shields) long time member of *Moraine Sailing Club* will be singing along with the rest of "*The Holidays*" as they perform Sunday, Aug 15th from 1:45pm to 3:15pm at the Amphitheater as part of the entertainment planned for the Regatta at Lake Arthur.

Come sail (or watch) the Bridge-to-Bridge race Sunday morning and then have your lunch at "*The Holidays*" concert (just a short walk/drive from Watts Bay).

For other scheduled Regatta events see Page 3.



Flying Scot Picnic Aug 14th 2pm (after morning back-to-back Regatta races)

Who: All MSC members and Regatta racers and their guests are welcome

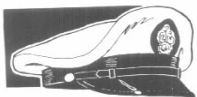
Where: Watts Bay Pavilion

Food: Grilled *Uncle Charlie* sausage & soft drinks. Attendees are asked to bring an hors d'vor or side dish if they have an odd number house address, a dessert if they have an even number house address.

Cost: FREE if RSVP received by Aug 12th by Bob Zavos at rzavos@hotmail.com or 412-241-0659
OR

\$3 per person day of picnic.

**Regatta Races open to All (prizes awarded!)
to register for races come to Watts Bay by 9:30am**



Commodore's Corner

Choosing the right boat can be a vital decision as to whether a new comer to the sport of sailing will continue or just get frustrated. There is a huge variety to choose from and we can learn from other folks mistakes and ask for guidance from any experienced club member.

When Lake Arthur was first formed a huge fleet of Catamarans blossomed, but, as owners found out the lake was not ideal for Catamaran racing with its limited size and variable winds. One has only to look around Burke's yard to see abandoned sail boats hiding under a mountain of grass and weeds. Catamarans to have a place, providing a stable platform for families and exciting fast sailing on those occasions when the winds blow strongly.

The Flying Scot is in many ways an ideal boat for Lake Arthur providing exciting racing for two adults or a stable boat for 6 adults or a family to enjoy group cruising or picnics in some secluded cove. However it is sometimes considered rather "matronly" and more energetic souls seek an experience hanging out on a trapeze and speeds in excess of 15 knots. It is to meet this need that the Club's Community Sailing Fleet also includes a Buccaneer and 470.

There is an increasing interest in Keel boats both on Lake Arthur and other areas such as Lake Erie and the Chesapeake. Chartering boats with fellow club members gives all a chance to experience this other aspect of sailing.

At the other end of the scale we have the 10 Club Sunfish; an ideal boat for learning and you can never blame the crew if you are sailing single-handed. No superhuman strengths are needed to manage these single sailed boats that can and do provide exciting racing. They can often be seen darting about the lake during the week with their colourful sails. For Kids we have the Optimists, a Cape Cod Frosty and the Escape.

Before you buy a boat we suggest you join the Community sail program and try out the different sorts of boats or beg a ride on a member's boat. Please make full use of the club and if you are going to change you ideas and buy another boat within a year or two, consider the resale value.

John Bridges

Flying Scot News

by Bob Zavos, Fleet 80 Captain

Last month eight Flying Scots from Fleet 80 participated in the first ever sailboat races in the Three Rivers Regatta at the Point in Pittsburgh on July 5th. Four boats from the nearby Deep Creek Yacht Club near Oakland, Maryland joined us. The races were very competitive with some of the top Flying Scot Racers in the country. Flying Scot Company owner Harry Carpenter was among the Deep Creek contingent along with John Meredith, Charles Buffington, and Don Griffin. All of these have won or placed very high in recent National and District Flying Scot events. MSC helmsmen included: Tom Hohler 3rd place, Charlie Armitage, Dave Bishop, Dan Goldberg, Jon Hart, Sean Marshall, Carl Suppo, and Bob Zavos. Complete results and pictures are available via a link on the MSC Racing page: www.morainesailingclub.org/Website/racing/results.html.

Sailing was exhilarating and by all accounts this was a highly successful event. The event was organized by MSC member Joe Kirk to have some fun and also show that sailing on Pittsburgh's rivers was much more possible than previously thought. The Scots turned out to be great sailboats for the venue. Joe Kirk is now thinking about organizing youth sailing instruction on the rivers under the auspices of the Three Rivers Rowing Association.

A large contingent of MSC members rooted us on from the Bleachers just up the Allegheny River from the fountain at the Point. On each lap we passed within a boat length of the river wall where many were standing to root us on and take some close-up pictures. By the early afternoon the Bleachers were quite filled with thousands of spectators. Hopefully we gave them a great show and introduced sailing to many Pittsburgh area residents. We expect to be back next year and hope to have even greater MSC participation.

In other Fleet 80 news we are sponsoring a picnic on Saturday, August 14th after the races as part of the Regatta at Lake Arthur. We hope to see many Flying Scot Sailors for a fun day of sailing, picnicking, and participation in the many great Regatta events. On September 17-19 we will hold the annual Flying Scot Sail for the Grail Regatta. More details and an application appear elsewhere in this newsletter. Please send in your Registration early to help with planning. We need volunteer help with the August 14th picnic and lots of help with the Sail for the Grail event. If you can help with either activity please contact me at the Lake on Saturdays as well as by phone (412-241-0659) or via email: rzavos@hotmail.com.



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FLYING SCOTS RACE AT THREE RIVERS REGATTA



**“First and ten” and the fleet fades to the starboard layline in the shadow of Heinz Field
(see Bob Zavos’ story on page 2)**

IN MEMORIUM

To MSC Members:

I just found out that **Jack DiDomenico**, one of the most pleasant sailors that I knew, passed away about a month ago. Jack raced a Sunfish for many years at Lake Arthur, and pleasure sailed the Chesapeake with others from the club. I sailed with him a couple of times on the Chesapeake. He has not raced for a few years. I see he kept up his membership and put his name on the list of volunteers for committee duty. Apparently he was still interested in sailing and in the club. I remember Jack as being one of the nicest persons I have known- sailor or landlubber.

— Bill Tingle

Remaining Race Day Steward Assignments for 2004

7-Aug	Series Race 9	Sylvia Tan
14-Aug	Regatta At Lake Arthur	Brandt
15-Aug	Regatta At Lake Arthur	Kirk
21-Aug	Series Race 10	Hart
28-Aug	Series Race 11	Marshall
4-Sep	No Races, Holiday	xxxxx
11-Sep	Series Race 12	VOLUNTEER NEEDED
18-Sep	FS Sail for the Grail Regatta	Kirk
19-Sep	FS Sail for the Grail Regatta	Uehling
25-Sep	Champion of Champions Regatta	Tingle

Congratulations to Erik Goethert (son of Wolf and Joy Goethert) who along with Bob and Linda Bryant beat 49 boats from 15 states who came to Boston Harbor for the Thistle Atlantic Coast Championship. Erik, Bob and Linda came in first.

FLYING SCOT NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Kelly and Heidi Gough won the 62-boat 2004 Flying Scot NACs, held at Carlyle Lake (near St. Louis) the week of July 19. Greg and new wife JoAnn Fisher were second, with Bill Draheim and Scott Mauney third. The winds were high for the three race qualification series, then moderated to about 8 – 12 mph for the final series.

Dan Goldberg and **Joni Reis** represented Fleet 80. They finished 4th in the Challenger Series, with a win in the last race. Pittsburghers **Charles and Sarah Buffington**, who sail at Deep Creek Lake, won the Challengers.

Next year’s North Americans will be in Houston, Texas.



Sophie Seel and Grace Steward watch a capsized recovery at MSC Sail Camp 2004

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The Regatta at Lake Arthur - 2004

Saturday August 14

North Shore

Amphitheater \$5.00 Daily Admission

11:30:00 AM Angel Blue & The Prophets
2:00:00 PM Poverty Neck Hillbillies
4:30:00 PM Angel Blue & The Prophets
6:45:00 PM Hot Air Balloons Launch from North & South

Shore

7:00:00 PM Corbin Hanner
9:00:00 PM Fireworks by ZAMBELLI

Bike Rental to Marina Resturant & return to Bike Rental

10:00:00 AM Bike Trail Challenge - Patch for 14 miles

Davis Hollow Marina

9:30:00 AM Blessing of the Fleet

Lakeview

7:00:00 AM 12 MILE Canoe & Kayak Race
Registration
8:00:00 AM 12 MILE Canoe & Kayak Race Begins
9:30:00 AM 2 & 4 Mile Canoe & Kayak Registration
10:30:00 AM 2 & 4 Mile Canoe & Kayak Race
Begins
12:00:00 PM Whatever Floats Your Boat
Vessels on Display - Race Sunday
1:00:00 PM Kayak Experience
1:00:00 PM Play Dead Fish Polo
1:00:00 PM Voyager Canoe Rides \$5.00
6:00:00 PM Hot Air Balloon Launch Weather Permitting

Lakeview Beach

11:00:00 AM On Going Children Activities

McDanel's Launch

12:00:00 PM Meet Annie the Barn Owl

McDanel's Launch @ Dam

6:00:00 PM Hot Air Balloon Launch Weather Permitting

Resturant - Davis Hollow

6:00:00 AM Bass Fishing Tournament 1:00:00 PM

Watts Bay

9:00:00 AM Sailboat Registration
9:30:00 AM Sailboat Race Skipper's Meeting
10:30:00 AM Sailboat Races Begin

Old 422 10:00:00 AM Visit the Antique Oil Pump House

On The Water

3:00:00 PM Boat Parade (Boaters join us by Bear Run Launch)

South Shore

Park Office Pond

10:00:00 AM Fishing for Kids Learn How to Fish

Pleasant Valley Ball Field

6:00:00 PM Hot Air Balloon Launch Weather Permitting

Pleasant Valley Beach

10:00:00 AM Lowes Kids Clinic 3:00:00 PM
Children's craft projects
10:00:00 AM Volleyball Tournament 4:00:00 PM
2:00:00 PM Big Splash Family Boatbuilding
Featuring wooden boats built by local families

Pleasant Valley Small Ball Field

11:00:00 AM Helicopter Rides 6:00:00 PM \$20

Sunday August 15

North Shore

Amphitheater \$5.00 Daily Admission

11:30:00 AM Mark Scheer & Discount Stars
1:45:00 PM Pittsburgh's Own - The Holidays
3:30:00 PM Classic Cars Enter Amphitheater
4:15:00 PM The Fabulous Hubcaps

Bike Rental to Marina Resturant & return to Bike Rental

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Lakeview

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Lakeview Beach

1:00:00 PM Ray Ryan's Riverside Band

McDanel's Launch

9:00:00 AM Naturalist Canoe Tours
10:30:00 AM Kids Fishing Tournament
Bring your poles - worms for sale
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McDanel's Launch @ Dam

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Park Office Pond

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2:00:00 PM Fishing for Kids

Pleasant Valley Beach

10:00:00 AM Classic Car Cruise
Courtesy of Rod Farthers Car Club
10:00:00 AM Volleyball Tournament
Multi Team Competition
11:00:00 AM Christian Ministry Tent

Pleasant Valley Large Ball Field

6:00:00 PM Hot Air Balloon Launch Weather Permitting

Pleasant Valley Small Ball Field

11:00:00 AM Helicopter Rides til 6:00:00 PM \$20

2004 Moraine Sailing Club Race Results as of July 10th

Flying Scot Class

Rank	Avg	Count	Total	Sail No.	Racer			5/8	5/22	5/22	5/22	6/5	6/5	6/5	6/12	6/12	6/12	6/25	6/25	6/25	7/10	7/10	
		16					PN	1	2	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2
	6.00	2	12	115	Ansman		90.4	6	6														
	3.80	10	38	200	Cullen		90.4	2	4	4	3	1			3	2	6	5	8		RC	RC	
		0	0	2928	Schock		90.4																
		0	0	2984	Williams		90.4																
	4.10	10	41	4601	Zavos		90.4	5	3						2	6	1	7	4	5	4	4	
	8.00	1	8	3388	Tingle		90.4																8
	3.50	2	7	3637	D. Marlin		90.4						RC		RC	RC	RC	4	3				
		0	0	3637	C. Marlin		90.4																
	2.50	8	20	3700	Bishop		90.4					2	1	1				1	1	4	3	7	
		0	0	3708	Madzelonka		90.4								RC	RC	RC						
	4.14	7	29	3714	Hart		90.4	3	5	3		5			5	3	5						
	1.00	2	2	3883	Hohler		90.4														1	1	
	5.33	9	48	4114	Suppo		90.4		6	4	6	RC	RC	RC	4	4	3	8	7	6			
	5.50	2	11	4233	Goethert		90.4					RC	RC	RC							5	6	
	4.83	6	29	4340	Marshall		90.4			5	2						8	6	5	3			
		0	0	4716	Ringle		90.4			RC	RC	RC											
	2.13	16	34	4991	Goldberg		90.4	1	1	1	1	3	1	2	2	6	1	2	3	2	1	2	5
	3.11	9	28	5071	Gelman		90.4			2	2	4			1	5	4	2	6	2			
	3.89	9	35	5090	Armitage		90.4	4	2	5	6	3	3	3				RC	RC	RC	6	3	
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	7.00	2	14	2757	??		90.4			7	7												
	4.00	3	12	375	Bridges		90.4					4	4	4									
	7.00	3	21		CMU		90.4								7	7	7						
	2.00	1	2		Skong		90.4																2

Open Class

Rank	Avg	Count	Total	Sail #	skipper	Boat	PN	5/8	5/8	5/22	5/22	5/22	6/5	6/5	6/5	6/12	6/12	6/12	6/25	6/25	6/25	7/10	7/10
		11						1	2	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3					
	1.54	13	20	37708	Uehling	Laser	91.4	1	1	2	2	3	2	1	2	1	1	2				1	1
	3.67	6	22	58639	Brandt	SF	99.7			RC	RC	RC				2	6	4	6			2	2
		0	0	2379	Harlan	SJ 21	93.4																
	4.64	11	51	5284	Green	C22	96.5	4	2	3	1	4				9	8	6	4			5	5
	4.64	11	51	1461	Hastings	DS	99.2	2		6	3					4	6	7	3	4	4	6	6
	4.80	5	24	1011	Harlan	MXRAY	90.5									7	3	8				3	3
	3.30	10	33	6715	Kirk	C22	96.5			4	4	2				3	4	DNF	5	2	1	4	4
	2.33	12	28	188	Vito	FD	80.2	RC	RC	5	5	1	1	2	1	5	2	1	2	1	2		
	4.33	3	13	6	Shields	SC23	103.0	3	3	7													
	1.00	2	2	25200	Snipe	Snipe	92.4			1									1				
	5.50	6	33	1478	Lorenz	420	95.0									8	9	3	7	3	3		
	5.33	3	16		M. Lorenz	SF	91.4									6	5	5					

Remaining Community Sailing Program (CSP) Dates:

August 22 Learn to Sail
Sept 12 Learn to Sail


Classified:
Mertens-Goosens D-4 8' V-bottom pram; sprit rigged, stitch and glue built, spruce spars, Mack custom-made sail, built-in floatation, black hull (called "Hannah Snell"), 6oz. glass covering the bottom. The boat comes with tiller, rudder, dagger board, 2 life vests, wooden oars, nav light, anchor, line, oarlocks, etc. It's currently stored on dinghy rack E at Watt's Bay. Very stable, sails well, and would be a great boat for a child sailor or a small adult. Asking \$450. Michelle can be reached via cell at (412) 855-2056 or at mray200@hotmail.com

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